

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

# **PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES**

# **MONTHLY UPDATE**

**WISCONSIN VALLEY LIBRARY SERVICE**

# FALL 1:ON:1 MEETINGS

[Sign up for a slot](#) if you'd like to meet virtually and chat.

You pick the topic(s): children's, teen and adult services/programming, workforce development and supporting job seekers, outreach and partnerships, intellectual freedom, makerspace items, or....????

# MAKERSPACE

## MAKERSTUDIO WINCHES SET

You can use this set to build a tow truck, a jeep, a well, a crane, or let your imagination run wild and create something entirely new! The set includes winches and all the essential engineering parts you'll need, like a tow-hook, a spool, connectors, gears, wheels, rods, and hub caps. Plus, there are ten fun engineering challenges to tackle, which can help you develop your STEM skills and unleash your imagination and creativity. It's suitable for age 7 and up.

[Book makerspace kits and equipment](#)

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# ADULT SERVICES

## ➤ **NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY**

National Voter Registration Day is a nonpartisan civic holiday that takes place annually in September. It is dedicated to celebrating our democracy and aims to raise awareness about the importance of voter registration. This year's celebration is September 17.

## ➤ **FOLK ARTS DIRECTORY**

All artists listed in Wisconsin Folks are interested in being hired for public presentations in schools, libraries, museums or other educational settings. You can search by art form, geographic location, ethnicity or curriculum theme.

## ➤ **PROGRAM PARALYSIS?**

Feeling stuck and in need of inspiration? Here are some resources to get your programming brain fired up:

\*[50+ Popular Programming for Adults](#)

\*[Passive Library Programs](#)

\*[Public Libraries Online's Adult Programming](#)

# YOUTH SERVICES

## ➤ **STARRED REVIEWS**

For August starred reviews, click [here](#).

## ➤ **YSS WEBINAR**

“Engaging & Affirming Neurodivergent Youth in Community Spaces: The Fellowship”

Thursday, November 14, 3-4pm

Free for WLA members; \$25 for non-members

Register [here](#).

## ➤ **WEBJUNCTION WEBINAR**

“Engaging Beyond Our Walls: Libraries connecting communities through outdoor games and stories”

Thursday, September 26, 2pm / Register [here](#).

## ➤ **ANNUAL YOUTH WORKSHOP**

Registration is now open for the annual WVLS YS workshop!

October 2, 2024 from 9:00am - 3:00pm

\*Puppet workshop led by Pam Corcoran

\*Science-based Reading by Mary Newton

\*Plan Your Next Program with AI by Kristie Hauer

\*Brainstorming for Summer 2025

# YOUTH SERVICES

## ➤ **COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

- \*2024 [Américas Award](#) winners
- \*USBBY's [2024 Outstanding International Books](#)
- \*Kirkus reviews for [Children](#) and [Teens](#)
- \*School Library Journal available in [BadgerLink](#) or hardcopy routed through WVLS

## ➤ **TEENTOBER**

TeenTober™ is an exciting national event hosted by libraries every October. It's designed to honor and empower teenagers while highlighting the invaluable year-round teen services that libraries offer. A [planning toolkit](#) and a variety of [graphics](#) are available to use.

## ➤ **TEEN LIBRARIAN TOOLBOX**

Teen Librarian Toolbox is a professional development website designed specifically for teen librarians. The site provides valuable resources, programming ideas, and insights to support librarians in their work with teens.

## ➤ **EVERY CHILD READY TO READ**

Every Child Ready to Read is a research-based educational program designed to help parents, caregivers, and librarians develop early literacy skills in children from birth to age five. The program emphasizes five simple practices: talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing.

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# ALL-AGES

## ➤ UDEMY FILTER TIPS

Don't forget about the wealth of filtering options available in Udemy. These options are vital for narrowing down your search to find the perfect course or topic that meets your interests and needs.

## ➤ **CENTRAL WI BOOK FESTIVAL**

This year's festival is September 26-28.

Featured authors include David Wroblewski, Andrew Graff, and Hannah Morrissey.

The event schedule is [here](#).

## ➤ **LIBBY TIP: DELIVER LATER**

If a book you've been waiting for becomes available at an inconvenient time, you can request to have the title delivered later and still maintain your place in line.

Tap **Shelf**. Tap **Holds**. Tap **Deliver Later**. Use the **slider** to pick a "deliver after" date. Tap **Schedule Hold**.

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# INCLUSIVE SERVICES

## ➤ INCLUSIVE SERVICES ASSESSMENT & GUIDE

If your library has not completed DPI's Inclusive Services Assessment and Guide, here are a few activities to work to incorporate at your library.

- Are library card applications printed in languages used by community members?
- Do library staff have access to hearing aid and volume control telephones?
- Do restrooms and drinking fountains accommodate differing abilities (e.g. footstool, drinking cups, etc.)?

## ➤ LIBBY FOR EVERY READER

This quick module provides support for users with various accessibility needs.

It is aimed at public, academic, and professional partners responsible for implementing and promoting Libby at their library.



# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## ➤ **READY FOR REENTRY**

When individuals reenter the community from jail or prison, they may face challenges in transitioning smoothly into society. This webinar will introduce online resources and programs available to assist them.

\*[Webinar](#)

\*[Reentry Ready Resources](#)

## ➤ **LEGAL TUNE-UP**

Legal Tune Up uses publicly available data, including driver's license, criminal, eviction, court, and child support records, to help Wisconsinites identify and address legal issues. The tool assists with various common legal needs, such as reinstating driver's licenses, removing eviction and criminal records, changing child support orders, and providing help with debt collection issues. By leveraging Legal Tune Up, individuals can improve their employment and housing opportunities by addressing legal barriers.

# UPCOMING

**SEPTEMBER 23 ~ 10AM**

WVLS LISTENING SESSION  
FRANCES L SIMEK MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
IN MEDFORD  
REGISTER [HERE](#) BY 9/12

**SEPTEMBER 26 ~ 3-4PM**

CONNECTING WISCONSIN LIBRARIES  
VIRTUAL  
MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

**OCTOBER 2~ 9AM-3PM**

ANNUAL YOUTH SERVICES WORKSHOP  
TB SCOTT FREE LIBRARY IN MERRILL  
REGISTER [HERE](#).

**NOVEMBER 5-8**

WLA CONFERENCE  
GREEN BAY  
REGISTER [HERE](#).

**DECEMBER 3**

WLA VIRTUAL PERFORMERS  
SHOWCASE  
FREE FOR WLA MEMBERS  
MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

**DECEMBER 5**

CSLP SUMMER SYMPOSIUM  
FREE OPPORTUNITY  
REGISTRATION OPENS NOV 5  
KEYNOTE: MYCHAL THREETS

**QUESTIONS?  
COMMENTS?**

**LET'S CONNECT!**



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