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Join Red Yarn and his barnyard critters for a frolicking good time! Red Yarn and friends will tour all four North Olympic Library System locations as part of the 2018 Summer Reading Program. On Tuesday, July 17, Red Yarn will perform at 3pm at the Forks Branch Library. On Wednesday, July 18, there will be a 6:30pm show at the Port Angeles Main Library. On Thursday, July 19 at 10:30am, Red Yarn will perform at the Sequim Branch Library outdoor stage, followed by a 4pm visit to the Clallam Bay Branch Library.

Red Yarn is Andy Furgeson, a dynamic family performer who weaves folksongs and puppetry into an engaging show for all ages. With his energetic performances and lush folk-rock recordings, this red-bearded bard shares positive values while reinvigorating the American folklore tradition for younger generations. Furgeson is a musician, puppeteer and educator from Austin, Texas, based in Portland since 2005. His 5th album, *Red Yarn's Old Barn* was recently released in the Spring of 2018.

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.



Red Yarn to tour NOLS July 17-19, 2018.

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