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Kuskokwim Consortium Library Newsletter

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What's Happening at the Library?

July is here and with it so many library programs! Toddler Time is every Monday at 11 a.m. All family members are welcome now that school is out.

- July 7 at Pinky's Park (weather permitting)
- July 14 at the Fitness Center studio
- July 21 at Pinky's Park (weather permitting)
- July 28 at the Fitness Center pool

Thursday, July 10 is a movie showing of Ready Player One starting at 6:30 p.m. Popcorn will be provided.

Friday, July 11 is the community Pride celebration at the Cultural Center from 5 to 7 p.m. which will include food, book talks, activities, and crafting.

Saturday, July 12 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. during Saturday Market will be poster making for the Pride March. The march will be at 12 p.m. beginning at the Cultural Center.

July 14-18, participate in Artapalooza! This is a week long art camp with Anchorage-based artist Jimmy Riordan. Each day the library will be hosting different types of art programs for kids and families of all ages from 4 to 6 p.m.

- Monday: Tie Dye
- Tuesday: Pop-Up Books
- Wednesday: Clay Sculptures
- Thursday: Beading with local artist
- Friday: Puppets

Saturday, July 19, from 12 to 2 p.m. in the Alaska room is Chess Club. All chess levels are welcome to participate.

Tuesday, July 22 at 1 p.m. will be the start of the new library radio show "Bethel Book Club". The show will air every 4th Tuesday of the month on KYUK at 640am. Tune in to hear about new additions to the library collection, what library staff are reading, community call ins and a specially selected book discussion. We will also have shows with author interviews.

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JULY CALENDAR

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|----------------------|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| 29 Library Closed | 30 Toddler Time at YK Fitness Center (pool) @ 11 a.m. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Library Closed | 7 Toddler Time at Pinky's Park @ 11 a.m. | 8 | 9 | 10 <i>Ready Player One</i> Movie showing at 6:30 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 11 Bethel Community Pride Celebration 5-7 p.m. Cultural Center | 12 -Pride March Sign Making at Saturday Market 10 to 12 p.m. -Pride March at 12 p.m. at the Cultural Center |
| 13 Library Closed | 14 Toddler Time at YK Fitness Center (studio) @ 11 a.m. Artapalooza Day One: Tie-Day 4-6 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 15 Artapalooza Day Two: Pop-up Books & Art 4-6 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 16 Artapalooza Day Three: Clay Sculptures 4-6 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 17 Artapalooza Day Four: Beading 4-6 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 18 Artapalooza Day Five: Puppets 4-6 p.m. in the Cultural Center | 19 |
| 20 Library Closed | 21 Toddler Time at Pinky's Park @ 11 a.m. | 22 Bethel Book Club Radio Show 1-2 p.m. | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Library Closed | 28 Toddler Time at YK Fitness Center (pool) @ 11 a.m. | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 |

Library Closed

LGBTQIA2S+

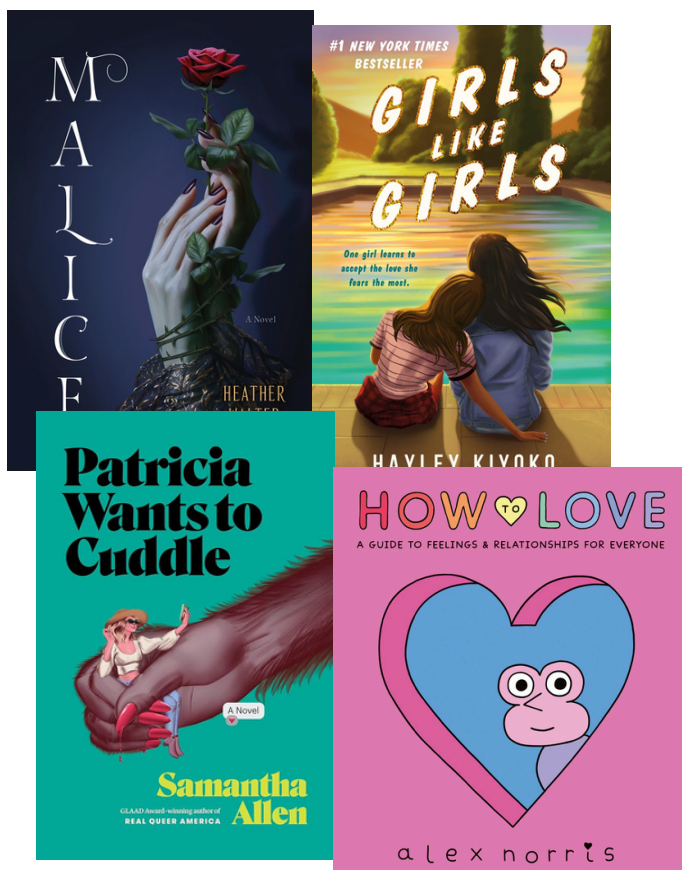
Book Recs

By Taylor Finley, TWC
Youth Services Manager

Happy Pride, Bethel! I've put together a list of some queer book recommendations based on what I've enjoyed reading since last year! Pride is an excellent time to explore new titles featuring diverse characters and love across all spectrums! I hope you pick up and enjoy something that brings joy <3

How to Love: A Guide to Feelings & Relationships for Everyone by Alex Morris

This brightly colored comic book is a fantastic guide to relationships for teens and adults. Each chapter is a sweet little comic that features characters learning something new about themselves by asking introspective questions about identity, relationships, and staying true to oneself. Readers will learn about topics such as breaking up, choosing to be single, whether they need love, long-distance relationships, who to love, and more! The comics include folks of all sexualities and gender identities, challenging the very notion of "normal" and encouraging readers to look beyond societal norms by valuing all kinds of relationships.



Patricia Wants to Cuddle by Samantha Leigh Allen

This novel intended for adult audiences follows the final four contestants of a dating show called "The Catch" as they film on a remote island. The show's participants, including a closeted bisexual woman, find themselves caught up in a series of strange and dangerous events, including a mysterious creature named Patricia who is seemingly connected to some sort of underground queer secret society. The novel explores themes of media manipulation, queer identity, and the lengths people will go to for fame and connection.

Malice by Heather Walter

This queer re-telling of the story of Maleficent follows main character Alice as she navigates a society that views her superior magical abilities as something to be shunned and looked down upon. National Geographic book reviews describe this YA novel as follows: "A princess isn't supposed to fall for an evil sorceress. But in this "bewitching and fascinating" (Tamora Pierce) retelling of "Sleeping Beauty," true love is more than a simple fairy tale."

Girls Like Girls by Hayley Kiyoko

Based on the author's hit song, *Girls Like Girls* is a queer coming of age story that follows main character Coley as she navigates moving in with her estranged father and life in a small town following the sudden death of her mother. Everything changes when Coley meets Sonya and the two spend a summer together developing a closeness neither of them have felt before while they confront the realities of self acceptance, fear of vulnerability, and coping with the traumas they've both experienced. This book is intended for teens and is a relatable story that may resonate with many queer folks. Happy reading and happy pride!



Bethel Actors Guild, Tundra Women's Coalition,
and UAF Kuskokwim Campus support and present

BETHEL PRIDE

dear kin

Brown Bag Lunch
film viewing and
discussion

JUNE 11
NOON
ROOM 118
KUSKOKWIM CAMPUS

Community
Pride
Celebration

Join us for food, makeup
tutorials, Indigqueer crafting,
book talks and more!

JULY 11
5-7 P.M.
CULTURAL
CENTER

JULY 12
CULTURAL CENTER

10-12 P.M. AT SATURDAY MARKET

PRIDE MARCH

DRAG SHOW

7:30-10 P.M.

NOON

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MONDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

TUESDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

THURSDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

FRIDAY

11 A.M. - 6 P.M.

SATURDAY

11 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SUNDAY

CLOSED

