



# SEPTEMBER GUIDE

SPARK CURIOSITY. MAKE CONNECTIONS. THRIVE TOGETHER.

## BOOKMOBILE

### Launch Party

**Location: Library Parking Lot - Sat 9/28 5:30-7:00 PM**

We're thrilled to invite you to this special event! Library Director, Slaven Lee will share insights about the Bookmobile's role in bringing library services to every corner of our community and beloved local artist Stella Nall will talk about her concept for the vehicle's exterior design. Explore the Bookmobile, enjoy Stella's art, and connect with fellow library enthusiasts.



Get Lit! is MPL's ongoing promotion of all things literacy-related! You'll see the Get Lit! badge on our literacy program offerings: culinary,

cultural, financial, art, reading, tech, and more. Come Get Lit! at the library this fall and beyond. September programs:

**Words with Wings First Friday Poetry Reading**  
Fri 9/6 6:30 PM - Cooper Room A/B

Join the Missoula Writing Collaborative to hear some amazing poetry from their summer camp participants.

**Induction Cooking Class with Climate Smart Missoula**  
Wed 9/18 5:30-7:00 PM - Demonstration Kitchen

Make potato leek soup with Shanti Devins and learn about how induction works and why it matters for our health and the planet. After, check out your own induction cooking kit!

**Grow Music Presents...**  
Sat 9/21/2024 1:00-3:00 PM - Cooper Room A/B

A music series featuring local youth in collaboration with adult musicians. For details: <https://tinyurl.com/MPLGrowMusic>

**PainSavvy Health Literacy**  
Sun 9/22 1:00-1:50 PM - Blackfoot Room

A health literacy class covering strategies for preventing and overcoming persistent pain and increase movement.

**Resource Access Day (RAD)**  
Thu 9/12 12:00-3:00 PM - Level Four

MPL, Missoula Municipal Courts, and the Pretrial Assistance to Support Success (PASS) program, are partnering to provide free resources for everyone! Resources include legal support, housing and benefits assistance, healthcare, and more. Services are on a drop-in basis and lunch will be provided.



### SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH!

Explore the amazing resources at the library by signing up for your own card today! If you're interested in starting a new hobby, learning a new language, or borrowing items like cooktops, cooking materials, laptops, and hotspots, Missoula Public Library has you covered. There are endless possibilities for everyone at MPL!



### IN THE MAKERSPACE

**Build your Creativity Muscles**  
Fri 9/6 4:00-6:00 PM

An autumn refresh for your creative habits! Explore how creativity works from a science and psychology perspective, and experiment with playful, interactive ways to strengthen your creative confidence. To register visit: <https://forms.gle/cHvfomLLhQJpaZkaA>

**Electronics - Arduino For Everyone**  
Sat 9/14 3:00-4:00 PM

Learn the basics of electronics, circuitry, and coding using an Arduino device. For ages 10 and up and space is limited. To register visit: <https://forms.gle/1Kw24bqcvDVethJn9>.

### LET'S READ TOGETHER!

**2nd Wednesday Book Group**  
Wed 9/11 6:30-7:30 PM - Blackfoot Room & Online  
*To the Lighthouse* by Virginia Woolf

**Missoula Hush Hour @ MPL**  
Sun 9/12 6:00-8:00 PM - Level Four

The Level Four balcony awaits readers who want to grab a drink, listen to live tunes, and take in beautiful views, all while getting lost in a good book with Missoula Public Library, Hush Hour Missoula, and KFGM. Use Main St. entrance after 6 PM.

**Potomac Branch Library Book Club**  
Wed 9/11 6:30-7:30 PM - Potomac Branch Library  
*Secret History* by Donna Tartt

**3rd Wednesday Book Group**  
Wed 9/18 6:30-7:30 PM - Ellingson Room  
*Small Mercies* by Dennis Lehane

**Fall Scavenger Hunt**  
9/1-11/30 PM - All Levels

Discover the art throughout the library! Grab a scavenger hunt sheet on Level Two and embark on a quest to find all the artworks, solve their clues, and earn a prize.

## PROGRAMS JUST FOR KIDS!

### Cooking for Kids!

Thu 9/5 3:30-4:30 PM - Demonstration Kitchen

Kid-friendly recipes will be shared with young chefs, who can make their own food to enjoy and take home.



### Infant to 3-Year-Old Playgroup

Tue 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 10:30-11:30 AM - Imaginarium

Every Tuesday, Families First and MPL host a play group for infants to three-year-olds. Activities focus on early childhood development, play and the importance of community.

### Kid's Fall Chess Tournament

Sat 9/14 10:00 AM-2:00 PM - Imaginarium

This free tournament is for students in grades K-12. Registration is from 9-9:30 AM. Players must know the basic rules of chess. Questions: [missoulachessclub@gmail.com](mailto:missoulachessclub@gmail.com)

### Build Your Own Fairy Garden

Thu 9/19 2:15-4:00 PM - Art Box

Build your own fairy garden with the National Wildlife Federation. Kids of all ages are welcome to hone their crafting skills, learn about their environment, and have fun!



### Community Heroes Story Time Series: Smoke Jumpers and S'mores

Sat 9/21 10:30 AM-12:00 PM - Imaginarium

Once a month meet some of the people that keep us safe! This month, meet the Smokejumpers, listen to a story, make a craft, and have a s'more-themed treat! For children ages 3 and older.

### Symphony Kids Library Concert Series #1: French Horn Quartet

Wed 9/25 4:30-5:30 PM - Imaginarium

Do you know why French Horns are always used in the most heroic movements of a film score? Missoula Symphony's Horn section will play some music and show you how it works. Come learn all things French Horn and see how it's the most versatile brass instrument in the orchestra!



### Historical Story Time with Fort Missoula

Thu 9/26 3:30-4:30 PM - Imaginarium

Enjoy readings of historically-themed children's books, then explore fascinating artifacts from the Fort Museum.

### Special Story Time: Cooking and Recipes

Sat 9/28 10:30-11:30 AM - Art Box

Come read books about cooking and eating, then make your own recipe book!



## PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

### Dream Bigger Teen After School Program

Tue 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 3:00-6:00 PM - Art Box

MPL and Families First partner to help teens lead their own projects with support from professional mentors, explore careers through real-world experiences, and gain essential durable skills like critical thinking and collaboration.

### Teen Adventures in Cooking: Make Some Jam

Thu 9/12 3:00-5:00 PM - Demonstration Kitchen

Fall is here, and with it, all the fruits of summer's gardening labor. Teens will learn to make and preserve jam during this program. Open to participants grades 7-12.



### Banned Books Week: Teen Read-In

Fri 9/27 6:30-8:30 PM - Level Two

Celebrate the freedom to read at your library! Students grades 7-12 are invited to join us after hours to read your favorite banned book. Make buttons and enjoy food and drinks.



## HISTORY AND GENEALOGY @ MPL

### Blue Death: The 1918 Influenza in Montana

Tue 9/10 6:00-7:30 PM - Cooper Room B

MPL and Humanities Montana screen this new documentary, followed by Q & A with the director, scholars, and audience.

### Western Montana Genealogical Society

Tue 9/10 6:30-8:00 PM - Blackfoot Room

A group for general genealogy discussions and tips on making your family history research more productive.

### Genealogy Series: Locality Guides for Family History

Sat 9/14 10:00-11:30 AM - Blackfoot Room

Learn how to create a custom list of crucial information about the geographic locations you're researching.

### 4HistoryBuffs: History of Missoula's Roxy Theater

Tue 9/17 6:00-8:00 PM - Cooper Room A/B

The evolution of the Roxy surviving the influx of multiplex theaters, the story of the devastating fire in 1994, and how it became the art house community cinema that it is today.

### Western Montana Genealogical Society Work Day

Sat 9/21 12:00-4:00 PM - Blackfoot Room

Bring in your genealogical project and fellow genealogists can assist with your research, share websites, and offer advice.

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6:00 TO 8:00 PM

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