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Z. J. Loussac Library

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 11AM: Preschool Storytime	2 11AM: Toddler Storytime	3 11AM: Toddler Storytime 4PM: Monster Art	4 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime	5 10AM-5PM: Craft Time 11AM: Family Storytime
6	7 6PM: Max Brallier, Author Visit	8 11AM: Preschool Storytime	9 11AM: Toddler Storytime	10 11AM: Toddler Storytime 5:30PM: Dungeons & Dragons	11 11AM: Baby Storytime 1:30PM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	12 10AM-5PM: LEGO Time
13	14 10AM-12PM: Early Literacy Games	11AM: Preschool Storytime4PM: PAWSitive Reading4PM: Poetry Month for Teens: Blackout Poetry	16 11AM: Toddler Storytime	17 All APL locations closed for staff training	1811AM: Baby Storytime1:30PM: Baby Storytime3PM: Explore: Bridges4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	19 10AM-5PM: Craft Time 11AM: Family Storytime
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27	28 11AM: Special Guest Storytime: Mayor LaFrance	2911AM: Preschool Storytime4PM: Poetry Month for Teens: Haiku, Tanaga, and More	30 11AM: Toddler Storytime		ANCHOR	AGE

WEEKLY STORYTIMES 5 & UNDER 6-12 **TEEN**

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tues, at 11AM A half hour of stories, songs and movement, for ages 3-5. Followed by a play time with early literacy toys.

TODDLER STORYTIME

Wed. & Thurs. at 11AM Twenty minutes of short stories and songs for children 3 and under and their caregivers.

BABY STORYTIME & PLAY TIME

Fri. at 11AM & 1:30PM Twenty minutes of rhymes, songs, and fingerplays for infants, birth to 18 months. and their caregivers. Followed by a special baby playtime.

Please note: Free entry tickets are required and available starting 15 minutes before storytime.

FAMILY STORYTIME

First & third Sat. at 11AM A half hour of stories, sonas, and more to build early literacy skills.

EARLY LITERACY GAMES

Mon., April 14, 10AM-12PM Try out different early literacy, language, and math toys to help prepare preschoolers for Kindergarten while having fun at the same time.

SPECIAL GUEST STORYTIME: MAYOR **LAFRANCE**

Mon., April 28, 11AM Join us for a very special storytime with quest reader Mayor Suzanne LaFrance. After the storytime we'll have some fun hands-on activities and crafts.

ALL AGES

CRAFT TIME

Sat., April 5 & 19, 10AM-5PM Get creative and make a work of art! We'll have art supplies to make whatever you want.

LEGO TIME

Sat., April 12 & 26, 10AM-5PM Stop by for some free build time-just bring your imagination!

MONSTER ART

Thurs., April 3, 4-5PM Create your own creature! Make a 3D cardboard sculpture, assemble a creepy collage, or team up with a friend to draw a surprise monster!

MAX BRALLIER, AUTHOR VISIT

Mon., April 7, 6-7:30PM Meet bestselling kids chapter book author Max Brallier, author of the bestselling Last Kids on Earth series (now a Netflix original series) and the Eerie Elementary series. Max will talk about his works, writing process, and his journey to becoming an author, followed by a book signing. Limit 2 books signed per person.

PAWSITIVE READING

Tues., April 15, 4-5:30PM Sign-up to read to a dog! Reading sessions are 15 minutes and can be reserved in-person starting at 3:45PM on the day of the event. The final session begins at 5:15PM.

EXPLORE: BRIDGES

Fri., April 18, 3-4PM Can you make a bridge? How much weight can it hold? Best for ages 6+. Requires fine motor skills and problem-solving.

VOLUNTEEN FRIDAYS

Fri. April 11, 18, 25, 4-5:30PM Every Friday, we'll be hosting drop-in times with projects for you to help the library! Meet on the 2nd floor in the NEW teen space.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Thurs., April 10, 5:30-9PM New and experienced players welcome. Character creation begins at 5:30, gameplay starts at 6. Ages 14+. Registration is required, sign-up on our website.

POETRY MONTH FOR TEENS: BLACKOUT POETRY

Tues., April 15, 4-5PM Blackout poetry is a type of poetry where you cover over words on a page with a black marker and the words left on the page form your poem.

MAGICIAN MEET-UP

Sat., April 26, 2-3PM Meet other local teen magicians and practice your skills together. Card tricks, illusions, sleight of hand, and more!

POETRY MONTH FOR TEENS: HAIKU, TANAGA, & **MORE**

Tues., April 29, 4-5PM We will be looking at poetry styles from around the world, like the Haiku from Japan and the Tanaga from the Philippines. Bring your favorite poem from around the world to share.

EVENTS ACROSS APL—

CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER

MEET KIDS BOOK AUTHOR MAX BRALLIER!

Tues., April 8, 6PM Author of the Last Kids on Earth, Max will talk about his works, writing process and his journey to becoming an author. Book signing following the event.

GERRISH (GIRDWOOD) MOUNTAIN VIEW

POETRY TEATIME

Sat., April 12, 3PM Enjoy a treat, sip tea and read poems with us! Bring your favorite poems or read from our selections!

MEET KIDS BOOK AUTHOR MAX BRALLIER! Wed., April 9, 6PM

Author of the Last Kids on Earth, Max will talk about his works, writing process, and his journey to becoming an author. Book signing following the event.

MULDOON

WILDLIFE SAFETY PRESENTATION

Sat., April 12, 2:00PM Alaska's Fish & Game Department will present vital scientific and safety information about our wildest neighbors, the bears and moose.

Suggested for ages 8+, but all are welcome.