

A DUCKY TEEN SUMMER

## And More!

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#### GREAT CANADIAN SCAVENGER HUNT (for ages 0 - 12)

#### June 28-July 5 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Are you ready for the Great Canadian Scavenger Hunt? Search the Children's Library for a few of our greatest treasures that say, "I am Canadian!" Earn a cool Canadian prize and a bonus entry slip into a draw for a Medicine Hat Tigers hockey prize pack.

#### TD SUMMER READING CLUB STORYWALK®

#### July 1-31 | Police Point Park

Visit Police Point Park from July 1-31 to take part in the TD Summer Reading Club Storywalk®. This year's book is "Let's Go!" (haw êkwa!) by Julie Flett. The story will be bilingual so participants can choose to read in English or French. Once you've completed the walk, stop at the Nature Centre to receive a token that you can redeem for a prize at the Library.



#### PLAYGROUND PASSPORT (for ages 0 - 12 years)

#### July 2 - September 2 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Hey families! MHPL and the Digital Wellness Coalition have a challenge for you. If you have kids 12 and under who love to adventure and want any excuse to PLAY, swing by the Children's Library to grab your Playground Passport. Explore the awesome playgrounds all over our city, fill out your passport as you go, and drop it back at the library by Sept. 2. You could be the lucky winner of some fantastic prizes. Get outside, connect and play – just don't forget your sunscreen!

#### READING QUEST (for ages 7 - 9)

#### July 2 - August 31 | Kinsmen Children's Library Wrap-up Parties | July 31, August 27 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Embark on a summer of reading with the Reading Quest! Set a daily reading goal, track your progress, and earn collectible trading cards as you go. For every three days you complete your goal, visit the Children's Library to collect a new card and enter a ballot for the grand prize. Join us at the wrap-up parties to trade cards and enjoy fun activities. In partnership with River Bee Books.

#### WHEEL OF READING (for ages 0 - 12 years)

July 2-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-31 | August 5-7, 12-14, 19-21 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Come in during regular hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays to play our summer reading game, The Wheel of Reading! Let the wheel decide your next great read and win prizes along the way, courtesy of the TD Summer Reading Club. The last day to spin to win is Aug. 21.

#### DROP-IN FAMILY STORYTIME (for ages 2 and up)

July 4, 11, 18, 25 at 10:30AM | August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Join us for songs and rhymes to get your little ones moving! For ages 2 years and up with a parent or other adult caregiver.

#### BIG TRUCK DAY (for all ages)

#### July 5 at 11AM | Big Marble Go Centre

Start your engines and head over to the Big Marble Go Centre for a day full of big wheels, big machines and big fun! Kids and kidsat-heart of all ages can explore big trucks, construction vehicles and other awesome equipment. Get up close, press some buttons and meet the people who make these powerful machines go!

#### **BIG TRUCK DAY STORYTIME** (for ages 4 - 6 years)

July 5 at 10:30AM | Sage Room at Big Marble Go Centre

Join us for truck-themed stories and songs. It's the perfect way to gear up for Big Truck Day! **Online** registration required.



#### DROP-IN FAMILY STORYTIME FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS

(for ages 4 - 24 months)

July 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:30AM | August 11, 18, 25 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Drop-in to enjoy songs, rhymes, tickles and knee bounces. For ages 4-24 months with a parent or other adult caregiver.



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#### JOIN CCT AT MHPL FOR THE SUMMER

Community Coming Together is partnering with the Medicine Hat Public Library to offer fun, free summer activities that also support kids' mental wellbeing. Through play, creativity and connection, each event is designed to help children build confidence, resilience and emotional awareness. We have a range of activities such as Inside Out Day on **July 11**, where we'll explore emotions in a fun and engaging way through games, crafts and activities inspired by the Pixar film "Inside Out 2," followed by a screening of the movie. Then on **August 1**, sharpen your problem-solving skills and boost your self-confidence at Spy School, a top-secret training filled with puzzles, challenges, and hands-on spy fun. Come laugh, learn and grow with us!



#### **BABY RAVE** (for ages 0 - 3 years)

#### July 12 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Drop in and boogie with baby at the cutest dance party ever! There will be sensory play, bubbles, gentle lights, and beats from the Wiggles' new Techno album at a volume perfect for tiny ears. For ages 0-3 with a parent or other adult caregiver.

#### CRAFTERNOON: POST-IT NOTE ART (for ages 0 - 12 years)

#### July 15 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Get creative with us at Crafternoon: Post-It Note Art! Drop in to make your own small masterpiece and then add it to our community art display or take it home as a fun keepsake.

#### STAMPEDE STORYCRAFT (for ages 4 - 6 years)

July 21 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Yeehaw! It's Stampede season and we are kicking off the week with a special storycraft. We'll start with a storytime full of wild west tales and finish with a craft that's perfect for little cowpokes to take home. **Online registration required.** 



#### SUMMER SCIENCE (for ages 7 - 9 years)

#### July 29 at 10:30AM | Library Grounds or Legion Room

Join us on the Library lawn for a morning of super fun science experiments. You will get the chance to make three amazing experiments: poppin' pufferfish, lava lamps, and Diet Coke and Mentos geysers. Since we are going to have fun and get messy, an adult must accompany their child. *Online registration required.* 

#### MAGICIAN CHRISTOPHER COOL (for ages 0 - 12 years)

#### August 6 at 11AM and 1PM | Theatre

Calgary-based magician Christopher Cool is back with a brand new show that is guaranteed to be fun for the whole family. Last year's shows were standing room only; we kindly requests that families attend only one performance to allow everyone to take part in the magic of Christopher Cool this year.



#### STARGAZERS' STORYCRAFT (for ages 7 - 9 years)

#### August 9 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Celebrate the magic of the Perseids meteor shower with a night sky-themed story, an astronomy craft and kid-friendly stargazing tips. Children need to be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. **Online registration required.** 

#### CRAFTERNOON: FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS (for ages 0 - 12 years)

#### August 19 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Come to the library to unleash your creativity and craft colourful beaded bracelets. This program is for ages 12 and under, and all materials are provided. july/august





#### READING QUEST (for ages 10 - 12)

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#### SUMMER SLIME (for ages 10 - 12)

#### July 9 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Come down to the library for a slime-making extravaganza where you'll mix, squish, and create your very own custom slime. Choose your colours, add glitter, and make it as stretchy, fluffy, or sparkly as you like! **Online registration required**.

#### INBETWEEN BOOK CLUB: LIGHTFALL VOL. 1 (for ages 10 - 12)

#### July 10, 17 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Deep in the woods, Pig Wizard and his adopted granddaughter, Bea, live a peaceful life tending to the sacred Endless Flame. But when Bea meets Cad, the last of the ancient Galdurians, their world is turned upside down. With her grandfather missing and danger lurking, Bea and Cad set out on an epic quest to uncover the truth and save their world from eternal darkness. This book is perfect for fans of fantasy, magic and brave-but-relatable heroes! Join us for this month's InbeTween Book Club to find out where the adventure leads! **Online registration required**.



#### TWEEN ICE CREAM LAB

(for ages 10 - 12 years)

July 22 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Celebrate National Ice Cream Day this week with a fun science experiment! Tweens will learn how to make ice cream and sorbet using ice, salt and a little chemistry. **Online** *registration required.* 



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July 29 at 2PM | Library Grounds or Honor Currie Room

Join us on the library lawn for an hour of super fun science experiments. Tweens will get the chance to make poppin' pufferfish, lava lamps, and see a Diet Coke and Mentos geyser. Let's spark curiosity and ignite a love for science this summer! **Online registration required.** 

#### TWEEN NIGHT: BOARD GAME CAFÉ (for ages 10 - 12)

August 7 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Come play, connect and discover your new favourite board game! **Online registration** *required*.

#### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY (for ages 8 - 17)

#### August 12 at 1PM | Big Marble Go Centre

Are you a youth or have a youth between the ages of 8-17? Then make sure to save the date to celebrate International Youth Day with us at the Big Marble Go Centre with free activities such as Nerf wars, foam party, pickleball and more! Watch for more details on our social media: @mhpubliclibrary and @mhplteens.

#### TWEEN NIGHT: SUMMER STEM (for ages 10 - 12)

#### August 21 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Dive into the world of circuits with Snap Circuits, where you'll build exciting projects like radios and alarms. Then, unleash your creativity with Osmos, an interactive game that blends physical pieces with digital gameplay to teach coding and problem-solving. *Online registration required.* 



#### SCREEN-FREE SUMMER CHALLENGE

(for ages 13 - 19 years)

July 2 - September 2 | Pick up at Information Desk or Honeycomb House

Make summer sweet with our Screen-Free Summer Challenge for teens! Try new activities, connect with community, flex your creative skills, spread kindness and spend time "off-line." Challenge cards can be picked up at the Information Desk or Honeycomb House starting July 2. Cross off all that you accomplish over the summer and return the card to us by Sept. 2 to be entered into a draw for our prize package! Don't forget to disconnect from your tech, to reconnect with what (and who!) matters most.



Summer is for making memories—and these challenges will help you do just that! In partnership with the Digital Wellness Coalition.

#### READING QUEST (for ages 13 - 19)

July 2 - August 31 | Honeycomb House or Kinsmen Children's Library Wrap-up Parties | July 25, August 29 at 2PM | Honeycomb House

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#### DUCK COSTUME CONTEST (for ages 13 - 19)

July 2 - August 15 | Pick up at Information Desk

Over the summer, we challenge you to transform a rubber duck into a known pop culture icon using craft materials you have at home! Pick up a rubber duck at the Information Desk and return your costumed creation by Aug. 15 for judging. Duck-themed prize packs for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

#### DUCK HUNT (for ages 13 - 19)

July 14-18 | August 11-15 | Throughout the Library

We have an infestation of ducks! Hunt for hidden ducks throughout the library for the chance to win an amazing duck-themed prize pack including Bluetooth headphones and speaker!

#### DUCK ART SHOW & AWARDS (for ages 13 - 19)

#### August 20 at 6PM | Legion Room, Lower Level Hallway

Admire the amazing costumed rubber duck creations teens submitted over the summer, and learn the winners of the costume contest! Teens who submitted ducks are highly encouraged to attend, but all are welcome to view the art show and award ceremony. Light refreshments provided.



In partnership with Community Coming Together.

## TIC TAC COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTE

Are you 13-19 years old and in Grades 8-12? Do you like working with a team? Do you want to improve library services for teens? We want you to

- Advocate for teen and library services!
- Enhance our teen collection!
- Help plan engaging &
- fun teen nights!





#### SCHOOL'S OUT BINGO (for ages 13 - 19)

July 2 at 5PM | Honeycomb House

Celebrate the end of school and the start of summer with a live game of BINGO for the chance to win your very own Bluetooth speaker and a Swirls Gift Card! In partnership with Community Coming Together. school's Out BINGO Prize



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| Egg Carton Week<br>Make fun art using egg<br>cartons!                      | CLOSED                    | School's Out<br>BINGO<br>@ 5:00 pm | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm       |  |        |
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| Sand Art Week<br>bin us to create your very<br>own sand art!               | Unity Circle<br>@ 5:00 pm |                                    | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm       |  | CLOSED |
| →  | 15                        | 16                                 | 17                             | 18   | 19 -   |
| DIY Weebles Week<br>& Duck Hunt<br>Create your very own<br>Weeble friends! |                           | Sensory Fun<br>@ 5:00 pm           | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm       |  | CLOSED |
|  | 22                        | 23                                 | 24                             | 25   | 26     |
| Flexagons Week<br>Make your own fidget toy<br>out of paper!                |                           |                                    | CLOSING<br>AT 5 PM             | Reading<br>Quest Party<br>@ 2 pm   | CLOSED |
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| Dot Painting Week<br>ry out dot painting using<br>cotton swabs!            | 29                        | 30                                 | 31<br>Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm | Summer Drop in Hours*<br>Tues, Wed, Thur: 3:30 - 7:30 PM<br>Fri, Sat: 1:00 - 4:30 PM<br>CLOSED MONDAY & SUNDAY |        |
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Duck Costume Contest & Duck Hunt

Inquire with HH staff to learn more!



#### GAMING CLUB (for ages 13 - 19)

July 3, 10, 17, 31 at 5:30PM | August 7, 14, 21, 28 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House

Join us in the Honeycomb House for an evening dedicated to gaming. Try out our various gaming consoles and computers including our newest addition... the Nintendo Switch 2!

#### UNITY CIRCLE (for ages 13 - 19)

#### July 8 at 5PM | August 12 at 5PM | Honeycomb House

Unity Circle is an inclusive peer support group for all teens. It is a place to make friends, learn self-care skills, have fun, and find supports. We will have conversations around identity, self-expression and positivity.

#### SENSORY FUN (for ages 13 - 19)

July 16 at 5PM | August 27 at 5PM | Honeycomb House

This evening in the Honeycomb House is dedicated to sensory play! We will have various sensory objects, chill music, low lighting and more. Come relax and allow yourself to enjoy the sensory fun!

#### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY (for ages 8 - 17)

#### August 12 at 1PM | Big Marble Go Centre

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#### **TEEN TASKMASTER GAME**

(for ages 13 - 19 years)

August 13 at 3PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room

Put your skills to the test in a series of hilariously absurd challenges inspired by the hit show Taskmaster. Teens will compete both individually and in teams, taking on a series of hilarious, clever and bizarre tasks using everyday items and lots of imagination. Whether



you're building towers, composing a poem with random words or racing to complete a mystery challenge, each task is designed to test your wit, teamwork and ingenuity. Snacks and prizes provided. *Online registration required.* 

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| Air Dry Clay Week<br>& Duck Hunt<br>Unleash creativity by<br>culpting with air dry cla | Unity Circle<br>@ 5:00 pm                | Taskmaster*<br>@ 3:00pm<br>*pre-register | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm                | 15                               | 16         |
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| Tin Foil Art Week<br>Learn how to make co<br>artwork using tinfoil!                    | AI 5 PIVI                                | CLOSING<br>AT 5 PM                       | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm                | CLOSED                           | CLOSED     |
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| DIY Bug hotel Wee<br>lse everyday materials  |  | Sensory Fun<br>@ 5:00 pm                 | Gaming Club<br>@ 5:30 pm                | Reading<br>Quest Party<br>@ 2 pm | STERGON GT |



#### SUMMER READING PROGRAM: BOOKED FOR TRAVEL

#### July 2 - August 30 | Pick up at Information Desk

Welcome World Travelers! This year's summer reading theme is Around The World and we're challenging you to read six books representing six of the seven continents. Each book read is an entry for our Grand Prize. Stop by the Information Desk to pick up your Summer Reading Passport and find out how you can participate for a chance to win. Discover new cultures, explore distant lands, and let your imagination take flight—one book at a time. Good luck and happy reading!



#### SUMMER READING BINGO

July 2 - August 30 | Pick up at Information Desk

Summer is here! Pick up your Summer Reading Bingo card at the Information Desk and see how many squares you can fill before summer ends! For every row completed be entered to win a grand prize!

#### AFTERNOON MOVIE FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

#### July 2 at 1PM | August 13 at 1PM | Theatre

Adults with developmental delays are welcome to come to the library to enjoy watching a popular movie. In July we'll watch "Moana 2" and in August we'll watch "Paddington in Peru."

#### **COMMUNITY REFRESHMENTS**

July 4, 7, 11, 18, 21, 25, 28 at 1PM | August 1, 8, 11,15, 18, 22, 25 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room

We're shakin' up Community Coffee in the summer months by moving it to the afternoon, mixing cold drinks (lemonade included, of course) instead of brewing coffee, and running a whole bunch of fun crafts and activities.

Friday, July 4: Lego and Lemonade Monday, July 7: Board Game Cafe Friday, July 11: Craft: Rock Painting Friday, July 18: Craft: Bookmark Making Monday, July 21: Drop-in Naloxone Training with Recovery Alberta Friday, July 25: Colour and Chat: Colouring Pages and Calm Music Monday, July 28: Puzzle and Tea Time Friday, August 1: Craft: DIY Button Making Friday, August 8: Board Game Cafe Monday, August 11: Craft: Bookmark Making Friday, August 15: Colour and Chat: Colouring Pages and Calm Music Monday, August 18: Craft: Learn Calligraphy (Tracing Pages) Friday, August 22: Lego and Lemonade Monday, August 25: Puzzle and Tea Time



#### FRESH BREW AND FRENCH CONVERSATION

July 5, 12, 26 at 10:30AM | August 2, 16, 23, 30 at 10:30AM | Legion Room

An opportunity to converse in French with friendly Hatters. Light refreshments will be provided. *Note: This is not a language class.* 

#### EL CLUB DE LOS SABADOS

July 5, 12, 19, 26 at 1PM | August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1PM | Legion Room

An opportunity to converse in Spanish with friendly Hatters. Light refreshments will be provided. *Note: This is not a language class.* 

#### STITCHING IN THE AFTERNOON

July 8, 15, 22, 29 at 1PM | August 5, 12, 19, 26 at 1PM | Legion Room

Bring along a knitting or crochet project to share skills, laughs and some light refreshments.

#### RECONNECTING TO PLAY: LIFE-SIZE GAMES (for ages 19+)

July 8 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity -

so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us for life-size games like Battleship, Hungry, Hungry Hippos and musical chairs where you'll get the opportunity to be the game piece! For ages 19+. **Online registration required**.



#### RECONNECTING TO PLAY: NERF NIGHT (for ages 19+)

#### July 11 at 6PM | Library

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us for a fun-filled evening battling with Nerf guns! For ages 19+. **Online registration** *required.* 

#### RECONNECTING TO PLAY: LEGO NIGHT (for ages 19+)

#### July 22 at 6PM | Tables Downstairs by the Elevator

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressures of adulting and join us for a fun-filled evening of building with lego and creating whatever your imagination desires! For ages 19+. **Online registration required**.

#### RECONNECTING TO PLAY: FORT BUILDING (for ages 19+)

#### August 5 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us for a fun-filled evening of building forts from materials supplied by the library! For ages 19+. **Online registration required.** 

#### RECONNECTING TO PLAY: GIANT PARACHUTE (for ages 19+)

#### August 19 at 6PM | Library Grounds or Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resilience and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us for a fun-filled and stress-free evening of Giant Parachute games. For ages 19+. **Online** *registration required.* 

#### A FAREWELL TO CHAT TV

#### July 8 at 6:30PM | Theatre

Join us for a final farewell to CHATTV. Meet some of the people who worked at the station telling your stories and reporting the news, sports and weather. Come by, hear the story of the final day, and say thank you and farewell to the last employees of CHAT TV in Medicine Hat. There will even be an opportunity to take some pictures.

#### PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY

#### July 10, 24 at 6:30PM | August 7, 21 at 6:30PM | Theatre

Hosted by Our Collective Journey, Pathways to Recovery is a community support group that focuses on bringing people together who are impacted by addiction. The atmosphere is solution-focused and comes with an opportunity to share, educate and support anyone wanting to explore their path to recovery.

#### DROP-IN BEADED EARBUD OR SUNGLASSES HOLDER

July 12 at 1PM | Display Area Near the Information Desk

Use beads to create a fun way to hang onto your earbuds or sunglasses.

#### FICTION BOOK CLUB - JULY

July 15 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In July we're reading "Reminders of Him" by Colleen Hoover.







#### CIMARRON (1931)

#### 2PM | Theatre

A newspaper editor settles in an Oklahoma boom town with his reluctant wife at the end of the nineteenth century. With Richard Dix, Irene Dunne and Estelle Taylor. 123 mins.



#### THE GIRL CAN'T HELP IT (1956)

#### 2PM | Theatre

A gangster hires a down-and-out press agent to make his airheaded girlfriend a singing star. With Tom Ewell, Jayne Mansfield and Edmond O'Brien. 97 mins.



#### SIPS AND SOCIALS: BOOKWORM NIGHT

#### July 17 at 6-8PM | The Yard (619 Third St. SE)

Come to The Yard to make new friends and build connections over common interests in a no-pressure setting. Each table will have a discussion topic to help you find like minded people to enjoy your evening with. For July our theme is Bookworm Night with topics like romance, fantasy, thrillers, sci-fi, comics and more! Food and drinks will be available to purchase. Thank you to our friends at The Yard for hosting us!

#### PEER SUPPORT GROUP: NEURODIVERGENT YOUNG ADULTS (for ages 18+)

#### July 19 at 11AM | August 9 at 11AM | Legion Room

This peer support group is run by neurodivergent young adults with the support of members of the Medicine Hat Autism Society. It is a safe place for neurodivergent young adults (autistic, ADHD, and more) to visit and learn about resources that may be available to them. For more information email medicinehatautismsociety@gmail.com.

#### **ROMANTASY AFTERNOON TEA**

July 19 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Dearest Friends of Fantasy and Flame,



You are cordially invited to an enchanting afternoon of tea, treats and tales at our Romantasy Afternoon Tea—a celebration of romantic fantasy stories that sweep you into unforgettable worlds. Discover new books, win prizes and join us for romantasy-inspired activities while mingling with fellow readers. Whether you're a fan of star-crossed lovers, enemies-to-lovers or slow-burn passion, this afternoon tea is the perfect escape. **Online registration required.** 





#### INFERTILITY, PREGNANCY LOSS AND INFANT LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

July 22 at 6PM | August 26 at 6PM | Legion Room

This group is open to anyone affected by infertility, pregnancy loss, or infant loss. This is a welcoming, non-judgmental, safe space for all individuals who have experienced infertility and/or pregnancy loss and/or infant loss. A safe space created to connect, share, develop open discussion, through peer support and heal together. Led by participants with assistance from professionals. Together, we'll navigate the complex emotions and find solace among those who understand. Presented by Medicine Hat Family Service.

#### VAN LIFE: HOW TO BUILD A CAMPER VAN

#### July 29 at 6:30PM | Theatre

Ever dreamed of converting a van but had no idea where to start? Student librarian Alyssa Roussy will share her experience retro-fitting a cargo van into a camper. She'll share how she went from zero building experience to building the camper, including all of the trial, error and tribulations she faced along the way. Please note that this talk covers practical lessons based on personal experience and is not meant to offer advice or instruction.



#### MACRAME WALL DECOR

July 30 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Make a fun wall hanging using a wire frame and some simple macrame knots. *Online registration required.* 

#### PAINT BY NUMBERS

#### August 13 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

What's old is new again! Discover a much-loved craft by joining us for a night of paintby-numbers. All supplies are provided. **Online registration required.** 

#### STRING FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS (for ages 13 - 19)

August 16 at 1PM | Display Area Near the Information Desk

Friendship bracelets, made with embroidery thread, are a classic craft. Stop by to try this casual, drop-in craft.

#### **BIG LAUGHS & BIG HAIR: STEEL MAGNOLIAS**

August 26 at 5:30PM | Theatre

Join us for a night of laughter, tears and timeless Southern charm with "Steel Magnolias." It's all about bold hearts, big hair and beautiful bonds. Popcorn and bottled water will be on hand—because every ladies' night deserves a little extra.

#### FICTION BOOK CLUB - AUGUST

August 26 at 6:30PM | Honor Currie Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In August we're reading "The Light Between Oceans" by M. L. Stedman

## INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY COMMUNITY EVENT

#### August 28 at 4-7PM | Library Grounds

Join the Medicine Hat Drug Coalition in its eighth annual Overdose Awareness Day community event to remember and honour those "Gone Too Soon." This event will feature: free BBQ, reflection stations, information tables, naloxone training, open mic and more.

## INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY SHARING CIRCLE

#### August 31 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

The Medicine Hat Drug Coalition is partnering with MHPL to host a powerful sharing circle on International Overdose Awareness Day. This free opportunity is meant to promote healing through sharing, facilitated by an indigenous elder. Grief and coping resources to be available. EventBrite registration required, use QR code.





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Get involved with planning and fundraising at your library!

From planning to fundraising, there are many ways to stay involved with MHPL.

For more information call 403-502-8527.

#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

Library Board meetings are normally held the first Wednesday of every month, with the exception of July and August. Meetings are open to the public; please email our Chief Librarian if you're interested in attending (kenf@shortgrass.ca).

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Interested in getting more involved? Want to help plan our annual book sale or other fundraising events? The Friends of the Library might just be the place for you. Contact us for more information: 403-502-8525 or mhploffice@shortgrass.ca.

#### MHPL FOR YXH

The #MHPLforYXH campaign keeps library cards FREE for Hatters thanks to donations from community businesses and organizations! Thank you for supporting MHPL and the community. Contact Chris at chrisb@shortgrass.ca or 403-502-8536 if you want to be the next #MHPLforYXH library card sponsor.



Library Hours Monday, Friday, Saturday: 10AM-5PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10AM-8PM Sunday: Closed June 29-August 30 **Closed Days** Tuesday, July 1, 2025 Monday, August 4, 2025

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTAL Play Space

Drop-in times Monday, Friday, Saturday: 1PM - 4:45PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 1PM - 7:45PM Booking times Monday-Saturday: 10:15-11AM & 11:30AM-12:15PM Use the QR Code to book



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