

around town

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| <p><u>February 1 - 24</u> Cultural Centre Gallery 299 College Drive SE <u>Gallery Hours</u> 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE FACULTY SHOW - an exhibition of artworks created by faculty members of the Department of Visual Communications at the Medicine Hat College.</p> | <p>Reception: Thursday, February 4 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Information call: Allan Jensen 403.502.9006</p> |
| <p><u>February 2, 9, 16, & 23</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street S.E. Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>EVENING FAMILY STORY TIME - these drop in story times are fun for toddlers through ten year olds as well as their parents, grandparents, and friends. Enjoy stories, rhymes, songs and an activity to celebrate a new theme each week. Pajamas and teddy bears welcome!</p> | <p>Free Please drop in!</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8526 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 3</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Currie Room 414 First Street SE 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Law at the Library: LANDLORD AND TENANT LAW - aimed at both landlords and tenants, this session discusses tenancy contracts, rent, security deposits, termination of tenancies and when and how to give notice.</p> | <p>Free</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.529.3844 Advanced registration is required.</p> |
| <p><u>February 3 - 6</u> Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre 401 First Street SE 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p>Firehall Theatre presents "PETER PAN" THE MUSICAL - including the usual charming characters and songs, complete with pixie dust. This well-loved classical is one of the world's most celebrated and enduring theatrical fantasies, appealing to the young at heart, and those who do not want to grow up.</p> | <p>Tickets \$24.00 + s/c, GST (Sparkle Seats) \$22.00 (Adults) \$18.00 (Youth) Available at the Esplanade Box Office</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777 or online at www.tixx.ca</p> |
| <p><u>February 3, 10, & 17</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street S.E. 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>BABIES & ONES For babies 4 - 20 months of age as well as their parents/caregivers. Join us for rhymes, songs and fingerplays.</p> | <p>Free Advance registration is required as space is limited</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.502.8526 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 4</u> Medicine Hat Public Library Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 2:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Thursday Afternoon at the Movies presents: IT HAPPENED ONE NIGHT (1934) - Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert team up for laughs as mismatched lovers in this 1934 screwball comedy classic. It Happened One Night was the first movie to win all four major Oscars: Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Actress & Best Director.</p> | <p>Free Followed by afternoon tea courtesy of the Veiner Centre. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the Veiner Centre</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8525</p> |

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| <p><u>February 5, 12, & 19</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street S.E. 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>TODDLER TIME - for 20 - 36 month olds and a parent or caregiver. More stories and action verses as well as songs, rhymes, and tickles.</p> | <p>Free Registration is required as space is limited</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.502.8526 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 5, 12, 19, & 26</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street S.E. 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>DROP-IN PRESCHOOL STORY TIME - parents and caregivers are invited to bring their 3 - 6 year olds to drop-in sessions of stories, songs, and rhymes on various themes.</p> | <p>Free Please drop in!</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8526 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 5</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street S.E. 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.</p> | <p>PIRATE NIGHT - come and join a team to build a pirate ship from large cardboard boxes and then race them. Come in costume! Watch the movie "Curse of the Black Pearl". Munchies will be provided. For teens 13 - 18 years.</p> | <p>Free</p> | <p>Information call: Michelle at 403.502.8537</p> |
| <p><u>February 10</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Currie Room 414 First Street SE 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Law at the Library: EXECUTOR'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES - have you been named as an executor of an estate for a relative or friend? This presentation presents an overview of the legal rights and responsibilities of an executor which include gathering in estate assets, paying debts, distributing to beneficiaries, and generally administering the estate.</p> | <p>Free Advanced registration is required.</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.529.3844</p> |
| <p><u>February 11</u> Medicine Hat Public Library Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Thursday Night Flicks presents: - MY LIFE IN RUINS - Georgia (Nia Vardalos) is a recently laid-off - but not laid-back - history professor turned travel guide to a motley crew of tourists, including. Irv (Richard Dreyfuss), a wise American who urges her to open her eyes and heart.</p> | <p>Free Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Rated: PG (mild coarse and sexual language)</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8525 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 11</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Currie Room 414 First Street S.E. 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Interactive Video Conference: MAKING DOLLARS & SENSE OF CHARITY TAX LAW - Not sure about issuing donation receipts? Concerned about what records to keep? Wondering how the new Canadian Revenue Agency fundraising guidelines may impact your organization? Then this interactive video-conference session is for YOU. The team from Charity Central will provide you with answers to these questions and introduce you to the resources that can help.</p> | <p>Free Presented by Medicine Hat Public Library and Charity Central, a Pan-Canadian project of the Legal Resource Centre of Alberta with financial assistance of Canada Revenue Agency</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8525 www.mhpl.info</p> |

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| <p><u>February 12</u> Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre Studio Theatre 401 First Street SE 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>JOHN WORTH HANNAM - for five years, folk-roots artist John Wort Hannam taught grade 9 language arts on the largest reserve in Canada - The Kainai Nation, part of the Blackfoot Confederacy. Wort Hannam now carries on the tradition making his own living with his hands, writing and playing music. He released his debut CD "pocket full of holes" in 2002, 2nd CD "Dynamite and 'Dozers" in 2004, 3rd CD "Two-Bit Suit" in 2007 and 4th "Queen's Hotel" in September 2009.</p> | <p>Tickets \$20.00 + s/c, GST Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |
| <p><u>February 13</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>BIG WARM HEART STORY/CRAFT - enjoy stories and songs celebrating hearts and friendship, followed by a craft. For 3-6 year olds. Children must be accompanied by a parent of caregiver. Maximum 2 children per adult please. Please note: craft activities often involve small items and pieces.</p> | <p>Free Registration is required starting February 2 in person or by calling 403.502.8526</p> | <p>Information call: Children's Services at 403. 502.8526</p> |
| <p><u>February 13</u> Medicine Hat Arena 155 Ash Avenue SE 2:00 p.m.</p> | <p>MEDICINE HAT TIGERS ALUMNI GAME - come and see the Tigers from the past 40 years take on the Medicine Hat Fire Fighters with all net proceeds going to the Medicine Hat Burn Society and Tiger's Education Fund. Participate in the Jersey Off Our Back silent auction for all alumni game jerseys. Fans will have the opportunity to get alumni autographs following the game.</p> | <p>Tickets \$10.00 + s/c Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |
| <p><u>February 13</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 2:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Family Fun Flicks presents: ICE AGE - DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS - Manny and Ellie, are expecting a baby and Manny is anxious to ensure that everything is perfect for when his baby arrives. Sid begins to wish for a family of his own, and so steals some dinosaur eggs, which leads to Sid ending up in a strange underground world. While dodging dinosaurs and facing danger left and right, he meets up with a one-eyed weasel known as Buck who hunts dinosaurs intently.</p> | <p>Free Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Rated G</p> | <p>Information call: Children's Services at 403. 502.8526</p> |
| <p><u>February 17</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Currie Room 414 First Street SE 12:10 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.</p> | <p>Law at the Library: FUNERAL PLANNING - pre-planning and pre-paying your funeral arrangements gives you time to consider your options and make thoughtful, informed decisions while releasing others from the burden of having to speculate about your final wishes. Learn more about your options in this noon hour session.</p> | <p>Free</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.529.3844 Advanced registration is required.</p> |

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| <p><u>February 18</u> Medicine Hat Public Library 414 First Street SE 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>BALLET 101 with Ballet Jorgen. Learn about ballet and the story of Cinderella from Ballet Jorgen. The program will include visual aids such as costumes, pointe shoes etc. to compliment the ballet discussion. For children ages 5 and up and must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.</p> | <p>Free</p> | <p>Information call: Children's Services at 403. 502.8526</p> |
| <p><u>February 20</u> Medicine Hat College Theatre 299 College Drive SE 7:30 p.m. Performance</p> | <p>ANNUAL GALA - join us for an evening of classical, jazz, and contemporary music and dance performed by the conservatory faculty. This event offers a unique opportunity to celebrate the arts in our community and experience a collaboration of various music and dance styles. Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres & Silent auction begin at 6:30 p.m.</p> | <p>Tickets: \$40.00 + s/c, GST and Students of MHC is \$10.00 + s/c, GST Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information call: 403.529.3880 Tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |
| <p><u>February 20</u> Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre 401 First Street SE 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>ANDRÉ PHILIPPE GAGNON <i>Master Impersonator</i> - André-Philippe Gagnon was just a young hopeful when he did his very first impressions... from <i>Mick Jagger</i> to <i>Bob Dylan</i>, the <i>Bee Gees</i> to <i>Frank Sinatra</i>. One of the biggest breaks came in 1985 when he appeared at the world-renowned comedy festival Just for Laughs in Montreal. He appeared on the Tonight Show with Johnny Carson, where he performed a 'signature' song, his version of the famine-relief anthem 'We Are the World', doing every singer on the song - eighteen famous voices in one composition.</p> | <p>Tickets \$39.00 + s/c, GST Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |
| <p><u>February 23</u> Prickley Pear Café 519 2nd Street SE 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p>Fut In The Hat Theatre Society Barenaked Theatre: The Play Readings Series - presents AND THE WINNER IS ... by Mitch Albom.</p> | <p>Tickets \$5.00 each Available at the door</p> | <p>Information call: Karen @ 403.526.3245</p> |
| <p><u>February 23</u> Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre 401 First Street SE 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>MOULIN ROUGE - Celebrating 70 years of excellence in dance, the Royal Winnipeg Ballet presents the most famous cabaret in history... Moulin Rouge. The Moulin Rouge has been the subject of many books, paintings, movies and musicals - birthplace of the Quadrille, the Can-Can and home to a cast of outrageous dancers known as the Diamond Dogs. A brand new production with exquisite sets and costumes, Moulin Rouge is sure to entice and delight audiences of all ages.</p> | <p>Tickets <u>Balcony</u> \$39.00 + s/c, GST <u>Main Floor</u> \$42.00 + s/c, GST Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |

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| <p><u>February 24</u> Medicine Hat Public Library - Currie Room 414 First Street SE 11:55 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.</p> | <p>Law at the Library: SEPARATION AND DIVORCE - this general introduction discusses the process including the court process, mediation or collaborative law, child maintenance, custody and access, spousal maintenance and matrimonial property.</p> | <p>Free Presented by video conference from the Lethbridge College Public Legal Education Program.</p> | <p>Information and to register call: 403.529.3844 Advanced registration is required.</p> |
| <p><u>February 24 - 28</u> Monarch Theatre 609 Second Street SE Evenings at 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p>MEDICINE HAT FILM FESTIVAL 2010 - Film lineup to be announced in early February. Call Jane at 403-529-2209 or go to www.mhfilm.ca for more information.</p> | <p>ADMISSION Single admission price at the time of showing or by film pass. Passes available at Medicine Hat Public Library and at the time of film showing.</p> | <p>Information call: 403.529.2209 or 403.502.8525 Presented by Friends of the Library and Monday Night at the Movies Committee</p> |
| <p><u>February 25</u> Medicine Hat Public Library Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Thursday Night Flicks presents: JULIE AND JULIA - Julie (Amy Adams) decides to start a blog based on her experiences cooking her way through Julia Child's (Meryl Streep) seminal book, Mastering the Art of French Cooking. Based on 'Julie & Julia: My Year Of Cooking Dangerously' by Julie Powell and 'My Life In France' by Julia Child and Alex Prud'Homme.</p> | <p>Free Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Rated: PG (mild course language)</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8525 www.mhpl.info</p> |
| <p><u>February 26 & 27</u> Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre 401 First Street SE 7:00 p.m. nightly <u>Saturday Matinee</u> 2:00 p.m.</p> | <p>McCoy High School presents CINDERELLA: The Musical - join us as we present this well-loved musical as we re-create every young girl's dream to marry her beloved prince (featuring students from St. Michael's Elementary School).</p> | <p>Tickets \$10.00 + s/c, GST Available at the Esplanade Box Office or online at www.tixx.ca</p> | <p>Information and tickets call: 403.502.8777</p> |
| <p><u>February 26 - 28</u> Cultural Centre Gallery 299 College Drive SE <u>Gallery Hours</u> 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p> | <p>SMALL ARTS EXPO - an exhibition and sale of miniature artworks (maximum size of 4" in any dimension) in all two-and-three dimensional media.</p> | <p>No Reception</p> | <p>Information call: Allan Jensen 403.502.9006</p> |
| <p><u>February 27</u> Medicine Hat Public Library Theatre 414 First Street S.E. 2:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Saturday Matinee presents: COOL RUNNINGS (1993) - just in time for the Olympics! Meet four unlikely athletes with an impossible dream: to become Jamaica's first Olympic bobsled team. Based on the true story of the four Jamaicans who followed their dream to the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary and stole the hearts of all. With John Candy as the ex-champion coach.</p> | <p>Free For adults/young adults Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Rated: PG</p> | <p>Information call: 403.502.8525 www.mhpl.info</p> |

The Esplanade Heritage Gallery features:

Until February 14, 2010

Dorothy Knowles: LAND MARKS

Saskatchewan based artist Dorothy Knowles, one of Canada's most distinguished living painters, displays the vast range of her expansive and expressive landscapes of prairies, lake, river, mountain and sky.

Starting FEBRUARY 20 - JUNE 14, 2010

FOR YOU THE WAR IS OVER:

SECOND WORLD WAR POW EXPERIENCES

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS - Feb 27 - April 11, 2010

Laara Cassells: e•strange

New paintings by Laara Cassells tackle the isolation and absorption of the generation dubbed 'the intentionally disengaged'. Cassells juxtaposes images of youth and contemporary popular culture with a more historical portrait painting tradition, the equestrian portrait, celebrating both the disjuncture and the resonance between subjects and medium.

Dana Shukster: Pre-Flight

Dana Shukster's recent explorations of shadows have resulted in a series of large scale, sepia-toned inkjet prints on paper. These mysterious and ephemeral images are derived from projected shadows of magpies in flight, and are accompanied in the gallery by video and direct shadow projections.

Through a variety of exciting exhibits, visitors to this gallery will explore Medicine Hat's rich and colorful history, beginning with the First Nations and continuing to present day. They will learn about the unique personalities and events that helped shape and distinguish our city from other western communities.



POLICE POINT PARK NATURE CENTRE

Features: for the month of FEBRUARY

Managed by the Grassland Naturalists

Open All Year Round - 9am to 5pm daily (Except Mondays & Holidays)

Come and have a look! We have renovated our space and are excited to show it off. There will be surprises and more to come as plans for the Nature Centre are revealed.

THIRD ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW

Opening Reception:

February 3, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Artist of the Month: NICKIE

Amusing Miniature Origami Pictures by local artist Nickie Romanuck

February 15, 2010

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

KIWANIS FAMILY DAY IN THE PARK

Cross Country Skiing and Snowshoeing

Lots of FREE family fun activities!

Until April 9 "Project Feeder Watch"

Friday and Saturday are the official bird watching days.

For more information on all these and upcoming events call the Nature

Line 403.529.6225, email mhip@natureline.info

or visit the Nature Centre at Police Point Park