

# 2021 Youth Summer Reading Program – “Tails and Tales”

**Adopt a pet dog (mini stuffy) at the Sunderland Public Library this summer as part of the library’s youth summer reading program. Children who read to their pets for 15 minutes a day four days each week will be entered to win a weekly prize. Each child will get a bag with their pet dog, an adoption certificate, and 5 facts about their animal.**

**The summer reading program runs for 7 weeks: June 28 – August 14. Complete 7 hours of reading to finish the challenge and receive an ice cream gift certificate. Register for the youth summer reading program today!**

**\*Pre-Registration for Programs is required\***

**PLEASE NOTE: Weekly and Special events are currently scheduled to be in-person, outdoor programs at the library unless otherwise noted. We will be adhering to all COVID-19 policies and my need to enforce capacity limits to allow for proper social distancing.**

**Kick Off** our Summer Reading Program

**Special Event – Magic by Scott Jameson**

Join magician and juggler Scott Jameson for an extraordinary performance that will have you laughing out loud and perched on the very edge of your seat.

Monday, June 28 – 6:00pm; all ages

Rain date: Wednesday, July 7 – 6:00pm

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

This performance is funded by a grant from the Sunderland Cultural Council

**Preschool Story Time**

Friday, July 2 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

**Lego Club**

The Lego program allows children to come and explore the wonderful world of Lego’s with other interested children. A different theme is picked for each week and kids can build on that theme or build a creation of their own.

Monday, July 5 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

**Preschool Story Time**

Friday, July 9 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

**Special Event – Hands-on Circus Aerial Acrobatics**

Aerialist duo Leah and Molly will stage a 15 minute performance followed by hands on instruction to kids on an aerial apparatus, as well as teaching stilt walking, plate spinning, juggling, and other ground tricks. **This will be a hands on program!**

Saturday, July 10 – 1:00pm; all ages

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

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### **Lego Club**

Monday, July 12 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Special Event – Rockets Workshop**

Each participant will make a simple Alka-Seltzer rocket that can shoot high into the sky!

Participants will learn that chemicals combine to form a gas that launches the rocket, and are invited to change a variable to expand the activity and try it again.

Wednesday, July 14 – 6:00pm; **ages 5+with adult/LIMITED to 20 children**

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

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**\*\*families that can't attend the physical event can ask for a "take home science kit". Each material kit matches a video link and kids get to keep the kit and can watch the video at home on their own time.\*\***

### **Preschool Story Time**

Friday, July 16 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Lego Club**

Monday, July 19 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Special Event – Learn to Play Harmonica Workshop**

Join Rob Fletcher, a professional musician, as he gives us a harmonica lesson. Each participant will be given a brand new harmonica to take home!

Tuesday, July 20 – 6pm; **For kids ages 8 – 12 with adult/LIMITED to 25 children**

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

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### **Preschool Story Time**

Friday, July 23 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Lego Club**

Monday, July 26 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Preschool Story Time**

Friday, July 30 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Special Event – Virtual Cartooning Program: Let's Draw Animals!**

Learn to draw cartoon animals in this one hour virtual workshop with award winning cartoonist Rick Stromoski. Kids will learn to draw a variety of our furry, hoofed, and feathered friends in this fun and interactive program!

Saturday, July 31 – 2:00pm; **For kids in 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> grades**

Location: Please note this is a live online program that will take place via Zoom. To register for this class, email [director@sunderlandpubliclibrary.org](mailto:director@sunderlandpubliclibrary.org) and request the link or go to [www.sunderlandpubliclibrary.org](http://www.sunderlandpubliclibrary.org)

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### **Lego Club**

Monday, August 2 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Preschool Story Time**

Friday, August 6 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Lego Club**

Monday, August 9 – 11:00am; ages 4+ with adult

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

### **Special Event – The Wonderful World of Bats**

This program brings kids and families into the exotic world of bats and introduces them to echolocation. Via slides the audience will understand the vital roles of bats in our environment. The program concludes with a wonderful **tee shirt craft - children may purchase heavy cotton tee shirts or bring their own.**

Wednesday, August 11 – 6:00pm; all ages

Location: Sunderland Public Library

### **Preschool Story Time**

Friday, August 13 – 11am; ages 3-6

Location: Sunderland Public Library – **outdoors on back patio**

## **Additional Activities**

**Grab and Go Craft Bags** Create hands-on crafts at home with our **Grab and Go Craft Bags**. We will be giving out everything you need to make a cool craft at home! Pick up bags outside the library's back door patio every Friday this summer from 10:30-4:30pm. First come first serve.

**Sidewalk Challenges Course** The library's back sidewalk will become a destination for families with young children by offering several self-led activities located on lawn signs throughout the duration of the summer reading program.

**Story Walks** Each Friday, July - August, we will be offering a Story Walk (weather permitting). What's a Story Walk? It's pages from a picture book posted on stakes that you read as you enjoy a walk! Each week we will feature a different story, and the Story Walks will start at the Library entrance and will lead you around the perimeter of the building.

