





current information to plan your visit. We can't wait to see you!

A Welcome from Library Director Jeff Scott

Welcome back! As the Summer 2021 edition of the Washoe County Library Explorer goes to press, we have just reopened most of our libraries for browsing and computer use, and we are looking forward to expanding hours and services in the summer and fall. Our hours and services are still subject to change, so please check washoecountylibrary.us/reopen for the most

Our 2021 Summer Reading Challenge, *Tails and Tales*, runs June 1 through August 31. The program gives kids and teens a chance to earn books while tracking their reading and engaging in fun activities. Our popular *Conservation Ambassadors Wild Things* virtual event series is back this summer, along with new virtual Summer Reading events for all ages. While our events remain virtual through August, access to the internet is not necessary to complete the Summer Reading Challenge.

To support increased hours, we are actively hiring positions that were lost since last year, and many of our staff who have been working as contact tracers for Washoe County School District are returning to their roles with the library. More of our community have been vaccinated, and the library will continue to safely reintroduce services and additional hours as we are able.

I am grateful to our community of library users for their support and understanding as we reinvented our services during the pandemic. The lessons we learned over the last year will help us to continue to offer more robust virtual services, even as we get back into our libraries. I am also grateful for our library staff, who since last March have helped produce PPE, learned how to produce videos, worked with the school district to keep schools open, adapted services and programs for the internet, and worked tirelessly to ensure a safe reopening.

Stay up to date and register online for all our upcoming events at washoecountylibrary.us/events. Be sure to follow us on social media and sign up for our newsletter to be informed of the latest updates. Library hours and in-person services may still be impacted by the spread of COVID-19 in the region. The latest updates about our safe reopening, including our current phased reopening plan and information about available services, can be found at www.washoecountylibrary.us/reopen.

Washoe County Library



June - August 2021

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Brian is busy prepping holds for pickup at the Sparks library.



The garden courtyard at Sparks is the perfect Virtual Story Time setting for Colin!



Pamela uses her creative expertise to make amazing displays.

Downtown Reno Library

301 South Center Street Reno, NV 89501 775–327–8300



Sierra View Library

4001 South Virginia Street (inside Reno Town Mall) Reno, NV 89502 775–827–3232



Gerlach Community Library

555 East Sunset Boulevard Gerlach, NV 89412 775–557–2326



South Valleys Library

15650-A Wedge Parkway Reno, NV 89511 775–851–5190



Incline Village Library

845 Alder Avenue Incline Village, NV 89451 775–832–4130



Spanish Springs Library

7100-A Pyramid Highway Sparks, NV 89436 775–424–1800



North Valleys Library

1075 North Hills Boulevard Suite 340 Reno, NV 89506 775–972–0281



Sparks Library

1125 12th Street Sparks, NV 89431 775–352–3200



Northwest Reno Library

2325 Robb Drive Reno, NV 89523 775–787–4100



Our partnership branches are temporarily closed.

Duncan/Traner Community Library

1650 Carville Drive, Reno, NV 89512 775–333–5134

Senior Center Library

1155 East Ninth Street, Building E, Reno, NV 89512 775–328–2586

Verdi Community Library and Nature Center

270 Bridge Street, Verdi, NV 89439 775–345–8104

Visit washoecountylibrary.us/reopen for current hours.





Libraries are Open!

For the most current information about available services, please visit us online at:

www.washoecountylibrary.us/reopen

Have a question? Ask a librarian!

We are here to help you find the information and resources you need! Contact us by email at

www.washoecountylibrary.us/contact or call a branch, numbers on page 3.

Know before you go...



Please bring your library card to minimize contact.

Face coverings are required for all.





Browsing? Please limit your visit to **one hour**.









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Quick tips for Parents, Children & Teens!

Simple search: Enter title or

author & GO!

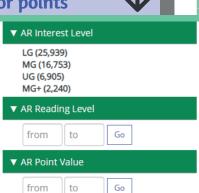
Search for series under keyword tab

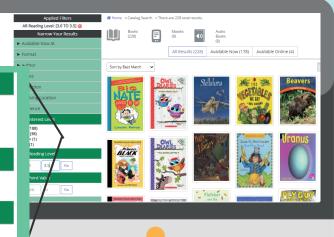


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by Keyword











So much to love!



Ebooks Audiobooks & Digital magazines!

Libby by OverDrive has over 1,000 kids' ebooks and audiobooks to check out, including read alongs.

Enjoy digital magazines for readers of every age! Read magazines online or download to your computer, tablet, or phone using the Libby app. Magazines are always available and never expire.



Always available!

TumbleBooks is a collection of animated, talking picture books, ebooks, and read-alongs great for kids up to about fifth grade. You will need your Washoe County Library card number to use TumbleBooks.

- Picture Books
- · Chapter Books
- Fiction & Nonfiction
- National Geographic Videos
- Games & Puzzles



Virtual Story Time

Every day in June, July, and August, 11 am To participate, join the Washoe County Library Virtual Story Time group on Facebook.

Break With Baby

First and third Tuesdays in June, July, and August, 4 pm Book recommendations, early literacy tips, and fun bounces, rhymes, and songs for our littlest learners.

Early Reader Feature

Second and fourth Tuesdays in June, July, and August, 4 pm Book suggestions, literacy tips, and fun family engagement activities for our beginning readers.



JOIN, US

EVERY DAY AT 11 AM FOR A VIRTUAL STORY TIME FEATURING ONE OF WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY'S VERY OWN STORY TIME STARS! WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/WASHOEVIRTUALSTORYTIME



Father's Day Toddler Time

Sunday, June 20, 11 am Join us for a special Father's Day Toddler Time!

Drag Queen Story Hour with Miss Ginger Devine

Saturday, July 24, 11 am Local drag queen, Miss Ginger Devine, will join us again this year in celebration of Northern Nevada Pride!

Our Story Times are posted in the Washoe County Library Virtual Story Time Group on Facebook. Join the group to view all our pre-recorded Story Times 24 hours a day!



Events for Kids

JUNE ONGOING EVENTS

Virtual Story Time Daily, 11 am

Break With BabyFirst and third Tuesdays, 4 pm

Early Reader Feature Second and fourth Tuesdays, 4 pm

Conservation Ambassadors Presents Wild Wednesdays with Wild Things: Tails and Tales

Third and fifth Wednesdays, 2 pm Meet live animals from around the world.

Crafternoon Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon

My Mini Farm Saturdays, 4 pm

TUESDAY. JUNE 1

4 pm Summer Reading Challenge Kick-Off Party

We will show you how to track your reading time, earn badges, earn prizes, and more.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

4 pm Summer Reading Challenge: Make a Ladybug!

THURSDAY. JUNE 3

4 pm Summer Reading Challenge: Make a Pollinator Puddler!

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

6 pm Backyard Tales

Join the Nevada Department of Wildlife to learn about the critters that can be found right in your own backyard!

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

11 am Virtual Story Time: Father's Day Toddler Time

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

2 pm Local Author Terri Farley
Presents What It Means To Be
a Mustang

JULY ONGOING EVENTS

Virtual Story Time Daily, 11 am

Break With BabyFirst and third Tuesdays, 4 pm

Early Reader Feature Second and fourth Tuesdays, 4 pm

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Crafternoon Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon



MONDAY, JULY 19

6 pm Draw It!

Come test out your drawing skills in this fun and interactive guessing game. Participants will use the platform https://skribbl.io.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

11 am Drag Queen Story Hour with Miss Ginger Devine
Local drag queen, Miss Ginger Devine, will join us again this year in celebration of Northern Nevada Pride.

AUGUST ONGOING EVENTS

Virtual Story Time Daily, 11 am

Break With Baby First and third Tuesdays, 4 pm

Early Reader Feature
Second and fourth Tuesdays, 4 pm

Crafternoon Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon

Strange Animal Files

Saturdays, 1 pm Join library staff as we profile some of the world's most bizarre animals and tell you how you can use library resources to find out more about these crazy creatures.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

4 pm End of Summer Reading Celebration for Babies and Toddlers!

MONDAY, AUGUST 23

4 pm End of Summer Reading Celebration for Preschoolers!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

4 pm End of Summer Reading Celebration for Early Readers!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

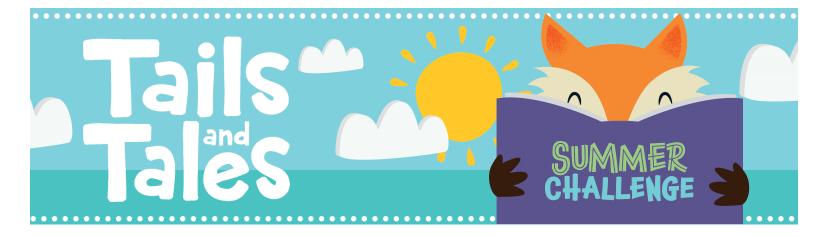
4 pm End of Summer Reading Celebration for Kids!



Summer Reading Challenge June 1 - August 31

> Join the Summer Reading Challenge today! See pages 8-9 for details.





HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Download the Beanstack app and create an account or use the paper log found at this web address:



www.washoecountylibrary.us/summerreading

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE JUNE 1 - AUGUST 31, 2021



HOW DO I EARN A PRIZE?

Sign Up = FREE BOOK!

Read 600 minutes = FREE BOOK!

Complete BINGO GAME = FREE BOOK!

Bring your completed reading log and/or bingo sheet to any Washoe County Library location to receive your FREE book! Check our website for a complete list of locations and hours.

ACTIVITY BAGS



The first 1,600 kids (0-18) to visit the library will receive a Summer Reading Challenge Activity Bag which contains: a book, craft, and activity sheets. Pick up at your library starting June 1. (While supplies last).

Activities for Teens

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KICK-OFF PARTY

Tuesday, June 1, 4 pm

We will show you how to track your reading time, earn badges, earn prizes, and more.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGES 2021

Challenge: Make a Ladybug! - Wednesday, June 2, 4 pm

Follow along to make a fun ladybug craft!

Challenge: Make a Pollinator Puddler! - Thursday, June 3, 4 pm

Pollinators like butterflies and bees are in need of our help. Make a simple pollinator puddler to welcome them to your yard.

Challenge: Make an Animal Sketchbook! - Friday, June 4, 4 pm

Learn how to complete your project and have it displayed in a library branch and in our virtual gallery.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE EVENTS 2021



Join the Nevada Department of Wildlife to learn about the critters that can be found right in your own backyard!

Wild Things: Tails and Tales - Wednesday, June 16 and 30, July 14 and 28, 2 pm

Conservation Ambassadors presents Wild Wednesdays with Wild Things: Tails and Tales. Meet live animals from around the world.

Strange Animal Files - Saturday, August 7, 14, 21, and 28, 1 pm

Join library staff as we profile some of the world's most bizarre animals and tell you how you can use library resources to find out more about these crazy creatures.



END OF SUMMER READING CELEBRATIONS 2021

Babies and Toddlers - Sunday, August 22, 4 pm

Preschoolers - Monday, August 23, 4 pm

Early Readers - Tuesday, August 24, 4 pm

Kids - Wednesday, August 25, 4 pm

Teens - Thursday, August 26, 4 pm

New Crafternoon: Friendship Bracelet Weaving



Teen Summer Resources

Challenge Yourself

Connect Empower Inspire!



Summer Reading Challenge June 1-August 31

Register beginning June 1 and receive a FREE activity bag and book (while supplies last) with all the materials you need to complete the Summer Reading





CHALLENGE: Read 600 Minutes! Return your log to the library, or use the Beanstack app, for a FREE book!

CHALLENGE:

BINGO for All Ages! Return your sheet to the library, or use the Beanstack app, for a FREE book!





CHALLENGE:

Make an Animal Sketchbook! Attend the virtual event on June 4 to learn more! Return your sketchbook for display!

For more information, visit us at washoecountylibrary.us/summerreading



Monday, June 14, 3:30 pm Teen Wellness Series: Summer Solstice Moisturizing Spritz Facial Toner

Have fun with a practical homemade self-care recipe to pamper and protect your skin during the summer.

Monday, July 12, 3:30 pm Teen Wellness Series: Natron Foot Bath

After a long fun day of pounding the pavement at Pride, your feet are heavy and tired. Get yourself home for a relaxing natron foot bath!

Monday, August 9, 3:30 pm Teen Wellness Series: Homemade Lip Balm

The end of summer is nigh. Keep the memories going with our homage to s'mores with an indulgent chocolate homemade lip balm.





Live, on-demand homework help and state-aligned skills building lessons from expert tutors. Communicate with tutors in real time using a virtual, whiteboard classroom by writing, drawing, and marking-up lessons/web content.



Brainfuse JobNow offers a onestop-shop for job seekers with a Washoe County Library card. JobNow specialists are available daily to provide live, one-on-one assistance with resume creation, proofreading, and interview coaching.

Live help daily 1-10 pm, excluding holidays. All other JobNow resources are always available.











Washoe County Library System values the importance of supporting and connecting with the teens in our community. We offer educational enrichment; free virtual events that focus on art, culture, and STEAM; and online resources that support lifelong learning and fun.

Events for Teens

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Crafternoon
Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon

My Mini Farm Saturdays, 4 pm

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Challenge Kick-Off Party
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FRIDAY, JUNE 4

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Learn how to complete
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THURSDAY, JUNE 10

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that can be found right
in your own backyard!

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Moisturizing Spritz
Facial Toner
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TUESDAY, JUNE 22

2 pm Local Author Terri Farley Presents What It Means To Be a Mustang

JULY ONGOING EVENTS

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Crafternoon Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

1 pm Truckee Meadows Quilters Virtual Gallery and Artists Reception

This Artown event has gone virtual! Registration required.

MONDAY. JULY 12

3:30 pm Teen Wellness Series: Natron Foot Bath

After a long fun day of pounding the pavement at Pride, your feet are heavy and tired. Get yourself home for a relaxing natron foot bath!

MONDAY, JULY 19

6 pm Draw It!

Come test out your drawing skills in this fun and interactive guessing game. Participants will use the platform https://skribbl.io.

MONDAY. JULY 26

6 pm Basket Weaving with Pine Needles

AUGUST ONGOING EVENTS

Crafternoon Thursdays, 4 pm

Book Hook Fridays, noon

Strange Animal Files

Saturdays, 1 pm Join library staff as we profile some of the world's most bizarre animals and tell you how you can use library resources to find out more about these crazy creatures.

MONDAY. AUGUST 9

3:30 pm Teen Wellness Series:
 Homemade Lip Balm
 The end of summer is nigh.
 Keep the memories going with our homage to s'mores with an indulgent chocolate homemade lip balm.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

4 pm End of Summer Reading Crafternoon for Teens and Tweens: Friendship Bracelet Weaving



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June



June is...
Rainbow Book Month
National Ocean Month
6/15 Story Stroll
6/19 Juneteenth
6/20 Father's Day
Summer Solstice

JULY



July is... Artown

7/23 Summer Olympics begin7/24 Northern Nevada PrideDrag Queen story time ft.Miss Ginger Divine

August



August is... Back to School

> 8/8 Summer Olympics end 8/19 Orville Wright's 150th Birthday



Events for Adults

JUNE EVENTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

4 pm My Mini Farm

Did you know that some of your librarians have mini farms? Check out what is going on in their backyards!

THURSDAY. JUNE 10

6 pm Backyard Tales

Join the Nevada Department of Wildlife to learn about the critters that can be found right in your own backyard!

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

4 pm My Mini Farm See June 5 for program



THURSDAY, JUNE 17

noon Nevada Historical Society
presents High Noon with Neal
Cobb: Ballooning in and
Around the Truckee Meadows

2 pm Virtual Book Discussion: The Lost Children Archive by Valeria Luiselli

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

4 pm My Mini Farm

See June 5 for program description.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26

4 pm My Mini Farm

See June 5 for program description.



JULY EVENTS

TUESDAY, JULY 6

3 pm Nevada Historical Society presents Artown Tuesdays in July 2021: Nevada Barn Heritage with Jack Hursh

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

1 pm Truckee Meadows Quilters Virtual Gallery and Artists Reception

This Artown event has gone virtual! Registration required.

TUESDAY, JULY 13

3 pm Nevada Historical Society presents Artown Tuesdays in July 2021: Harolds Club with Neal Cobb

THURSDAY, JULY 15

noon Nevada Historical Society presents High Noon with Neal Cobb: 19th & 20th Century Painters of Nevada

2 pm Washoe County Library Virtual Book Discussion: Astrophysics for People in a Hurry by Neil DeGrasse Tyson

MONDAY, JULY 19

6 pm Draw It!

Come test out your drawing skills in this fun and interactive guessing game. Participants will use the platform https://skribbl.io.

TUESDAY, JULY 20

3 pm Nevada Historical Society presents Artown Tuesdays in July 2021: American Mountain Men with Larry Walker

MONDAY, JULY 26

6 pm Basket Weaving with Pine Needles

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

3 pm Nevada Historical Society presents Artown Tuesdays in July 2021: Nevada Military Women with Ret. Lt. Col. Anne Davis

AUGUST EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

1 pm Get to Know Your Branch: Downtown Reno Gardens-Meet the Caretaker

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

noon Nevada Historical Society presents High Noon with Neal Cobb: Finding and Restoring Part of the Reno Fire Department's Past

2 pm Virtual Book Discussion: Leave the World Behind by Alam Rumaan

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

1 pm Get To Know Your Branch: Downtown Reno Gardens-Staff Picks

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

1 pm Get To Know Your Branch: Downtown Reno Gardens-Get Your Horticulture On



Readers' Advisory & SCAPE

with Teen Fiction



RECURSOS PARA HISPANOHABLANTES

washoecountylibrary.us/espanol



EVENTOS VIRTUALES

Visita nuestra página de eventos para encontrar eventos virtuales gratuitos y divertidos que se centran en el arte, la cultura, STEAM y la educación. Síguenos en Facebook y suscríbate a nuestros boletines.







Washoe County Library Sytem iDESAFÍO DE LECTURA DE VERANO! 1° de junio-31° de agosto, 2021 Para todas edades Eventos virtuales Actividades Premios

- Desarrolla fuertes habilidades de lectura y lenguaje
- Mejora la comprensión lectura
- Gana habilidades de memoria
- · Aumenta la autoestima y la confianza
- Descubre nuevas aventuras a través de la lectura

washoecountylibrary.us/summerreading

Si no puedes participar en línea, ¡está bien! Lleva este registro completo a cualquier sucursal de las Biblio tecas del Condado de Washoe para recibir tu premio durante nuestras horas de apertura. Este registro está disponible en inglés y español en nuestro sitio web.





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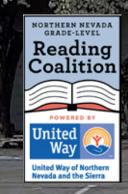
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"The library is the bedrock of our community. We are honored to help support it."

Jennifer & Gary Lee









Connect, Gather, Explore

WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

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