



Program Updates

WLI-MT Summer Camps *Summer Camp Registration is OPEN!*

We are excited to offer three separate weeks of world language summer camps for youth in grades K-5! Our dynamic and engaging language & culture camps are filled with fun games, traditional art, cooking activities, storytelling, songs, and more, all led by experienced language coaches.



Registration is OPEN!

This year we are offering camps in **Spanish, French, German** as well as a **low-cost Arabic** camp!

NEW Spring Language Classes

Keep an eye out for bonus class offerings this spring!

- *Back by popular demand:* 6-week Adult Beginner Spanish with Kristen Wolf. Classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays starting April 9th.
 - Registration will open Mid-March
- Please stay tuned for more information about two additional classes in May:
 - Art of Chinese - 3-4 weeks of art and language for adult + child pairs
 - Intro to ASL - 3-4 weeks of beginner youth American Sign Language

Be sure to check our [Current Language Classes](#) for updated information.

BELLA Initiative (Bozeman English Learner Literacy Alliance)

The first Bozeman English Learner Literacy Alliance (BELLA) Winter Session I recently came to an end. The program offered hybrid learning classes to thirty students, mainly from Bozeman and Big Sky. In-person tutoring sessions were held at Bozeman Health Big Sky Medical Center.

BELLA Adult Winter Session II is underway, with 40 students enrolled in Levels 1 and 2. The program offers both in-person tutoring sessions in Bozeman and Big Sky. The six-week session is scheduled to conclude on April 7th.

The last BELLA Adult session this spring will offer a hybrid session for Levels 1 and 2, from April 22nd through June 3rd. Registration will open by early April. [Check our BELLA webpage for updated information.](#)



We're Hiring!

Join our team! WLI is seeking candidates who are passionate about language education.

[Click Here for Open Positions](#)

Interested in Volunteering? We are seeking tutors for our BELLA Adult English program and Youth Summer Camps.

[Complete the Volunteer Interest Survey](#)

WLI-MT Events

Upcoming Events

Join World Language Initiative at [Brigade](#) for a dinner celebrating cuisine and culture on March 27th, starting at 5pm. Attendees can make reservations for their parties anytime between 5pm and 7pm.



Sponsored by Brigade and Cardinal Distributing with proceeds benefiting WLI-MT language and culture programs. The dinner will be a 5-course tour of South America complete with wine pairings. Limited to 50 guests. **Reservation link is forthcoming, but if you'd like to be notified when reservations are available, please reply to this email.**

Recent Events in the Community

Bilingual Symphony Storytime

Over 100 children and adults gathered at the Bozeman Public Library and Head Start preschool to listen to a dynamic, fun and entertaining bilingual storytime. The story "Señorita Mariposa" was read by WLI-MT's Big Sky Program Coordinator and native Spanish speaker Zeta Zúñiga, accompanied by Bozeman Symphony violinist Guillermo Alvarez. The free program was created especially for children ages 3 to 5 to expose them to a diverse selection of stories, language, cultures, authors, readers, instruments, music, and musicians.

This program was sponsored by the Bozeman Symphony in partnership with WLI-MT, Bozeman Public Library, and HRDC.



Bozeman Film Society, A Week of Gold Celebration

WLI-MT Board Member, Claudia Koechell, had the opportunity to kick off the Bozeman Film Society's *A Week of Gold Celebration* by introducing the first of the Oscar-Nominated foreign films and talking about the importance of celebrating diversity in language and culture in our community.

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