



BC Summer Reading Club 2023 Press & Media Information

About BC Summer Reading Club

BC Summer Reading Club is a free literacy program encourages reading throughout the summer and engages children (ages 5-14 years old) with their public library. Summer Reading Club is a fun, educational, inclusive and community-oriented program that began over 30 years ago in 1990.

BC Summer Reading Club is sponsored by the British Columbia Library Association and BC public libraries with the generous assistance of Public Libraries Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and CUPE BC.

For more information about BC Summer Reading Club, there are two resources available in a variety of languages for libraries, settlement organizations, and community partners:

- [Value of Summer Reading Club leaflet](#)
- ["What is BC Summer Reading Club?" brochure](#)

BC SRC 2023 Details

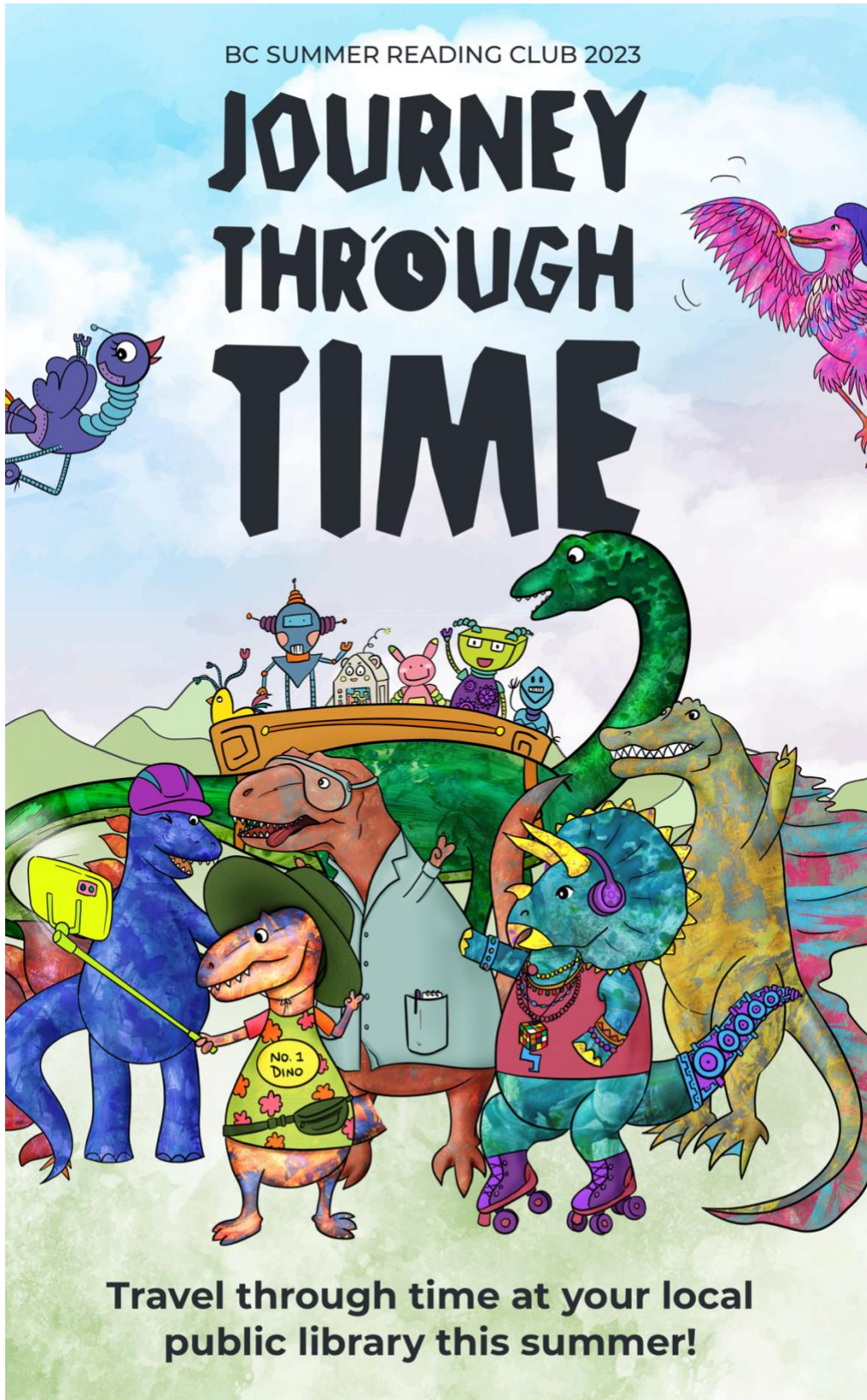
Every summer, our libraries vote on a theme suggested by library across the province. This year's theme **Journey through Time** – plays on time travel and is an homage to all things past, present, and future. We were fortunate to work with Richmond-based author, illustrator and artist, [Jeni Chen](#), as this year's BC SRC artist.

Seven weekly sub-themes carry the club through the summer:

- **Dynamic Dinosaurs** – Prehistoric life
- **Living Large** – Art, culture, daily life
- **Beautiful Builds** – Architecture, buildings, bridges
- **Terrific Transportation** – Transportation throughout history and what's to come
- **Ingenious Inventions** – Past, present, and future
- **Rollin' with Retro** – Retro classics and pop culture
- **Far Out Future** – What's to come

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JOURNEY THROUGH TIME



**Travel through time at your local
public library this summer!**

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BC SRC welcomes all children and their families' participation and seeks to provide an accessible and fully inclusive program. Illustrations by Jeni Chen. Design by Lauren Achtem © 2023



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How to Participate

BC SRC welcomes all children and their families to participate. We encourage children to visit their local public library to register and pick up a reading record, new books to read, and learn about events and programs happening in their community. Furthermore, BC SRC also has an online participation option including an accessible online reading tracker, activities, contests, and more that can be found on bcsrc.ca.

Throughout the summer, participants track their daily reading goals (this could be set by the library or their own choice). All types of reading are encouraged including reading in other languages, listening to audiobooks and oral stories, and more. For accessible reading options, please check in with your library to see what is available.

[Online registration opens on June 19th](#) and local libraries will open registration in mid-to-late June.