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Contact: Jennifer Knight, Youth Services Librarian
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Subject: Puppet Building Workshop with Andy Ferguson
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Join family performer & teaching artist Andy Furgeson of Red Yarn for a special puppet-building workshop. Build a puppet on Tuesday, July 17, 4:30pm at the Forks Branch Library. Puppet creating continues on Wednesday, July 18, 4pm at the Port Angeles Main Library. The final workshop will be on Thursday, July 19, 1pm at the Sequim Branch Library. Registration is required for all workshops.

Participants will build elaborate animal puppets from paper, foam, fabric & yarn and will learn puppetry techniques to put their new puppets to use! All workshops are free, but class size is limited, pre-registration is required. To register, visit the NOLS location events calendar at www.nols.org or email youth@nols.org. All materials will be provided. The workshop is recommended for ages 8 and up.

In addition to his successful career performing under the name Red Yarn, Furgeson has been teaching music, puppetry & art in elementary & preschools for over a decade. He was Young Audiences of Oregon & SW Washington's Teaching Artist of the Year in 2015!

More About the Summer Reading Program

The theme for the 2018 Summer Reading Program is *Libraries Rock!* This summertime

celebration, which encourages children to keep reading during the summer break from school, features a reading challenge and a multitude of events for all ages. Research shows that children who do not read during the summer experience “summer slide” and may lose up to a month of the instructional knowledge they gained during the previous school year. Library summer reading programs have been shown to help alleviate the “summer slide” by providing access to books, enrichment activities, and encouraging young people to keep reading. The 2018 Summer Reading Program runs June 16 through August 18.

The Summer Reading Program is generously supported by the Friends of the Library at all four NOLS libraries. For more information about the Summer Reading Program and other events, visit www.nols.org/srp, call 360.417.8500, or email discover@nols.org.



Puppet Building Workshops with Andy Furgeson at NOLS.

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