

**News Release**

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**Summer at the Library Begins June 1**



**Library Activities & Events**

This summer, TRL presents three months of programs and activities for the whole family centered around the theme "Build a Better World."

Mark your calendar for June 1, the first day to sign up at any branch for **Summer at the Library**. Beginning that same day, kids, teens and adults can also **sign up online**.



Teens at HarborCon last summer

Youth Services Manager Kendra Jones said, "We are thrilled to offer Timberland's first ever online Summer Reading Program. This way kids can participate in the library, from home or wherever they may be this summer. Children of all ages can log the minutes they read, or spend time on other literacy activities in order to complete a challenge and earn a free book and coupons."

Featured performers include comedy acts, live music, and magic shows. Two programs scheduled for most libraries include WonderWorks, activities that build math, science and creative thinking skills, and Hour of Code, a one-hour introduction to computer science, where anyone can learn the basics of coding.

Jones added, "We know from years of research that summer reading programs improve reading skills, and those children become more confident learners and more likely to remember what they learned the previous school year."

For more information on programs throughout the summer, check TRL's **online event calendar**.



All Timberland Programs are free and open to the public. For more information, contact your local Timberland library or visit [www.TRL.org](http://www.TRL.org).

Timberland Regional Library provides for the information, reading and lifelong learning needs of the Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific and Thurston county public at 27 community public libraries and six library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's programs may contact the library one week in advance.

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