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# Summer 2020 Programming Ideas



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# 2020 CSLP changes

- One artist for all age groups
- Social media toolkit
- New store
- New and improved rules of use!



collaborative  
summer library program™

# 2020 CSLP manual

- Shorter, simpler
- New, simplified format
- Kids, teens, adults together in each chapter
- Easier to search online manual
- Separate intro section

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# CASTLE GAMES AND DRAWBRIDGE PHOTO BOOTH

## AGES

Children 4+ years

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

After storytime, tell children about the games people played in medieval times, many of which children are already likely to know. Sing/play “Ring around the Rosie” as a group before breaking off into stations. Set up several medieval games, and let children choose which stations look like the most fun. The castle drawbridge photo booth with props is sure to be a big hit.

## MATERIALS AND PREPARATION

### Castle Game 1: The Ring Toss

You will need:

- Rope cut into ~20” lengths
- Duct tape
- Several two liter soda bottles
- Water

Fill 2-liter soda bottles with water and set them on the floor about 12” apart. Cut 20” lengths of rope (at least a dozen). The rope should be thicker than twine (between ¼ and ½” diameter). Tape the ends in a loop with duct

## TIP:

For older children, adapt this program to focus on the history they do not learn in school. Start with books from the You Wouldn't Want to Be series (about medieval times or any other historical era).

## TIP:

For a more active program, build a giant checker game! Paint paper plates red and black for the checkers, and use red and black masking tape to create a large checkerboard to the floor.

## INCLUSION:

To accommodate participants in wheelchairs, ensure that the photo booth's drawbridge is wider than 32.”

# Into the future

- 2021: Tails & Tales
- 2022: Oceanography
- 2023: All Together Now

# Artist: LeUyen Pham



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# Brainstorm!

How many ways can we interpret  
Imagine Your Story?



# Why this topic?

Benefits to fairy tales: many fairy tales provide

- Clear lessons
- Demonstrate cause & effect
- Communicate archetypes simply
- Encourage imagination
- Give form to fears & dreams
- Help with social/emotional development
- Demonstrate narrative skills

# ...and it's a cautionary tale, too

Disadvantages of fairy tales: Some fairy tales

- Exhibit sexism
- Lack diversity
- Demonstrate unrealistic body images
- Are violent
- Are racist
- Are overly simplistic
- Are scary
- Are too far removed from reality

# Young Children

- StoryBlocks
- Rebuild Humpty Dumpty
- Stone Soup activities
- Storytelling apps like Draw and Tell
- Alternative fairy tales
- Multicultural fairy tales
- STEAM programs
- Rainbow process art

# Elementary-aged kids

- Have a “campout” with s’mores and CO ghost stories/tall tales
- Readers’ Theater with fairy tales
- Storytelling through apps like Storybird
- Tooth fairy → tooth health
- Fractured fairy tales
- Lego/sand castles
- DIY catapults

Learning is  
fun for  
everyone  
this summer  
at your  
library

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# Tweens

- Write your own fairy tale, an alternative for an existing tale, or from a different perspective
- Make, walk, and/or trace a labyrinth (or use a robot!)
- Create your own coat of arms
- Fairy tale STEAM activities
- D&D club



Photo Credit: St. Tammany Parish Library

# Teens

- Tell your story through photos
- Discuss sexism using fairy tales
- Rewrite fairy tales for 21<sup>st</sup> century
- Cosplay event
- Fandom events
- Record stories of disenfranchised populations
- All things Harry Potter! & Doctor Who!
- Media literacy
- Dangers of appearing to live in perfect world

# Adults

- StoryCorps-type oral history program
- Moth-type live storytelling program
- Genealogy—tell your family's story
- For parents: sexism & lack of diversity in children's lit discussion
- DIY fairy gardens
- Mythical road trips



# Multigenerational

- Oral history program—check out a kit!
- Celtic/Medieval Faire
- Fairy tale festival
- Traditional tales from around the world
- Create your family tree
- Record family stories
- Medieval mini golf





# Vermont Fairy Tale Festival

Hosted by the Sherburne Memorial Library,  
2998 River Road, Killington VT  
September 21, 2019, 10am-4pm  
Come dressed as your favorite  
Fairy Tale character!

Admission: A non-perishable  
item for the food bank or the humane society.

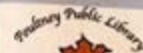
Participating Libraries: Brandon,  
Dorset Village, Fairfax Community, Hartland,  
Highgate, Kimball, Maclure, Poultney,  
Sherburne, Swanton, Rockingham,  
and Wells Village.

Local Artisans & Crafters

Storytellers, Costumed Characters  
Knights & Vikings/Bring your camera!

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# MEDIEVAL DAY 2019

FEATURING REAL KNIGHTS FROM  
WARDENS OF THE RED TOWER!

VESTRHEIM VIKINGS

THE SAINTS MEDIEVAL FELLOWSHIP

MAGIC SHOWS

BOUNCY CASTLE

PHOTO STUDIO WITH THE

COCHRANE CAMERA CLUB

AXE THROWING WITH CHUCK STEEL

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE! CHECK OUR  
WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

ADMISSION IS FREE AND COSTUMES  
ARE ENCOURAGED!

JULY 27, 10:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

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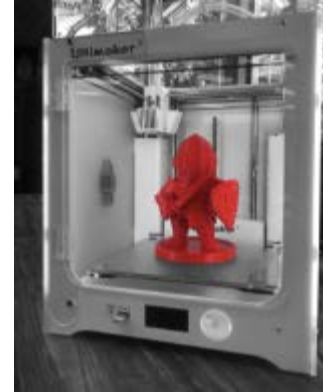
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# Self-led programs

- Circulate fairy tale/mythology/fantasy experience bags
- Write a new ending for a fairy tale
- Fairy tale StoryWalks
- Fairy tale scavenger hunt
- Photo booths with props/costumes



# CSLP Resources

- Youtube Early Literacy Playlist:  
[www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLe3krHkVt7MaXzw65rsy9HUZbEwWQsPy5](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLe3krHkVt7MaXzw65rsy9HUZbEwWQsPy5)
- Pinterest: [www.pinterest.com/cslpreads/](https://www.pinterest.com/cslpreads/)
- Social media toolkit:  
[docs.google.com/document/d/1dTW-w2Mqe8cZ-mioFr0AfDnZV4A25ZEmVIVoT98MYb4/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dTW-w2Mqe8cZ-mioFr0AfDnZV4A25ZEmVIVoT98MYb4/edit)

# Brainstorm!

Who are potential partners for this theme/summer learning programs in general?

# Questions and thank you!

To access these slides and handouts:

[www.cde.state.co.us/cdelib/summerreading/index](http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdelib/summerreading/index)  
(programming resources)

