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Sunday 1pm-5pm
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MPL's New Look on the Web!

Our new website has arrived!

Check us out at: www.missoulapubliclibrary.org and let us know what you think.

Our previous website, www.missoula.lib.mt.us site will redirect you to the new site for a while, but eventually you'll want to update your bookmarks or favorites to the new address.

We know many of you will enjoy the easy access for renewing your materials; it's right on our homepage!

Also, you can search our catalog from any page within the website. Simply enter your search terms at

the top of the screen and you will be taken directly to iBistro.

Keep checking back to see what staff are saying on our new blog.

Want to dig deeper? Choose one of our many electronic databases from the drop down box on the homepage and you might be amazed at what you've been missing.

As with everything at Missoula Public Library, the website belongs to you – our patrons.

If you have suggestions about features we can add or other improvements, call 721-BOOK or email msslap-lib@missoula.lib.mt.us give us feedback.

Let's Talk About It!

Jewish Literature Discussion Group continues...

The November activities include:

November 1: "Merchant of Venice" (3rd film)

November 15: Book discussion of *The Centaur in the Garden* by Moacyr Scliar

November 29: 4th film, TBA

Everything happens in the library's large meeting room, starting at 6:30 pm. Contact Anita or Jess if you would like to sign up for this invigorating study of Jewish culture.

Sponsored by the American Library Association and Nextbook.

Construction Update

If you read our newsletter in August 2005, you learned about various projects we were looking at for 2006. Read on for an update on our progress!

- In late spring, the Library got a new roof, marking an end to our leaking problems
- In early summer, our parking lot was resurfaced and new signage installed
- For the last 2 months, the library's garage has been under construction. We are building new office space for our technical services staff (phase I) so that their old office space can be converted into a computer lab (phase II). Phase I is now complete. We expect the lab with 23 computer to be open in early December
- Once the computer lab is complete, we will be opening a computer training lab next to the Small Meeting room. We will be holding free classes on anything from setting up an email account to downloading photos from your digital camera. Have suggestions for classes? Contact Jim or Ben at 721-BOOK (2665).

All of these improvements in service and infrastructure would not be possible without your support. **Thank you** all for continuing to support the library and allowing us to put your dollars to work!

Cheap Date Movie

Missoula Public Library is proud to present for November the Ron Howard film based on Dan Brown's controversial bestseller *The Da Vinci Code*.

The movie stars Tom Hanks, Jean Reno, and Ian McKellen and was premiered at the 2006 Cannes Film Festival.

The movie will be shown on Friday, November 17 at 7:00 PM.

As always, someone will be at the back door near the parking lot to let people in starting at 6:45PM and will remain there to open the doors until approximately 7:10PM.

Please be on time as after 7:10 you will not be able to enter the building. We keep the doors locked for security purposes and once the movie starts, no one will be there to let you in, so please be on time.

Remember, we supply the popcorn and you bring the sodas.

Looking for Something to Read?

When the book you want is on hold and the new bestsellers are all checked out, turn to MPL's new fiction database, NoveList, to find your next read.

NoveList is a database containing over 125,000 fiction titles for readers of all ages and reading levels.

Search by author, title, series, subject or plot features to find a book that interests you. Use the database's Author Read-alikes to search for titles similar to the last best book you read.

Read the first chapter of over 14,000 books to find a title that leaves you wanting to read more. Choose from over 100 book discussion guides to help you plan your next book group meeting.

Help pre-readers enhance their comprehension skills with NoveList's picture book extenders.

Using NoveList, you can also find information on your favorite author, read book reviews, view complete lists of award winning titles AND MORE!

NoveList is available on the library's Web site and can be accessed in the library or from the comfort of your own home.

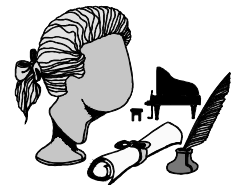
Please ask a staff member to show you how to use this valuable resource that has been called "a readers' paradise."

Sunday Music

November 12 at 2:00 p.m.

Stop by the Library and listen to the Loyola High School Chamber group.

They will be playing in the lower level lobby.



3rd Thursday Book Discussion

Please join this lively and fun group each month in the Small Meeting Room at 7 p.m. For more information, call Clara Erickson at 251-5921.

World Wide Cinema

Be With Me, from Singapore, is a tapestry of three stories woven around the themes of love, hope, and destiny.

The movie will be shown November 3 at 7 p.m. **NOTE the different night.**

"Meant to Be" is about an aging provision shopkeeper grappling with loneliness. Just when he is about to give up hope, he chances upon an autobiography which changes his life.

"So In Love" is the bitter-sweet chronicle of two teenage girls in a love less ordinary.

"Finding Love" follows the mundane life of a middle aged security guard who has two loves in life – food and a high flying professional who works in the same building he does.

Unbeknownst to them, these different souls will share the same stage in a

play written by Fate, which involves the themes of love, tragedy, and redemption.

These characters in the movie are fictitious except for Theresa Chan. Deaf and blind since she was 14, Therese –who is now 61 – is a remarkable woman who overcame her disabilities. She is the film's beacon, a symbol of strength and hope.

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Children's Corner

Children's Book Week At Missoula Public Library *More Books, Please*

Celebrate Children's Book Week at Missoula Public Library, November 13-19, 2006.

This year, join the party and share the joy of reading.

Programs at the library include, Family Storytime Monday Nov. 13 at 7:00 p.m., Tiny Tales for children ages birth-3 years old and their grownups on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday morning at 10:30, and preschool Storytime for children ages 3-6 on Friday, Nov. 17 at 10:30.

And don't forget the new Family Storytime, held on Saturday's at 11:00!



Be sure to enjoy the artwork provided by Sussex School children especially for this celebration.

"There's Magic in Books"

by Jania

Professional magician Jania Taylor will entertain children of all ages on Sunday, November 19, 2006 at 2:00 at the Missoula Public Library.

"There's Magic in Books" show will entertain with laughs, fun and

hocus pocus. It also delivers a message of how exciting it is to explore the books at the library and the importance of good reading habits. The Friends of the Missoula Public Library are sponsoring this Free program.

If anyone attending these programs needs special assistance, please provide advance notice by calling (406) 721 -BOOK (2665)

