





Running June 1 through August 31, TRL's Summer Library Program provided a fun way for people of all ages across our five counties to read, have new experiences, and connect with each other!

There were four SLP Activity Logs available—a different one for Babies & Toddlers, Children, Tweens & Teens, and Adults. Each Activity Log included a bingo card with various literacy-building activities uniquely suited to each age group.

Just for registering, each person received a free book and one free tote bag per family!

Upon completing one row of literacy activities on their bingo card, each participant could return to the library to receive a second free book. Youth also received a free pass to Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium/Northwest Trek and a ticket to a Tacoma Rainiers game while supplies lasted! Many libraries also offered local coupons as prizes.

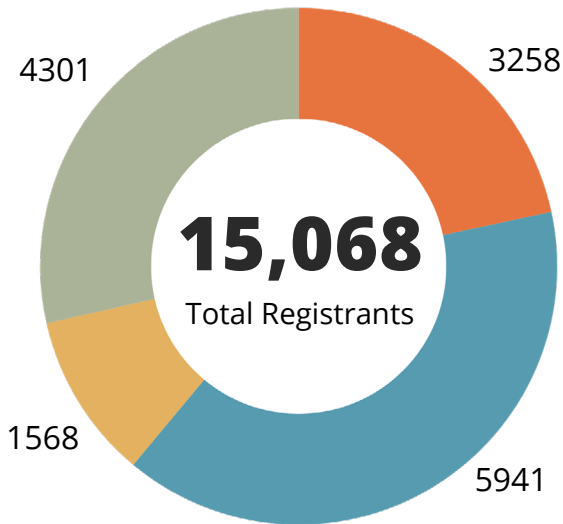
We'd like to thank our sponsors:

- Thank you Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium/Northwest Trek for providing 4,500 free passes to youth across our five counties!
- Thank you Tacoma Rainiers for providing 3,000 free tickets to youth across our five counties!
- And thank you to all the local businesses that provided free coupons as prizes in our communities!

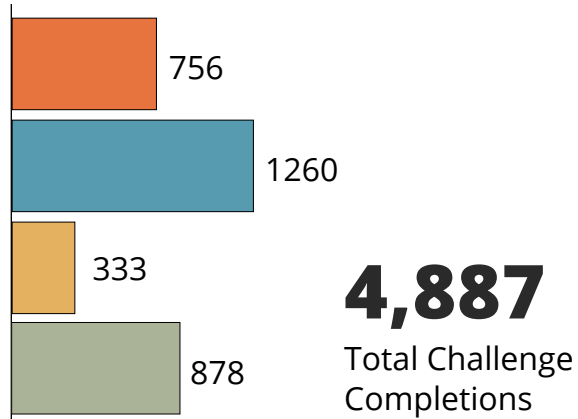
Most importantly, thank you to everyone who participated in TRL Summer Library Program 2025 and came to enjoy the programs and events at your libraries and in your communities! We are looking forward to having another exciting and enriching summer library program with you next year!



SLP Registrants by Age Group

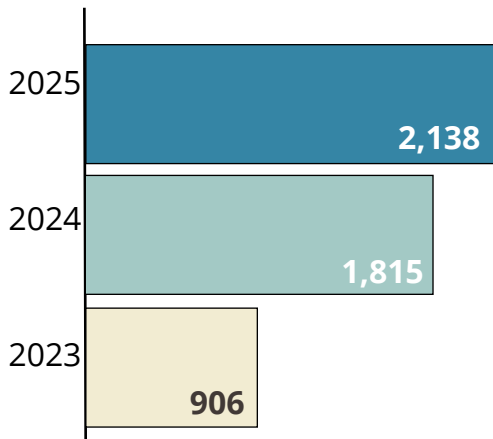


SLP Challenge Completions by Age Group

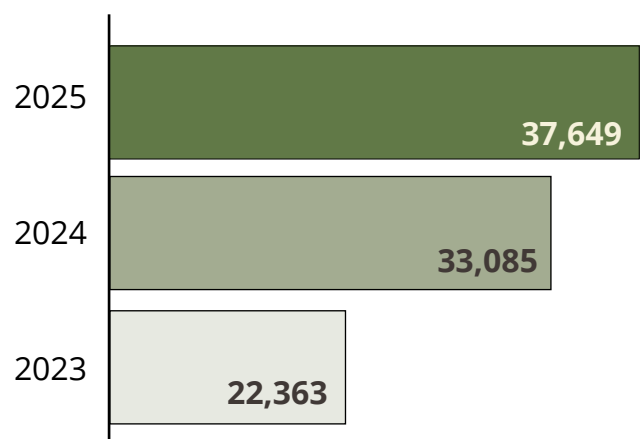


- Babies & Toddlers
- Children
- Tweens & Teens
- Adults

Number of Programs



Program Attendance



Sponsored Prizes Distributed to Youth

Thanks to the generosity of Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium/Northwest Trek, and the Tacoma Rainiers, TRL gave youth who completed SLP activity logs a free zoo pass and Rainiers ticket, while supplies lasted!



Northwest Trek
Wildlife Park
METRO PARKS TACOMA

4,500
Passes
Provided



3,000
Passes
Provided

The Reptile Lady

Location	Attendees
Raymond Library	361
Olympia Library	325
Chehalis Library	325
Yelm City Park	300
Centralia Library	275
Hoquiam Library	225
Tenino Library	190
Elma Library	160
Tumwater Library	120
McCleary Library	109
Westport Library	70
Naselle Library	70
Oakville Library	53
TOTAL	2583

The Reptile Lady visited 13 libraries and community locations to showcase and discuss her rescued reptile friends. Audiences had the chance to meet and interact with the animals up close. Over 2,500 people attended these events to see and learn about the reptiles!

Jeff Evans Reading is Magic Show

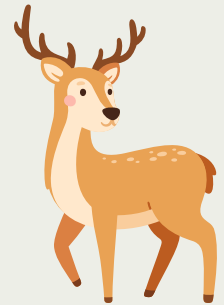
Location	Attendees
Yelm Community Center	300
Huntamer Park/Lacey	250
Shelton Art Walk	150
Centralia Library	125
West Olympia Library	97
McCleary Events Center	89
Ilwaco Library	60
Winlock Library	56
Westport Library	39
Naselle Library	37
Hoodsport Library	23
TOTAL	1226

Jeff Evans' *Reading is Magic* show always entertains and inspires a love of reading in his audience. This year, he brought magic and laughter to 11 libraries and locations, delighting over 1,200 attendees!

Creature Teachers

Location	Attendees
Fleet Park/Montesano	220
Huntamer Park/Lacey	175
Shelton Library	80
North Mason Library	70
Aberdeen Library	68
Salkum Library	68
Ocean Park Camp & Retreat Center	62
Grapeview School*	60
Winlock Library	56
Ilwaco Library	55
Toledo Kiosk	47
Mountain View Library	37
Packwood Library	12
TOTAL	1010

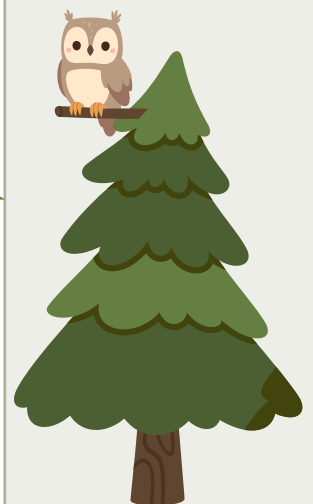
Creature Teachers visited 13 libraries and community locations this summer, showcasing a variety of reptiles and animals while educating audiences about them. Attendees also had the chance to meet and interact with the creatures. Over 1,000 people came out to enjoy the show!



Professor Universe: Found in the Stars

Location	Attendees
Packwood Library	115
Chehalis Library	45
Lacey Library	39
Olympia Library	38
Tumwater Library	38
Shelton Library	28
Salkum Library	28
Mountain View Library	27
Yelm Library	25
Tenino Library	24
Montesano Library	22
Elma Library	21
West Olympia Library	20
Ilwaco Library	20
Winlock Library	20
Aberdeen Library	17
Oakville Library	12
Prosperity Grange*	12
Amanda Park Library	11
Raymond Library	9
McCleary Event Center	8
Senior Center of Rainier*	7
Hawks Prairie Library	4
TOTAL	590

Professor Universe performed his captivating and hilarious one-man science theater show *Found in the Stars* for nearly 600 people!



*TRL Anywhere Library

Ellie Peterson

Location	Attendees
Shelton Library	30
Montesano Library	20
Lacey Library	18
Olympia Library	16
West Olympia Library	15
Tahloah School District	15
Aberdeen Library	15
Hoquiam Library	14
Tumwater Library	13
Chehalis Library	12
Yelm Library	9
Winlock Library	8
Elma Library	7
Amanda Park Library	5
Oakville Library	5
Hoodsport Library	5
Ilwaco Library	3
Hawks Prairie Library	3
Packwood Library	3
Salkum Library	1
Mountain View Library	1
TOTAL	219

Talented children's author and illustrator Ellie Peterson read her book *How to Hug a Pufferfish* at nearly every TRL library! She also showed attending kids how to draw a pufferfish and make up their own stories.

Inspiring YA author Vanessa L. Torres came to several TRL libraries to talk about her writing process, inspiration for her stories and music playlists for writing, and how her life experiences influenced her.



Vanessa L. Torres

Location	Attendees
Chehalis Library	8
Olympia Library	5
Packwood Library	5
Montesano Library	4
Shelton Library	4
Tumwater Library	3
Amanda Park Library	3
Hoquiam Library	3
Centralia Library	3
Ilwaco Library	2
Mountain View Library	2
Lacey Library	1
Salkum Library	1
TOTAL	44

Javoen Byrd

Location	Attendees
Packwood Library	110
Peninsula Senior Activity Center*	45
Centralia Library	35
Yelm Library	30
Montesano Library	29
Shelton Library	27
Raymond Library	26
Lacey Library	22
Chehalis Library	21
Salkum Library	16
Ocean Park Library	14
Tumwater Library	14
Ilwaco Library	12
West Olympia Library	12
Mountain View Library	10
Olympia Library	4
Hoodsport Library	3
TOTAL	430

430 people came to hear and experience Javoen Byrd's West African and African American drumming and storytelling!



Other Popular Programs

Program	Attendees
Movies in the Park! (Yelm) in partnership with Yelm Lions Club	650
Library in the Parks (Aberdeen) in partnership with the Aberdeen School District, Aberdeen Parks and Recreation, and Grays Harbor YMCA	400
Sub Zero Ice Cream Workshop (Amanda Park, Centralia, Chehalis, Raymond, Salkum)	306
Lantern Lights the Library: Daikaiju with Kick Fu Squad & Temper (Olympia) in partnership with Lantern Records of Olympia	251
Lacey in Tune: Leapin' Louie (Lacey) in partnership with the City of Lacey	220
Touch-a-Truck (Raymond)	200
Insect Invasion! with the WA State Department of Agriculture (Centralia, Ilwaco, Montesano, Shelton, Yelm)	197

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