



Summer Events

Be Creative @ Your Library

2009

Weekly Story Times

Our popular weekly story hours move to their summer schedule in June. From June through August, we will have a lapsit program (for ages 2 and under) on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and a preschool story hour (ages 3 to 5) on Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Miss Kimberly, who usually leads the Tactile Toddler program, will be at the library to read evening bedtime stories during July and August.

Come in your pajamas Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. and snuggle in for a half hour of stories designed to send you to dreamland.

From the desk of Kathleen Whalin, Children's Librarian

There is really nothing better than a summer in Maine. Just ask all the people who live elsewhere and flock to our lakes, mountains, and beaches! Each summer the York Public Library joins the celebration with our annual summer reading program. Offering great programs and great stories, visiting the library should be part of your weekly schedule! This year's theme is "Be Creative @ Your Library" and we hope to celebrate a range of talents this summer.

The reading program is about – *reading!* Beginning June 21, children can sign up to join the summer reading program. The following week and for six weeks afterwards (June 28 until August 8) children will keep track of the minutes they spend reading (or being read to) each day. Each week they turn in their reading minutes they will receive a special reward coupon and a chance to add to an amazing sculpture (see pg. 2, Summer Reading Mascot). Last year kids read a total of 3028 hours and we plan to exceed that amazing number!

This year we are planning a special collaboration with Coastal Ridge Elementary School. Join Principal Sean Murphy each week at the school for good stories and plan to earn special recognition once school starts in the fall.

Maine summers seem to have been created just for our pleasure – sun sparkling on water, fireflies lighting up nights, berries ripening to perfection. Come to the library this summer for other pleasurable creations: puppets, crafts, puzzles, jugglers, and more.

Spontaneous Drop-In Programs

Rainy day drop-in movies

1:00 p.m.

Can't go to the beach? Come to the Library! We'll show children's movies on any rainy day during the summer (from the last week of June until the last week of August).

Crafts

Drop into the Library at any time to learn a new craft and take away a new skill.

Annual Family Fun Series Sponsored by Kennebunk Savings Bank

Thursday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.

Double Vision

The Scalises always knew they wanted more than anything else to be entertainers. Prepare to be amazed as Jody and Linda Scalise showcase their mime, acrobatic, and juggling talents.

Wednesday, August 5

10:30 a.m.

The Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers present "The Legend of the Banana Kid"

Based in Bar Harbor, this nationally celebrated puppetry troupe features the theatrical talents of three siblings: Erik, Brian, and Robin Torbeck. Join their cast of hand-made puppets as Little Chucky takes on desperate outlaws to save a small town.

Other Special Family Programs

Family Creative Art Night

Week of July 27

Look for a collaborative family art project the week of July 27. Julie Eneman and graphic artist and potter Jill Burke will guide families in the creation of an art piece suitable for hanging in any living room. Details to be announced (see our website or check at the desk when you come in to sign up for the summer reading program).

Family Movie Night

Sunday, August 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Come celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Walt Disney's *Pinocchio*, the tale of a wooden puppet brought to life by a fairy. Winning Oscars both for Best Song and Best Scoring of a Musical Picture when it was released, *Pinocchio* is now considered one of the ten best animated films of all time and, like all great works of art, remains fresh from generation to generation.

Gather up everyone you know and share the adventures of Jiminy Cricket, Cleo, Geppetto, Pinocchio, Figaro, J. Worthington Foulfellow, Gideon, Lampwick, the Blue Fairy, and Monstro. You provide the wonder; we'll provide the popcorn.

Admission is free.

Feel free to bring a picnic and blanket/pillow if you wish. Speaking of wishes, don't forget to 'wish upon a star' before heading home!

Summer Reading Mascot

In the spirit of our summer reading theme, Be Creative @ Your Library, help make our summer reading mascot, a monstrously wonderful sculpture, become a colorful beast.

Each week when you sign in to the summer reading program, you will have the chance to decorate our blank sculpture with recycled materials.

Watch our mascot grow throughout the summer!

Summer in the Playhouse

Kids – come enjoy imaginative play at “The Inside Scoop” ice cream shop.

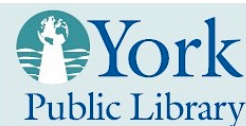
Scoop and serve up some cool summer treats for your friends and family in the playhouse. Cup or cone? Rainbow or chocolate jimmies? These will be some of the fun props awaiting your pretend play.



Special Family Concert with Farmer Jason

Saturday, August 15 at 1:00 p.m.

Nashville's own Emmy-award winner, Farmer Jason, shares his musical talents with York, Maine on Saturday, August 15 at 1:00 p.m. Jason Ringenberg brings his guitar, his voice, and his infectious sense of fun to the Library. Gather up all your family and come on down!



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