

Contests



Sock Toss

Toss the sock each time you return a completed "Be Creative" bookmark. Earn points for each sock you toss through a paint splotch. The person who scores the most points wins the contest. Prize will be awarded at our program's finale on August 6. (For ages 1 to 8)

Dates of contest: June 5—August 6



Artopoly

Toss the dice each time you return a completed "Be Creative" bookmark. Move ahead on the Artopoly game board and earn points. The person who scores the most points wins the contest. Prize will be awarded at our program's finale on August 6. (For ages 8 to 13)

Dates of contest: June 5—August 6

Flip Your Lid

You may flip your lid when you see our hanging lid display. Guess how many lids are on the display. Everyone who guesses the correct number will be eligible for a prize at our program's finale on August 6.



Creative Creatures Art Contest

Be creative. Draw, color, or paint a real or imaginary creature on paper and enter your "masterpiece" in your age category: 2 to 5 yrs., 6 to 9 yrs., or 10 to 13 yrs. We will display all the creative creatures in our hallway. Winners will be announced at our program's finale on August 6.

Dates of contest: June 2—July 31

What Is It?

You will recognize most of the items hanging from the ceiling in the Children's Room: the giant paint brushes, crayons, colored pencils, paint palettes, etc. But one item is quite unusual. Guess what it is called, and ask for an entry form at the Children's desk. All who guess correctly will be eligible to win a prize at our program's finale on August 6.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Jim Jayes's Marionettes & Magic Show

Tuesday, June 9

Jim Jayes is a professional family entertainer who brings a unique combination of magic and puppetry. Be prepared to join in the fun. All ages are invited.

[Time: 3:00—3:45 P.M.]

[Location: New Ulm Community Center]

Mr. Twister's Balloon Show

Thursday, June 25

Mr. Twister will have everyone laughing along with him as he comes up with some amazing balloon creations. Be part of the fun and excitement. All ages are invited.

[Time: 3:00—3:45 P.M.]

[Location: New Ulm Community Center]



Chess Tournament

Tuesday, July 14

The Library will host a chess tournament for beginner, intermediate, and advanced level players. Please register by signing up at the Children's desk or by calling the Library at 359-8336. Players must be between the ages of 5 and 13. All participants are eligible for prizes.

[Time: 2:00 - 3:30 P.M.]

[Location: New Ulm Public Library]

Brodini Comedy Magic Show

Thursday, July 16

This award-winning comedy magic show is all about audience participation. Brodini will have all ages laughing, looking, scratching their heads, and wanting more. Don't miss Minnesota's favorite magician!

[Time: 3:00—3:40 P.M.]

[Location: New Ulm Community Center]

Dennis Warner Kids' Concert & SRP Finale

Thursday, August 6

Dennis Warner will present a concert that is upbeat and fun. He loves to involve his audience, so be prepared to participate. All ages will enjoy his music.



Following the concert, we will announce the winners of our various contests, including the 10 grand prize winners.

[Time: 2:30—3:30 P.M.]

[Location: New Ulm Community Center]



Be Creative @ YOUR LIBRARY



2009

Summer Reading Program

New Ulm Public Library

17 North Broadway

Phone: 359-8331

Who can participate?

The NUPL Summer Reading Program is open to anyone from ages 1 to 13 who wants to read and have fun. The goal for successful completion of this program is for each participant to read for at least 30 minutes (or be read to for about 20 minutes) on 25 different days between June 1 and August 6.



Participating is easy. Here's how:

- Come to the Library and fill out a registration form. You will receive a "Be Creative" bookmark.
- For each day that you read for at least 30 minutes (or listen to someone read to you for about 20 minutes), you fill in one paint palette on your bookmark.
- Readers can read books on their own at an appropriate level. Read-to-Me's will listen to books read by a parent or other reader.
- After filling in 5 paint palettes on the bookmark, bring it back to the Library. Receive a special prize when you reach the 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 day mark. We'll keep track of your total number of days and make sure that you receive your prizes.
- When you have reached the 25 day goal, you will become eligible to enter our drawing to win 1 of our 10 grand prizes.
- The grand prize drawing will take place at our SRP Finale on Thursday, August 6. This is the final day of the 2009 Summer Reading Program.



Registration begins on Monday, June 1.

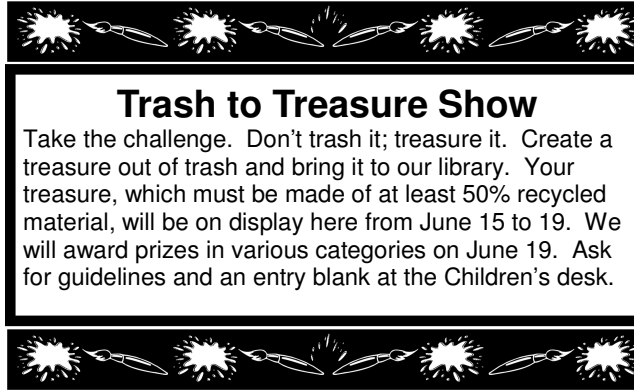
STORYTIMES

Storytimes will include books, songs, flannel boards, and more! Each program will last about 30 minutes. These storytimes are geared especially for ages 4 to 8, but children of all ages, parents, and other caregivers are welcome too.



Schedule for Storytimes:

Twice each week from June 3 to August 6
Wednesdays at 10:00 A.M.
Thursdays at 10:00 A.M.



Trash to Treasure Show

Take the challenge. Don't trash it; treasure it. Create a treasure out of trash and bring it to our library. Your treasure, which must be made of at least 50% recycled material, will be on display here from June 15 to 19. We will award prizes in various categories on June 19. Ask for guidelines and an entry blank at the Children's desk.

Creative Camps

Pre-registration is required and slots are limited. You may sign up for two camps by registering at the desk in the Children's Room or by calling the Library (359-8336). **Age restrictions do apply.** Further details are posted at the Library. Below are the dates & themes:

June 10 — Awesome Art

-Presented by artist Ruth Lindemann
Session I: 1:00 - 2:00 PM (ages 8 -10)
Session II: 2:30 - 3:30 PM (ages 10 -13)



June 24 — Creative Magic

-Presented by magician Shari Ellingson
Session I: 1:00 - 2:00 PM (ages 8 -13)
Session II: 2:30 - 3:30 PM (ages 8 -13)

July 8 — It's All about Chess!

(Each session: ages 6-13)
-Presented by instructor Daa Mahowald
Session I: 1:00 - 2:00 PM (Chess for Beginners)
Session II: 2:30 - 3:30 PM (Winning Moves)



July 22 — Take Part in Art

-Presented by Library Staff
Session I: 1:00 - 2:00 PM (ages 8 -10)
Session II: 2:30 - 3:30 PM (ages 10 -13)

Camp registration begins on June 1.

ACTIVITIES

Creative Thinkers

Our bulletin board features 12 photos of people who are well-known for being creative. Your task is to identify each person. To do this, you must use the special code provided. Ask for a form to use to take part in this activity. Everyone who completes this activity correctly will win a prize.

Crafty Creations

Our craft table is set up so that you can create a fantastic masterpiece each week. Just ask for instructions and materials at the Children's desk. Create and then take your creation home with you to impress family and friends.



Activity Sheets

Solve a crossword puzzle, find the hidden words, connect the dots, or color the pages. These and many more fun and challenging activity sheets will be available at the Library every day all summer. Return a completed activity sheet and earn a small prize for that week.

Got Art?

If you are in the library and feel like expressing yourself in an artistic way, we invite you to contribute to our wall of art. Choose a frame and be creative. Please ask for special markers at the Children's desk.



Art Mystery

Someone has stolen 12 famous paintings from our library and is hiding them in various stores in New Ulm. Your task is to solve the mystery by locating the paintings. Ask for an "Art Mystery" entry form. Look for those paintings in the windows of downtown stores. All who find and correctly identify the locations of these paintings will earn a prize.

Reading Is a Fine Art Challenge

If you have completed the 25 days of reading and want even more of a challenge, ask the librarian about the Reading Is a Fine Art Challenge. All who complete this challenge will earn a prize as well as special recognition as a Reading Artist.