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## Library Announces 2016 Summer Reading Bookmark Contest Winners

*Nine K-12 student winners selected from over 2,800 entries throughout the library district*

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Fort Vancouver Regional Library District has announced the talented young artists that have won this year's Summer Reading Bookmark Contest. The popular contest asked students in nine age ranges to submit their artwork on this year's Summer Reading Program theme "On your mark... Get set... READ!" The nine selected pieces will be printed and distributed in conjunction with the reading program, which runs June 15 to August 15.

Selected from local-library finalists chosen from a total of 2,861 entries received, the nine grand-prize winners are:

- Kindergarten: Lou Kissinger, La Center Community Library
- 1st Grade: Lusa Fordonski, White Salmon Valley Community Library
- 2nd Grade: Lila Smithline, Battle Ground Community Library
- 3rd Grade: Kyler Harrington, Woodland Community Library
- 4th Grade: Viktoriya Yakimchuk, Three Creeks Community Library
- 5th Grade: Tamsyn Lewis, La Center Community Library
- 6th Grade: Adalie Smithline, Battle Ground Community Library
- 7th-8th Grades: Avalin Smithline, Battle Ground Community Library
- 9th-12th Grades: Joymae Capps, The Mall Library Connection

Beginning in June, over 60,000 full-color bookmarks featuring the nine district-winning designs will be distributed throughout the library's 15 locations and two bookmobiles. The winning designs can be viewed on FVRL's website at <http://www.fvrl.org/bookmark-contest>. In addition to the grand-prize winning designs being immortalized in bookmarks, the nine finalists at each library will receive their original entries framed as keepsakes.



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Sponsors for this year's Summer Bookmark Contest are: Kumon, Medallion Art School, Pacific Office Automation, iQ Credit Union, Les Schwab, Vancouver Family Magazine, and Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation.

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### About Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Established in 1950, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (FVRL) 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. FVRL provides a collection of more than 750,000 items, online library services at [www.fvrl.org](http://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 Vancouver Mall; and Library Express facilities at Yacolt and Yale.

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