



Youth Programs

Fall 2024



Story Times are 20-30 min. and geared for the ages listed. Registration for Library Learners is encouraged but not required and is available on our website and at the library beginning Mon., Aug. 12.



STORY TIME
Ages 0-23 Months

**Sept. 9-Sept. 30 and
Oct. 28-Nov. 25**

Onalaska: Mon. at 12 pm



Ages 24-36 Months

**Sept. 9-Oct. 3 and
Oct. 28-Nov. 25**

Onalaska: Mon. at 10 am
Holmen: Thu. at 10:15 am



STORY TIME
Ages 0-36 Months

**Sept. 14-Oct. 5 and
Nov. 2-Nov. 23**

Onalaska: Sat. at 10 am



Ages 3-6 Years

**Sept. 9-Oct. 4 and
Oct. 28-Nov. 27**

Bangor: Mon. at 10:15 am
Campbell: Thu. at 6:30 pm
Holmen: Tue. at 6:30 pm and
Wed. at 10:15 am
Onalaska: Mon. at 6:30 pm
Thu. at 10 am and
Fri. at 10:00 am
West Salem: Tue. at 6:30 pm and
Wed. at 10:15 am

Bilingual Story Time

Learn phrases, sing songs, and baila con amor! This program is geared towards families wanting to learn about Latin American culture, and for those who are missing home.



(Hola Means Hello!)
Ages 3 and up

Sat., Sept. 14 11:00 am Campbell
**Sat., Oct. 5 and
Sat., Nov. 2** 11:00 am Onalaska
Sat., Oct. 19 11:00 am West Salem
Sat., Nov. 9 11:00 am Holmen

Community Storytelling Festival*

Join us for a community celebration of the power of storytelling. Learn how stories both entertain and transmit values through the generations and across the world.

No registration required, free refreshments provided.

Sat., Sept. 7 Onalaska

10:00 am Storytelling Workshop with Youth Services
Learn how to incorporate storytelling into everyday interactions with youth from age birth through teens. Geared for adults but activities for children provided. 45 min.

11:00 am Storytelling Panel*

Learn the culture, traditions, and stories of local refugees and immigrants as they share their experiences and adjustment to life in the United States. All ages welcome. 45 min.



Grow a learner by joining our **NEW 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program. Help your child develop a love for reading and a strong foundation for learning by reading together. Kids earn stickers as they go, track their progress on a display at the library, and choose a free book when they finish. Registration begins Sat., Sept. 7 as part of the Community Storytelling Festival.



Join us for the kick off celebration of our new **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program
**Sat., Oct. 19 1:00-3:00 pm at Clearwater Farm
760 Green Coulee Rd, Onalaska.**



wild child nature explorers

Join us for a paws-itively terrific program on these furry wildlife friends. Designed for ages 6-10 (children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult), we'll be discussing the different types of bears, learning about Fat Bear Week, trying out a "blubber glove", playing "Dress a Bear", and lots more! Registration required and begins Mon., Sept. 16.

Mon., Oct. 14 4:30 - 5:30 pm West Salem
Tues., Oct. 15 4:30 - 5:30 pm Bangor
Wed., Oct. 16 6:30 - 7:30 pm Holmen

Tues., Oct. 22 6:30 - 7:30 pm Onalaska

Thurs., Oct. 24 6:30 - 7:30 pm Campbell



Oct. 1 - 31, read books and visit us at the library for fun reading challenges and prizes.

* Program funding is provided by the Ben and Floyd Sias Library Trust Fund
♦ Event is a part of Driftless Regional Read programming



Instrument "Petting Zoo"

Ever wonder what it would be like to play a musical instrument? You'll get your chance when this fun instrument "petting zoo" visits the library. Kids get to try out a variety of musical instruments with the support of musicians from La Crosse Symphony Orchestra and Leithold Music. No registration required. All ages welcome.

Sat., Sept. 14
12 pm - 2 pm
Onalaska

PLUS!
Enjoy live performances throughout the event of *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss set to music by a string quartet.

Driftless Eco Explorers

Join us for nature walks, stories, and activities designed to foster eco-literacy and fun for youth and their grown-ups. Gather outside Holmen Library, and we'll get to know the Halfway Creek Trail as we celebrate the beauty of fall. No registration required. All ages welcome. (weather permitting)

Wed., Sept. 11 11 am-11:45 am
Wed., Oct. 2 11 am-11:45 am
Wed., Nov. 6 11 am-11:45 am

LEGO® at the Library

Kids of all ages (children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult) are welcome at our Lego® brick building events! Have fun free-building, or be inspired by our suggested theme. No registration required.

Mon., Oct. 7 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Holmen and West Salem
Mon., Oct. 21 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Bangor and Onalaska
Mon., Oct. 28 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Campbell



ART ROOM COLOR CLASS

Explore color theory and painting in this hands-on workshop. Learn different color groups and how to tint a hue using acrylic paint to make a beautiful background to your own design on stretched canvas. Registration required and begins Fri., Oct. 4. Geared for grade 3 - grade 8.

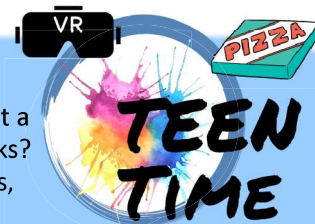
Wed., Nov. 13
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Bangor



Sat., Nov. 16 10 am Onalaska

Intergenerational Jigsaw Puzzle Battle
Race to see whose group can finish a 300-piece puzzle the fastest. The winning team will receive a \$30 gift card to Taqueria Monarca in Onalaska. Registration required and begins Sat., Oct. 19.

Teens in grades 6 - 12... Looking for a place to recharge? Try out a VR headset? Enjoy some snacks? If you're into hands-on projects, music, new teen books, or just chilling out, drop in for Teen Time. Sign up for a door prize while you're there! No registration required.



Wed., Oct. 9 12:30 - 2:00 pm
West Salem
Fri., Oct. 11 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Onalaska
Fri., Oct. 25 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Holmen



Hmong Story Time

Nyob zoo kuv tus phoojywg, hello friends! Join us for books, a craft, and a language lesson. Story Time will feature Kao Kalia Yang's *The Most Beautiful Thing*. No registration required. Geared for ages 3-7 years, but all ages are welcome

Sat., Oct. 26
11 am - 11:45 am
Holmen



Sat., Nov. 9 2:00 pm Campbell

Family Movie Masquerade: The Wizard of Oz
Watch the original *Wizard of Oz*, enjoy snacks, and more! Dress up as a Wizard of Oz character for a chance to win a \$50 Target gift card. Registration required and begins Sat., Oct. 19.

HIP HOP DANCE ADVENTURE

Come dance with us! We will learn about the history of Hip Hop and explore elements of Hip Hop, including writing rhymes. Most of all, we will dance, move, and groove nearly the whole time. Bring comfy shoes, and get ready to have a blast! Music and activities were selected to be youth-friendly. No registration required. All ages welcome. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Sat., Nov. 16
11 am - 12 pm
Holmen



KIDS GINGERBREAD JAM!



- Enjoy a mini Story Time!
- Decorate your own gingerbread cookie!

Registration is required, and space is limited.

Registration begins Monday, Nov. 4.

Mon., Dec. 2
4:00 pm Bangor

Tues., Dec. 3
6:30 pm West Salem

Thurs., Dec. 5
4:00 pm Holmen
6:30 pm Campbell

Fri., Dec. 6
4:00 pm Onalaska

Sat., Dec. 7
9:15 am and 10:15 am Onalaska
12:45 pm Holmen



Curious about creepy crawlies? Robo-motion? How to introduce your preschooler to Hebrew and other languages with Sesame Street? Head into fall with some literary love curated just for you by our Youth Services team. Just let us know what you're interested in (by phone or online form) and we'll help you find it! (Service also available for educators.)