

Self-Directed (Passive) Program KMH

Program Title: Aliens in the Library

Introduction/Purpose of Program: To provide activities to go with the promotion of Kelly Milner Halls' books on weird and unusual topics that are out of this world!

Detailed Description of Program: Centers and displays of books capitalizing on the "Alien" theme that librarians can set up and leave out for patrons to enjoy during the duration of the promotion.

Center 1: *In Search for Wondla* by Tony DiTerlizzi, twelve-year-old Eva Nine sets out on a journey to find others like her. She lives in isolation with a robot on what appears to be an alien world populated with bizarre life forms. DiTerlizzi's web site <http://www.wondla.com> has links to games and Wondla Vision. Set up a computer with a webcam so students can learn more about Eva Nine. Put a link to wondla on the desktop of this computer. Be sure to turn off pop-up blockers for the site and download the D'Fusion player (available on the web site) so students can explore Eva Nine. They need a copy of the book so they can hold the tracker up to the web cam to unfold the map. Another option would be to have tablet devices loaded with the "Legend of the Cryptids" app available to play. The game is a fantasy battle card game with stunning graphic art and music with full-color visuals and animations where you train cryptids and challenge other players to "battles."

Center 2: Set out Legos and other building blocks or materials and challenge students to build their own spaceship. When participants are finished, they can notify librarian so their spaceship may be photographed and a photo album of the activity created or posted online and/or for display in the library.

Center 3: Display any books you have related to the alien, spaceship, UFO, Bigfoot, cryptid theme for students to explore and/or check out.

Program Related Books to Display or Book Talk:

[Alien books.docx](#)

List of Supplies: Dedicated computer with web cam, copy of Tony DiTerlizzi's book *In Search of Wondla*; Legos, building blocks, other building materials on a table dedicated for building spaceships, camera for photographing finished products, books listed in #4 or others related to the theme.

Incentives: Free time to explore Eva Nine, photos of finished products put on display, check out of books on display related to theme

Resources (print and electronic):

<http://wondla.com/home/>

Page to from which to download D'Fusion Player and watch a video by DiTerlizzi with instructions for using:

<http://wondla.com/home/wondla-vision-map/>

Legend of the Cryptids app loaded on iPads or other tablets

Program Flyers, posters, Advertisements, Bulletin Board Ideas, Templates, Rubrics, etc.:

Sample Flyer you can customize: <https://www.smore.com/njxt>

Sample bulletin board: <http://tinyurl.com/kd2wkba>