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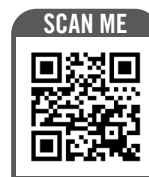
What you need to grow
your small business all
in one place.
(INSIDE COVER)

SKAMANIA COUNTY READS

The whole county is
reading *A Fire Story* by
Brian Fies.
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A STORY FOR EVERYONE

Learn how our materials
are selected and how
you can make requests.
(INSIDE COVER)



To go to the
library calendar

LIBRARY CLOSURE: MAY 29

All FVRL libraries,
bookmobiles, and
the operations
center will be
closed for
Memorial Day.



A STORY FOR EVERYONE: OUR COLLECTION AT FVRLIBRARIES

Our collection at FVRLibraries is selected and maintained by a team of librarians according to the Collection Policy written by our Board of Trustees. The term “collection” refers to the materials you see on the shelves in our libraries as well as the digital services we offer through our website and apps, including eBooks, learning tools, streaming services, and more.

The primary objectives of the FVRLibraries collection are:

- To educate and inform
- To promote the pleasure of reading
- To develop the skills and abilities needed for personal success
- To encourage and enhance personal, artistic, and intellectual growth

Our collection as a whole is intended to be a diverse source

of information representing as many viewpoints as possible. Because our resources are not unlimited and additions to our collection must fit within our budget for library materials, we also use other methods for meeting patron needs, including the use of electronic sources of information and borrowing from other libraries.

If you are looking for an item that FVRLibraries doesn't own, there are several ways you can ask for it and we'll do our best to help. If the item is still being published, ask to have it added to our collection with the Request a Purchase form. For eBooks and eAudiobooks, use the Notify Me button in the Libby app. For other items not available in our catalog, magazines, and newspapers, try Interlibrary Loan and we'll attempt to borrow from another library system and send it to your local library for pickup.



CONNECT AND NAVIGATE SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCE FAIR

In honor of the City of Vancouver's Small Business Month in May, FVRLibraries and the City of Vancouver are co-hosting Connect and Navigate 2023 at Vancouver Community Library on May 11 from 3–6 pm.

- Grow your small business.
- Find resources for every stage of your entrepreneurship adventure.
- Meet advisers, business counselors, and learn about available services all in one place.

LIBRARY DISTRICT'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RETIRE

After nearly eight years leading Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries (FVRLibraries), Amelia Shelley has announced she will retire as Executive Director this summer. The FVRLibraries Board of Trustees will be launching a national search to find her successor. Shelley's last day with FVRLibraries will be July 31, 2023. Read more: bit.ly/FVRLibrariesDirector

Some changes to programs may occur after this booklet is printed. Check fvrl.org for the latest information.



Adults

Adults of all ages and teens are welcome

May Programs

BATTLE GROUND



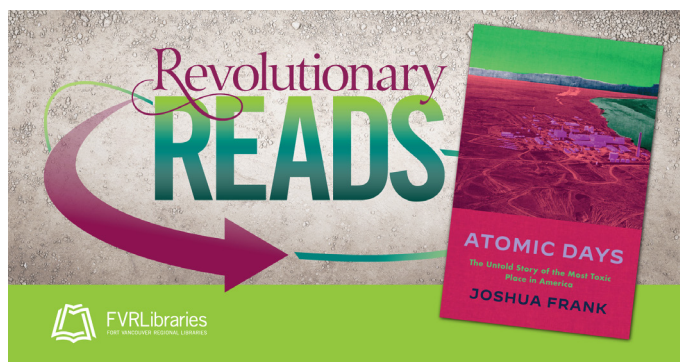
Photographs and Memories: Stories from a Vietnam Combat Veteran

PRESENTATION
MAY 6 1–2 pm

Sergeant Dennis Fisher, USMC, will share his experiences as a Marine Corps combat photographer in Vietnam, along with supporting photos.

EXHIBIT
THROUGH MAY 31

An exhibit of Mr. Fisher's photographs is available for viewing during library hours through May 31.



Hanford: Myth vs. Reality
ONLINE

MAY 1 6:30–7 pm

Ryan Miller, Dept. of Ecology, State of Washington, covers some Hanford history, provides an update on the progress and challenges of the cleanup efforts, and explains the importance of citizen involvement in cleanup decisions.

Atomic Days Book Discussion
ONLINE

MAY 30 6:30–7:30 pm

We will discuss our 2023 Revolutionary Reads book, *Atomic Days: the Untold Story of the Most Toxic Place in America* by Joshua Frank. Free copies of the book are available at all FVRLibraries.

Most **Revolutionary Reads** events will take place in June, but these May events will kick off our annual community reading program. Pick up your copy of the book, *Atomic Days* by Joshua Frank, at the library in May and find all events at fvrl.org/revolutionary-reads.

CASCADE PARK

Conscious Consumption Series: Trashion Show
MAY 13 2–3 pm

R Enter our first Trashion Show! Create a wearable garment or accessory for the runway, or submit artwork for a gallery show. All entries must be made from reused or recycled materials. All ages welcome to attend, but entrants must be 12+.

Preserving Herbs
MAY 22 6:30–7:30 pm

Garden Delights Herb Farm will show you how to take the herbs you grow at home and preserve them for future use.

Luminaria: Candle Shades
MAY 27 3–4:30 pm

Join us to make beautiful indoor tabletop lanterns using ordinary household supplies. This simple craft is quick to create and easy to customize.

May Programs

GOLDENDALE

She Persisted: Women Artists Through Time

MAY 11 6–7 pm

Join Louise Palermo as she reintroduces the major artists who impacted their generations and whom time forgot.

LA CENTER

Needle Felting Workshop with Juneko Martinson

MAY 5

10:30 am–1:30 pm

R Juneko Martinson will teach you basic needle felting techniques while you create a cute mama bird tending her nest. Supplies provided. Ages 11+. Registration required.

Mobile Devices Lab

MAY 25 10 am–12 pm

Stop struggling with your mobile device alone! Bring your eReader, tablet, or smartphone to this drop-in lab where our staff will help with your questions.

ONLINE

Drag Culture: Beyond Entertainment

MAY 17 7–8 pm

R Drag is a form of entertainment using clothing and makeup to impersonate a gender identity. Yet drag is much more than a performance. It provides community, instills self-confidence, and can even save lives. Paid for by Humanities Washington.



Kanopy Klub Film Discussion

ONLINE

MAY 18 6–7:30 pm

R In May and June 2023, we will discuss immigration issues as part of our Welcome to America program series. For May's meeting we will discuss *The Donut King* (2020).

Finding Home: The Immigrant Experience Through Words and Pictures

CASCADE PARK

MAY 2 6–7:30 pm

THREE CREEKS

MAY 20 2–3:30 pm

R Join us online as we develop a better understanding of the immigrant journey. We will read picture books about the hopes and hardships of finding home. The discussion will be most appropriate for adults and older teens. Sponsored by the Washington State Library.

Coming to America: Yiddish Book Club Series

WHITE SALMON VALLEY / ONLINE

MAY 1 6–7:30 pm

R H FVRL and the Yiddish Book Center are proud to present Coming to America: Reading Groups for Public Libraries. This series includes three books about the immigrant experience from Yiddish communities before, during, and after WW II. This month we're reading *A Jewish Refugee* by Kady Molodovsky. Sponsored by a grant from the Yiddish Book Center.

Welcome to America is our three-month discussion series on immigrant experiences. For the complete series of events, visit bit.ly/WelcomeToAmericaSeries.

STEVENSON

Community Resiliency Film Series:

"Extinction: The Facts"

MAY 13

10:30 am–12:30 pm

Critical Issues of Our Times film series features four documentaries with the theme What We Have Forgotten. All films are viewable on Kanopy free with your library account.

This month we will watch *Extinction: The Facts*.

THREE CREEKS

Open House

MAY 20 10 am–12 pm

Drop in and learn about the amazing services and resources offered at the library. Chat with library staff about how to make the most of your library account, have your questions answered, and share your thoughts about the library.

VANCOUVER

Connect and Navigate Small Business Resource Fair

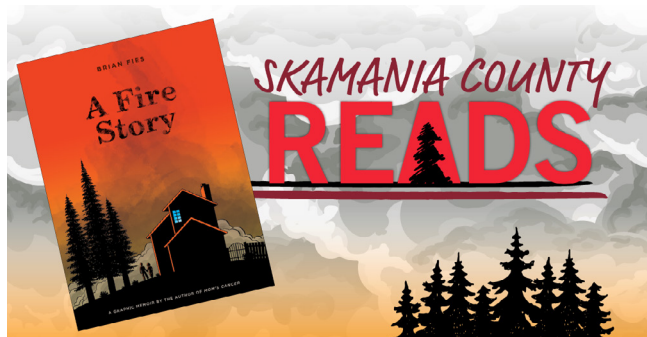
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May Programs

STEVENSON



Join us for these events related to this year's book, *A Fire Story* by Brian Fies.

Art Exhibit

MAY 1–31

Enjoy work by local artists inspired by our forests, wildfire, and this year's Skamania County Reads title, *A Fire Story* by Brian Fies. Exhibit available for viewing during library open hours.

Adult Book Group

STEVENSON / ONLINE

MAY 3 6–7:30 pm

H *A Fire Story* by Brian Fies.

Eagle Creek Fire, Will it Reburn?

MAY 9 6–7:30 pm

On September 3, 2017, fireworks ignited the 19,267-hectare Eagle Creek Fire. In September of 1902, teenagers burning a bees' nest started the 200,000-hectare Yacolt Burn. The presenter assesses the likelihood of another fire in this area based on the remaining trunks, snags, and other conditions.

Fundamentals of FireWise

MAY 18 6–7:30 pm

Improve your defensible space against wildfire. Fire Chief Rob Farris and John Carlson of the Department of Emergency Management will be on hand. Q & A to follow.

Author Visit Brian Fies

MAY 25 6–8 pm Hegewald Auditorium

Presentation and signing by Brian Fies, author of Skamania County Reads 2023 selection, *A Fire Story*. Brian Fies will be available to sign books afterward, and North Bank Books will be selling books.

VANCOUVER (continued)

Starting a Home-Based Business

MAY 13 10–11:30 am

Join Arthur William Ruttledge from SCORE and Laura Meeker from FVRLibraries for a presentation on free business resources and how to access them.

Business Tax Basics with Department of Revenue

MAY 17 10 am–12 pm

R This session will review the most common Washington business taxes, registration requirements, nexus standards, and how to file excise tax returns. Best for newer businesses, but any business with activities in Washington is welcome. Register on the Department of Revenue's website to attend.

WHITE SALMON

Wild About Nature Series

MAY 5 6–8 pm

**Mountain View Grange #98
1085 N Main Ave**

This session will include these speeches: "Observing Wildlife with Trail Cameras: A Citizen's Guide" and "Early Naturalists and Their Observations in the Columbia River Gorge."

Friends of the Library

Monthly Meetings

Looking for a fun way to support your library? Join a Friends of the Library group near you.

Battle Ground

MAY 2 1–3 pm

Cascade Park

MAY 18 6–7:30 pm

Goldendale

MAY 17 5–6 pm

La Center

MAY 3 6–7 pm

Ridgefield

MAY 18 5–7:30 pm

Stevenson/

North Bonneville

MAY 2

10:30 am–12 pm

Three Creeks

APR 27 6–7 pm

White Salmon Valley

MAY 8 3–4:30 pm



Growing Your Own Vegetables

WASHOUGAL / ONLINE

MAY 13 **H** 11 am–12 pm

RIDGEFIELD

MAY 27 11 am–12 pm

Information about growing vegetables: from site selection to soil preparation, variety selection, seeding, transplanting, and garden maintenance.

Sustainable Landscaping

CASCADE PARK / ONLINE

MAY 20 **H** 2–3 pm

VANCOUVER

MAY 27 10–11 am

Janis McBride presents techniques to maximize success of your landscape plants. You can achieve an aesthetically pleasing garden that is in balance with nature as well as save time and money.

For complete series schedule, visit bit.ly/MasterGardener2023.

NEW WOODLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY GROUNDBREAKING JUNE 17

The date is set and plans are underway. Join us at 2 pm on Saturday, June 17, at the corner of Lakeshore Drive and Goerig Street in Woodland when we will—as part of Woodland's annual Planters Days—break ground on the new Woodland Community Library building project. Visit fvrl.org/imagineWoodland for up-to-date information as we finalize festivities.

Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

MONTHLY

- MAY 12** Nerdy Social Hour
Battle Ground 2nd Fri 4–5:30 pm
- MAY 8** Monday Evening Movie and Discussion
Cascade Park 2nd Mon 5:30–7:30 pm
- MAY 15** Willamette Writers Vancouver Chapter
Cascade Park/Online **H** 3rd Mon 6:15–7:30 pm
- MAY 26** Harp Circle
Cascade Park 4th Fri 10 am–12 pm
- MAY 1** One-On-One Tech Help (30-minute sessions)
Goldendale 1st Mon 10 am–1 pm
- MAY 11** Genealogy Group
La Center 2nd Thu 9–10 am
- MAY 25** Mobile Devices Lab
La Center 2nd Thu 9–10 am
- MAY 24** Writers Circle (for teens and adults)
Ridgefield 4th Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 5*** Red Cross Blood Drive
Stevenson **R** *1st or 2nd Fri 12–5 pm
- MAY 8** Meditation Building Blocks:
Finding Happiness
Stevenson/Online **H** 2nd Mon 5:30–7 pm
- MAY 15** FVRL Board of Trustees Meeting
Stevenson/Online **H** 3rd Mon 6–8 pm



WEEKLY

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| <p>FRI* Yarn Buzz (for teens and adults)
<i>La Center</i> *2nd and 4th Fri 10–11 am</p> <p>WED Stitchery Group
<i>Ridgefield</i> Wed 10 am–12 pm</p> <p>WED Spanish Conversation Circle: Intermediate
<i>Ridgefield</i> R Wed 3–4:30 pm</p> <p>THU Craft 'n Chat
<i>Vancouver</i> Thu 3–4 pm</p> <p>THU* The Craft of Writing: Workshop and Book Group
<i>Vancouver/Online</i> H *1st and 3rd Thu
10:30 am–12:30 pm</p> <p>WED Knit and Natter (for teens and adults)
<i>Vancouver Mall</i> Wed 5:30–6:45 pm</p> | <p>FRI* Sit & Stitch
<i>Off-site–Washougal</i> *2nd Fri 4:30–6 pm,
4th Fri 11 am–12:30 pm. Meet at: Children's
Home Society Building, 1702 C Street, Washougal</p> <p>TUE Chess Mates
<i>White Salmon Valley</i> Tue 3:30–5 pm</p> <p>FRI Knitting Circle
<i>White Salmon Valley</i> Fri 10 am–12 pm</p> |
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IN-PERSON BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. All are welcome. Stop by the library to pick up your copy!

Battle Ground
MAY 24 9:30–10:30 am

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford.

Cascade Park
MAY 9 7–8 pm

Just Mercy
by Bryan Stevenson.

Goldendale
MAY 15 11 am–12 pm

R Check with staff for title.

La Center
MAY 3 9–10 am

Shuggie Bain
by Douglas Stuart.

Ridgefield
MAY 16 6–7 pm

The Yellow House
by Sarah M. Broom.

Stevenson/Online
MAY 3* 6–7 pm

H *A Fire Story* by Brian Fies.
*Skamania County Reads

Three Creeks (evening)
MAY 2 6–7 pm

Braiding Sweetgrass
by Robin Kimmerer.

Three Creeks (afternoon)
MAY 4 12:30–2 pm

Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law by Mary Roach.

Vancouver
MAY 9 6–7 pm

Check with staff for title.

Off-site–Vancouver Mall
MAY 11 10:30–11:30 am

Glenwood Place Senior Living
5500 NE 82nd Ave
Afterlife by Julia Alvarez.

Off-site–Vancouver Mall
MAY 19 10:30–11:30 am

Vancouver Mall Retirement
Community, 7808 NE 51st St
The Feather Thief
by Kirk Wallace Johnson.

White Salmon Valley
MAY 22 3–4 pm

R *The Trouble with Goats and Sheep* by Joanna Cannon.

Woodland
MAY 15
11:30 am–12:30 pm

Dirt Creek by Haley Scrivenor.

Manga & Graphic Novel Group

Battle Ground
MAY 6 3–4 pm

A Man And His Cat written and illustrated by Umi Skurai.
For ages 18 and up.

Books and Brew
Off-site–Washougal
MAY 18 6–7 pm

Pick up title at library.
Meet at: 54°40' Brewing Company, 3801 S Truman Rd #1, Washougal.

Virtual

Online programs and performances



Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

WEEKLY

- TUE** Gentle Yoga (for teens and adults)
Online R Tue 3–4 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Tuesdays) **Online R** Tue 4–6 pm
- TUE** Spanish Conversation Circle: Advanced
Online R Tue 6–7:45 pm
- WED*** 'Couve Comics Workshop (for tweens, teens, and adults)
Online R *1st and 3rd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- THU** English Conversation Circle
Online R Thu 10:30 am–12 pm
- THU** ASL Conversation Circle: Come Sign With Us
Online R Thu 6–7 pm
- THU*** Spanish Conversation Circle: Intermediate
Online R *1st, 2nd, and 4th Thu 6–7:30 pm
- FRI** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Fridays) **Online R** Fri 3:30–5:30 pm
- FRI** Teen Video Game Club
Online R Fri 4–5:30 pm
- FRI** Pathfinder RPG for Teens and Tweens
Online R Fri 4:15–6:15 pm
- SAT** Spanish Conversation Circle: High Intermediate
Online R Sat 11 am–12:30 pm

MONTHLY

- MAY 1** Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition for Grown-ups (for ages 18 and up) **Online R** 1st Mon 6–8 pm
- MAY 3*** Reflecting Rainbows:
*LGBTQ+ Immigrant Experience
(for adults) **Online R** 1st Wed 7–8 pm
- MAY 8** Imagined Ink: Teen Write-In
Online R 2nd Mon 4–5 pm
- MAY 10** Board Game Night
Online R 2nd Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 16** Relaxing Origami Time with Yuki
(for teens and adults) **Online R** 3rd Tue 7–8 pm
- MAY 18** Family History Essentials: Cool and Useful Websites **Online R** 3rd Thu 3–4:30 pm
- MAY 18*** Kanopy Klub Film Discussion:
*Immigrant Experiences
Online R 3rd Thu 6–7:30 pm
- MAY 22** Make Anything: Paper Pinwheel Wreath
Online R 4th Mon 6–7:30 pm

ONLINE BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title.
Check the online calendar description to find out
how to get a copy of the book.

YA for the Olds

MAY 2 7–8 pm

R *Ash* by Malinda Lo.

Spicy Romance

MAY 4 6–7 pm

R *Sweat and Soap*
by Kintetsu Yamada.
For ages 18 and up.

Nature Lovers

MAY 5 4–5:30 pm

R *The Island Within*
by Richard Nelson.

Virtual Kids

Book Group

MAY 11 4–5 pm

R *Lola Levine is Not Mean!*
by Monica Brown.
For ages 6–9.

Catch up
with the Classics

MAY 17 7–8 pm

R *Persuasion* by Jane Austen.

Virtual Tween

Book Group

MAY 18 4–5 pm

R *The Bridge Home*
by Padma Venkatraman.
For ages 9–12.

FAFSA/WASFA APPLICATION
WORKSHOPS

R H Want to go to college? Need help applying for financial aid? Clark College has partnered with FVRLibraries and others, including WSUV, Odyssey World, I-Urban Teen, and NAACP to help you through the financial aid application process.

Join us for these free hands-on workshops where representatives will help answer questions and assist you in completing your FAFSA/WASFA application. Workshops will be held both virtually and in-person. Limited computers and space will be provided for in-person workshops. Virtual workshop attendees will need a computer and reliable internet.

Note: We will have limited Spanish/Russian translation services upon request and may need to adjust your workshop time to ensure access.

VANCOUVER / ONLINE

MAY 6 10 am–1 pm

Sign up at bit.ly/FinancialAidWorkshop1

CASCADE PARK / ONLINE

MAY 27 10 am–1 pm

Sign up at bit.ly/FinancialAidWorkshop2

TEEN & TWEEN BOOK GROUPS

For ages 12–19. Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. Stop by the library to pick up your copy!

Tween Book Group

La Center

MAY 24 3–4 pm

Check with staff for title.
For ages 8–12.

Virtual Tween

Book Group

Online

MAY 18 4–5 pm

R *The Bridge Home*
by Padma Venkatraman.
For ages 9–12.

Teen Book Group

White Salmon Valley

MAY 5 4–5 pm

Check with staff for title.

Tween Book Group

White Salmon Valley

MAY 18 3:30–4:30 pm

Check with staff for title.

Tween Book Group

Woodland

MAY 9 3:45–5 pm

Girl Who Drank the Moon
by Kelly Barnhill.

Teens & Tweens

For ages 12–19 years

May Programs

CASCADE PARK

Conscious Consumption Series: Trashion Show

MAY 13 2–3 pm

R Enter our first Trashion Show! Create a wearable garment or accessory for the runway, or submit artwork for a gallery show. All entries must be made from reused or recycled materials. All ages welcome to attend, but entrants must be 12+.

Teen Board Game Night

MAY 23 6–8 pm

Come learn a new game or play an old favorite with new friends. Games and snacks provided. For ages 12–18.

Luminaria:

Candle Shades

MAY 27 3–4:30 pm

Join us to make beautiful indoor tabletop lanterns using ordinary household supplies. This simple craft is quick to create and easy to customize.

LA CENTER

Teen Bag It

MAY 11 3–5 pm

Teens, come show off your artistic skills or just hang out! We will be decorating book bags. All supplies provided, along with snacks!

ONLINE

Virtual Teen Discord: Jackbox Games®

MAY 1 4–5:30 pm

Join other teens in the library Discord to try your hand at Jackbox Party Games. Games will be streamed via Discord using the library's own Steam account! Note: profanity filter will be enabled, and the game will be monitored by staff.

VANCOUVER MALL

Brick Challenge

MAY 13

11:30 am–12:30 pm

R Build, create, and share with LEGO®! Take inspiration from fun challenge cards, or use your imagination to make your own fantastic design.

WHITE SALMON VALLEY

"A Murderous Melodrama": A Teen Interactive Mystery Night!

MAY 26 6:30–8:30 pm

The body of the lead of a local play has been discovered center stage! Was it natural causes, or more sinister? Gather your teams to investigate and listen to statements. Bring your thinking caps and puzzle it out. Prizes to the winning team!



Libby.

OVERDRIVE'S LIBBY APP

The Libby app allows you to access eBooks and eAudiobooks from the library's collection on OverDrive. It's easy to set up and use, and offers a lot of cool features:

- Use accounts from multiple libraries
- Loans and holds are together on one shelf
- Use "Notify me" to get a heads-up when your library adds a certain title
- Get push notifications so you'll never miss a hold or due date

Need help getting started? Check out our FAQ or request a meeting with staff to help you at fvr.org. Or, ask at your local library or call 360-906-5000.

Ongoing

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WEEKLY

- THU** Tween & Teen Dungeons & Dragons
Cascade Park ^R 4–6 pm
- FRI*** Teen GamerNoon (for tweens and teens)
Goldendale *1st, 2nd, and 3rd Fri 3–5 pm
- FRI*** Yarn Buzz (for teens and adults)
La Center *2nd and 4th Fri 10–11 am
- TUE** Gentle Yoga (for teens and adults)
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- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens
Ridgefield Tue 4:30–6:30 pm
- FRI*** Teen Council
Stevenson 1st and 3rd Fri 4:30–5:30 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens
Three Creeks Tue 4–6 pm
- SAT** Saturday Morning Cartoons
Vancouver Sat 10 am–12 pm
- SAT*** Teen Council
Vancouver *1st and 3rd Sat 4–5:30 pm
- WED** Knit and Natter (for teens and adults)
Vancouver Mall Wed 5:30–6:45 pm
- TUE** Chess Mates
White Salmon Valley Tue 3:30–5 pm

- WED*** Dungeons & Dragons
White Salmon Valley ^R Wed 2:30–5 pm
*SESSION 4: May 10, 17, and 24

MONTHLY

- MAY 11** Teen Hangout
Battle Ground 2nd Thu 4–5 pm
- MAY 1** Teen Council
Cascade Park 1st Mon 5–6 pm
- MAY 22** Teen Council
La Center 4th Mon 3–5 pm
- MAY 8** Imagined Ink: Teen Write-In
Online ^R 2nd Mon 4–5 pm
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- MAY 22** Make Anything: Paper Pinwheel Wreath
Online ^R 4th Mon 6–7:30 pm
- MAY 3** Teen Movie Matinee
Ridgefield 1st Wed 5–7 pm
- MAY 24** Writers Circle (for teens and adults)
Ridgefield 4th Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 24** Teen Council
Ridgefield 4th Thu 5–6 pm
- MAY 2*** Teen Council
Off-site–Washougal 1st Tue 4:30–5:30 pm
*Meet at: Children's Home Society Building, 1702 C Street
- MAY 22*** Tabletop Role-Playing Game Club (for tweens and teens)
Washougal ^R *4th Mon this month 4:30–6 pm
- MAY 5** Teen Council
White Salmon Valley 1st Fri 5–6 pm



Kids & Preschool

For ages birth through 12 years

May Programs

CASCADE PARK

Kids' Cooking Club MAY 10 5–6:30 pm

R Join us for a food-related story and cooking activity! All ingredients for young chefs will be supplied. For kids ages 7–12. Parent participation required.

THREE CREEKS

HeroQuest for Youngsters WEDNESDAYS IN MAY 3:30–4:30 pm

R 1st–3rd graders interested in Dungeons and Dragons but not all the complicated rules, grab your parent/caregiver and join us for adventure. Learn to play HeroQuest, the board game where you will battle monsters, avoid traps, and discover treasure. No experience necessary.

Comedy for the Kids with Angel Ocasio *Comedia Para Los Niños con Angel Ocasio* MAY 20 1–2 pm

Angel Ocasio combines magic, juggling, music, and his unique style of comedy.

Angel Ocasio combina magia, malabarismo, música, y su estilo único de comedia.



PITTOCK MANSION

Get free admission with Experience Pass

Portland's Pittock Mansion is the newest attraction added to our Experience Pass program. Get free passes to museums and attractions using your library account. Browse many attractions and schedule your passes at fvrl.org/experience-pass, then look forward to your visit!

KIDS BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. Stop by the library to pick up your copy!

The Read-Aloud Crowd Battle Ground MAY 10 4:30–5:30 pm

Ask at front desk for title.

Kids & Parent Book Group La Center MAY 25 3–4 pm

The Bad Guys
by Aaron Blabey.
For kids 6–8 years old with their accompanying adult.

Virtual Kids Book Group Online MAY 11 4–5 pm

R *Lola Levine is Not Mean!*
by Monica Brown.
For ages 6–9. Register and select a location to pick up a copy of the book.

Book Buddies White Salmon Valley MAY 11 4–5 pm

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Ongoing

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WEEKLY

- MON** Monday Morning Mixer (for ages 6 and under)
Battle Ground Mon 10–11 am
- WED*** Read to the Dog
(15-minute sessions, for ages 5–9)
Cascade Park ® 1st and 3rd Wed 4–5 pm
- SAT*** Littles Social Hour (for ages 3 months–5 years)
La Center *1st and 2nd Sat 10:30–11:30 am
- WED*** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)
Ridgefield *3rd Mon 3:30–4:30 pm
and 4th Tue 6–7 pm
- WED** Wacky Wednesday
Stevenson Wed 2–4 pm
- SAT*** Family Movie Matinee
Stevenson *1st & 3rd Sat 2–5 pm
May 6: *Raya and The Last Dragon*
May 20: *Storks*
- SAT*** Build It! (for ages 5–12)
Stevenson *2nd & 4th Sat 2–3:30 pm
- TUE*** Crafternoon
Vancouver *1st and 2nd Tue 4–5 pm
- MON** Monday Morning Mix-up (for ages 6 and under)
White Salmon Valley Mon 10:30–11:30 am
- WED & FRI** Family Craft Workshop
Yacolt Wed & Fri 11 am–5 pm



EXPLORING VANCOUVER COMMUNITY LIBRARY'S 3RD FLOOR

Do you like to play and learn in the exploration center at Vancouver Community Library? The area opens when the library opens in the morning and closes at 5 pm each day. We hope to see you and your little ones there!

MONTHLY

- MAY 16** Build It! (for ages 5–12)
Battle Ground 3rd Tue 5:30–6:30 pm
- MAY 31** Last Wednesday (for ages 5–11)
Cascade Park Last Wed 5–6 pm
- MAY 26** Crafternoon (for grades 2–4)
Goldendale 4th Fri 2:30–4 pm
- MAY 13** Build It! (for kids, tweens, and teens)
Ridgefield 2nd Sat 10:30 am–12 pm
- MAY 17** School Age Art Fun
Ridgefield 3rd Wed 5:30–6:30 pm
- MAY 20** Family Movie Matinee
Ridgefield 3rd Sat 3–5:30 pm
- MAY 18** Build It! (for ages 5–12)
Three Creeks 3rd Thu 4–5 pm
- MAY 3** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)
Vancouver ® 1st Wed 3–5 pm
- MAY 28** Board Game Day
Vancouver Last Sun 2:30–5 pm
- MAY 10** Everyone's An Artist (for ages 6–12)
Washougal ® 2nd Wed 4–5 pm
- MAY 24*** STEMgineers: Rocket Science
(for ages 8–12) *Off-site–Washougal*
® 4th Wed 4–5 pm *Meet at: Children's
Home Society Building, 1702 C Street
- MAY 25** Funtastic!
White Salmon Valley Last Thu 3:30–5 pm
- APR 17** Family Fun: Nature Art
Woodland 3rd Mon 3–5 pm
- MAY 11** School Age Fun: Game Day!
Yale Valley 2nd Thu 3:30–5:30 pm
- MAY 18** Create & Learn Family Fun
Yale Valley 3rd Thu 3–5 pm

Family

All ages welcome!



May Programs



Celebración del día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day Celebration)

CASCADE PARK
MAY 6 2–3 pm

THREE CREEKS
MAY 6 2–3 pm

VANCOUVER
MAY 6 2–3 pm

Do you enjoy hearing stories? Listen to stories read aloud in English and Spanish, performed by Latino Leadership Northwest and Fort Vancouver High School's MEChA club! Día is a celebration of children and reading, emphasizing the importance of literacy for children of all linguistic backgrounds.

¿Les gusta escuchar historias? ¡Los invitamos a escuchar cuentos en español e inglés leídos en voz alta, realizado por Latino Leadership Northwest y Fort Vancouver High School's MEChA club! "Día" es una celebración para los menores y la lectura, haciendo énfasis en la importancia de la alfabetización en todos los contextos lingüísticos.

CASCADE PARK

Exhibit:
Evergreen School District Art Teachers
MAY 15–29

Art teachers in the Evergreen School District not only teach children how to create and express themselves but do the same, on their own time. Come check out their work!



CELEBRATING ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER AUTHORS AND EXPERIENCES

We're celebrating Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month with book displays at our libraries. You'll find book lists, additional resources, and even a reading challenge at fvr1.org/asian-pacific-heritage.

THREE CREEKS

Open House
MAY 20 10 am–12 pm

Learn about the library's amazing services and resources. Chat with staff about how to make the most of your library account, have your questions answered, and share your thoughts about the library.

Comedy for the Kids with Angel Ocasio

Comedia Para Los Niños con Angel Ocasio
MAY 20 1–2 pm

Angel Ocasio combines magic, juggling, music, and his unique style of comedy.

Angel Ocasio combina magia, malabarismo, música, y su estilo único de comedia.

WELCOME!

Hear stories, sing songs, and enjoy fun activities for children and their parents or caregivers.

Capacity may be limited at some locations.

Storytimes occur weekly unless otherwise noted.*



Grow A Reader!

BABY:
0–18 months

TODDLER:
18–36 months

PRESCHOOL:
3–6 years

FAMILY:
for children of all ages

Storytimes will go on break May 14–June 18

(Check the events calendar at fvrl.org for a few storytimes happening during the break in some locations.)

SOUTH CLARK

NORTH CLARK & COWLITZ

BABY

Battle Ground

THU 10:30 am

TODDLER

La Center

TUE 10:30 am

FAMILY

Battle Ground

TUE 11 am

FRI 11 am

La Center

THU 10:30 am

Ridgefield

MON 10:30 am

WED 10:30 am

Woodland

TUE 10:30 am

FRI 10:30 am

BABY

Cascade Park

TUE 1 pm

Three Creeks

WED 10:30 am

Vancouver

TUE 10:30 am

TODDLER

Cascade Park

FRI 10:30 am

Vancouver

WED 9:30 am

THU 10:30 am

FAMILY

Cascade Park

WED 11:30 am

SAT 11:30 am

Three Creeks

MON 10:30 am

TUE 10:30 am

THU 10:30 am

SAT 10:30 am

Vancouver Mall

(Little Free Library)

TUE 11 am

WED 11 am

Washougal

TUE 10:30 am

THU 4 pm

PRESCHOOL

Vancouver

WED 10:30 am

OUTREACH

Lakeshore Elementary

WED 9:30 am

(check in at desk)



THE GORGE

BABY

White Salmon Valley

FRI 9:30 am

(prewalkers)

FRI 10:30 am

(walkers)

TODDLER

White Salmon Valley

TUE 10:30 am

PRESCHOOL

White Salmon Valley

THU 10:30 am

FAMILY

Goldendale

WED 10:30 am

***1ST SAT** 10:30 am

Stevenson

WED 10:30 am

THU 10:30 am

(English/Spanish)

Spring Storytime in the Park

WED* 10:30 am

*Rheingarten Park, White Salmon

OUTREACH

LEARN & PLAY:

Goldendale Primary School

***4TH WED** 2 pm

Klickitat Community Center

***2ND WED** 3:30 pm

Stevenson Elementary

***4TH MON** 2:30 pm

Trout Lake School

***2ND FRI** 11:45 am

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Most libraries are open for visits between 10 am and 6 pm, Monday through Saturday. Some have extended evening and Sunday hours.

Visit fvrl.org/hours-locations or call 360-906-5000 (888-546-2707 from area code 509) for specific location information and hours. Book returns are open 24/7.

Battle Ground Community Library
1207 SE 8th Way
Battle Ground WA 98604

Cascade Park Community Library
600 NE 136th Ave
Vancouver WA 98684

Goldendale Community Library
131 West Burgen St
Goldendale WA 98620

La Center Community Library
1411 NE Lockwood Creek Rd
La Center WA 98629

North Bonneville Community Library
214 CBD Mall
(inside City Hall)
North Bonneville WA 98639

Ridgefield Community Library
210 N Main Ave
Ridgefield WA 98642

Stevenson Community Library
120 NW Vancouver Ave
Stevenson WA 98648

Three Creeks Community Library
800-C NE Tenney Rd
Vancouver WA 98685

Vancouver Community Library
901 C St
Vancouver WA 98660

Vancouver Mall Library
8700 NE Vancouver Mall Dr,
Suite 285
Vancouver WA 98662

Washougal Community Library
1661 C St
Washougal WA 98671

White Salmon Valley Community Library
77 NE Wauna Ave
White Salmon WA 98672

Woodland Community Library
770 Park St
Woodland WA 98674

Yacolt Library Express
105 E Yacolt Rd
Yacolt WA 98675

Yale Valley Community Library
11700 Lewis River Rd
Ariel WA 98603

Book Returns

Alderdale Fire Hall

Bickleton Post Office

Green Mountain Elementary

Klickitat - Canyon Market

Lyle Market



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