

ADVENTURE BEGINS



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AT YOUR LIBRARY

2024 SUMMER CHALLENGE



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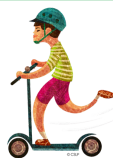


SUMMER CHALLENGE REGISTRATION

Sign up for the "Adventure Begins at Your Library" Summer Challenge all through the summer:
June 22 - August 18!



WHERE? Fletcher Free Library Kids' Area, Rec & Nutrition sites, at summer school, through the Beanstack app, or online at fletcherfree.org/summer



JUNE

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

MONDAYS, JUNE 3, 10, & 17, 11:00-11:30 AM

Start your week with storytime, songs, and lots of fun! Recommended for ages 2-5. Main Library.

SING ALONG WITH LINDA BASSICK

TUESDAYS, JUNE 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11:00-11:30 AM

Dance, wiggle, and sing with local musician/early educator, Linda Bassick! Recommended for ages birth - 5, but all are welcome! Main Library.

TODDLER TIME

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 5, 12, & 26, 11:00-11:30 AM

Books, rhymes, songs, and open-ended play for toddlers & their caregivers. Main Library.

GROW PRESCHOOL YOGA

THURSDAYS, JUNE 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11:00-11:30 AM

Songs, movement, and other fun yoga activities! Recommended for ages 2-5. Main Library.

BABYTIME

THURSDAYS, JUNE 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11:00-11:30 AM

Books, rhymes and songs for babies; community for their caregivers! Main Library.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 12:00-4:00 PM

Join us the second Sunday of every month for D&D at the library with Dungeon Master Andrew! Ages 9-18. Main Library.

Please preregister: fletcherfree.org

DAD GUILD PLAYGROUP

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 3:30-5:00 PM

Read books, engage in creative play and connect with other parents. Ages birth - 5 and caregivers. Main Library.

SUMMER CHALLENGE KICK-OFF WITH THE LAKE MONSTERS!

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 10 AM-12 PM

Sign up for the Summer Challenge and launch your summer reading adventures with face painting, snacks, storytime with the Vermont Lake Monsters baseball players, and a special appearance by Champ! All ages. Main Library Lawn.

PUPPETS IN EDUCATION: "WORRY IS A RED OCTOPUS"

MONDAY, JUNE 24, 10:15-10:50 AM

Adam, Natalie, and Natalie's anxiety (personified as a red octopus) star in this engaging puppet show from Vermont Family Network that offers kids and families tools for managing their own worries. Recommended for ages 4 & up. Main Library.

BIRDING FOR KIDS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 10:30 AM-12 PM

Explore a day in the life of a bird in this interactive program for ages 5-11 and their caregivers. Join an educator from Audubon Vermont to learn how to eat with a beak, build a nest, and more! Main Library.

Please RSVP: fletcherfree.org/birdsjune24

YOUTH PROGRAMS @ NNE BRANCH

- **STORIES WITH GEOFF** Ages 0-5.
 - SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 11:00-11:30 AM
- **LEGO TIME** Ages 4-11.
 - SATURDAY, JUNE 8 & 22, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

LIBRARY IN THE PARKS



Meet us outside! Summer Outreach staff will be visiting Burlington parks, Recreation & Nutrition sites, and schools all summer long with tons of fun activities and free books!

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View full outreach schedule at:
fletcherfree.org/summer#outreach

THE CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE yourself to complete your "Adventure Begins at Your Library" passport by reading, writing, and participating in fun activities. Submit badges through the Beanstack app, at vermont.beanstack.org, or by completing the paper passport.

VISIT the Main Library or the New North End Branch Library for outdoor and indoor events.

EXPLORE reading material at the Main Library, the New North End Branch or online!

MEET with library staff for activities and t-shirts (while they last) at Fletcher Free Library, Burlington schools, Burlington parks, Recreation and Nutrition sites, and community centers!

HAVE FUN!



JULY

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

MONDAYS, JULY 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11:00-11:30 AM

See June description. Main Library.

SING ALONG WITH LINDA BASSICK

TUESDAYS, JULY 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:00-11:30 AM

See June description. Main Library.

TODDLER TIME

WEDNESDAYS, JULY 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

11:00-11:30 AM

See June description. Main Library.

PRESCHOOL YOGA

THURSDAYS, JULY 11, 18, & 25, 11:00-11:30 AM

See June description. Main Library.

BABYTIME

THURSDAYS, JULY 11, 18, & 25, 11:00-11:30 AM

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DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 12:00-4:00 PM

See June description. Main Library.

Please preregister: fletcherfree.org.

DAD GUILD PLAYGROUP

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 3:30-5:00 PM

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 - JULY 13, 11:00-11:30 AM
- **LEGO TIME** Ages 4-11.
 - SATURDAY, JULY 6, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.
 - WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

VERY MERRY THEATRE: "A LITTLE PRINCESS"

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 12:00 PM

Sara is sent to a boarding school by her well-meaning father. But when she clashes with the headmistress and is forced to become a servant, Sara uses her imagination to maintain her self-worth and compassion. Main Library Lawn.

LYRIC THEATRE PRESENTS: "RAINBOW FISH"

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 6:00-7:00 PM

Rainbow Fish is the most beautiful fish in all of the ocean. But when he refuses to share his vibrant, shimmering scales, the whole ocean seems to turn against him. Can wise Octopus help Rainbow Fish learn that it's far better to be admired for being kind than for being beautiful? Main Library Lawn.



CLIF BOOK GIVEAWAY

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 12:00-1:00 PM

Delight in the power of words as an expert storyteller from the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) weaves tales of adventure and excitement. Every child leaves with a brand-new book! Recommended for ages 5 & up. Main Library.

DIY-NOSAUR EARRINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 3:00-4:00 PM

Artists ages 9-18 are invited to unearth their inner paleontologists and craft some prehistoric bling! All materials provided. Main Library.

DINOMAN

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 11:00 AM-12 PM

Have no fear, DinoMan is here! Take a magical trip throughout the Mesozoic era, with merry mayhem, magnificent props, and enormous inflatable dinosaurs. Recommended for ages 5-11. Main Library.

ALYX THE MAGICIAN

SATURDAY, JULY 13, 11:00 AM-12 PM

Fresh off her appearance on the CW Network's Penn & Teller: Fool Us, magician Alyx Hilshey brings her fun, funny and amazing magic show to the library's Main Reading Room! All ages.



JULY (cont.)

VERY MERRY THEATRE: "FINDING NEMO JR."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM

Marlin, an anxious and overprotective clownfish, lives in the Great Barrier Reef with his son Nemo, who longs to explore the world. But when Nemo is captured and taken to Sydney, Marlin faces his fears and sets off on an epic adventure. Main Library Lawn.

SQUIRREL IN A TREE

BOOK RELEASE & SINGALONG!

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM

Join the Busy Morning Duo (musicians Greg Rothwell and FFL Kids' favorite Linda Bassick) in celebration of the new book based on music from their original album, "Maple's Busy Morning." Recommended for ages 2-5. Main Library Lawn.

ADVENTURES IN CUPCAKE DECORATING

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1:00-2:00 PM

Kids and teens ages 7-18 are invited to decorate cupcakes and show off their delicious creations! Children under 9 must be accompanied by a caregiver age 16 or older. Space is limited. Main Library.

Registration required: fletcherfree.org/cupcake24

RAPTOR ROAD TRIP

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

If you had wings like a hawk, where would you fly? Join Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS) on an imagined journey across the United States, and encounter some resident raptors in their ecosystems. Live birds! All ages. Main Library Lawn.



YOUNG TRADITION SUMMER SHOWCASE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 6:00-7:00 PM

Local musicians, instructors, and students from Young Tradition Vermont's "Trad Camp" share music, song, and dance for all ages! Come clap your hands and sing along! Main Library.



AUGUST

SING ALONG WITH LINDA BASSICK

TUESDAYS, AUGUST 6, 13, & 20, 11:00-11:30 AM

See June description. Main Library.

TODDLER TIME

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 14, & 21, 11:00-11:30 AM

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PRESCHOOL YOGA

THURSDAYS, AUGUST 1 & 8, 11-11:30 AM

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- **LEGO TIME** Ages 4-11.
 - Saturday, August 3, 11 AM-12 PM
 - Wednesday, August 14, 11 AM-12 PM

NATURE'S MYSTERIES WITH CROW'S PATH

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 10:30-11:30 AM

Join educators from Crow's Path to explore their traveling nature museum and hear stories of urban exploration in our community. Recommended for ages 3 & up. Main Library Lawn.

OUTDOOR STORYTIME @ LEDDY PARK

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Join FFL Kids' librarians for an interactive, outdoor storytime experience and nature-based craft! Recommended for ages 2-5. Leddy Park; meet at the entrance to the StoryWalk.

SOLAR S'MORES OVENS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1:00-2:00 PM

Build your own solar oven out of household supplies and take home supplies for s'mores on a sunny day. Ages 7-18 (children under 9 must be accompanied by a caregiver age 16 or older). Space is limited. Main Library.

Registration required: fletcherfree.org/solar-smores

COLD-BLOODED CAPERS WITH 802 REPTILES

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

TWO SHOWS: 10:15 AM; 1:30 PM

Join us for an unforgettable adventure into the world of reptiles! Kids of all ages are invited to meet our scaly friends up close and personal. Main Library.