

SUMMER EVENTS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

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READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

Join the JMRL Summer Challenge, a summer reading program for all ages! Beginning June 1, adults, teens, and kids can complete our summer reading challenges and earn prizes. All participants will be entered into a grand prize drawing. Challenge sheets available online and at each JMRL branch.

School's Out Block Party

Tuesday, June 12 between 5:30-7pm

Enjoy live music by The Flashbacks, a free Kona Ice sno-cone, face painting, glitter tattoos, and balloon animals. Be sure to pick up your first summer reading challenge sheet! For all ages.

One Time Events

Picture Book Films

Saturday, June 2 at 10:30am

Join us for a short film fest of picture book stories. A snack and juice box will be provided.

LEGO Mania

Thursday, June 7 at 4pm

Do you want to get together with LEGO-minded people to build great things? All you need to bring is your creativity and natural engineering ability; we supply the building blocks! Ages 5-12.

Family Art Drop-In

Friday, June 8 between 10:30am-12pm

Decorate your own superhero mask. All materials provided.

The Mystery of the Golden Piano

Thursday, June 14 at 4pm

Journey to the Wild West with Sciencetellers where a bank-robbing outlaw is back in town, about to strike again. When the Sheriff vanishes, two kids must foil the heist. This wild adventure story also explores the science behind chemical reactions, acids and bases, combustion, air pressure, and more.

Laughing Dragon Kung Fu

Friday, June 15 at 3pm

Learn kung fu basics with a demonstration and a short lesson. *Ages 6-12. Required registration begins June 1.*

Rockstar Magic of Chris & Neal

Thursday, June 21 at 4pm

Carolina's most popular magicians are back by popular demand. Their stunning illusions and passion for the dramatic will astonish the audience. This high-energy show is fun for the whole family.

Jason LeJuggler's Juggling Show

Saturday, June 23 at 10:30am

This juggling show will amaze audiences of all ages.

Juggling 101 Workshop with Jason LeJuggler

Saturday, June 23 at 11am

Have you always wanted to learn how to juggle? Now is your chance! Jason will help aspiring jugglers of all experience levels improve their skills. *Ages 5-12. Required registration begins June 9.*

Decorate a Book Bag

Monday, June 25 at 4pm

Need a way to carry all the books you are checking out this summer? Come create a custom design just for you! *Ages 7-11. Required Registration begins June 11.*

Charlotte's Web

Thursday, June 28 at 4pm

Get tangled up in this captivating tale of friendship and loyalty as the Roanoke Children's Theatre performs this feel-good, heart-warming classic that is perfect for the whole family.

Chicken Little: The Sky is Falling

Thursday, July 5 at 4pm

Bright Star Theatre gives this classic story a modern twist. When Chicken Little gets bonked on the head by an unknown object, confusion reigns in the barnyard as the animals try to figure out the problem.

Dreamtime: Tales from Down Under

Thursday, July 12 at 4pm

Experience stories from the Australian Dreamtime with the Barefoot Puppet Theatre. Learn how the emu became a flightless bird, why the platypus looks so strange, and meet a giant, ocean-swallowing frog.

Pixel Perler Bead Art

Saturday, July 14 at 10:30am

Create your own pixel art out of perler beads. Ages 7-11. *Required Registration begins June 30.*

The New Adventures of Tom Sawyer

Thursday, July 19 at 4pm

Join Impressions Theatre as Tom and Huck set out on a grand adventure. They team up to build a monument so they will be remembered forever. To do so, they travel the globe to steal pieces from the greatest examples of architecture in the world.

Reptiles Alive

Thursday, July 26 at 4pm

Learn snake secrets. Laugh at lizard stories and turtle tales. Meet and learn about reptiles from all over the world.

Multicultural Roots of Rock & Rap

Thursday, August 2 at 4pm

Curtis Blues will bring history to life by performing instruments from all over the world and exploring how that history still influences the music we listen to today.

Family Art Drop-In

Friday, August 3 between 2pm-3:30pm

Decorate your door with your own fabulous foam doorknob hanger. All materials provided. For all ages.

Fairy Houses

Tuesday, August 7 at 4pm & 6:30pm

A child must sign up with an adult to build one house together. Using mosses, sticks, acorns, and other natural materials, create a little dwelling for the fairy living in your house or garden. *Required registration begins July 24.*

Be a Slimentist

Monday, August 13 at 2:30

Make slime at the library. All materials provided. Ages 7-11. *Required registration begins July 30.*

End of Summer Dance Party

Thursday, August 16 from 4:30pm-5:15pm

Put on your dancing shoes and celebrate the end of the summer. For all ages.

Recurring Events

Silver Screen Saturdays

Third Saturdays at 2pm

Join us for an afternoon movie. Snack and drink provided. Ages 9-18.

June 16: *Wonder (PG, 2017)*

July 21: *Wonder Woman (PG-13, 2017)*

August 18: *Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13, 2014)*

Northside Minecraft Club

Friday, June 29 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Friday, July 20 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Minecrafters, join us for a different challenge each month. To join the club, stop by a youth services desk to pick up and sign a Rules & Contract form. Only pc Minecraft accounts work on our server; Xbox and Ipad accounts are incompatible. Ages 7-18. *Registration to play in the Library begins two weeks before event date. Please call 434.973.7893 ext. 6 or email ndefibaugh@jmrl.org to register.*

Family Night at the Movies

Second Tuesdays at 6:30pm

Bring a blanket and pillows and join us for family friendly movies. Snack and juice box provided. There will be no movie in June, and we invite you to join us for our all ages School's Out Block Party that evening.

July 10: *My Little Pony: The Movie (2017; PG)*

August 14: *Early Man (2018; PG)*

Book Bugs Book Group

Second Thursdays (except July) at 4pm

Join us for a 45-minute session of chatting about books, snacks, and a fun activity. Books provided. Ages 8-10.

June 14: *A Bear Called Paddington* by Michael Bond, *Registration begins May 10.*

August 9: *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies, *Registration begins July 12.*