

Headlines



Get in the GAME and READ This Summer!

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Summer Reading Starts May 28

Go for the Gold and READ this summer!

Summer Reading kicks off May 28 at all locations of the Rock Island Public Library, and with programs for the whole family, it's sure to be a gold medal summer of reading for kids, teens and adults.

The summer reading theme of "Get in the Game: READ!" celebrates the fact that winners of all ages read. The program includes special reading incentives for children from ages pre-school through sixth grades and for teens in grades 7-12 through July 11. There's also a special

bingo card log for readers in grades 4 to 6. Reading logs are available at all locations of the Rock Island Public Library, starting May 28.



Adults can read one for the team, too, simply by registering at any Rock Island Public Library and then dropping off a coupon for each book or audio book they complete from June 2 to July 11. Prizes will be drawn following the close of the program on Friday, July 11. To get in the game, pick up reading logs at any Rock Island Public Library location.

Batter UP with FREE programs at your library:

Families who are looking for free things to do close to home will also find that the line-up of summer reading programs and performers at their Rock Island Library is also a winning strategy. Parents and other caregivers can register children for ongoing art and drama programs, or for special activities and performers, starting May 28. To sign up for any of the programs below, just call the Children's Room at 732-7360.

Ongoing Programs:

Art with Gloria—Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. June 3 to July 8. For 3rd - 7th grades. (Rock Island Main Library) Reservations Required - Call 309-732-7360.

Drama Series— Rehearsals, Mondays & Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., June 2 to July 7. For 4th-8th grades. (Rock Island Main Library) Reservations Required - Call 309-732-7360.

Dog Watcher's Book Club—Thursdays, 2:30-3:15 p.m., June 5-July 10. Based on the Dog Watcher's Book Club series. Ages 7-12. (Rock Island 30/31 Branch Library.) No registration required. Just show up!

Special Programs & Performers:

June 3 @ 4:00 p.m.—American Red Cross Home Alone safety. Grades 2-5. (Rock Island Main Library) Registration required. 309-732-7360.

June 5 @ 4 p.m.— American Red Cross Longfellow's Water Safety. Ages 5-12. (Rock Island Main Library) Registration required. 309-732-7360.

June 10 @ 4 p.m.— American Red Cross Home Alone program (Rock Island Southwest Branch Library)Registration required. 309-732-7360.

June 10 @ 6:30 p.m.—Jazz/Ballet dance with Amy Eberts. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library) No registration required.

June 11 @ 10 a.m.—“Fishing for Laughs” with the Bassmeister. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library). No registration.

June 11 @ 1 p.m.—“Fishing for Laughs.” All ages. (Rock Island Southwest Branch). No registration.

June 12 @ 4 p.m.— American Red Cross Longfellow's Water Safety. Ages 5-12. (Rock Island Southwest Branch). Registration required. Call 309-732-7360.

June 12 @ 10:30—Paper Football games. Build your own and play. Ages 5-12. (Rock Island Main Library) No registration required.

June 13 @ 1 p.m.—Glue & Go Costumes w/ Holly Cleeland. Ages 5 through adult. (Rock Island Main Library.) Registration required. Call 309-732-7360.

June 16 @ 6:30 p.m.—Make Your Own Board Game. Ages 5-12. (Rock Island Main Library) Registration required. Call 309-732-7360.

June 17 @ 6:30 p.m. Belly Dancing w/ Jackie Gonzalez. Ages 6-12. (Rock Island Main Library). No registration required.

June 18 @ 11 a.m. Niabi Zoo presentation. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library). No registration required.

June 19 @ 11 a.m. Niabi Zoo presentation. All ages. (Rock Island Southwest Branch). No registration required.

June 23 @ 6:30 p.m. —Modern Dance w/ Imani Dancers. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library). No registration required.

June 25 @ 10:30 a.m. —Library Trivia Game Show with Lori Anderson. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library). No registration required.

June 26 @ 10:30 a.m. —Library Trivia Game Show. All ages. (Rock Island Southwest Branch). No registration required.

June 30 @ 6:30 p.m.— Make-A-Book craft. Younger children need an adult helper. (Rock Island Main Library) Registration required. Call 732-7360.

July 2 @ 2:30 p.m.— Build Your Own Race Car. Ages 5-12. (Rock Island Southwest Branch) Registration required. Call 732-7360.

July 9 @ 2 p.m. —Drama Series final performance (Rock Island Southwest Branch). All ages. No registration required.

July 11 @ 2 p.m. — Drama Series final performance (Rock Island Main Library) All ages. No registration required.

July 15 @ 10 a.m. — Babaloo children's music. All ages. (Rock Island Main Library) No registration required.

July 15 @ 1 p.m. —Babaloo children's music. All ages. (Rock Island Southwest Branch). No registration required.

July 17 @ 10 a.m. —DePriest Puppets Applause, Applause! All ages. (Rock Island Main Library) No registration required.

Take me to the Library for Fun Pre-school Programs!

Because it's never too early to start building winning reading habits, Summer Reading also includes a "read to me" category for parents and caregivers of babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers. Build credit for prizes (and important language skills) by reading to your child, and attending the following storytime and "every child ready to read" programs at your library:

Preschool Storytimes

Main Library: Mondays 1:30-2:15, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

30/31 Branch, Tuesdays: 11:30-12:15, June 3, 10, 17, 24, and July 1

Southwest Branch: Wednesdays: 11:30-12:15, June 4, 11, 18, 25, and July 2

Baby/Toddler Times

Main Library: 2:30-3:15, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

30/31 Branch: 10:30-11:15, June 3, 10, 17, 24, and July 1

Southwest Branch: 10:30-11:15, June 4, 11, 18, 25, and July 2

Every Child Ready to Read programs - for ages 0-5. Teaches pre-reading language skills that help your child build vocabulary and comprehension.

Main: Monday July 7, 1:30-2:15 p.m.

30/31 Branch: Tuesday July 8, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Southwest Branch: Wednesday July 9, 10:30-11:15

All pre-school programming is free. There is no registration required. Come enjoy a story with your child or grandchild this summer!

For more details about Summer Reading at your library, please visit the library's website at www.ripl.lib.il.us or call 309-732-7323.

Summer Reading – It's a game for winners of all ages!