May-June 2025 CONNECT at the County Library



Summer Reading Challenge Begins June 1

Kickoff May 30

First Friday Concerts May 2 & June 6

Adult Night Out 90s Prom June 13



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FAMILY

Mayfest

Celebrate the magic of spring surrounded by butterflies! Explore two enchanting butterfly tents and experience the beauty of delicate, fluttering wings up close. Enjoy live music, food trucks, hands-on crafts, and a butterfly adventure challenge perfect for all ages.

¡Celebre la magia de la primavera entre mariposas! Entre en dos mariposarios y experimente de cerca la belleza del aleteo de sus delicadas alas. Disfrute de música en vivo, camiones de comida, manualidades y un reto de aventura con mariposas perfecto para todas las edades.

Granite

Saturday, May 3, 1–4 pm Sábado, 3 de mayo, 1–4 pm

Summer Reading Kickoff

Fiesta de Inauguración de la Lectura de Verano

Kick off a colorful summer bursting with books, creativity, and endless fun at our biggest party of the year! Sign up for the Summer Reading challenge, learn how to track your activities, and enjoy vibrant crafts, photo-ops, games, and entertainment. Branch activities may vary.

Empiece un verano lleno de colores, libros, creatividad y diversión sin límite en nuestra ¡Fiesta más grande del año! Regístrese al Reto de Lectura de Verano, aprenda a hacer un seguimiento de sus actividades y disfrute de manualidades, fotos, juegos y entretenimiento. Las actividades de las sucursales pueden variar.

Draper, Taylorsville, South Jordan, Whitmore

Friday, May 30, 5–8 pm Viernes, 30 de mayo, 5–8 pm

Summer Reading Art Showcase and Scavenger Hunt

Help us Color Our World! Pick up a tiny canvas, add your creativity, and submit it to be featured in the Summer Reading Art Showcase. Finished artwork will be on display throughout June and July as part of an exciting art scavenger hunt. Submissions due May 31.

West Jordan, Thursday, May 1–Saturday, May 31

Celebrate Polynesia: Asian American Pacific Islander Month

Gather the family for a vibrant celebration of Polynesian culture. Enjoy delicious malasadas, lively island entertainment, and hands-on crafts that showcase the beauty and traditions of the Pacific Islands.

Magna, Saturday, May 3, Noon-3 pm

Origami with Ginger Shaw

Learn the art of paper folding with the Origami Lady. Ginger Shaw will share tips and tricks to transform simple sheets of paper into amazing creations. All materials provided. Great for ages 6 and up.

Magna, Thursday, May 22, 6-7 pm

Star Parties

In partnership with the Salt Lake Astronomical Society Amateur astronomers of all ages are invited to learn more about the night sky and get a closer look at celestial bodies and their hidden secrets through some of Utah's largest telescopes.

Taylorsville, Friday, May 2, 7–10 pm **Magna**, Friday, May 30, 7–10 pm

thecountylibrary.org/StarParty

FAMILY



Carnival of Colors

Sign up for Summer Reading and celebrate with a vibrant Carnival of Colors! Enjoy games, crafts, tasty treats, and plenty of colorful fun.

Magna, Wednesday, June 4, 10:30 am-Noon

KIDS

The Big Play

Little ones and families learn through loud and messy play. Engage in accessible activities that promote growth and exploration in a safe and welcoming environment. Great for families with children ages 0-5.

Library's Viridian Event Center Saturday, May 17, 10 am-Noon

thecountylibrary.org/BigPlay

Zumbini

A fun music and movement program where kids—and kids-at-heart—get their wiggles out.

Kearns, Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, and June 5, 12, and 26, 10:30–11:30 am

Puppet Show: Little Red and Big Bad

Presented by Utah Puppet Theater Experience the classic tale of Little Red Riding Hood with a fun and unexpected twist!

West Jordan, Monday, May 12, 10:30–11 am

Junk World Droids

Create your own space droid using recycled materials. Enjoy a sci-fi-inspired adventure with crafts, games, and plenty of droidworthy fun.

Bingham Creek, Saturday, May 3, 11 am–Noon

Future Protectors: Careers in Law and Safety

Meet the heroes behind the badge. Chat with police officers, forensic scientists, firefighters, SWAT teams, EMTs, and K9 handlers. Check out emergency vehicles up close, watch a K9 demonstration, and more.

Hunter, Wednesday, June 4, 1:30-3:30 pm

Taylor's Traveling Troupe

Get up close with friendly goats, fluffy bunnies, and other adorable farm animals you can pet and hold.

West Jordan, Tuesday, June 17, 10:30–11:30 am

Curiosity Club

An hour of play, discovery, and learning with engaging activities and hands-on fun for curious minds.

Kearns, Monday, June 23, 4–5 pm

Tumble and Play

A fun and interactive program designed for children to explore, learn, and develop essential motor and social skills through play.

Hunter, Mondays, May 5, 12, 19, and June 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 10–11 am

Teen Time: Bargello

Discover the art of Bargello, a needlepoint technique that uses long, straight stitches to create bold, geometric patterns. This easyto-learn craft blends math and creativity, making it perfect for beginners and experienced crafters alike.

Granite, Wednesday, May 21, 7-8 pm

Henna Tattoos

Adult Lecture Series

Presented virtually

Monday, May 12, 7 pm

Parks Company History

Tuesday, June 10, 7 pm

topics.

Concord

Interesting, entertaining, and informative

lectures from experts on a wide range of

The Revolutionary War: Lexington and

Traveling the Painted Canyons: Utah

thecountylibrary.org/LectureSeries

Learn about the cultural significance of henna while creating intricate, temporary designs that symbolize peace and harmony.

Kearns, Tuesday, June 24, 6:30–7:30 pm

Teen Time: Decoupage

Layer, collage, and design a one-of-a-kind treasure box using your favorite paper and the art of decoupage. Material provided.

Granite, Wednesday, June 18, 7-8 pm

Laser Tag Party

Navigate through aisles, sneak around bookshelves, and strategize with your besties when the Draper branch transforms into a futuristic battleground for an epic afterhours laser tag quest just for teens and tweens. Registration required. Best for ages 11–18.

Draper, Friday, June 20, 6-8 pm

ADULTS

Dialogues with Dr. Dave

Engage in meaningful civil conversations and explore ways to bridge the differences that often divide us. Discussions are guided by Dr. Dave Derezotes, retired Director of the Peace and Conflict Studies Program and Emeritus Professor of Social Work at the University of Utah.

Millcreek

Euthanasia Wednesday, May 21, 6–7:30 pm

Healing the Cultural Divide Wednesday, June 18, 6–7:30 pm

ADULTS

VIRIDIAN

Localscapes: Creating Your Ideal Utah Yard

In partnership with Jordan Valley Water Conservation District

Learn how to create a water-efficient, lowmaintenance yard with the Localscapes method. This class covers design basics, free local resources, and substantial rebates available through Utah Water Savers. See real-life success stories and discover how to improve curb appeal while saving time and money.

Various County Library branches June-August

thecountylibrary.org/localscapes

Build Your Own AI Chatbot

Curious about how AI can supercharge your creativity and productivity? In this handson class, you'll learn how to create your own AI chatbot using OpenAI's GPT Builder.

Whitmore, Tuesday, June 17, 6:30-8 pm

Spring Tea and Treats

Savor a delightful evening filled with tea, dainty treats, and fun crafts. Relax and enjoy the charming atmosphere while crafting something special. Registration required.

South Jordan, Thursday, May 8, 6:30–8 pm

Tea and Tarot

Sip tea and practice your tarot skills with fellow readers. Bring your own tarot deck or borrow one of ours. Tea provided. All skill levels welcome.

Riverton, Thursdays, May 29 and June 26, 7-8 pm

Adult Night Out: 90s Prom

Break out the butterfly clips, frosted tips, and platform kicks for the ultimate 90s throwback dance. Get jiggy with a live DJ, play themed activities, and strut your stuff in the costume contest. Dress in your freshest 90s fashion or come as your favorite icon. Registration required.

Library's Viridian Event Center Friday, June 13, 7:30–10 pm

thecountylibrary.org/AdultNightOut

First Friday Concerts

In partnership with City of West Jordan and Excellence in the Community Experience the energy of live music by talented local artists every first Friday of the month. Family-friendly activities precede each performance. Free for all ages.

Library's Viridian Event Center

Mariachi de mi Tierra Friday, May 2 Activities, 6:30 pm Concert, 7:30 pm

Elvis Tribute by Will Baxter Band Friday, June 6 Activities and food trucks, 6:30 pm Concert, 8 pm

thecountylibrary.org/concerts

Classes

Learn something exciting or pick up a new hobby with weekly classes covering a wide range of topics. Classes are perfect for beginners and taught by experienced, passionate instructors.

Library's Viridian Event Center

R.O.C.K.: Collecting in Madagascar Tuesday, May 6, 7–8:30 pm

Hobby 101: Capturing Milky Way Nightscapes Tuesday, May 6, 7-8 pm

Hobby 101 Tuesday, June 3, 7-8 pm

Find a complete list of upcoming classes at: thecountylibrary.org/ViridianClasses

EXTRAS

Kids Nature Kits

Explore local wildlife, spark curiosity, and help little ones develop a deeper connection to the outdoors with Kids Nature Kits. Backpacks include binoculars, bug viewers, butterfly nets, clip-on camera lenses, species ID cards, and information on the Jordan River ecosystem.

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Language Tools

Open doors by learning a new language. Mango Languages and Rosetta Stone provide easy-to-follow language lessons to increase your social and cultural understanding, further your career, and challenge your mind.

thecountylibrary.org/languages

thecountylibrary.org/LibraryOfThings

Unlock the mysteries of the night sky

with high-quality telescopes available

for checkout from the Library of Things.

Whether you're a seasoned stargazer or

an aspiring astronomer, with easy-to-use

equipment and simple setup instructions,

you can explore the cosmos from the

comfort of your home.

Telescopes



Bingham Creek, 4834 W 9000 S Daybreak, 11358 S Grandville Ave Draper, 1136 E Pioneer Rd (12400 S) Granite, 3331 S 500 E Herriman, 5380 W Herriman Main St Holladay, 2150 E Murray Holladay Rd Hunter, 4740 W 4100 S Kearns, 4275 W 5345 S Magna, 2675 S 8950 W Millcreek, 2266 E Evergreen Ave (3435 S) Riverton, 12877 S 1830 W Sandy, 10100 S Petunia Way (1405 E) South Jordan, 10673 S Redwood Rd Taylorsville, 4870 S 2700 W Tyler, 8041 S Wood St (55 W) West Jordan, 8030 S 1825 W West Valley, 2880 W 3650 S Whitmore, 2197 E Fort Union Blvd

Library's Viridian Event Center, 8030 S 1825 W

Alta Reading Room, Alta Community Center

Branch Hours

M-Th, 10 am-9 pm, F-S, 10 am-6 pm Closed Sunday

Holiday Closures

South Main Clinic, 3690 S Main St

Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 Juneteenth, Thursday, June 19

Curbside Holds pickup appointments are available: thecountylibrary.org/curbside



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