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Closing Date: December 16, 2022

Discover Exoplanets: The Search for Alien Worlds Exhibit Opportunity Now Open

The Space Science Institute is pleased to announce a free NASA exhibit for public libraries. The next tour of 'Discover Exoplanets: The Search for Alien Worlds' will launch in June 2023, traveling to nine libraries across the country. All public and tribal libraries are welcome to apply. The application will close January 5, 2023.

The exhibit, kits, and activities will focus on the discovery of exoplanets. What is an exoplanet? How do NASA scientists find planets around distant stars? What are these planets like, and is life possible on them?

Exhibit themes include exoplanet research, information around our own solar system, and how tools like the new James Webb Space Telescope expand what we know about exoplanets.

A pre-application webinar will be held on December 20 at 3:00 PM. To register for the webinar, go to <https://bit.ly/3YbRL6b>.

Download the Application Rubric at <https://bit.ly/3VHuis9>.

Exhibition and application FAQ is located at <https://www.starnetlibraries.org/2020/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Discover-Exoplanets-Application-FAQ.docx>.

To apply, visit <https://bit.ly/3FDuQJQ>.

Libraries in the News

[150 Years of Bismarck History on Display in 'Capital City Memories' \(KX News\)](#)

The City of Bismarck turned 150 this year, and in a period of time that long, one can take a lot of pictures...

[A Tree For a Good Cause \(The Dakotan\)](#)

There are many ideas on what to put under the Christmas tree, and one local tree is taking items that will be given to charity...

[Campus Visits Set for Dean of Libraries & Information Resources Finalists \(UND.com\)](#)

Three finalists for the position of dean of libraries and information resources will be at the University of North Dakota next week for on-campus visits, Dec. 7-9...

[James River Valley Library System Presents 9th Annual "Mitten Tree" \(NewsDakota\)](#)

It's that time of year again when the weather turns cold and we need to dig out our hats, mittens, scarves, and other warm clothes out of storage...

[Morton Mandan Public Library Hosting Vendor Show, Holiday Events \(Bismarck Tribune\)](#)

Morton Mandan Public Library will host a local artists and small business vendor show on Saturday in the library's Community Room...

[Refugees Get Acclimated to New Life \(KFYR TV\)](#)

For refugees coming to the state, it can be difficult to access things most of us take for granted, like transportation or ordering fast food from a drive-through, when they don't speak English. Today a group of refugees got a tour of how to navigate the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Library to help improve language skills...

[Rescue Your Resume at Bismarck Veteran's Memorial Public Library \(KX News\)](#)

North Dakota is always on the hunt for new workers, and in a state with as many opportunities as ours, it's important to keep your resume as polished as possible. If you've been looking for a revision, you might want to hit the library for a special Resume Rescue workshop...

[Valley City Police Investigating Controversial Flyer \(Valley News Live\)](#)

The book "Let's Talk About It" (A Teenage Guide To Sex, Relationships and How to be a Human Being) has raised a few eyebrows in Valley City since the first story about its existence ran in the Times Record back in September of 2022...

[West Fargo Library hosts mitten tree this season \(Fargo Forum\)](#)

The West Fargo Public Library is hosting its fourteenth annual Mitten Tree Drive this December to collect winter gear for West Fargo children...

[West Fargo Public Library Receives Star Library Award \(WDAY\)](#)

The North Dakota State Library recently awarded the West Fargo Public Library the 2022 North Dakota Star Library Award for exemplary service to the community...

2023 Summer Reading Workshops

Training Dates and Locations:

Valley City Barnes County Public Library on February 3

Grand Forks Public Library on February 13

Morton Mandan Public Library on February 14

Minot Public Library on February 17

Williston Community Library on February 22

Register at <http://library.nd.gov/summerreading.html>

Tammy's Teaching Tidbits

By Tammy Kruger

Financial Literacy

To address International Literacy Day, on September 8th, Tammy's Teaching Tidbit discussed three types of literacy: reading and writing, technological and informational, and environmental literacy. With the offering of the Holiday Spending! Financial Literacy Activities Ahead of Winter Break Literacy webinar, I wanted to take a moment to discuss an often-overlooked type of literacy: financial. Financial decisions are a part of day-to-day life. These choices can be as major as taking out thousands of dollars in loans for higher education or buying a new car. They can also be as simple as deciding if a daily coffee run sets back (slightly) larger financial goals. Teaching K-12 students to better understand money and use it to their advantage only helps them become more well-rounded and critical-thinking citizens in their lives beyond school.

[Read More](#)

Citizen Participation Plan Revised; Comment Period Planned

Submitted by Sarah Mudder,
Communications and Events Coordinator, ND Housing Finance Agency

The North Dakota Department of Commerce, Division of Community Services (DCS) and the Housing Finance Agency seek public comment on the revision of the North Dakota Citizen Participation Plan (CPP). The plan sets forth the state's policies and procedures for citizen participation in the consolidated planning process ensuring persons with low and moderate incomes, persons living in slum and blighted areas, and persons or units of local government with urgent housing needs, housing agencies, or other interested parties are provided with the opportunity to participate.

The draft CCP will be available online at <https://www.commerce.nd.gov/community-services/community-development/consolidated-plan> December 9-27, 2022. Written comments should be submitted to DCS by December 27, 2022.



INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM UPDATE: REFLECTING ON 2022 AND RECHARGING FOR 2023

Tues., Dec. 13th at 2 p.m. Eastern

Join a panel of speakers to reflect on intellectual freedom
and libraries during the past year and prepare for 2023.

With Skip Dye, Ned Davis, and Deborah Doyle

United For Libraries Webinar

**Library Policies and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:
What Trustees and Boards Need to Know Webinar**
Saturday, January 21, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Register: <https://bit.ly/3iluE30>

Crafting and revising library policies with an equity, diversity, and inclusion lens is essential for public libraries. Learn how the library board and the director can work together to ensure that the library's policies are inclusive to those who identify as BIPOC, disabled, and/or LGBTQ+, etc. Find out how to identify problematic issues in current policies, and how to ensure your policies follow legal guidelines. Attendees will also learn tips on demonstrating the importance of inclusive policies to board members and library staff. A Q&A will be included in the presentation.



Pie Baking 101

Self Paced, Online Class

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North Dakota State Library

13 Lessons

12 Exams & Assignments

6 Hours average time

0.6 CEUs

Video Audit Available

Pie Baking 101

Submitted by Al Peterson

With the holidays upon us and winter days ahead of us, nothing is more comforting than a slice of homemade pie. Pie Baking 101 covers a wide variety of different pies. The step-by-step instructions presented in this course are easy to follow and understand. Topics include meat pies, pot pies, quiche, nut pies, spinach pies, cheesecake pies, chocolate mousse, fruit pies, cream pies, custard pies, and much more. Lesson 2 is all about making pie crust, an important step to successful pie baking.

There is even a section on holiday pies, including the timeless classic pumpkin pie! This course will also include website resources that provide additional and exceptional varieties of pie recipe. By the end of this course, you will be able to prepare delightful pies with your own favorite fruits, meat, or ice creams, and you will no longer be spending money on store-bought pie to family and friends.

Check out this and other fascinating courses available in Universal Class at <https://www.universalclass.com/library/northdakotastatend>.

Digital Delight

Horse-drawn school bus, Ward County, N.D., 1930s

Photograph is of the horse drawn school bus that carried the Landers children to the one room school near Kenaston, North Dakota. The bus was converted from wheels to runners for the winter. The children standing in front of the bus are Herman Landers, Milton Landers, Allen Landers, and Emma Landers.



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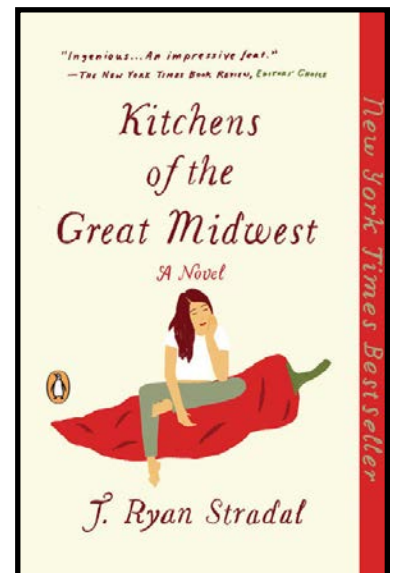
Kit of the Week

“Kitchens of the Great Midwest” by J. Ryan Stradal

When Lars Thorvald’s wife, Cynthia, falls in love with wine—and a dashing sommelier—he’s left to raise their baby, Eva, on his own. He’s determined to pass on his love of food to his daughter starting with puréed pork shoulder. As Eva grows, she finds her solace and salvation in the flavors of her native Minnesota. From Scandinavian lutefisk to hydroponic chocolate habaneros, each ingredient represents one part of Eva’s journey as she becomes the star chef behind a legendary and secretive pop-up supper club, culminating in an opulent and emotional feast that’s a testament to her spirit and resilience.

This kit includes 10 books, a discussion guide, and a sign-in sheet.

Reserve it today at <https://polaris.odinlibrary.org/>.



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