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Happy New Year

We are open!



Scribblers Festival

Celebrate The Magic Of Storytelling

3-9 MAY 2021

<https://www.scribblersfestival.com.au/>

Grab your pens and mark your diaries! We're super excited to announce @scribblersfest is returning this year.

Scribblers Festival is an annual festival of literature and arts for young people. We believe in the power of books and creativity as tools to help kids and teens better understand the world they live in and the worlds within them.

The Golden Pen - Writing Competition (Years 6-12) Enter by 21 March 2021!

Have you got a story to tell? Perhaps there's a small creature, with a big dilemma? Or a big house with small residents? Maybe it's a big idea, told from a small voice? This year's Golden Pen Writing Award theme is BIG & SMALL. Ideas are only limited by your imagination, so if you're in Years 4-12, we want you to put pen to paper and think about the world around you, within you and your place within it.

WHATS ON AT THE STATE LIBRARY IN JANUARY 2021

If you are heading to Perth these school holidays, The State Library are running some wonderful programs.

Oh, did we mention they are FREE!

State Library of Western Australia, 25 Francis Street, Perth Cultural Centre



Futurescape - Future Skies, **Midwest Room, Mezzanine Floor**

Flying cars? Hovercrafts? Jet boots? How will people get around in the future? In this digital art media installation by coder and designer Steve Berrick, draw, colour and see your creation brought to life through projected animation.

Futurescape - Paper Perth, **The Nook, Ground Floor**

For decades urban planners and designers have visualized what cities could look like in the future. Taking their designs as inspiration, create a future Perth city scene. What will the city look like and how will it be designed? Become a paper architect and cut, paste and illustrate to create your scene. Play with the giant greenspace floor puzzle.

Futurescape - Mini Museum, **The Storyplace Gallery, Mezzanine Floor**

Libraries and museums have stories and artefacts that tell us about how people have lived in the past, as well as the present. What artefacts will be collected by museums and libraries in the future? Where will people live? How might the city be powered? What will happen to things like rubbish? Explore these curious questions and add your own future artefact to the display.



Graham "Polly" Farmer Showcase, **State Library Level 3**

Graham 'Polly' Farmer was a legend of Australian Rules Football and is widely regarded as one of the greatest players in the history of the game. In this small display, see a selection of certificates, medals and photographs from the State Library's recently acquired Graham 'Polly' Farmer collection. Many of the items are digitised and can also be viewed on the Library catalogue. The display also features Graham Farmer's Western Australia Jumper from the 1961 Football Carnival in Brisbane, which is kindly on loan from the Polly Farmer Foundation.

Wednesday 02 December
2020 9:00AM to Monday
18 January 2021 05:00pm

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KIDS CORNER...



School holidays are here
 So, come take a look
 Play games or puzzles
 Or immerse in a book
 The library is great
 - It's the place to be
 We have air-conditioning
 And entry is free!



Challenge your family or friends with our in-house boardgames or puzzles



Storytime is having a break during the holidays
 Back on: Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 9:30am

EXMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS
 A FREE MOVIE

JASPER JONES



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DATE: 14/01/2021

MOVIE STARTS: 1:15PM

VENUE: MEET AT EXMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY



Based on the "Craig Silvey" novel, by the same name, Jasper Jones follows the life of Charlie Bucktin, a bookish 14-year-old. His life changes irrevocably the night Jasper Jones shows him the dead body of Laura Wishart. In the summer holidays of 1969, Charlie sets out to find her killer.

DOORS OPEN 1:00PM

MOVIE STARTS 1:15PM

Please bring cushions for extra comfort on chairs



Author in Focus: Dr Seuss



We all know his books but how much do you know about the elusive 'Dr Seuss'?

Born Theodor Seuss Geisel on March 2, 1904, he began using Seuss (his mother's maiden name which is actually pronounced "Zoice", like 'voice') as his pen name when writing for his college magazine. He has also used the pseudonym Theo LeSieg, which is 'Geisel' spelled backwards.

In 1957, 'Cat in the Hat' was written following a challenge by his boss at Houghton Mifflin, for Dr Seuss to write a story that first graders 'can't put down' using only 348 words from a vocabulary list for 6-7 year olds. He did it using only 236 and based the book on the first two rhyming words on the list...cat and hat!

Three years later, his publisher, Bennett Cerf, bet him \$50 that he could not write a book using fifty or fewer different words. The words being: a, am, and, anywhere, are, be, boat, box, car, could, dark, do, eat, eggs, fox, goat, good, green, ham, here, house, I, if, in, let, like, may, me, mouse, not, on, or, rain, Sam, say, see, so, thank, that, the, them, there, they, train, tree, try, will, with, would, you.

The challenge was taken and the result was "Green Eggs and Ham" which, having the fewest words of all his books, became his most popular, and one of the best-selling children's books of all time.

Dr Seuss was also a successful illustrator, artist and sculpture. He died on Sept 24, 1991 but left a legacy of genius and imagination that continues to inspire kids and adults around the world.

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