

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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Summer Reading Programs at the Modesto Library

The Stanislaus County Library invites all kids to join the children's Summer Reading Program, "*Dream Big! READ*." Children ages 0 through 12 can participate by picking up a personalized reading log at any Stanislaus County Library location, read (or be read to) at least 20 minutes per day and earn fun rewards for every seven days of reading they complete. Summer Reading Program begins Saturday, May 26 and continues through Saturday, August 4.

Teens age 12-18 can participate in "*Own the Night*" by picking up a bingo card and tracking their reading on the card. After completing a bingo card, they will be entered into a drawing for a Barnes & Noble NOOK. Each branch of the Stanislaus County Library will have one winner. Adults can participate as well. The library especially encourages parents to participate as a model of good reading habits for their children. Adults can submit a short book review form that will be entered into a drawing for a grand prize valued at \$100.

The Summer Reading Program also features special performances throughout the summer for children and teens. Programs at the Modesto Library are:

• Carnival of Chaos Thursday, June 7, 1 p.m. Andrea Terry and Mark Bunnell bring vaudeville and cabaret back to life by blending the best of music, theater, and the circus arts. Carnival of Chaos is an excellent teen program incorporating original music, audience participation, and improvisational humor which makes each show an adventure unto itself!

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- Magic Dan......Monday, June 25, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.
 Magic Dan's captivating children's performances blend magic with positive messages that enhance self-esteem and reinforce the importance of education. Through the power of magic he motivates children to read and believe in themselves.
- Gary Lapow Monday, July 23, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Gary Lapow's concert programs teach children to respect themselves and their communities, reach out to others, and celebrate the many joys of life. The albums of his original songs have been selected as Parents' Choice Recommended and Honor Recordings. Don't miss this exciting musical program!

The Stanislaus County Library Summer Reading Program is offered county wide, with funding provided by the Stanislaus Library Foundation.

Summer Reading Programs are held in the Downstairs Auditorium of the Modesto Library, located at 1500 I St. Free same day tickets will be available one hour before each show. For more information, please call 558-7810 or visit the library's information desk.

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Note: Summer Reading Program performer schedule for all library branches is attached.

Summer Reading Program Dates for All Libraries

Carnival of Chaos

- Wednesday, June 6 Ceres Library 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 6 Turlock Library 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 7 Modesto Library 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 7- Salida Library 3:30 p.m.

Magic Dan

- Saturday, June 23 Turlock Library 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 23 Denair Library 3:00 p.m.
- Monday, June 25 Keyes Library 10:30 a.m.
- Monday, June 25 Modesto Library 1:30 & 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 26 Oakdale Library 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 26 Waterford Library 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 28 Ceres Library 11:00 a.m.
- Thursday, June 28 Hughson Library 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 28 Empire Library 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 30 Patterson Library 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 30 Newman Library 3:00 p.m.
- Monday. July 2 Riverbank Library 1:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 2 Salida Library 3:00 pm

Gary Lapow

- Saturday, July 21 Turlock Library 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 21 Denair Library 3:00 p.m.

- Monday, July 23 Keyes Library 10:30 a.m.
- Monday, July 23 Modesto Library 1:30 & 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 24 Oakdale Library 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.
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