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“Library Summer Lecture Series – a Treat for Adults too”

Summer library programs aren't just for kids. Adults at the Norfolk Public Library have an opportunity to have their own special library events this summer with a new lecture series that begins in June.

Starting June 12 and every few weeks through September 25 there will be a variety of speakers presenting at the library with topics that range from the life of Abraham Lincoln to the real pirates of the Caribbean.

“This is our opportunity to bring in experts that you may not otherwise have a chance to hear. The summer is packed with events and we thought we'd bring in a bunch of interesting people to talk that would also give the adults a treat,” said Michael Caldararo, director of the Norfolk Public Library.

Spencer Davis will kick off the Lecture Series with a talk titled “Abraham Lincoln: The Personal Side” on Tuesday, June 12 at 6:30 pm in the main area of the library.

“All of the presentations will be on Tuesday evenings and last about an hour. The lectures are free of charge and open to the public. It rounds out what we're offering here at the library. Library programming isn't just for kids,” Caldararo said.

The Nebraska Humanities Council (NHC) provides major funding for the lecture series. The NHC receives support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Nebraska State Legislature, the Nebraska Cultural Endowment and private donations.

Schedule of topics and presenters:

June 12, 6:30 pm “Abraham Lincoln: The Personal Side.” By Spencer Davis	July 3, 6:30 pm “To Live and Die on the Plains” by Jeff Barnes
July 10, 6:30 pm “The Real Pirates of the Caribbean” by John Simmons	July 24, 6:30 pm “Mark Twain on the Lecture Circuit” by Wally A. Seiler
August 14, 6:30 pm “Storytelling of the Dakota” by Joyzelle Gingway Godfrey	August 28, 6:30 pm “Nebraska through Song and Story” by Dan Holtz
September 11, 6:30 pm “The Allied Invasion of Japan” by Jack Campbell	September 25, 6:30 pm “The Life and Legacy of Annie Oakley” by Charlotte Endorf