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Library Announces 2015 Summer Reading Bookmark Contest Winners

VANCOUVER, Wash. -- Fort Vancouver Regional Library District has notified five talented young artists that they are the district-wide winners of the 2015 Summer Reading Bookmark Contest.

The contest provides artwork for bookmarks that will be printed and distributed for the library's popular Summer Reading program that runs June 1 to August 31.

Selected from local-library finalists chosen from a total of 2,251 kindergarten through 12th-grade entries received, the five grand-prize winners are:

Kindergarten-1st Grade: **Lilah Smithline** – Battle Ground Community Library

2nd-3rd Grades: **Elijah Maxwell Thomas** – Three Creeks Community Library

4th-5th Grades: **Evelyn Tsang** – Cascade Park Community Library

6th-8th Grades: **Cristal Hernandez-Patiño** - The Mall Library Connection

9th-12th Grades: **Joymae Capps** - The Mall Library Connection

Beginning in June, approximately 20,000 full-color copies of the five district-winning designs will be distributed throughout the district's 15 locations and two bookmobiles as part of the Summer Reading program. District and branch winning designs can be viewed via the Kids and Teens pages at www.fvrl.org.

Five local winners at each library will receive their original framed entries as keepsakes.

The bookmark contest has been one of the district's most popular programs since it began as a biannual event in 1985. Contest judges include library staff from across the district.

2015 contest sponsors are Kumon, Medallion Art School, Pacific Office Automation, iQ Credit Union, Wendel Family Dental Centre, The Old Spaghetti Factory, and Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation.

About Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Established in 1950 as an inter-local district, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District provides a vast range of information and cultural services to more than 464,000 Southwest and South Central Washington citizens in Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties, and the city of Woodland and Yale Valley Library District in Cowlitz County. The district provides a collection of more than 700,000 items, eResources, online library services at www.fvrl.org, two bookmobiles, telephone information services, 24/7 online help, outreach programs, and 15 public library locations: Community Libraries in Battle Ground, Cascade Park, Goldendale, La Center, North Bonneville, Ridgefield, Stevenson, Three Creeks, Vancouver, Washougal, White Salmon Valley and Woodland; The Mall Library Connection at Westfield Vancouver; and Library Express facilities at Yacolt and Yale.

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