

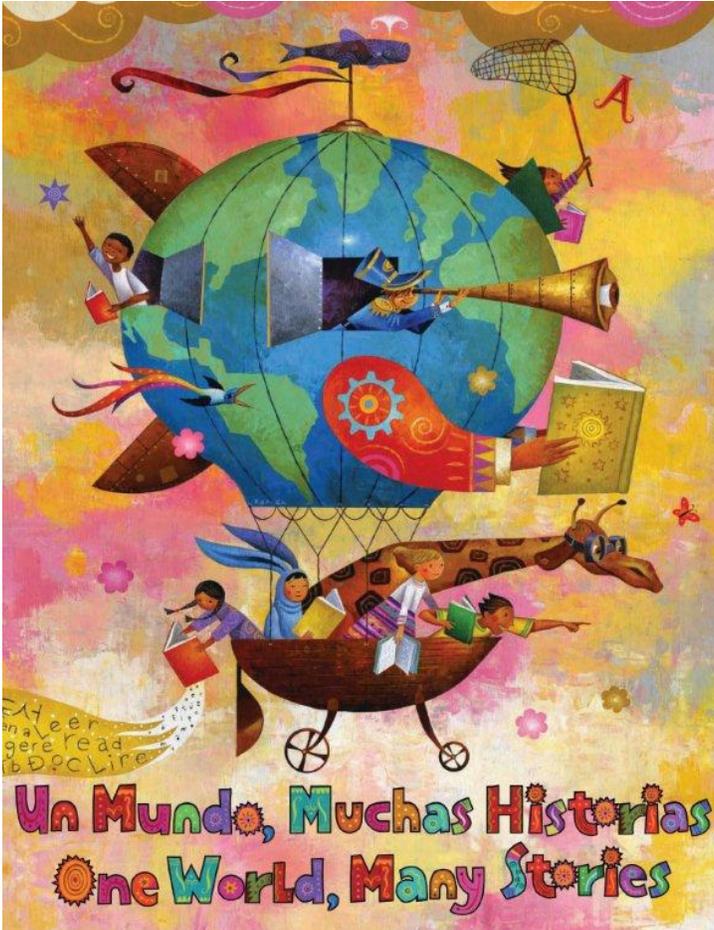
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“Summer Reading Program 2011”



Read around the world this summer with the Norfolk Public Library 2011 summer reading program “One World, Many Stories”.

This year’s program featuring a multicultural theme is for people of all ages with registration starting May 16 at the library. Participants who mark off all of the five minute increments on a sheet as they read or are read to can hand in their completed reading records at the library anytime from June 13th to July 29th for prizes.

Karen Drevo, Youth Services librarian at Norfolk Public Library, is on the board of the national organization that creates the annual summer reading programs.

“We’ve planned some great summer reading events to go with our “One World, Many Stories” theme. With gas prices sky high this is a great time to get involved in all the free, fun, and entertaining activities for all ages offered this summer at Norfolk Public Library and read some great books as well,” Drevo said.

The 13th Poet Laureate of the United States, Ted Kooser, will sign books and speak at the library June 8th at 7:00 pm. Copies of his book that is

featured as the 2011 “One Book One Nebraska” book- “Local Wonders” will be available at his presentation. A discussion of the book will be at 7:00 pm July 13th at the library.

Every Thursday evening through June and July, there will be global activities including “Voices from Ellis Island” at 6:45 pm on June 9th presented by renowned storyteller Pippa White. On June 16th at 7:00 pm David Marsh will present “Music from Around the World” using over a dozen instruments and stories. On June 23rd at 4:00 and 7:00 pm there will be a magic show with magician Jeff Quinn. On June 30th at 7:00 pm is the program “Andean Folk Music and Cultures of South America” presented by Oscar Rios and Kusi Taki. July 14th at 7:00 pm will be “Adaptations for Survival” by the Sioux Falls Great Plains ZooMobile. Featured on July 21st at 7:00 pm will be “One World, One Stories” with professional story teller, Rita Paskowitz.

Free pony rides will be offered June 4, 9:30 am-12:00 pm for children weighing less than 100 pounds.

All ages can participate in the “One World, Many Crafts” program held on Mondays at 1:00 pm in June and July. Children age 8 and under need to be accompanied by an adult helper. Origami, Mexican yarn art, Egyptian paper beads, Middle East wall hangings, Central America weaving, and Japanese fans will all be part of this “One World” craft time headed up by Wanetta Walker in the library meeting room.

On June 6, 7, 8 there will be a Camp Pow-Wow with Jamie Bachmann, the Outdoor Education Assistant with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, sharing the Native American culture through arts, crafts, and stories. Those who have completed grades kindergarten through second grade will be at the camp from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm, with those who have completed grades 3 - 6 at 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm. All participants in this activity must sign up in advance at the youth services desk due to space limitations.

There will be “Around the World” story time for children age 3 to grade 2 on Thursdays from 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm, Fridays from 10:30 to 11:00 am and Saturdays from 10:45 to 11:15 am beginning on June 9th and concluding on July 23rd.

A 20 minute program to learn American Sign Language vocabulary through stories, songs and activities will be presented by Megan McWilliams, Certified Advanced Signing Time instructor, on Mondays at 6:30 pm June 6th through July 18th.

There will be two “One World” contests held this summer. Children ages 5-10 can enter a coloring contest by picking up a contest form at the library. All ages can create a sculpture from recyclable materials in the “Create-A Sculpture” contest. The sculptures and coloring sheets must be turned into the library by 7:00 pm on July 7th to participate in the contest. There will be prizes given to winners of both contests.

Families can work on a reading adventure together with a Reading Ride game card to receive prizes at the library. There is also a “One World, Many Stories” incentive game for kids ages 6-12 with 11 activities to complete to receive a prize.

There are Wednesday movie matinees in June and July at 1:30 pm in the library meeting room. Movies featured include, “Tangled”, “Yogi Bear”, “Oceans”, “Ramona and Beezus”, “Little Engine that Could”, “Diary of a Wimpy Kid, and “Gnomeo and Juliet”.

Readers’ Theater for readers age 9 and up will held on Mondays in June and July from 10:30 to 11:30 am with a public performance on July 18th.

For more information on these or any programs at the library contact Karen or Marci at 402-844-2100.