

Official Contest Rules

Diorama Eligibility

You must live in Idaho to enter. Patrons ages 6 and older are welcome to participate; any underage (under 18) participants must have approval from their legal guardian. Madison Library District (MLD) employees and Board members and their immediate family members are not eligible. Immediate family includes only spouses, parents, and children.

Submitting Dioramas

Entries must be based on a published book or depict a scene from a positive experience, program, or item you've used from the library such as storytime, book club, Libby, etc. **It must be no larger than 13 in deep x 16 in wide x 18 in tall.** They must be self-contained and able to move as a complete unit. Entries must include at least one rubber duck, but no ducks should be over 6" tall. Additional elements of the scene may be made of any other substance. Entries will be displayed as entered. You must submit a completed entry packet with each diorama entered. If submitting multiple entries, number each entry to match a corresponding entry form. All entries must be completed by 7:00 PM on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. Entries must be submitted by the original creator. Your submission of the diorama and entry form is your guarantee that you are the creator of the entry.

Number of Entries

An individual may submit up to three entries.

Diorama Subject Restrictions

Scenes must be appropriate for posting in a public setting. Obscene, provocative, or otherwise questionable content will not be considered. Madison Library District retains sole discretion as to what constitutes inappropriate content.

Return of Dioramas

Entries will be returned at the end of the contest. Please come to the Library to pick up your piece after the contest is completed on April 27, 2026. Pieces not picked up by May 15, 2026, will be discarded.

Ownership/Use Rights

By entering the contest, creators agree to have their submitted diorama displayed in the MLD building without any fee or other form of compensation and agree that the MLD may display winning entries in a gallery in the Library, on official MLD social media sites, and may make and retain copies of the entry for archival purposes. Entries will be credited to the creator named in the entry form. Entries (including non-winning entries) may be selected for display or use. Entries will never be used by MLD in any manner for advertising or sale.

How to Enter

Entries must be brought in along with completed entry forms to the MLD building. Each entry must be accompanied by a completed contest entry form. If you are submitting multiple entries, be sure to indicate clearly which form belongs with which entry.

Judging

Entries will be judged on the basis of creativity and use of materials. A panel will judge the entries and all contest decisions are final. Entries that fail to comply with the Official Contest Rules will be disqualified.

Winners

Judges will select a first, second, and third place winning entry. Winners will be announced on April 20, 2026, and displayed during National Library Week, April 20-25, 2026, in the Madison Library District building.

Additional Terms and Conditions

Madison Library District is not responsible for: (i) lost, misdirected, misplaced, illegible, unintelligible, incomplete, or late entries or (ii) any act, failure to act, or delay regarding the transmitting or processing of entries. MLD reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or suspend all or any portion of this contest without notice if factors beyond MLD's control, including technical difficulties, disrupt or corrupt the fair or secure administration or operation of the contest. MLD is entitled to interpret these rules as needed and its decisions are final. MLD reserves the right to disqualify any entrant that MLD has reason to believe is not the original work of entrant or does not otherwise meet the contest rules. If a winner is disqualified or determined to be ineligible, an alternate winner will be selected using the same judging process/criteria described above. Alternate winners are subject to all requirements set forth in these Official Rules.

By participating in the contest, you agree to release and hold harmless MLD and its employees, officers, affiliates, agents, and advertising and promotional agencies from any and all damages, injuries, claims, causes of actions, or losses of any kind resulting from your participation in this contest, including infringement of intellectual property rights. MLD and its employees, officers, affiliates, agents, and advertising and promotional agencies assume no responsibility or liability for any damages, injuries, claims, causes of actions, or losses of any kind arising in whole or in part from this contest.