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Digital Horizons

In its annual list, Family Tree Magazine has once again named Digital Horizons as the **best genealogy website** for North Dakota!

What is **Digital Horizons**? It is an online resource for thousands of images, documents, videos, and oral histories depicting life on the Northern Plains. Digital Horizons provides a fascinating snapshot of the lives, culture, and history of the people who shaped life on the prairies.

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Hunting Display Kit

Did you know… STEM, robot, NASA, outdoor, storytime, book club, and display kits are all available from the State Library for checkout by libraries? Kits are a popular program at libraries of all types; today we will highlight the **Hunting Display** kit.

The Hunting Display kit covers the history of hunting in North Dakota and includes a banner, coloring sheets, five display books, and additional resource information. It can be used either as a stand-alone display for patrons to view or as a part of an educational program.

Kits can be checked out for eight weeks and reserved up to one year in advance. No more than three kits can be checked out at one time. Kits for schools or classroom use need to be checked out by the Library Media Specialist. To see when this kit is next available, check out **KitKeeper**.

Host a New Virtual Misinformation Escape Room at Your Library

Is your public library looking for a fun way to teach community members about spotting misinformation in social media? Do you know people in your community who like to solve puzzles, play live-action adventure games, or who are craving some structured social activity? If so, your library can apply to be one of ten across the U.S. to host and evaluate an online escape room game, The Euphorigen Investigation. As part of a project led by the University of Washington Information School (UW iSchool), this game was developed in response to library staff who asked for ways to help patrons navigate misinformation beyond traditional information literacy programs.

Escape rooms are live-action adventure games where teams of players work cooperatively to solve a series of interactive puzzles. Euphorigen is a virtual escape room that is hosted on Zoom where players interact with the escape room website. Euphorigen was designed to be hosted by a library staff member for teams of teens (14+) and/or adults, with 4-6 players per team. During live gameplay, the library staff member hosts the teams in Zoom, points them to the website, and offers hints to players as needed. Players interact with each other as they try to solve the puzzles within a set amount of time.

The puzzles in Euphorigen focus on common forms of misinformation people find on social media, such as misleading charts, deep fakes, and social media bots. The session ends with the players participating in a 15-minute debrief discussion with the library staff member. Each escape room session lasts approximately 1.25 hours, including postgame discussion. Participation includes running six sessions of the escape room with players from their community, participating in a focus group, and supporting the research data collection processes.

For more information and access to the application, please check out their page at WebJunction: **https://www.webjunction.org/news/webjunction/host-escape-room.html**.

Kids' Book Choice Awards

Children's book week is November 8-14th. We hope that you celebrate the week in whatever way works for you. Read a book to a child every day. Talk about your favorite books on social media and with your community. Have a book party. The list of ways to celebrate goes on and on.
Don't forget! Voting for the Kids' Book Choice Awards is open until November 14. Encourage young readers to 'Voice Their Choice' about the books they love in 15 fun categories. Epic! has **created a collection** with many of this year's finalists that teachers and caregivers can access for free.

Kids can cast their votes online.

Adults can collect votes from a group and submit them via our **group ballot**.

Explore all our free resources to support this program in your school, library, bookstore, and at home.

North Dakota Libraries in the News

JRVLS Unveils Website Redesign, Little Library...

JAMESTOWN, N.D. (NewsDakota.com) - The James River Valley Library System (JRVLS) has unveiled their newly redesigned and repurposed website. JRVLS Library Director Joe Rector says the new website helps them with interfacing effectively with...

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Minot Public Library to get new books and non-book items

New books are coming to the Minot Public Library. That's after the city council approved funding for the library to be able to do so. The library received more than $32,000 in donations since January this year. Library Director Janet Anderson...

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Minot Library Director defends decision to cancel...

MINOT, N.D. - Earlier this week Your News Leader told you the Minot Public Library made the difficult decision to cancel its children's programming through the rest of the year, amid health concerns over COVID-19. The library's director is...

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Mandan library closing for next phase of upgrade project

The Morton Mandan Public Library is temporarily closing to the public beginning Monday as a project to upgrade the facility moves into the second phase. The first phase of the library project included an addition of about 8,000 square feet with a ...

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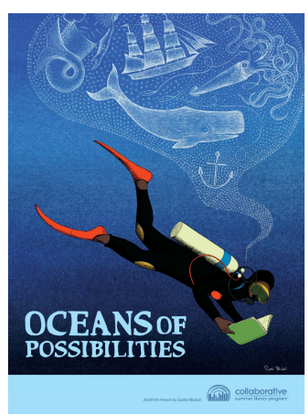
Summer Reading Idea Exchange
Oceans of Possibilities



Mark your calendars, it's oh-fish-ial! We haven't seen our first snowflake, but I'm ready to get you EXCITED about Summer Reading! We have an Ocean of Possibilities before us! And don't keep your ideas sea-cret! Please bring along any ocean-themed ideas you have perch-olated on. Hopefully, you can join us for some crafts, science, and no more fish puns. But I can't promise that you won't walk the plank!

Wednesday, November 10th
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Minot Public Library, 516 2nd Ave SW, Minot
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/minot-summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191856456827

Wednesday, November 17th
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Fargo Public Library, 102 3rd St N, Fargo
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fargo-summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191854681517

Thursday, November 18th
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
ND State Library, 604 E Boulevard Ave, Bismarck
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191849114867

Pizza will be ordered with the cost split between those who partake in it. Feel free to bring your own lunch.

Other News and Webinars

Practical steps towards diversifying collections | OCLC

Many institutions want to do more to support diverse library and archival collections that better serve and reflect traditionally underrepresented communities. These plans can center around providing materials that serve more inclusive needs or...

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Supporting Formerly Incarcerated Individuals with a Fresh...

Fresh Start @ Your Library began locally at the Long Branch (NJ) Public Library, providing community reentry support to individuals returning to communities after serving time in prison or jail.

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ala-events.zoom.us

Best Mystery Books of 2021: Recommended by Bestselling...

PBS television's long-running Mystery (now officially Masterpiece Mystery) reached out to popular mystery authors like Tana French and Walter Mosely for their picks for the best mystery novel of 2021.

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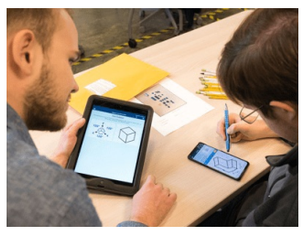

Gateways to Success in STEM: Sketching and Spatial...

Spatial visualization (SV) is the ability to think in 3D. Did you know that up to 60% of students in STEM programs have weak SV skills? This skills gap can lead to difficulty in engineering, technology, and science classes which require ...

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