Enter the Library District's FREE
Summer Challenge Reading & Activities Program
May 15 – July 31

Beat Summer Boredom & Win Cool Prizes from
Vegas Golden Knights, NBA Summer League and more!

** *Link to access hi-res photos of featured guests and performers* **

LAS VEGAS (May 8, 2023) -- Make this summer memorable and build new skills with the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District's annual Summer Challenge reading and activities program, May 15 – July 31. Kids, teens and adults can win cool prizes just for learning and having fun.

"Studies show that kids and teens can lose significant school skills during the summer months," said Kelvin Watson, executive director of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, "and adults are also looking for something fun to do to escape the summer heat. Our Summer Challenge program provides all ages with new experiences, from reading comic books and graphic novels to operating a 3D printer to learning a new language. Everything you do helps you qualify for great prizes from the **Vegas Golden Knights, NBA Summer League, the Neon Museum, plus Kodak Digital Cameras**, and more."

The Library District makes it easy to participate in Summer Challenge with a weekly line-up of fascinating, FREE events and activities. Sign-up for a FREE library card and check out, stream, or download items from our vast collection of books, movies, and music. Visit our branches and discover

art galleries, live performances, craft and language classes, job skills training, the list of possibilities is endless.

Summer Challenge Kick-Off Events, May 16 - 27 at libraries throughout the Valley.
Don't miss the fun activities, which vary by location and are always FREE. All attendees will receive a FREE pair of sunglasses, while supplies last!

Summer Challenge featured events include:

- Anime drawing with **The Simpson's artist Carlos Nieto III**
- Live music and dance with **YouTube sensations Koo Koo Kanga Roo**
- Exclusive Meet & Greet with the **United States Space Force,** the newest branch of the military
- Space Discussion with **planetary scientist Carolyn Porco**, who has served on multiple imaging projects on Saturn, Pluto, and the outer solar system
- **Origami Tales by Kuniko Yamamoto**, using origami, music and interaction to engage children in Japanese culture and the art of storytelling
- **StuntMasters Inc. featuring world-class BMX bike stunts** and positive messaging for tweens & teens
- **Fratello Marionettes**, delighting young audiences with Jack & the Beanstalk
- And don't miss our **Summer Challenge Kick-off celebrations beginning May 16.**

Visit our Summer Challenge website (TheLibraryDistrict.org/SummerChallenge) for event dates and information.

Here's How Summer Challenge Works
Sign-up online at TheLibraryDistrict.org/SummerChallenge, or visit one of our 25 local branches, and pick up a paper log. Then start exploring and experiencing! Simply track your reading and activities to qualify for a range of prizes.

By going online to TheLibraryDistrict.org/SummerChallenge, participants will find upcoming events, activities, classes, and live performances – plus curated reading recommendations, including downloadable books, and audiobooks for every age group – to fill up everyone's logs.

Once they complete the three levels on their Summer Challenge log, they are eligible to win a range of wonderful prizes. To enter, they must bring their paper log to the nearest branch, or, they will be entered automatically if they track their reading and activities on our website.

Need a Library Card?
Visit your local library branch or sign up online and #GetCarded today. Library cardholders enjoy FREE, 24/7 access to hundreds of online materials, eBooks, eAudiobooks, plus online resources such as CreativeBug, Rosetta Stone, and LinkedIn Learning, and online learning tools, anytime, anywhere. Or visit your nearest library branch in person to borrow books, CDs, DVDs, graphic novels, video games, toys, iPads, internet hotspots, and laptops.

Preventing Summer Slide for Kids
"We make it easy for parents to keep their kids active and engaged with summer activities that are fun but also educational, involving reading, science, art, math, and critical thinking skills that they need to be successful and fulfilled in school," said Watson. "Babies and toddlers benefit from this program, too, doing early learning activities with their parents and caregivers, such as singing, reading together, doing puzzles, even taking a walk in nature and name the things that you see together. There are opportunities all around us for young children to experience early learning."

NEW! Adult Summer Challenge
"Adults have been asking us for their own Summer Challenge program," Watson said, "and we introduced this last year. They can discover the Library District's award-winning art galleries, attend theater and musical performances, explore a new interest or hobby, such as writing, drawing, language, or crafts classes. With 3.3 million items in our collection, and hundreds of free events to choose from, adults of any age will surely find something fascinating to enjoy and achieve this summer."

Fantastic Prizes for All Ages
Complete the program, and you will be eligible for a chance to win NBA Summer League goodies, like a family 4-pack of tickets or a bag of NBA swag; a coveted Vegas Golden Knights branded T-shirt and baseball cap; a family 4-pack of tickets to the Neon Museum; a Kodak Printomatic Digital Instant Camera and starter bundle; and lots of other cool prizes!

About Las Vegas-Clark County Library District
The award-winning Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is an independent taxing entity that serves a diverse community across 8,000 square miles. Through its 25 branches and website, the Library District offers a collection of 3.2 million items consisting of books, movies, music (including streaming and downloadable), online resources, as well as free programs for all ages. The Library District is a vibrant and vital member of the community offering limitless learning; business and career advancement; government and social services support; and best of all, a place where customers find a sense of culture and community. For more information, and to support Library District programs, please visit thelibrarydistrict.org.

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