MAKER MOVEMENT LAUNCH PARTY

Join us at the Library on Tuesday, July 1 starting at 6:30pm for our launch party! We will have various vendors from the community including Big Sky Photo Booth, Bozeman Bike Kitchen, Bozeman Makerspace, 3D Paintbrush, and many more showcasing everything from 3D printers to DIY crafts. You will not want to miss this event as it will be sure to delight patrons of all ages. There will be snacks and door prizes! Area 626: Make It @ BPL is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

ART RECEPTION

Southwest Montana Arts, a community organization of accomplished artists, will hang 50 paintings in the Atrium Gallery for the month of July. The opening reception, free and open to the public, will be on Wednesday, July 2 from 5:30-7pm in the large Community Room. The exhibit is a juried art show with juror Randi O’Brien judging the first day.

Randi is an MSU faculty member, a ceramic artist, historian, writer, presenter, and educator from the Rocky Mountains. Winners will be announced at 6pm during the reception. All work is for sale with a portion benefitting the cultural work of the Library Foundation. Call 582-2425 for any questions.

JAZZ & MORE . . . WITH KELLY ROBERTI

This popular summer series meets every Monday night at 7pm in the Community Room. Kelly interviews a variety of musicians and other creative people followed by unrehearsed and impromptu musical performances. Kelly often joins in with his stand-up or electric bass. All ages welcome.

July performances include:

July 7: Jeremy Morton & GT Hurley. Jeremy plays guitar and is a singer/songwriter from the Bozeman area. He has been performing around southwest Montana playing a mixture of original and cover material ranging from Bob Dylan to Van Morrison, Willie Nelson to Neil Young. GT Hurley is also a singer/songwriter who also breeds ranch-raised quarter horses. GT was nominated by the Western Music Association as one of the five finalists for the Crescendo Award.

July 14: L-Town Blues with Mike Gillan. Mike is a life-long drummer & percussionist playing his favorite musical styles: jazz, Latin jazz, blues, soul, and funk. L-Town Blues is only one of his many bands that he plays with—you don’t want to miss this evening of great music.
July 21: Jake & Jeni Fleming. Local favorites come together for an eventful night of meaningful conversation, good cheer, and amazing music. Learn about the paths their lives have followed through music.

July 28: DG House & Mohr4. Not a newcomer to Kelly’s program, DG talks about the similar artistic emotions found in common between playing music and painting. Her paintings are contemporary expressions of native people and wildlife of the rocky mountain west. Kelly will pair DG with Bozeman musical sisters Mohr4 performing on string instruments.

Jazz & More is generously sponsored by Montana Ale Works and the Library Foundation. The series runs every Monday night through August. Call 582-2426 for more information.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

The Albert Gallatin Great Books monthly discussion group meets on Saturday, July 19 at 10:15 am in the Board Room upstairs to discuss The Guns of August by Barbara Tuchman. All interested readers are welcome; please call Neil Lynch at 763-4380.

Other Library Book Clubs will resume in September. For more information, please call the Library at 582-2410.

DAY ON THE GREEN

Meet us out front on the Library Plaza with your blankets and lawn chairs on Sunday, July 20 between 4-7 pm for the honky-tonk, country, rock, edgy, and progressive music from Ten Foot Tall & 80 Proof! Since forming in 2006, Ten Foot Tall & 80 Proof has been seen in a variety of venues, but this will be the band’s first appearance at the Library’s Day on the Green summer concert series. Their debut album, “Princess of Doom,” was released in January 2008 and since then they have been playing over 150 shows throughout the U.S., as well as locally in Music on Main and the Red Ants Pants Festival.

A bonus outdoor concert this month will be Montana Manouche on Tuesday, July 22 at 7 pm on the east lawn of the Library. A gypsy jazz quartet, Manouche performs mostly instrumental music in the style of Django Reinhardt. The Library concert will be performed as a quintet, including vocalist Ann Dickensheets. Their joyful music is perfect for the whole family!

Pinky and the Floyd return on Sunday, August 24. While these concerts are fun for the whole family, please leave your dogs at home, and remember, there is no smoking on the Library grounds. These concerts are sponsored by the Library Foundation; please call Paula at 582-2426 with any questions.

ONE BOOK – ONE BOZEMAN

The Library Foundation continues to encourage the community to read I am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban by Malala Yousafzai. You can also visit onebookonebozeman.org to learn of the many activities around the book. One of the first book discussions will be at MSU’s Renne Library on Wednesday, July 16 at noon. Please RSVP at 582-2426 if you’d like to attend. More discussions will be on the schedule, so stay tuned for program details in the coming months.

The Writer’s Voice, a joint writing contest with MSU inspired by I Am Malala, encourages all ages to submit their entries to the MSU Writing Center for review prior to submitting. Deadline is August 4. Details can be found at montana.edu/convocation/. More information about the events or writing contest can be found on the website above or by calling 582-2426.

Programs with an asterisk are co-sponsored by the Library.

* SCORE MEETS JULY 16

All are invited to a free SCORE workshop, “Employment Law - Hiring & Firing” on Wednesday, July 16 from 11:45-1:15 in the Community Room. Presented by Pattie Berg, the program covers best practices presentation in recruiting and retaining good employees, as well as how to legally and ethically handle firing employees. Call 586-5421 for more information.

* BABY BISTRO

The Gallatin Breastfeeding Coalition provides free breastfeeding support every Thursday from 11 am-1 pm in the Community Room. Come talk to professionals and meet other mothers in a relaxed setting.
* OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT
Join us on Friday, July 25 at 7pm for open mic night with the Bozeman Poetry Collective. The Bozeman Poetry Collective is an open mic forum that meets monthly to share and experience poetry through the spoken word. Poets and enthusiasts alike come to enjoy a relaxed environment and listen to talented poets from across the valley share their original works, as well as a variety of readings from the works of their favorite poets. From sonnet to slam, all genres are welcome at the mic. For questions, contact David Shields at bozemanpoetrycollective@gmail.com or by phone at 589-5259.

YOUNG SCIENTISTS CLUB
This is a hands-on program for kids going into grades 1-5 held on Fridays from 10:30-12 in the Community Room. Because of Fourth of July and our Used Book Sale, we are offering two programs this month. No registration needed.

Friday, July 18: Soaked Science! All About Water with Molly Ward. In this class we will dive into the world of water. We'll experiment with water's unique properties, learn where it comes from, where it goes and how to use this resource wisely. Please dress to get splashed!

Friday, July 25: Yellowstone Geysers with the Museum of the Rockies. Join the Museum staff for a summer reading program all about geysers. Uncover how geysers and hot springs work and create your own explorations! Kids will love watching MENTOS candy and Diet Coke create a geyser as tall as the Library, right?

CRAZY EIGHTS MATH CLUB
This is a new club this summer for kids entering grades 1-3 who like to play games with numbers and make stuff on Friday afternoons from 1-1:45 in the Community Room. We will meet on July 18 and again on July 25, due to Fourth of July holiday closing and our summer Used Book Sale. Missing math while school is out? Ask us about Bedtime Math!

FROM STORY TO STAGE
Kids ages 9-14 are invited to register for a unique workshop in July. The Illustrated Theatre residency From Story to Stage offers young writers the opportunity to discover their own voice, imagine unique characters, play with dialogue and create settings. After each participant writes and refines a short story, together one story will be chosen to transform into a play. Writers then shift their focus to acting, and utilizing improvisation and transformation theatre techniques, develop an original play. At the end of the residency the actors perform their unique production for a live audience.

The workshop will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1-2:30pm in the Conference Room on July 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 and 31, with a performance on July 31.

Artistic Director Gale Farnsworth earned her MFA in Writing for Young Adults and Children at Hamline University. An Equity actress, Gale has performed with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, at the Cleveland Playhouse, Wolf Trap Park, La Jolla Playhouse, Dublin Theatre Festival, in Shakespeare Festivals, commercials and film. Gale has taught theatre residencies and workshops in twelve states for colleges, schools, libraries and art centers. Currently, Gale is completing a young adult novel, Where I Stand Right Now. Please call the Children’s Desk at 582-2404 to register.

CHESS CLUB IN JULY
It’s GIANT CHESS time! At our regular Chess Club on Tuesday, July 1, we will construct and embellish giant chess pieces. Then July 8 and beyond we will play a giant collaborative chess game at some of the club’s regular meetings. The club meets on Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00pm through July; join us for a new dimension in Kids’ Chess. For more information, please call Ginny at 582-2404.

PIG OUT ON READING!
Bring together a farmer, a pig, and lots of good farm animal books, and you can’t go wrong with this program for all ages on
Thursday, July 10 at 3pm in the Children’s Room. You will want to bring your camera to pose with Daisy the Pig!

CIVIL WAR TALK JULY 31
This year marks the Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War and the Library is offering a series of lectures on the Civil War beginning July 31. Kim Allen Scott, Montana State University Renne Library Archivist and Civil War buff will describe soldier life and infantry tactics. The presentation will begin at 7pm in the large Community Room. Questions? Please call 582-2410.

Next in the series: Abe Lincoln Live! on Thursday, August 7 with Lincoln character actor John Voehl.

USED BOOK SALE JULY 11-13
The eagerly anticipated Friends Used Book Sale will be July 11, 12 & 13. Enjoy the Downtown Art Walk and also shop the Members Sale on Friday, July 11th. Not a member yet? Join at the Library, online at FriendsBPL.org or at the sale. Individual memberships start at just $20/year.

Please join the Friends Used Book Store and Country Bookshelf for a month long “Find Waldo Local” scavenger hunt. Find Waldo in our Used Book Store and 24 other locations around Bozeman during the month of July. Country Bookshelf has your passport to start playing July 1—they’ll also have prizes and host a Waldo Shindig on July 31!

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM
Please join us any Wednesday from 12-1 at Beall Park or MSU campus (SOB Barn) for free lunch for kids 18 & under provided by Gallatin Valley Food Bank and HRDC. The Library provides hands-on activities each Wednesday based on its Fizz Boom Read! summer reading program for all ages. Free lunch is provided each week day with activities sponsored by other organizations too!