

August & September Newsletter

TWO HARBORS PUBLIC LIBRARY



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Mondays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

Tuesdays, 11:30 am – 7:00 pm

Wednesdays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

Thursdays, 11:30 am – 7:00 pm

Fridays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

Take and Make Basket Kits

Learn beginner basketry skills and different stitch techniques to create a small coiled basket in this Take and Create art experience designed by local artist Erika LeMay. Beginner artists will follow along to spiral their baskets outward and upward to complete a functional work of art!

These Take and Make Kits are appropriate for adults, teens and children ages 11 and up. Younger children can participate with assistance from an adult. All supplies needed to create the baskets are included. An instructional video for the Take and Create Kit will be provided for this art experience. This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Reoccurring Weekly Events

Storytime

10:30-11:00 am, Wednesdays

For Children and their Caregivers, Children's Area
Enjoy a few stories and a craft or activity.

Game Day for Adults with Community Partners

1:00-3:00 pm, Wednesdays

For Adults, Library Meeting Room

Chess, cribbage, cards, and more! Adults are invited to a drop-in game afternoon. Light refreshments will be provided. We are excited to present this series in collaboration with Community Partners.

August 4-8

LOTS Storytime

Monday, August 4, 10:00-11:00am

For children, Library Meeting Room

Parents and caregivers from birth to age five are invited to hear stories, share in fun activities, and take home a free book! Older siblings are welcome to attend and receive a free book. This week's theme is shapes! This program is sponsored by the North Shore Collaborative.

Clark Stoeckley Artist Talk

Tuesday, August 5, 5:30-6:30pm

For all ages, Library Meeting Room

Meet our featured July/August artist and learn more about his body of work.

Sonic the Hedgehog Party

Friday, August 8th, 2:00-3:00pm

For children, Library Meeting Room

Enjoy snacks, crafts, and games themed around everyone's favorite speedy hedgehog. Give us a "ring" at the front desk to sign up!

Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.

August 11-15

LOTS Storytime

Monday, August 11, 10:00-11:00am

For children, Library Meeting Room

Parents and caregivers from birth to age five are invited to hear stories, share in fun activities, and take home a free book! Older siblings are welcome to attend and receive a free book. This week's theme is back to school! Nicole from Head Start will be a special storytime guest this week. This program is sponsored by the North Shore Collaborative.

Afternoon Book Circle

Monday, August 11, 2:00-3:00pm

For adults, Library Meeting Room

This month's book is *The Invisible Kingdom: Reimagining Chronic Illness* by Meghan O'Rourke. Limited copies are available at the front desk.

Silent Book Club

Tuesday, August 12, 6:00-7:00pm

For adults, Upstairs Fireplace Area

Join us on the second Tuesday of the month! Drop in, relax, and read your book quietly with other people upstairs in the original Carnegie Library area.

Did you know you can borrow passes for the Great Lakes Aquarium and Minnesota State Parks with your library card? Learn more at the front desk!

August 18-22

Will Sings Songs

Monday, August 18, 10:00-10:45am

For children, Library Meeting Room

Children's musician Will Bjorndal performs original songs for young people of all ages in Will Sings Songs! Driven by audience participation, Will's songs are guaranteed to get kids moving, grooving, laughing, and singing. A naturalist by trade, many of Will's tunes are environmentally themed, but many are just plain fun! This high energy performance focuses on positivity, joy, and learning through curiosity. This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF).

Books and Brews

Tuesday, August 19, 6:00-8:00pm

For adults, Castle Danger Brewery Taproom

Book lovers will gather the third Tuesday of the month in the taproom and discuss what we're reading. Castle Danger will give you \$1 off your first drink if you show them your book on Books and Brews night.

Short and Sweet Bookclub

Thursday, August 21, 6:00-6:45pm

For adults, Library Meeting Room

This month we are reading "The Little Mermaid" by Hans Christian Andersen. Copies are available at the front desk.

August 25-29

Kids Art Hour

Monday, August 25, 10:00-11:00am

Youth ages 0-8 and their caregivers, Library Meeting Room

Come have fun and create art! All supplies are provided for this drop-in activity.

Pick up summer reading prizes by Friday, August 29!

September 1-5

The library is closed Monday, September 1 in observance of Labor Day.

The Teacher is In: Adult Education Office Hours

Wednesday, September 3, 9:30am-5:00pm

For adults, Library Meeting Room

Visit with Deann about completing your GED, gaining basic computer skills, increasing reading, writing, and math abilities, improving your English language skills, preparing for college, and more.

Lego Open Build

Thursday, September 4, 4:00-5:00pm

For all ages, Children's Area

Ready... set... build! Join us for some construction fun. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

September 1-5

State Parks Hiking Club with Phil Hartley

Thursday, September 4, 5:30-6:30pm

For all ages, Library Meeting Room

Hit the trails with Phil Hartley as he shares about his year of visiting every state park in Minnesota!

Author Talk with Forensic Psychologist & True Crime author Frank F. Weber

Friday, September 5, 10:30-11:30am

For adults, Library Meeting Room

Frank will walk the audience through profiling a case, and give a live example of a lie detector test (volunteer a friend). Frank will speak about his forensic work and the writing of true crime mysteries. Frank's 2025 release, *The Sun*, will be available at the event. *The Sun* and *Scandal of Vandals* are based on a true Minnesota mystery that was once touted as "the crime of the century." A prominent Twin Cities attorney was accused of hiring a hitman to kill his wife. *Scandal of Vandals* ended with a conviction. *The Sun* involves the fallout on the lives of the same characters after the appeal. Frank will share information related to the case. Frank will be at the Two Harbors Public Library signing books and answering individual questions by 10:00 a.m. and will be available for questions after the event.

September 8-12

The Teacher is In: Adult Education Office Hours

Monday, September 8, 9:30am-5:00pm

For adults, Library Archives Room

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Songbird Musical Stories with Miss Rebecca

Monday, September 8, 10:00-11:00am

For children and their caregivers, Library Meeting Room

Enjoy rhymes, rhythms, and songs with Miss Rebecca. No musical background required! This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.

Afternoon Book Circle

Monday, September 8, 2:00-3:00pm

For adults, Library Meeting Room

This month's book is *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng. Limited copies are available at the front desk.

**It's National Library Card Signup Month!
Show us your library card in September
to win a free bookmark.**

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Fantastic Ferns

Friday, September 12, 1:00-2:00pm

For youth, Library Meeting Room

Ferns can be found growing all around the North Shore. Did you know that they are some of the oldest plants to ever exist? Learn how these plants were friends of the dinosaurs and how fun they are to learn about! Join Park Naturalist Mic from Gooseberry Falls State Park for an educational frenzy in the Two Harbors Public Library meeting room from 1-2 pm. All youth must be accompanied by an adult.

This program is in partnership with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Parks and Trails.

September 15-19

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For adults, Library Archives Room

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Colorful Coiled Baskets with Erika LeMay

Monday, September 15, 10:00am-12:30pm

For ages 11 and up, Library Meeting Room

Learn basic basketry skills and stitch techniques to create a small coiled basket in this guided workshop. Participants will start by wrapping yarn around a cotton rope core to build the base of their basket. Erika LeMay will guide attendees through stitching and creating simple patterns using different colors. Beginner artists will follow along to spiral their baskets outward and upward to complete a functional work of art! Registration required; please sign up at the front desk.

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This month we are reading "Meet the Italian 'Fruit Detective' Who Investigates Centuries-Old Paintings for Clues About Produce That Has Disappeared From the Kitchen Table" By Mark Schapiro. Copies are available at the front desk.

September 22-26

The Teacher is In: Adult Education Office Hours

Monday, September 22, 9:30am-5:00pm

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September 29-October 3

The Teacher is In: Adult Education Office Hours

Monday, September 29, 9:30am-5:00pm

For adults, Library Archives Room

Lego Open Build

Thursday, October 2, 4:00-5:00pm

For all ages, Children's Area

Ready... set... build! Join us for some construction fun. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Crazy 8's Math Club

Friday, October 3, 2:00-3:00pm

For children in grades 3-5, Library Meeting Room

Collaborative, hands-on math fun!

Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s club is not your usual math club. Kids of all math abilities will make mischief and memories with activities like Neon Geometry, Bouncy Dice Explosion, Toilet Paper Olympics, Spy Training and more. You'll get to take home some cool prizes, too! Sign up at the front desk. This program series runs Fridays from October 3-November 21.

Save the date: Artists Jerry Carlson and Rachel Coyne are designing and installing an elf house for our pollinator garden! Join them in community design workshops October 2-3. There will be activities and storytelling for all ages. Thank you to the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library for their financial support!