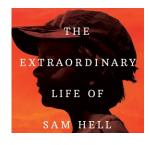




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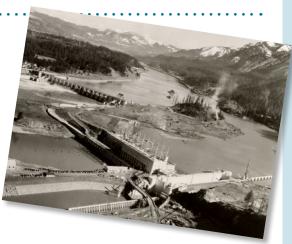




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# ONE-MINUTE HISTORY LESSON

The town of North Bonneville was developed as a construction town for the Bonneville Dam Project, which began in 1933. The town incorporated in 1935.



In 1952, FVRLibraries started serving the town with a bookmobile and in 1954, a library opened in City Hall. In the early 1970s, Bonneville residents received notice that their town was selected as the site for a second powerhouse and dam structure. Determined to stay together as a community, close to their original location, residents lobbied for the entire townsite to be recreated in a nearby location. On July 4, 1978, the current townsite was inaugurated and in 1979 North Bonneville Community Library opened in the building it shares with City Hall.

# **NOTES**

Need more info? Visit *fvrl.org* call **360-906-5000** or **888-546-2707** (area code 509)

All libraries will be closed for the following upcoming holidays:

- Independence Day July 4
- Labor Day September 1

Our digital services will be available those days—and whenever you need them! Visit *fvrl.org* for 24/7 access to services like: eBooks, streaming movies & TV shows, magazines & newspapers, online classes, homework help, job search assistance, and much more!

#### **FVRL BOARD MEETINGS**

Join FVRLibraries Board meetings virtually or in person to stay informed about library initiatives and share your voice during public comment. Be part of the conversation shaping the future of your libraries!

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- July 21, 6–8 pm
   White Salmon Valley
   Community Library
- August 18, 6–8 pm
   Goldendale Community
   Library

To learn more and to find the Zoom link for the next meeting, visit *fvrl.org/board-trustees* 

#### Cover photo

Summer at Your Library Field Day at Battle Ground Community Library

# REFLECTIONS from the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear FVRLibraries Community,

This summer, we're not only celebrating 75 years of Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries—we're also looking ahead to the future we're building together.

In July and August, we're hosting a series of community conversations to hear directly from you about what your library should look like in the years ahead. Space is limited, so we encourage you to sign up early if you'd like to attend. And, whether you can join us in person or not, we invite you to share your voice through our community survey, available online and at all library locations.

Your feedback will guide the direction of our **Strategic Plan and Facilities Master Plan**, which will be completed by the end of this year. As we listen to voices from across the district, we'll use what we learn to identify priorities for future investments—like more flexible spaces, improved access, and new and innovative ways to serve our growing and changing communities. This is your library's future, and it starts with your voice.

**FVRLibraries will be on the August 5, 2025, elections requesting a levy lid lift** that will influence library operations in the years ahead. FVRLibraries is seeking voter approval to restore the levy rate to \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Our role is to provide the communities we serve with clear, factual details so you can decide what's right for you. More information is available at your local library, in this booklet, and at **fvrl.org/levy**.

Wherever your summer takes you—from storytimes to STEM workshops to library passport adventures—we hope to see you soon.



Jennifer Giltrop with Big Bird at Ridgefield Community Library.

Warm Regards,

Jennifer Giltrop

Executive Director, FVRLibraries



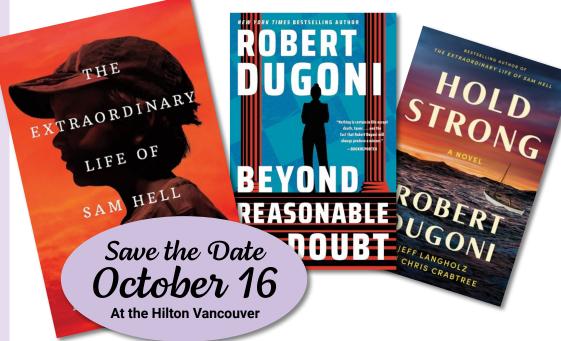
Robert Dugoni is a critically acclaimed New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, and #1 Amazon bestselling author, reaching over 9 million readers worldwide. He is best known for his Tracy Crosswhite police series set in Seattle. He is also the author of the Charles Jenkins espionage series, the David Sloane legal thriller series, and several stand-alone novels including The 7th Canon, Damage Control, The World Played Chess, and Her Deadly Game. His novel The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell received Suspense Magazine's 2018 Book of the Year, and Dugoni's narration won an AudioFile Earphones Award. Washington Post named his nonfiction exposé The Cyanide Canary a Best Book of the Year.

Several of his novels have been optioned for movies and television series. Dugoni is the recipient of the Nancy Pearl Award for Fiction and a three-time winner of the Friends of Mystery Spotted Owl Award for best novel set in the Pacific Northwest. He has also been a finalist for many other awards including the International Thriller Award, the Harper Lee Prize for Legal Fiction, the Silver Falchion Award for mystery, and the Mystery Writers of America Edgar Award.

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2025 DINNER AND AUCTION



JOIN US for an unforgettable evening with

# bestselling author Robert Dugoni!

Hosted by the Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation, this special event supports FVRLibraries programs and services. Dugoni, author of the Tracy Crosswhite series and more than 20 international bestsellers, will share insights from his writing career, including *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell* and *Her Deadly Game*. His thrillers have reached over 9 million readers worldwide and inspired film and TV adaptations.

#### **TICKETS ON SALE July 1**

Mark your calendar and don't miss this beloved literary evening!

fvrlfoundation.org 360-906-4700

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# Surprising Resources at FVRLibraries

Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries offers cardholders access to over 570,000 physical books and 90,000 eBook and eAudio titles. However, you may be less familiar with some of our other great resources.

We've gathered the following list of five surprising resources that might make you say 'I didn't know libraries did that!' — all available to FVRLibraries' cardholders:



1. GAMES: Our library has a growing collection of board games, and many of our library locations host community gaming events like *Dungeons & Dragons*. Watch for the FVRLibraries' original game, Cryptid Capers, which will be available to play at 75th Anniversary events across the library this summer. You can also download the game from fvrl.org/cryptid-capers.



#### 2. TEEN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Designed for ages 13–19, the FVRLibraries' Teen Councils provide a fun space for teens to work together to shape the resources and programming for FVRLibraries while earning volunteer hours and sharing snacks!

3. MOVIE EVENTS: Our libraries offer movie events for teens, adults, and families. Search our events calendar for a new title or rewatch one of vour favorites.

4. EXERCISE AND MOVEMENT: Our libraries offer classes to help you move your body, such as Stretching or Line Dancing. If you prefer watching rather than participating, you can enjoy one of the many dance performances offered this summer at our local libraries, such as Hula or Aztec dance.



#### 5. LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CIRCLES:

Practice and improve your conversational skills in English, Spanish, and ASL. Conversation circles are led by volunteers and provide an opportunity to grow your language abilities.

The list above is by no means exhaustive—in fact, FVRLibraries are constantly growing their community programming to meet your needs. Check out our website to learn more about what we offer, or come into your local library and talk to the staff to learn more. If you are not finding what you need, you can propose an idea at fvrl.org/program-proposal!



# **FVRLibraries**

FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARIES

As we celebrate 75 years of library service, FVRLibraries is also planning ahead—with a new 5-year Strategic Plan and a 10-year Facilities Master Plan.

These efforts will guide how we grow, evolve, and respond to our communities' changing needs—from the programs we offer to the spaces we create. Community voices will be central to this process.

Your ideas, experiences, and hopes will help shape the future of the library district.



#### **COMMUNITY SURVEY**

The community survey (available in English, Spanish, and Russian) is your opportunity to weigh in on what matters most—services, spaces, programs, and more, whether you're a regular visitor or just getting to know us, your input matters.

#### Two Ways to Complete the Survey:

- Visit https://fvrlibraries.org/survey
- Visit a library branch to receive a paper copy of the survey

The survey will close August 24, 2025.

#### **COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS**

These in-person conversations are a chance to share what the library means to you—and what it could become. Space is limited. Register today to reserve your spot at **fvrl.org/strategic-priorities** or scan the code below

- Battle Ground: Tuesday, July 1, 5–7 pm
- Goldendale: Thursday, July 10, 4-6 pm
- Cascade Park: Wednesday, July 16, 5–7 pm
- Downtown Vancouver: Tuesday, July 22, 5–7 pm
- Stevenson: Monday, July 28, 4–6 pm
- Virtual: Wednesday, July 30, 12–1:30 pm
- Ridgefield: Wednesday, July 30, 5–7 pm



# LIBRARY PROGRAMS

With a wide variety of programs offered across our 15 libraries, there's something for everyone! Review programs by age in this guide, and also find details online. Due to a shift for Summer Reading, some on-going programs may have paused.

## **KIDS & PRESCHOOL**

For a full list of programs visit fvrl.librarymarket.com or stop by the front desk at your local library.

#### **ARTS & CRAFTS**



#### **Kids Create**

Drop in for creative and interactive projects. Use your imagination, stretch your creativity, or practice a new artistic skill.

- Goldendale: 8/8, 3-4:30 pm
- Stevenson: Every Wed, 2-4 pm
- Vancouver: Every Tue, 3:30-5:30 pm
- Washougal: 1st & 3rd Wed, 4–5 pm 
   & Every Fri, 3:30–4:30 pm
- Yacolt: Every Wed & Fri, 11 am-5 pm
- Yale Valley: 7/21, 8/18, 8/21, 2:30-5 pm

#### **BOOK GROUPS**





#### **Kids Book Groups**

Are you ready for chapter books? Grab an adult to join you and come ready to discuss, have fun, and make new friends.

- Cascade Park: 7/11, 8/1, 4:30–5:30 pm
- Three Creeks: 1st Thu, 4-5 pm
- Online: 2nd Thu, 4-5 pm

#### **GAMES**



#### **Chess Social Clubs**

Want to play chess? Come join the fun—whether you're a beginner or a pro. Bring your board or use ours and challenge a new friend.

- Cascade Park (for all ages): 2nd & 4th Sat, 10:30 am-12 pm
- Ridgefield (Kids, Tweens, & Teens):
   3rd Sat, 11 am-1 pm

#### **MOVIES**



Enjoy movies for the whole family.

- Goldendale: Every Tue in July & 8/5, 2–4 pm
- Ridgefield: 3rd Sat, 3-5 pm
- Woodland: 1st & 3rd Fri, 5-7 pm

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS



#### Kids Read to a Dog

Practice reading out loud to a furry buddy who's there to make you smile.

- Cascade Park: 1st & 3rd Wed, 4–5 pm
- Ridgefield: 4th Tue, 6–7 pm; 3rd Mon, 3:30–4:30 pm **R**
- Three Creeks: 4th Thu, 4:30-5:30 pm
- Vancouver: 2nd Wed, 3-5 pm
- Washougal: 2nd Mon, 4-5 pm

#### STEM\*



#### Kids & Tweens STEM Lab

Join us to design, build, and explore fun STEM activities that will make you feel like a scientist or inventor!

- Vancouver: 3rd Wed, 4-5:30 pm
- Washougal: 7/23, 4-5 pm

#### Kids & Tweens Build It

Bring your ideas to life with LEGO® bricks and other fun materials. Show off your creations and grow your STEM superpowers!

- Ridgefield: 2nd Sat, 10:30 am-12 pm
- Stevenson: 2nd & 4th Sat, 2-3 pm
- Three Creeks: 3rd Thu, 4-5 pm
- Vancouver: Every Thu, 3:30-5:30 pm
- White Salmon Valley: 3rd Sat, 3:30–4:30 pm

\*Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math

Mark Your Calendar! Scan the QR code to explore upcoming dates for Kids & Preschool Programs.







BABY: 0-18 months

TODDLER: 18-36 months

PRESCHOOL: 3–5 years

**FAMILY:** 0–5 years

fvrl.org/grow-reader

Hear stories, sing songs, and enjoy fun activities for children and their parents or caregivers. Capacity may be limited at some locations. There will be a Storytime break August 24-31.

#### **North Clark & Cowlitz**

#### **BABY**

**Battle Ground** 10:30 am Thursday

#### **TODDLER**

**Battle Ground** 10:30 am Friday

#### **FAMILY**

**Battle Ground** 11 am Tuesday

La Center 10:30 am Thursday

#### **FAMILY** Cont.

Ridgefield

10:30 am Monday & Wednesday

#### Woodland

10:30 am Tuesday & Thursday

#### COMMUNITY

**Whispering Pines Park** 10:45 am 7/9, 7/23, 8/6

#### **Kiwanis Park**

10:45 am 7/15, 7/29, 8/12

#### The Gorge

#### **BABY**

White Salmon Valley

10 & 11 am Friday 10:30 am Saturday

#### **BABY & TODDLER**

Stevenson

10:30 am Wednesday

#### **FAMILY**

Goldendale

10:30 am Wednesday

Stevenson

10:30 am Saturday

White Salmon Valley

10:30 am Wednesdav & Saturday



#### **South Clark**

#### **BABY**

Cascade Park 1 pm Tuesday

**Three Creeks** 

10:30 & 11:30 am Wednesday

**V**ancouver

10:30 am Monday & Tuesday

#### **TODDLER**

Cascade Park 10:30 am Friday

Vancouver

10:30 am Thursday

#### **PRESCHOOL**

**Cascade Park** 

11:30 am Thursday

#### **FAMILY**

Cascade Park

11:30 am Wednesday & Saturday

**Three Creeks** 

10:30 am Friday

Vancouver

10:30 am Wednesday

Vancouver Mall

11 am Tuesday & Thursday (at the Little Free Library)

#### FAMILY Cont.

Washougal

10:30 am Tuesday & Thursday

#### SENSORY STORYTIME

Vancouver

10:30 am 2nd Saturday R (for ages 3-9)



Mark Your Calendar! Scan the QR code to explore upcoming dates for Storytimes.



# FVRLIBRARIES SUMMER READING AT YOUR LIBRARY

Join your community library for one (or all!) of our summer programs. With activities designed for all ages—adults, teens, and children—there is something for everyone. Please note, due to our Summer Reading program, some on-going programs may be paused.

#### **ANIMALS & NATURE**





#### **Creature Teachers**

Explore the weird, wonderful, and wild world of the creepy crawlies and animals. Learn about these creatures and meet them up close!

- Vancouver: **7** Sat, 7/12, 2:30–4 pm
- Vancouver Mall *Mall Center Court*: Sat, 7/12, 11 am-12:30 pm
- Washougal: Thu, 7/10, 5-6:30 pm



#### Reptile Man

Slither, crawl, and leap into the world of reptiles! The Reptile Man brings amazing live creatures from around the globe in this wild and unforgettable show.

- La Center: Wed, 7/9, 10-11 am
- Three Creeks Hazel Dell Elementary: Thu, 8/7, 9–10 am & 11 am–12 pm

#### SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS



Party with us at Summer Reading Ice Cream Socials this summer.

- Goldendale: **75** Thu, 8/7, 5–7 pm
- White Salmon Valley **6** *Rhinegarten Park*: Thu, 8/14, 3–5 pm



There's a lot of permanent art in our libraries, but perhaps nothing as unique as the Library Lions at White Salmon Valley Community Library. Commissioned by the Friends of the Library, the four lions are inspired by European gargoyles and library lions around the world. They act as guardians of the library building and the knowledge, wisdom, and imagination found inside.



# **SUMMER READING** Performers and Programs

#### **Rescue Dogs in Action**

High-flying fun! Amazing Border Collies show off their skills in entertaining sports and herding demonstrations. Meet the stars of the show afterwards.

- Three Creeks: Tue, 7/15, 9:30-10:30 am & 11 am-12 pm
- Vancouver: Sat, 7/19, 2:30-3:30 pm
- White Salmon Valley Bingen Park: Tue, 7/29, 11 am-12 pm
- Yacolt: 5 Sat, 7/26, 10-11 am

On FVRLibraries' YouTube: Virtual Visit to Wolf Haven Avail. through Aug 31







#### **Origami Toys**

Fold, create, and play! Dive into the art of origami and craft fun, interactive paper toys by hand.

- Goldendale: Fri, 7/11, 11 am-12 pm
- Ridgefield: Sat, 7/19, 10:30-11:30 am
- Woodland: Wed, 7/16, 10:30-11:30 am



#### **Planet Tea Lights**

Create a glowing mini solar system. Design swirling gas giants or rocky worlds. then light them up with LED tea lights.

- Battle Ground: Wed. 7/9. 4–5 pm
- Goldendale: Wed, 8/13, 2:30-3:30 pm 1
- Stevenson: Thu, 7/10, 3:30-4:30 pm 🕕
- Vancouver: Wed, 7/22, 3:30–5 pm **K**
- Washougal: Wed, 7/16, 4–5 pm 11
- Woodland: Sat, 8/2, 10:30-11:30 am 🕕

#### **Rubber Duck Cosplay**

Design your own amazing rubber duck masterpieces with an original design or based on your favorite character.

- Battle Ground: Thu, 8/7, 2–3 pm
- La Center: Wed, 8/13, 3–4 pm
- Stevenson: Thu, 8/7, 3:30-4:30 pm 🕕
- Vancouver: Thu, 7/24, 4:30-6:30 pm; Sat, 7/26, 3-5 pm 12
- Washougal: Thu, 7/3, 4:30-5:30 pm 1
- Woodland: Fri, 7/11, 3–4 pm

#### **Space Painting**

Get creative with a variety of spacethemed art techniques while you explore the colors and textures from around the universe.

- Battle Ground: Wed, 7/16, 3–4 pm 🖭
- Cascade Park: Tue, 8/12, 3-4 pm 🖭
- La Center: Thu, 7/10, 3–4 pm P1
- Stevenson: Sat, 8/30, 3:30-4:30 pm P1
- Three Creeks, Thu, 7/24, 10:30-11: 30 am P1
- Vancouver Mall: Wed, 8/6, 11:30 am-12:30 pm P1
- White Salmon Valley: Tue, 8/5, 11 am-12 pm 🖭
- Woodland: Wed, 7/30, 10:30-11:30 am P1
- Yacolt: Wed, 7/16, 11 am-5 pm P1
- Yale: Thu, 7/17, 2:30–5 pm P1







#### Comedy & Magic with Angel Ocasio

Comedian Angel Ocasio combines silly antics, magic, juggling, and audience participation to present a fun and wacky show.

El comediante Ángel Ocasio combina payasadas, magia, malabares y la participación del público para presentar un espectáculo divertido y chiflado.

- Three Creeks: Tue, 8/5, 9:30-10:30 am & 11 am-12:00 pm
- Vancouver: Sat, 7/26, 2:30-3:30 pm





# **SUMMER READING** Performers and Programs

#### Rainbow of Magic!

Let's go over the rainbow with amazing magic tricks and hilarious family friendly comedy with Louie Foxx!

- La Center: **75** Wed, 7/16, 10-10:45 am
- White Salmon Valley: Tue, 7/8, 11-11:45 am



#### Stunteddy's Flea Circus

Stunteddy and JuggleMania share amazing tricks and tons of giggles as they resurrect a 140-year-old flea circus.

- Battle Ground: Wed, 7/30, 5-5:45 pm
- Ridgefield United Methodist Church: Mon, 7/21, 6-6:45 pm
- Three Creeks: Tue, 7/1, 9:30-10:15 am & 11-11:45 am
- Woodland: Wed, 8/13, 10:30-11:15 am
- Yacolt: Wed, 8/13, 1–1:45 pm
- Yale Valley: 75 Tue, 8/12. 11-11:45 pm

#### Teen Comedy Workshop

Taller de comedia para adolescentes Comedian Angel Ocasio shares tips and tricks on how to be funny. El comediante Ángel Ocasio comparte consejos y trucos sobre cómo ser gracioso.

- Stevenson: Fri, Aug 15, 2–3 pm 12
- Vancouver: Fri, Jul 18, 4–5 pm 12



#### **Deep Space Adventure: Choose Your Own Mission**

Embark on an interstellar journey where you make the choices in this live-action space survival game.

- Cascade Park: Tue, 7/29, 5–6 pm
- Ridgefield: Fri, 7/11, 2–3 pm 12 Thu, 7/17, 2–3 pm 🖭
- Stevenson: Wed, 7/2, 2–3 pm P1
- Three Creeks: Fri, 8/8, 3–4 pm
- Washougal: Thu, 8/7, 4:30-5:30 pm; Thu, 8/14, 3:30-4:30 pm 1
- White Salmon Valley: Tue, 8/12, 11 am-12 pm 🖭
- Woodland: Fri, 7/25, 12–1 pm 1 Wed, 8/6, 12-1 pm P1

#### **MUSIC & DANCE**





#### Hula Aloha: Dance & Culture of Hawaii

Join us for a fun, interactive program celebrating the vibrant culture of Hawaii through language, music, and hula!

- Battle Ground: Fri, 8/15, 2-3 pm
- Three Creeks: Tue, 7/22, 9:30-10:30 am & 11 am-12 pm
- Washougal: Wed, 7/30, 11 am-1 pm



#### Music & Dance with Danza Azteca Huitzilopochtli

Journey back 1,000 years to the heart of indigenous Mexican traditions through music and colorful regalia. Viaje 1,000 años al pasado al corazón de las tradiciones indígenas mexicanas a través de la música y de coloridos atuendos.

- Cascade Park: Thu, 7/24, 10-11 am
- Goldendale: Tue, 7/22, 3-4 pm
- Stevenson: Thu, 7/24, 2-3 pm
- Three Creeks: Tue, 7/29, 9:30-10:30 am & 11 am-12 pm
- Vancouver: Sat, 8/9, 2:30—3:30 pm
- Vancouver Mall Mall Center Court: Sat, 8/9, 11 am-12 pm
- White Salmon Valley: Tue, 7/22, 11 am-12 pm
- Woodland: **7** Fri, 7/18, 11 am-12 pm



# **SUMMER READING** Performers and Programs

#### STEM





#### **Rocket Ship Blast Off**

Design, build, and launch your own mini rocket ships. Test different designs to see which one soars the farthest.

- Goldendale: Wed, 7/16, 2:30-3:30 pm P1
- La Center: Wed, 8/6, 11 am-12 pm P1
- Ridgefield Davis Park: Thu, 8/14, 3–4 pm 🖭
- Three Creeks Felida Community Park: Thu, 7/10, 10:30–11:30 am P1
- Vancouver: Thu, 7/24, 3:30–5 pm
- Vancouver Mall: Wed, 7/23, 11:30 am-12:30 pm P1
- White Salmon Valley: Tue, 7/15, 11 am—12 pm P1
- Woodland: Wed, 7/9, 10:30-11:30 am P1
- Yacolt Town Park: Tue, 8/5, 5–7 pm 🖭



#### Science + Stories = Science Heroes

Join the Science Heroes on a mission! Explore the science all around us with exciting experiments and interactive stories.

- Cascade Park: Sat, 8/2, 11-11:45 am
- Stevenson: Thu, 7/10, 2-2:45 pm
- Vancouver: Sat, 8/16, 2:30-3:15 pm

#### Space Lander Challenge

Using everyday materials, you'll build and test your landing pod—just like real NASA engineers designing spacecraft.

- Cascade Park: Mon, 7/14, 3–4 pm 11
- La Center: Wed, 7/30, 11 am-12:30 pm 🕕
- Stevenson: Thu, 7/24, 3:30-4:30 pm 👊
- Woodland: Sat, 7/19, 10:30-11:30 am 🕡

#### **STEM Petting Zoo**

Come play with different STEAMfocused learning tools. Practice engineering, coding, robot programming skills and more.

- Stevenson: Wed, 7/16, 2–3 pm P1
- Woodland: Wed, 7/23, 10:30–11:30 am P1

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS

#### **Museum of Curious Things**

Explore this mobile curiosity museum: unusual taxidermy, cryptozoological specimens, and historical mysteries.

- Cascade Park: Mon, 7/7, 2-4 pm
- Ridgefield: Mon, 7/7, 10 am-12 pm

On FVRLibraries' YouTube: East of the Sun and West of the Moon: Folktales from the Far East with storyteller Alton Takiyama-Chung. Avail. through Aug 31

# **HENNA FOR TEENS**

Learn about the history and culture and get your own henna tattoo design.

#### Art of Henna with Anjali R

• Stevenson: Fri, Jul 18, 2-3 pm n

#### Art of Henna with Roving Horse Henna R

- Cascade Park: Tue, 7/8, 5–7 pm 12
- Vancouver: Wed, 8/13, 3:30-5:30 pm 🗰

#### Henna Designs with Roving Horse Henna (R)

• Ridgefield: Wed, 7/9, 5:30-7:30 pm 🔞









## **TEENS & TWEENS**

#### For a full list of programs visit fvrl.librarymarket.com or stop by the front desk at your local library.

#### **ARTS & CRAFTS**



#### **Teen & Adult Creative Crafts**

Learn a new art tutorial each month.

• Stevenson: 1st Tue, 4-6 pm R

#### Similar Programming

- Ridgefield (Teen Art Chat): 3rd Thu, 4-6 pm
- · Washougal (Tween & Teen Craft and Chat): 2nd Wed, 4-5 pm

#### **BOOK GROUPS**





#### **Tween Book Groups**

Join other tween readers for friendly discussions.

- Cascade Park: 4th Mon. 5-6 pm
- Three Creeks: 1st Thu, 5:15-6:15 pm

#### Similar Programming

- Cascade Park & Online (Poetry Writing) Workshop): 3rd Sat, 11 am-12 pm
- Ridgefield (Writers Open Mic): 1st Thu, 4:30-6 pm

#### GAMES



# Tween & Teen Tabletop Role-Playing

Immerse yourself in a world of excitement! Create a character and take on challenges with a team of other players in this interactive story.

- Cascade Park (Dungeons & Dragons -D&D): Every Thu, 4:30-6:30 pm
- Ridgefield (D&D): Every Tue, 4:30-6:30 pm
- Ridgefield (Pathfinder): Every Fri, 4:30-6 pm **R**
- Three Creeks (D&D): Every Tues (Except 7/1), 4:30-6:30 pm
- Washougal (D&D): 3rd Mon, 4:30-6 pm
- Online (D&D): Every Tue or Every Fri, 4:30–6:30 pm **R**

#### Teen Magic the Gathering Social Clubs

Join us for open game play of Magic the Gathering.

- Cascade Park (Teens & Adults): Every Wed, 4-6 pm
- Vancouver: Every Wed, 4-6 pm

#### Tween & Teen Chess Social Clubs

Want to play chess? Come join the fun whether you're a beginner or a pro. Bring your board or use ours and challenge a new friend!

- Cascade Park (for all ages): 2nd & 4th Sat, 10:30 am-12 pm
- Ridgefield (Kids, Tweens, & Teens): 3rd Sat, 11 am-1 pm

#### Similar Programming

- Ridgefield (Super Smash Bros. Tournament): 4th Sat. 5–7 pm R
- Online (Board Game Social Club): 2nd Wed, 6–7 pm **R**



#### Teen Council

We need your help to make sure the stuff we're doing at the library is stuff you actually want. Earn volunteer hours, eat snacks, and meet other teens.

- Cascade Park: 1st Mon, 5-6 pm
- Vancouver: 1st Tue, 3:30-5:30 pm



#### **Teen Hangout**

Come hang out with friends, play games, craft, and chat about your favorite things!

- Stevenson: Every Tue but the 1st, 3:30-6 pm
- Vancouver: Every Thu, 4:30-6:30 pm & Every Sat, 3-5 pm

#### Teen Hangout: Late Night

- Cascade Park: 8/15, 6-8 pm
- Vancouver: 4th Fri, 5:45–7:45 pm **R**

#### **Tween Hangout**

• Vancouver: 7/11, 7/18, 8/1, 8/8, 8/15, 4-5:30 pm

#### Tween Hangout: Late Night

• Vancouver: 4th Fri, 5:45–7:45 pm **R** 

Mark Your Calendar! Scan the QR code

to explore upcoming dates for Tweens & Teens programs.







#### CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

Whether you have a big plot for your garden or a few plants in containers, you have an opportunity to help fill a library! As your vegetables and flowers are reaching their peak in late summer and fall, some may go to seed purposefully—and some by accident. Our seed libraries are a great place to share seeds with the community. Hosted at Battle Ground, Cascade Park, Vancouver, Washougal, and White Salmon Valley Community Libraries, they're libraries within the libraries! Learn more about seed saving at *fvrl.org/seed-library*.



## **ADULTS**

#### For a full list of programs visit fvrl.librarymarket.com or stop by the front desk at your local library.

#### **ARTS & CRAFTS**



#### **Art Chats**

Art Chats are held to promote awareness of art in our area, to encourage sharing our own art, to teach art techniques, to share local art events, and to network with your peers. Bring one or two pieces of your art to share, or just come to enjoy the camaraderie.

- Battle Ground: 2nd Wed, 1-3 pm
- Ridgefield: 1st Tue, 10:30 am–12:30 pm
- Woodland: 1st Thu, 12-2 pm

#### **Creative Crafts**

Learn a new art tutorial each month.

- Stevenson: 1st Tue, 4–6 pm R
- Three Creeks (Adult Accessible Creative Crafts): 2nd Thu, 1:30–2:30 pm



#### **Fiber Art Social Circles**

Join us for our fiber arts social circles, where you can work on your own projects and make connections. Any stitchery hobby is welcome.

- La Center: 2nd & 4th Fri, 10-11 am
- Ridgefield: Every Wed, 10 am-12 pm
- Stevenson: Every Thu, 2-4 pm
- Vancouver Mall: Every Wed, 5:30–6:30 pm
- White Salmon Valley: Every Thu, 10 am—12 pm

#### **BOOK GROUPS**



Join us for a lively discussion about this month's title and connect with fellow readers while sharing new perspectives and building community.

- Battle Ground: 4th Wed, 9:30–10:30 am
- Cascade Park: 2nd Thu, 6:30–7:30 pm & 4th Tue, 10:30–11:30 am
- Goldendale: 3rd Mon, 11 am-12 pm
- La Center: 1st Wed. 9-10 am
- Ridgefield: 3rd Tue, 6–7 pm; 1st Wed,
  5–6 pm (Horror) R
- Stevenson: 1st Wed, 6-7 pm
- Three Creeks: 1st Tue, 6–7 pm; 1st Thu, 12:30–2 pm
- Vancouver: 2nd Thu, 6–7 pm
- White Salmon Valley: 4th Tue, 1–2 pm; 1st Fri, 4–5:30 pm (Nature Lovers) **R**
- Woodland: 3rd Mon, 11:30 am-12:30 pm; 2nd Wed, 6-7 pm (Adult YA);
- Yale Valley: 4th Thu, 10-11 am
- Offsite 54°40' Brewing Co. (Washougal): 3rd Thu, 6–7 pm
- Offsite Cogir at The Quarry (Cascade Park): 3rd Thu, 10:30–11:30 am
- Offsite Glenwood Place Senior Living Plaza (Vancouver Mall): 2nd Thu, 10:30–11:30 am
- Offsite Van Mall Retirement Community (Vancouver Mall): 3rd Tue, 10:30–11:30 am
- Offsite/Online Adult LGBTQ at Dandelion Teahouse & Apothecary (Vancouver): 1st Sat, 4-5 pm R

- Online Adult YA: 1st Tue, 7–7:45 pm R
- Online Classics: 3rd Wed, 7–8:30 pm **R**
- Online Spicy Romance: 1st Thu,
   6–7 pm R

#### **COMMUNITY GROUPS**



- Battle Ground/Online:
   Adult Neurodivergent Peer Support Group, 1st Sat, 4–5 pm
- Online: Reflecting Rainbows—
   LGBTQ+ Discussion Group, 1st Wed,
   6–7 pm R

#### Similar Programming

• La Center (Genealogy Enthusiasts Group): 2nd Thu, 9–10 am

#### **CONVERSATION CIRCLES**



A friendly, informal space to practice a language. To participate, you should have enough command of the language to introduce yourself, discuss daily life topics, share ideas, ask simple questions, and follow group discussions. Perfect grammar isn't required—this is about building confidence and improving skills.

#### **English Conversation Circles**

- Battle Ground: Every Wed, 10:30 am-12 pm
- Cascade Park: Every Mon, 5:30–7:30 pm
- Ridgefield: Every Wed, 11 am–12:30 pm
- Vancouver: Every Fri, 3-4 pm
- Offsite Fourth Plain Commons: Every Tue, 5:30-7 pm

## **ADULTS**

#### **Spanish Conversation Circle**

• Ridgefield: Every Wed, 3 pm-5:30 pm

#### Similar Programming

#### **English as a Second Language Classes**

- Stevenson: Every Fri, 2-4 pm
- Vancouver:
   Every Tue (Beginner), 3–5 pm;
   Every Wed (Intermediate), 3–5 pm

#### **GAMES**



From strategy and spellcasting to heroic adventures, our gaming programs offer something for everyone.

- Cascade Park (Magic the Gathering Social Club): Every Wed, 4–6 pm
- Ridgefield (Chess Social Club): 3rd Sat, 11 am-1 pm
- Woodland (Board Game Social Club): 1st Sat, 3–5:30 pm
- Online (Tabletop RPG-Dungeons & Dragons): 1st Mon, 6–8 pm R
- Online (Tabletop RPG—Hero's Unlimited): Wed 7/9, 7/23, 8/6, 8/20, 4:30–6:30 pm
- Online (Board Game Social): 2nd Wed,
   6–7 pm R

#### **MOVIE GROUPS**



Enjoy a film for fun and learning.

 Woodland (Classic Cinema): 2nd Sat, 2:30–5:30 pm

#### **STEM**





#### **Drop-In Tech Help**

Bring your device and your questions to meet with a staff member. These sessions offer patrons tech help related to mobile devices, e-readers, websites, and more.

- Cascade Park: Every Thu, 10–11 am
- Goldendale: 1st Mon, 10 am-1 pm
- Vancouver: Every Tue, 4:30-6 pm

#### WRITING GROUPS





Join one of our writing groups, where you can share your work, get tips, and help other fellow writers.

- Cascade Park (Poetry Writing Workshop): 3rd Sat, 11 am-12 pm
- La Center (Writing Group): 4th Thu, 9–11 am
- Ridgefield (Writers Open Mic): 1st Thu, 4:30–6 pm
- Ridgefield (Adult Writing Group): 4th Thu, 4:30–5:30 pm
- Vancouver (The Craft of Writing): 1st & 3rd Thu, 10:30 am—12:30 pm
- Vancouver (Shut Up & Write!®): Every Tue, 5:15–6:45 pm
- Woodland (Woodland Writers Group):
   2nd Fri, 2–4 pm

#### BOOKMOBILE OUTREACH

Look for the Bookmobile at these places—plus storytime and crafts, too!

# Goldendale / Klickitat

#### JUL 5

Goldendale Farmers Market 9 am-1 pm

#### **JUL 12**

Community Days Parade 10–11 am

#### **JUL 26**

Canyon Days Parade & Fair 10 am—3 pm

Goldendale Pride 6–8 pm

#### AUG 2

Back-to-School Bash 10 am-1 pm

#### AUG 14, 15, 16

Klickitat County Fair & Rodeo 10 am-6 pm

#### **AUG 30**

Bickleton Community Day 10 am-2 pm

# Skamania / West Klickitat

#### **JUL 26**

Stevenson Farmers Market 10 am-2 pm

#### AUG 2

Trout Lake Health Fair 10 am-2:30 pm

#### **AUG 16**

Skamania County Fair 12–5:30 pm

#### **AUG 23**

Stevenson Farmers Market 10 am—2 pm



Mark Your Calendar! Scan the QR code to explore upcoming dates for Adult Programs.

# **FVRLIBRARIES BOOKMOBILES**



# Goldendale / Klickitat

#### **WISHRAM - KLICKITAT**

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Wishram Heights	10-10:30 am
Wishram Post Office	10:45-11:15 am
Klickitat Mini Park*	1–2:30 pm

#### LYLE - DALLESPORT - GEORGEVILLE

#### Every other Wednesday: Jul 9, 23; Aug 5, 20

Lyle Market	9:30-11 am
Dallesport Community Center	
Georgeville	2–2:30 pm

#### **ROOSEVELT - ALDERDALE**

#### Every other Thursday: Jul 10, 24; Aug 7, 21

Pueblo del Rio	9:30–11 am
Alderdale Fire Hall	12:30–1 pm
Columbia River Country Store	1:45–3 pm

#### **BICKLETON**

#### Every other Tuesday: Jul 1, 15, 29; Aug 12, 26

Bickleton Market Street Café\*.....10:30 am-12:30 pm

#### **GEORGEVILLE**

Every other Wednesda	y: Jul 2, 16,	, 30; Aug 13	, 27
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Georgeville ...... 1–2:30 pm

#### **KLICKITAT - APPLETON - WAHKIACUS**

#### Every other Thursday: Jul 3, 17, 31; Aug 28

Klickitat Mini Park*	10–11:30 am
Appleton Post Office	12:30-2:30 pm
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\*Book return located at/near this location

# Skamania / W. Klickitat

#### **CARSON**

Every Tuesday: Jul 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; A	ug 5, 12, 19, 26
Old Detour Rd & High Bridge	9:45-10:15 am
Gator Creek Gardens	10:45-11:15 am
Mobile Home Park @ Shipherd Falls	2:30-3 pm
Teeter Toddlers	3:30-4:15 pm

# GLENWOOD - TROUT LAKE - WHITE SALMON

Every Wednesday: Jul 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	; Aug 6, 13, 20, 27
Glenwood (General Store)	10:30 am-12 pm
‡ Trout Lake (School)	1:15–2:45 pm
White Salmon Treaty Fishing Access Site	9
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#### **SKAMANIA - BONNEVILLE**

Every Thursday: Jul 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Aug	<i>1</i> , 14, 21, 20
Skamania Landing (Walnut Ln)	10-11 am
Bonneville Treaty Fishing Access Site	
	0 am=12:15 pm

#### **COOK - UNDERWOOD - WHITE SALMON**

#### Every Friday: Jul 11, 18, 25; Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Evergreen Community Church	10–11 am
‡ Mill A (School)	11:15 am-12 pm
Underwood (Post Office)	12:30-1:15 pm
White Salmon (Rhine Village Apts)	2:30–4 pm

‡No school, stops continue



Whether you're a seasoned library explorer or just beginning to turn the pages of what FVRLibraries has to offer, the **Library Road Trip Passport** is your invitation to step into a new chapter—one filled with hidden gems, fun challenges, and the chance to win exciting prizes. It's an adventure waiting to happen!

#### How it works:

• Pick up your passport at any FVRLibraries location.

PASSPORT

- Visit libraries and answer trivia questions.
- Explore beyond the library.
- Complete the passport and enter to win by December 1, 2025.

Three lucky participants will take home a mystery grand prize.

For more details and updates, visit fvrl.org/passport

# LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Visit *fvrl.org/hours-locations* or call **360-906-5000** (888-546-2707 from area code 509) for information and hours.



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



Cascade Park Community Library (by Firstenburg) 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 (Salmon Creek) 800-C NE Tenney Rd Vancouver WA 98685



Vancouver Community Library (Downtown) 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 411 Lakeshore Drive 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 Market Street Cafe
- Canyon Market in Klickitat
- Green Mountain Elementary
- Lyle Market

# LEVY 2025: Your Library. Your Vote. AUGUST 5

On August 5, 2025, FVRLibraries is asking to **restore the levy rate to \$0.50 per \$1,000** of assessed value.

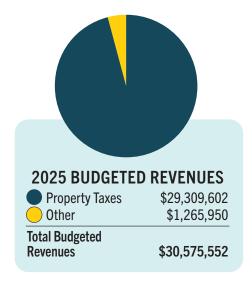
#### FAILS: Reduced Services Across the District

- 207 fewer open hours/week (-30%)
- Staffing cuts equal to 68 full-time positions (-30%)
- Over \$300,000 less for library materials in 2026, meaning fewer new books and longer wait times
- **30% fewer programs and outreach activities** (1-in-3 programs lost, or 1,500 programs annually)
- Reduced funding for technology and equipment updates
- No new bookmobile
- Vancouver Mall Library closes in 2028
- **No new libraries** The New Washougal Community Library project may proceed if additional grants or donations close the funding gap, but no further FVRL operating funds would be allocated.
- 25% further cuts by 2029
- \$500,000/year set aside for ballot costs (estimated)

## **PASSES:** Expanded Services Across the District

- Add 91 open hours/week across the district (+13%)
- Additional staffing to match expanded hours equal to 18 full-time positions (+8%)
- \$450,000 increase for books, games, and digital materials in 2026
- 13% more programs and outreach activities, building on 5,203 programs in 2024
- Upgrade computers, in-library technology, and public spaces
- New Clark County bookmobile for growing areas
- New Washougal Community Library in 2027
- New community library to open in 2030
   (location to be determined based on master facilities planning process)

If the measure fails, revenue will continue under state-capped limits—but at a much lower level, reducing services across the district.



The levy—which provides 96% of the library district's annual funding—is key to sustaining and growing essential services.



See what's on the ballot: **fvrl.org/levy** 

