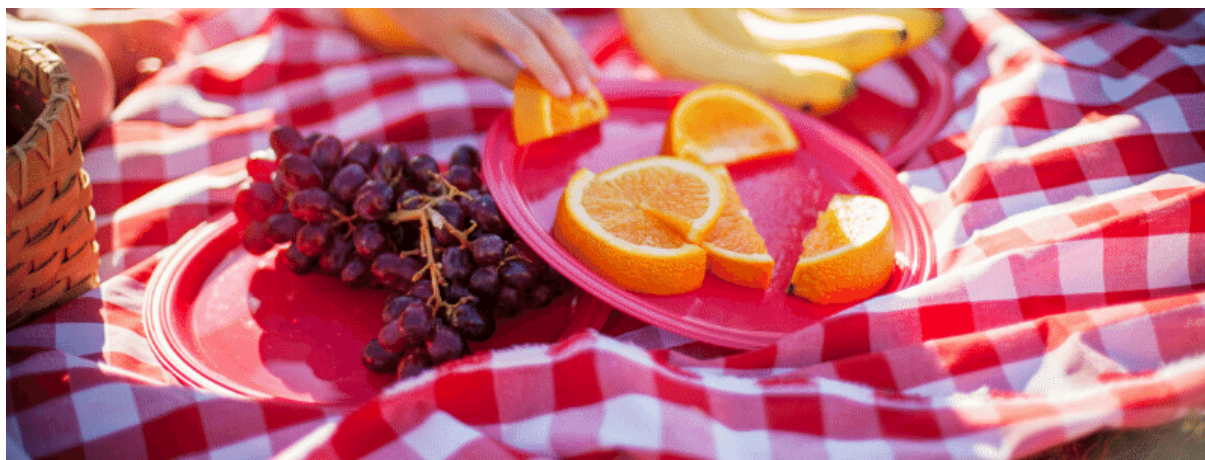
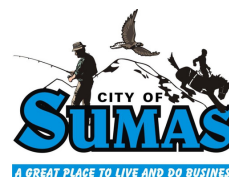


City of Sumas Newsletter



Here's what's happening in Sumas over the next few months.

Enjoy Our Parks!

If you've haven't already, we hope you're able to get outside and enjoy the parks in Sumas!

- Sycamore Park (next to the Museum on Second St)
 - Basketball hoops - one regulation height and one lower.
 - Two courts set-up for tennis or pickle ball!
- City Park (Third St & Sumas Ave)
 - Splash Pad - open daily during the Summer
 - Playground
 - Picnic Tables
- Community Center/Library Playground (461 Second St)
 - Playground and grassy area - great place to read books and have a picnic!
- Hovel Rd Ballfields
 - Playground
 - Space to walk around the outside of the ballfields
 - Enclosed Dog Park

Please remember to pick up and dispose of trash properly! Thank you!

Rodeo Ground Events

Curious about what's happening at the Sumas Rodeo Grounds?

The Events Calendar on the cityofsumas.com website lists when the grounds are rented for an event!

The groups renting the facilities may share details and specific information about the events, but for the basic information on when the facilities have been rented, the Events Calendar is the place to check first!

DATES TO REMEMBER

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

July 28th @ 7pm
August 11th @ 7pm
August 25th @ 7pm
September 8th @ 7pm
September 22nd @ 7pm

CITY HALL CLOSURES

Labor Day: September 1, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Movie in the Park

(Sycamore Park by the Museum)

- July 25th
Concessions @ 7:30
Movie @ Sundown

North Sound Tour - Born Wild Event

(Sumas Rodeo Grounds)

- September 5th-7th
(ridinghighministries.org)

Sumas Demo Derby

(Sumas Rodeo Grounds)

- September 13th

Free Chipper Service

- August 15th
10am - 12pm
- August 16th
9am - 11am
- September 19th
10am - 12pm
- September 20th
9am - 11am



STREET SWEEPER

The Street Sweeper is scheduled on the last Friday of each month, all year long.

Please have vehicles moved out of the City's rights-of-way on the last Friday of each month, so that the street sweeper can access all areas.



Headed out of town on Vacation?

The Sumas Police Department will patrol your home while you're away!

Call City Hall at 360-988-5711 to be added to the vacation watch schedule.



OUTDOOR BURNING

Sumas follows the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's burn restrictions for recreational fires.

Check on any burn restrictions before starting a recreational fire. Contact the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office at 360-778-5900 or visit their website at: <http://www.whatcomcounty.us/FireMarshal>.

Outdoor burning is always prohibited within City limits, except for recreational fires in designated fire pits, following the Fire Marshal's restrictions.



MOWING SEASON

Please maintain grass and weeds as per Sumas Municipal Code 8.32.

As we're all out mowing and working in yards, please be sure to clean up and dispose of yard waste properly. Keeping sidewalks and roads clear of grass.

City code allows for compost piles in city limits as long as it is covered or concealed as not to negatively impact the adjoining property. Dumping lawn clippings anywhere but your own property is considered littering and subject to a possible fine.

Friends of the Sumas Library

PRESENT

MOVIE NIGHT

Friends
of the
Sumas
Library



FRIDAY

JULY 25

Emperor Kuzco thought he had it all: a devoted populace to rule over, a wardrobe of glamorous garb and his unwavering "groove." But his world is flipped upside down when he's turned into a llama by his devious adviser Yzma, and her hunky henchman Kronk. Now the once-mighty ruler is forced into an unlikely alliance with pleasant peasant Pacha. Together, they must overcome their differences as they embark on a groovy adventure. Discovering the good in everyone has never been so much fun!

Sycamore Park

[next to Sumas Historical Museum]

114 Second Street, Sumas WA

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE AT 7:30 PM

MOVIE STARTS AT SUNDOWN, APPROX. 9:15 PM

CONCESSIONS

Hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy, nachos, soda and water available for purchase. Cash/credit card accepted.



Sumas Library
461 2nd Street / 360-988-2501
wcls.org

Branch Hours

Monday 10 A.M – 6 P.M.
Wednesday 10 A.M – 6 P.M.
Saturday 10 A.M – 5 P.M.

Library Express Hours

Daily 6 A.M – 11 P.M

Did you know?

There will be a WCLS library levy lid lift measure on the August 5th ballot. Check out www.wcls.org/levy for more information. Voter registration forms and voter guides available at the library.

UPCOMING SUMAS LIBRARY CLOSURES:

Monday, September 1 (Labor Day)

Summer reading at the library is in full swing! If you haven't already stopped in to learn pick up your activity card, drop by and get one any time we are open. The end-of-summer reading celebration will happen at all WCLS branches on **Saturday, August 23rd from 10 am – 5pm**. The Friends of the Library at each branch are organizing something special, so each branch will be different. In Sumas, the Friends of the Sumas Library are putting on a **carnival**. Join us for a host of fun activities including various relays and games such as egg relays, sack races, and a cupcake walk. There will also be a chance to pie-in-the-face a member of the Sumas Library staff and other well-known locals.



The Friends of the Sumas Library have a busy summer planned. In addition to the carnival, they are also hosting two **FREE "Movie in the Park"** events this summer! Mark your calendars for **Friday, July 25th** and **Friday, September 5th** and come join us at **Sycamore Park** (next to the History Museum on 2nd St). The movie will **begin at dusk**. The movie for July is a Disney classic, **The Emperor's New Groove**. At this movie, attendees will get to vote to pick the movie for September. You will also be able to vote at the Sumas Library from Monday, July 28 – Monday, August 4th. Concessions (hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, cotton candy and water) will be available for purchase beginning at 7:00 P.M. Ballistic Brew coffee truck will have special Emperor's New Groove-themed drinks for purchase.



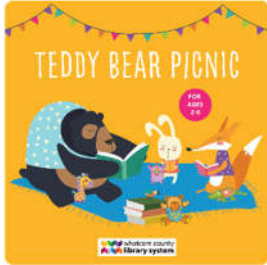
TECH HELP HOUR

We now have **tech help available every Saturday from 3 P.M. – 4 P.M.** Schedule a **30-minute one-on-one** appointment with staff by calling the library or coming in during open hours. This is a service for **basic digital skills** for a computer, tablet, e-reader or smartphone and may include setting up and using email, basic word processing and spreadsheet questions and downloading, streaming, or accessing WCLS digital resources. This service is not for diagnosing and fixing hardware problems, recovering lost data, reconfigurations, or factory resets or removing viruses or setting up device security.

Upcoming Programs at Sumas Library

For a complete listing of events at all branches visit wcls.org/events.

SUMAS STORYTIME For ages 2-6. An open program that includes stories, rhymes, and songs with opportunities for movement and interactive participation. Mondays in July. 10:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.



TEDDY BEAR PICNIC Ages 2-6, 30 minutes. Bring your favorite stuffed animal friend along as we read stories and sing songs outside on a blanket (weather permitting). We will follow up with some activities and snacks to share. Monday, July 28, 10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

TEEN BOOK MAKING Join us at the library to make books and connections. We will try a new project to stretch our creative muscles and tell our stories. Grades 6-12. Monday, July 28, 3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

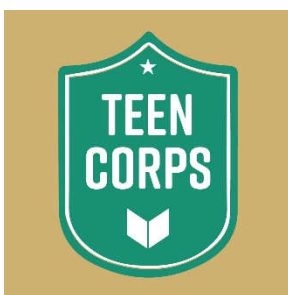


SUMMER READING CELEBRATION PARY Join us for an all-day, drop-in carnival to celebrate the completion of our Summer Reading program! Join us for a host of fun activities including various relays and games such as egg relays, sack races, and a cupcake walk. There will also be a chance to pie-in-the-face a member of the Sumas Library staff and other well-known locals. Bring the whole family as we celebrate our reading accomplishments. Saturday, August 23, 10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

TECH HELP HOUR Need support with a technological issue? Looking for help with your phone, computer, or other device? Call the Sumas Library schedule a 30-minute one-on-one appointment with staff. Saturdays, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

MOVIE IN THE PARK PRESENTED BY FOSL The Friends of the Sumas Library (FOSL) host a FREE showing OF THE Emperor's New Groove at Sycamore Park (next to the Sumas History Museum on 2nd St). Check with Sumas Library staff or visit the Friends of the Sumas Library webpage for the most current information. Concessions of hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, and water will be available for purchase beginning at 7:30 p.m. Ballistic Brew coffee stand will have movie-themed drinks for purchase. The movie will start after sunset. Friday, July 25, 7:30 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.

CRAFTING COMMUNITY Drop in with your favorite arts and crafts projects and spend some time creating alongside other crafters. Stitch, hook, paint, draw – get those projects you've been putting off finished! Share your skills or learn new ones - all while connecting with other adults. Some knitting and paper craft supplies are available. Coffee and tea provided. Mondays, 2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.



SUMAS TEEN CORPS We need teens with a community spirit to help out with our programs for kids on the first Saturday of the month. You'll help pass out supplies and assist kids in all the making and the doing. Learn more, find out what events you can help with, and register [on our website](#). For teens in grades 6-12.

FRIENDS OF THE SUMAS LIBRARY (FOSL) MEETING Want to help support the library beyond checking items and attending events? Join the Friends of the Sumas Library, a 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to supporting the Sumas Library. Teen volunteers encouraged to attend! When we work together, we can do great things for our community. Attend a meeting or talk to staff to sign-up for the monthly emails. Visit friendsofthesumaslibrary.org to stay up-to-date. Meets monthly on 1st Monday, 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. *Please note, the September meeting will be held Wednesday, September 3rd.



CHESS AND CHECKERS! An open program for chess and checkers players of all abilities to play one another! Snacks provided. Wednesdays, 3:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.



LUNCH BREAK BOOK CLUB Take a break in your day and join us for our weekly, low-commitment, theme-based book club. Each month, we provide a theme (for example "growing old"), then you choose something that relates. Text or audio, genre (mystery, sci-fi/fantasy, literary fiction, biography, non-fiction, etc.) or style of book (novel, poetry, graphic novel, novella, etc.) can be whatever you like. You can read something different each week or the same book for the whole month – or mix it up. As long as your item has something to do with the theme as you understand it,

you're good! Bring a sack lunch if you'd like. Coffee and tea provided. Meets weekly on two different days – themes will be the same for both days, so choose whichever day fits your schedule best. To find the theme for the month, talk to a staff person or check out [the event listing online](#). Mondays and Wednesdays. 1:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.



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SUMAS BOOK GROUP A discussion of a diverse series of fiction and non-fiction books to broaden your reading horizons. Meet friends new and old as we connect through the shared love of books and reading. Call or stop by the Sumas Library to find out what book the group is reading this month. Monthly on the 3rd Saturday. 10 A.M. – 11 A.M.





WHATCOMICS

TEEN ART ANTHOLOGY

PUBLISH YOUR ART • DEADLINE OCTOBER 31

WHATCOMICS 2025 – TEEN ARTISTS GET PUBLISHED! Whatcom County teens are invited to submit their 2-D art to be considered for publication in Whatcomics 2025, our teen art book. The rules are simple: live in Whatcom County, be a 6th-12th grader, and submit your original artwork on or before October 31, 2025. We encourage all artistic styles including drawing, painting, collage, comics and doodles. Because of copyright issues, no fan art, AI-generated art, or art based on other artists' work is allowed.

It's easy to submit. Upload your artwork on our website at wcls.org/whatcomics or drop off your work at any public library. Accepted artists receive a copy of the book to keep. We'll host a special celebration at the Lynden Library in January. Grades 6–12. More information and online submissions here:

[Whatcomics – Whatcom County Library System \(wcls.org\)](http://Whatcomics – Whatcom County Library System (wcls.org))



The Library Game

Get a Book Pocket. Collect Cards. Become a Legend.

Stop in at your local WCLS library or check out www.wcls.org/librarygame/ to learn more!