

# News, Views, & To-dos @ Missoula Public Library

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## Out at the Library Exhibit @ MPL

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Gay and lesbian individuals have contributed to our society, from writers and filmmakers to political leaders and athletes.

Missoula Public Library's latest traveling exhibit "Out at the Library" provides the opportunity to review and celebrate those contributions. The exhibit, which will be in Missoula April 15-May 31, includes photos and memorabilia highlighting lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) works and accomplishments.

The **Opening reception** on Thursday, April 17, at 7 pm will kick off the exhibit, with a special keynote address "Why Gay Culture Matters" from author and Montana native Patricia Nell Warren, a performance by the Missoula Men's Chorus, and a viewing of the "*Gay Pioneers*" documentary.

## National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month and Missoula Public Library is celebrating in style. A series of readings and workshops will be augmented by special display materials spotlighting the beauty of words. Don't miss these special programs:

Poet Lowell Jaeger will kick off our month-long celebration with "**Losing Your Mind: How to Read Poems/**

As part of the exhibit, the library will be hosting six weeks of programs. Here are the ones for April:

April 18, 7 pm—**Out After Hours** with Patricia Nell Warren. Reading & discussion.

April 19, 2 pm—**Brokeback Mountain: From Page to Screen**. Film and discussion.

April 22, 7 pm—Missoula Premier of **Red Without Blue**. Documentary film about Missoula twins coming out.

April 25, 7 pm—**Out After Hours** with poets Casey Charles and Melissa Kwasny.

April 26, 10 am—"LGBT Ally Training" workshop by National Coalition Building Institute. At the Methodist Church, 300 E Main St (across the street from the library)

**How to Write Them**" on Thursday, April 3, at 7 pm. This program is provided by Humanities Montana and the Montana Cultural Trust.

Teens will get into the action with a **Poetry Workshop for Teens** on Saturday, April 5, at 1 pm.

The written word meets the spoken word at the **Teen Poetry Slam** Tuesday, April 8, at 6 pm. Teens ages 13-18 can read an original or a classic favorite and will be awarded prizes by judges

April 26, 10 am—"Whence Lesbian Lit?" Forum moderated by Caitlin Cople.

April 26, 2 pm—"Intro to Dangerous Writing" with Tom Spanbauer.

April 26, 7pm—**Gala Reading** with Tom Spanbauer

Also during the exhibit listen to the LGBT Poetry Kiosk on the lower level.

All the programs are held at the library unless otherwise noted.

"Out at the Library: Celebrating the James C. Hormel Gay and Lesbian Center" is organized and circulated by the San Francisco Public Library. The Missoula Public Library provides programs, materials and services to meet the informational, cultural, recreational and educational needs of Missoula and outlying areas.

selected from the audience.

Enjoy two evenings of **Montana Poets**, April 14 and April 23, both at 7 pm. Four different local poets will read and discuss their work each evening.

**Melissa Kwasny and Casey Charles**, both published Montana poets, will read and discuss their poetic works Friday, April 25, at 7 pm. This presentation is in conjunction with the new traveling exhibit "Out at the Library."

## Afternoon Matinees

*You Can't Take it With You*, will be playing at 2:00 pm on Wednesday April 9 in the Large Meeting Room. This Oscar winner features the Sycamores, an eccentric family of free spirits and the problems that arise when Alice, the sole stable member, falls for her boss's son.

On April 23 we show the 1941 romantic comedy, *Ball of Fire*, starring Gary Cooper and Barbara Stanwyck. A group of ivory-tower lexicographers realize they need to hear how real people talk, and end up helping a beautiful singer escape from the mob.

## Cheap Date Night

On April 18, Missoula Public Library is proud to present *Love in the Time of Cholera*, based on Gabriel Garcia Marquez's Nobel Prize-winning novel of the same name. The movie details a passionate love triangle that unfolds in turn-of-the-century South America. Starring Javier Bardem, Giovanna Mezzogiorno and Benjamin Bratt, this movie is rated "R" for adult situations, nudity and sexual situations and is 2 hrs, 20 minutes long. The parking lot doors will open at 6:45 pm and remain open until 7:15 pm. As always, popcorn will be served.

## World Wide Cinema

*The Violin*, a film from Mexico, will be premiered at World-Wide Cinema, Friday, April 11 at 7:00 pm in the large meeting room.

This film is the writing-directorial debut for Francisco Vargas and is set in the 1970's.

Don Plutarco, his son, and his grandson live a double life: they are musicians and humble farmers, but they also support the peasant guerilla movement's armed efforts against the oppressive government. *The Violin* is in Spanish with English subtitles.

The film is free and open to the public and is intended for mature audiences due to adult themes, language and sexual content.

## Spring Into Health

Feeling stressed and need to relax? Wondering what you can do to prevent or treat osteoporosis? Looking for helpful resources to answer your health questions? Come to Missoula Public Library's series of health programs as part of our Spring into Health series. The programs are aimed at providing the best possible resources so the Baby Boomer generation is informed as they grow older and have more health concerns. Come to one or all of these free programs at Missoula Public Library:

**Tuesday, April 1, 7 pm. "Health Resources for Baby Boomers."** Discover where to find the answers to your growing list of health questions with Martha Thayer of Rocky Mountain Laboratories.

**Wednesday, April 2, 2 pm. "Portion Distortion."** Are you old enough to remember the small 5-cent bottles of Coca Cola? What size "small" fries meant? Join Kathy Revello of MSU- Missoula Extension Agency for a look back at how big a "square meal" used to be and discover ways to re-train your brain on what a "plateful" should look like.

**Thursday, April 3, 10 am—4 pm. "Spring into Health" Fair!** Twenty local healthcare providers and resource organizations will be at the ready to provide the information you need at Missoula Public Library's first health fair.

## BYOB (Bring Your Own Bookbag) For Fines

### Celebrate Earth Day @ Missoula Public Library!

Use your own Earth-friendly bag for your library materials or purchase a Missoula Public Library tote bag on Tuesday, April 22 and the library will waive your fines.

From Sunday, April 20 through Saturday, April 26, you can also take part in the library's **Food for Fido** drive. Waive your fines by bringing in unopened pet food that will be donated to Missoula's pet shelters.

## MPL Book Discussions

Inspired by the courtship of author Gabriel Garcia Marquez's own parents, *Love in the Time of Cholera* follows two lovers from their first declaration of love until the day, over fifty years later, that they can be together again. Join in a discussion on Tuesday, April 8 at 7 pm or Thursday, April 10 at 10 am.

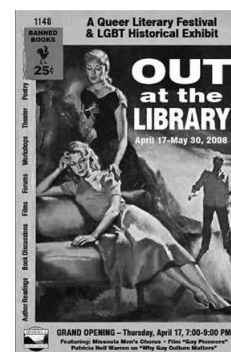
Books are available at the Check-Out Desk.

## 3rd Thursday Book Group

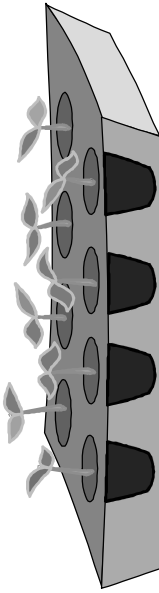
*A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain: Stories*, by Robert Olen Butler. In these tales of Vietnamese immigrants, we explore both the old country and the new (primarily Louisiana), as well as the realm of the spirits. Each story unfolds like a delicate paper fan, with startling, ghostly images hiding in every crevice. Thursday April 17 at 7 pm in the library staff room. Call Clara at 251-5921 for more information.

## Bike Walk Bus Week

Coordinated by the City of Missoula Bicycle Pedestrian Program, Bike Walk Bus Week is an annual celebration of healthy transportation in Missoula. During the week of April 19—26, you can take part in over a hundred events in and around Missoula. If you bike, walk or bus to the library during Bike Walk Bus Week, you can enter into a drawing for a fabulous messenger bag donated by Missoula in Motion. For more information on Bike Walk Bus Week, visit [www.bikewalkbusmissoula.org](http://www.bikewalkbusmissoula.org).



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>** Read more about this in the Newsletter</b></p>						
6	7 6 pm Scrabble 7 pm Family Storytime	8 10:30 am Tiny Tales 7 pm Health Resources for	9 2 pm Afternoon Matinee: <i>You Can't Take it With You</i> **	10 9:30 am Friends Bd Mtg 10 am 2nd Thursday Book Discussion** 10:30 am Tiny Tales	11 10:30 am Tiny Tales & Preschool Storytime Group 4:30 pm Teen Writers	12 11 am Family Storytime
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20	<b>Food for Fido Week</b> April 20—26**	21 6 pm Scrabble 7 pm Family Storytime	22 10:30 am Tiny Tales 7 pm <i>Red without Blue</i> ** BYOB** (all day)	23 2 pm Afternoon Matinee: <i>Ball of Fire</i> ** 7 pm Montana Poets**	24 10:30 am Tiny Tales 7 pm Socrates Café	25 10 am Whence Lesbian Lit?** 11 am Family Storytime 2 pm Intro to Dangerous Writing**
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## Kid's Corner

### El dia de los niños/El dia de los libros

#### (Children's Day/Book Day)

Missoula Public Library will celebrate El dia de los niños/El dia de los libros in the Children's Department by hosting a bilingual Storytime on Friday May 2 at 10:30 am and Saturday May 3 at 11:00 am.

A special "Cinco de Mayo" Storytime will be hold at 7 pm on Monday May 5.

Karen Gonzales and Linda Bailey will read stories in English and Spanish for these storytimes.

We will also have a special display of books in the Children's Department for this celebration during April and May.

This event brings together children, books, language and culture.

Everyone invited. Come and enjoy books, songs, and stories.

### Young Adult events for April

YA programs are for ages 13-18 unless otherwise noted.

Teen Writers group meets Fridays at 4:30 pm (ages 15-18).

4/4 – Game On! 3:30 pm

4/5 – Saturday 1 pm – Poetry workshop - The workshop will provide a low-key creative atmosphere to let teens ages tap into their inner poets.

4/8 – Tuesday 6 pm – Poetry Slam - The written word meets the spoken word. Teens can read an original or a classic favorite and will be awarded prizes by judges selected from the audience.

4/13-19 – Magnetic Poetry – stop in the YA room (temporarily on the lower level) and make your own magnetic poetry.

4/19 – Saturday 7 pm – Teens After Hours mystery dinner and screening of *Enchanted*.

### Storytime Themes

March 30-April 5—Backwards

April 6-12—  
Poetry

April 13-19—  
National  
Library  
Week

April 20-April  
26—Healthy  
Transportation

April 27-May 3—Mud puddles

