

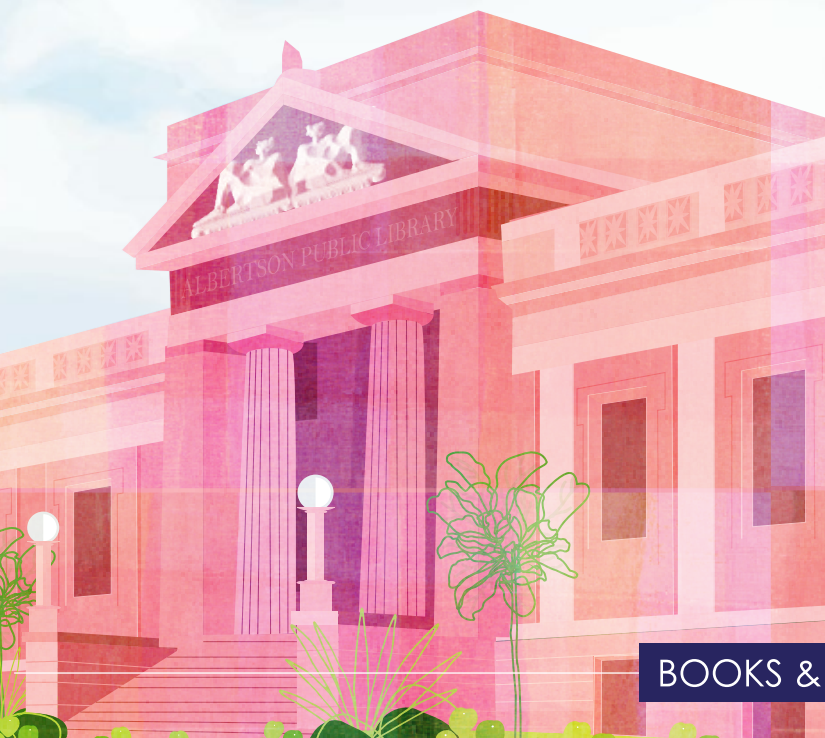
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# 100 YEARS



## ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

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#### Next Board Of Trustees Meeting:

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
 Thursday, January 12, 6 p.m.

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#### Next Friends Of The Library Board Of Directors Meeting:

Orlando Public Library  
 Wednesday, January 18, Noon

**BOOK SALE**

**Friday–Sunday**  
**January 6–8, 2023**

Previously enjoyed books,  
 DVDs, CDs & more!

Orlando Public Library | 101 E. Central Blvd.

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January 25, 2023

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

In 1923, the city of Orlando was less than 100 years old. Founded in the 1840s as a town called Jernigan, the city had nearly doubled in size by the 1920s, and a building boom was underway. The Angebilt Hotel, which is still located on Orange Avenue, opened to the public in 1923. The Orlando Utilities Commission was established. Tinker Field was dedicated. The Albertson Public Library, the city's first official public library, opened its doors for the first time, too.

Albertson Public Library has long since been replaced by the Orlando Public Library, and over the years, we've grown to serve the entire county, not just the city of Orlando. A lot has changed, but the mission of the library, at its heart, has always been the same – to support and enrich the community.

When Sorosis Club first started its library campaign, the focus was mostly on books. Books are still a centerpiece of what we do, but these days, our scope is wider. Today, we support literacy, learning and a more educated community by creating experiences that give adults and children new insights into a vast and changing world. Whether it's by introducing a first grader to their first coding challenge, helping a new immigrant learn the ropes of the English language, or giving a young adult a chance to meet their favorite author, we're opening minds and changing lives.

And we're doing it without charging a monthly membership fee, expecting people to make a purchase once they walk in the door, or asking to hold a credit card deposit. The library is still the one place where people can come to gather and participate, no transactions required.

As we approach our 100th birthday, I find myself thinking just how much would be missing from this community if nobody had gone to bat to get a library started in Orlando. And it makes me think just how important it is that this library system continues to exist, so it can help people navigate an increasingly complex world. So I hope you'll join me in not just celebrating the past 100 years, but in looking ahead to the next century. On January 7, we'll be holding a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Orlando Public Library to rededicate the building – and the system – to the community. Nobody can predict what Orange County will look like in 2123, but it's hard for me to imagine that there won't be a place for Orange County Library System in its future.



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# THE HISTORY OF ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM: PROUD PAST, BRIGHT FUTURE

by Erin Sullivan, Chief Marketing and Public Relations Officer

One hundred years ago, there was no permanent library in Orlando. The only library that existed was a small circulating collection of books owned and loaned by the Sorosis of Orlando Woman's Club, a philanthropic women's organization that still supports education and local charities to this day.

Recognizing the demand for a real public library system, the Sorosis Club advocated for the city to support a taxpayer-funded library, and in May 1920, it was put before voters to decide whether they wanted one. Residents voted 417 to 19 in favor of beginning a library, which set the wheels in motion for the area's first official library to become a reality.

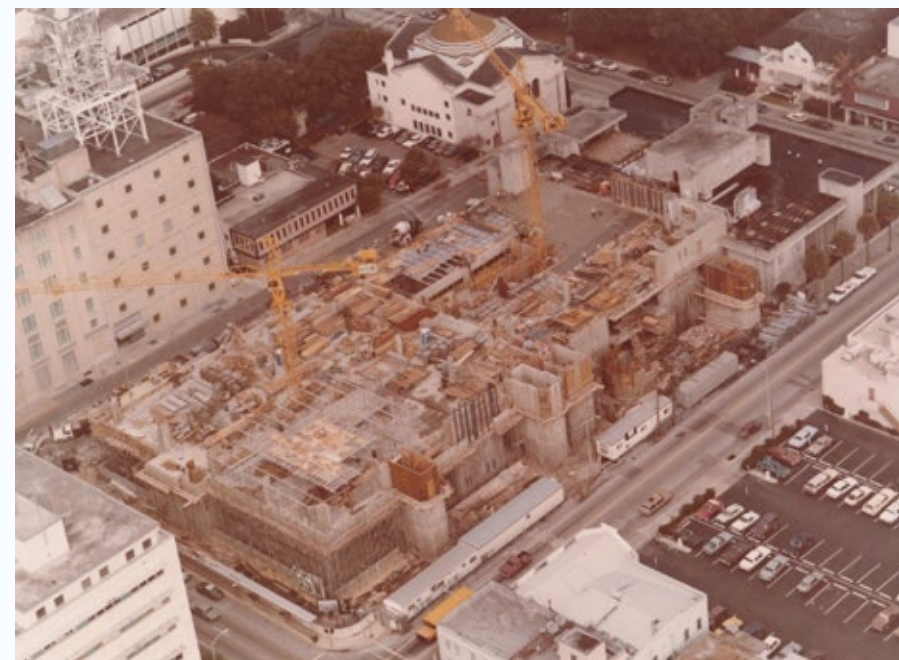
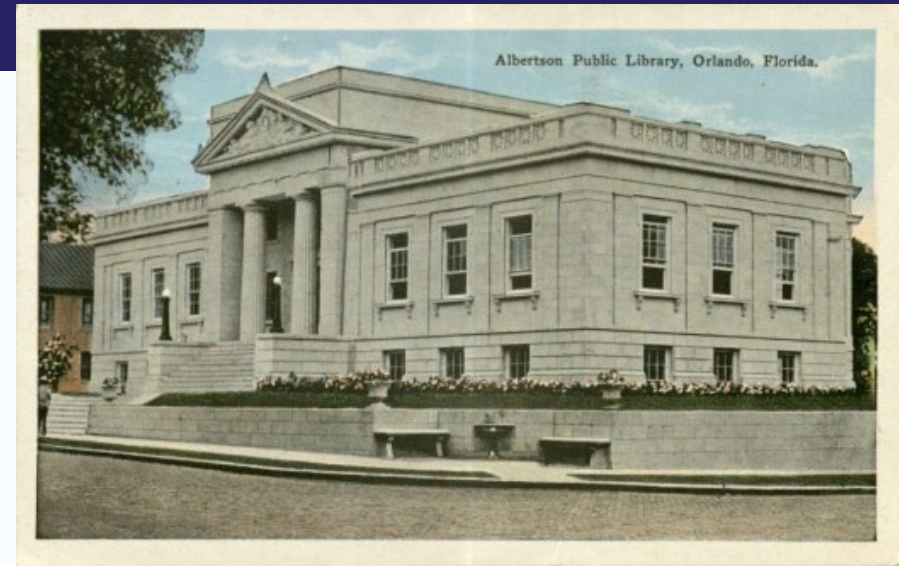
The following year, Captain Charles L. Albertson, a retired New York City police inspector, book collector and winter resident of Orlando made the city an offer: he would donate his collection to Orlando on the condition that the city build a library to house it. The city agreed, and on November 8, 1923, the Albertson Public Library opened its doors, containing more than 21,000 volumes, including almost 12,000 books donated by Albertson, and the Sorosis Club's entire collection of 3,000 titles.

The library grew quickly, opening new branches and expanding services. The library's first bookmobile was donated by the Sorosis Club in 1949. That same year, the library's all-volunteer support group, Friends of the Orange County Library System, was founded.

By 1966, the population of Orlando had grown to the point where Albertson Public Library lacked the space to provide suitable library service. Following a bond-issue election, construction of a new facility was approved. Selected to design the new building was renowned Harvard Five architect, John M. Johansen, who called his Brutalist design a "composition in monolithic concrete." The Orlando Public Library building was dedicated on August 7, 1966. *Architecture for Florida Living*, a publication of the American Institute of Architects, said of the building that it, "has a solid massiveness, yet it is of human scale, which invites and requires use by people. And used it is – not in the tradition of tomb-quiet libraries, but in an active, learning, participating manner."

In the 1980s, the building was once again expanded, and today it takes up 290,000 square feet and an entire city block in downtown Orlando. The rest of the system has grown, too – as of 2023, Orange County Library System operates 15 locations, with two more in the works for Lake Nona and Horizon West. We like to think that systemwide, we continue to create places that invite and require use by people.

On January 7, we kick off a yearlong celebration of service to the community. Keep an eye on our website for special events, including author events, speakers, events for children, as well as stories about the library's past. In a place more commonly celebrated for its recent developments and modern amenities, it's an honor to be able to celebrate our past with you, while looking ahead to a bright future.



**DIY CHINESE NEW YEAR  
COUPLET WORKSHOP**

**Virtual**  
*Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m.*  
Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit! In this workshop, learn basic Chinese calligraphy and create a pair of Chinese couplets that you can use for Chinese New Year decoration.

**Southwest Film Club**  
**Virtual**  
*Tuesday, January 3, 7–8:30 p.m.*  
The Southwest Film Club discusses the themes and importance of a different movie each month. All films available for free on Kanopy.

**Meditation and Yoga**  
**Virtual**  
*Thursday, January 5, 7 p.m.*  
Explore Deepak Chopra's *Seven Spiritual Laws of Success* through meditation and movement. Examine the union of mind and body with a relaxing yoga sequence for all levels, followed by a guided meditation.

**Celebrating Dr. King Through Spoken Word**  
**Eatonville Branch**  
*Saturday, January 7, 1:30 p.m.*  
Join creative arts organizer Quincy Wilson as he guides participants through a series of exercises that invoke passion and explore how spoken word can be used for advocacy.

**Puzzle Swap**  
**Alafaya Branch**  
*Saturday, January 7, 4:30 p.m.*  
Finished with an old puzzle and looking for something new? Stop by and swap an old puzzle for one that is new-to-you. Bring at least one complete puzzle for adults with 500 or more pieces.

**Adult Game Time**  
**Windermere Branch**  
*Saturdays, January 7–28, 3–4:30 p.m.*  
Get your game on! Spend a fun afternoon playing games and meeting new friends. From party games to classic cards, on a team or on your own, enjoy seeing how the dice roll. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

**Yoga**  
**Virtual**  
*Monday, January 9, 9 a.m.*  
Get moving with this energizing and relaxing yoga sequence for all levels. Tap into the strength, balance, flexibility and relaxation that your body can provide you.

**Keep This Toss That: 7 Things to Declutter for the New Year**  
**Virtual**  
*Tuesday, January 10, 6:30 p.m.*  
Join organizing humorist and bestselling author Jamie Novak as she shares her humorous approach to decluttering without getting overwhelmed. Explore the top seven things to declutter in the new year.

**Thyroid Glands and Hormones**  
**Virtual**  
*Wednesday, January 11, 11 a.m.*  
Join Jessica Daly, faculty librarian and assistant professor with Advent Health, as she discusses the important role of the thyroid glands and their hormones in our body.

**DIY Spa Day**  
**Hiwassee Branch**  
*Wednesday, January 11, 4:30 p.m.*  
Learn to use your creativity by making your own self-care products with natural ingredients. Recommended for ages 13 and up.

**Financial Literacy Workshop**  
**South Creek Branch**  
*Wednesdays, January 11–25, 5:30 p.m.*  
World System Builder will share tips and strategies that will help you build a solid financial foundation. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

**Plant Clinic**  
**Chickasaw Branch**  
*Thursday, January 12, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.*  
**West Oaks Branch**  
*Saturday, January 14, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.*  
Bring your plants and ask questions! Master Gardener Volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office will be available to answer your gardening questions.

**Semamori Paper Stitched Patterns**  
**Virtual**  
*Friday, January 13, 10:30–11:45 a.m.*  
Semamori are traditional Japanese auspicious patterns. Learn about the meaning and history of the featured Semamori pattern. Pierce and stitch the pattern on paper.

**Tea & Conversation**  
**South Creek Branch**  
*Saturday, January 14, 2:30 p.m.*  
This monthly social is designed to bring adults together. Share your stories and have a cup of tea in this celebration of everyday life.

**Podcast Listening Club**  
**Virtual**  
*Tuesday, January 17, 7–8:30 p.m.*  
Join us to discuss a themed podcast listening list. Like a book club, but instead of reading a pre-selected book, listen to informative and interesting podcasts. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

**Ask a Lawyer:**  
**Presented by The Orange County Bar Association**  
**Virtual**  
*Wednesday, January 18, 5:30–7 p.m.*  
The Orange County Bar Association will provide an open forum for individuals to speak with a panel of attorneys to get guidance on landlord/tenant and real estate law.

**Paint Party!**  
**North Orange Branch**  
*Sunday, January 22, 2–3:30 p.m.*  
You'll be guided through painting the colorful northern lights against a starry night sky on a canvas that you can take home.

**Improv Jam**  
**Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room**  
*Sunday, January 22, 3–5 p.m.*  
Improv Jams give everyone a chance to jump up on stage to play games and have fun with the community. The two-hour session begins with warmups, followed by a team jam session. Registration required.

**Chair Yoga**  
**Virtual**  
*Monday, January 23, 9 a.m.*  
Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence for all levels. Tap into the strength, balance, flexibility and relaxation that your body can provide you. Requires use of a chair.

**Encontrarnos através del Cuidado de tú Salud**  
**Southeast Branch**  
*Monday, January 23, 4 p.m.*  
Exploramos la importancia de cuidarse emocional, física y espiritualmente para encontrar el bienestar general. Presentado por el Project Harmony/UCF Marriage and Family Research Institute.

**Eatonville Weekend Wellness Workshop**  
**Eatonville Branch**  
*Saturday, January 28, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.*  
Step into the new year with a clear vision by creating your own vision board, a powerful tool for dreaming big, setting intentions and achieving your goals.

**Painting with Household Items**  
**South Creek Branch**  
*Saturday, January 28, 11 a.m.*  
Relax while painting using everyday household items. Discover what items you can find at home to create art.

**Hair Braiding**  
**South Trail Branch**  
*Saturday, January 28, 3–5 p.m.*  
Learn how to braid and twist natural hair into a protective style. Explore healthy braiding techniques and get advice on the best hair tools for natural hair.

**CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION**

Orlando Public Library, Library Central  
*Sunday, January 29, 2 p.m.*  
Celebrate and explore Chinese New Year traditions with The Chinese School of CAACF, Inc. To learn more about The Chinese School of CAACF, Inc., visit [orlandochineseschool.org](http://orlandochineseschool.org).

## ART & DISPLAY

[ocls.info/art](https://ocls.info/art)

### Women in the Arts: Call for Artists

Women in the Arts, Inc. and Orange County Library System invite women who are professional artists to submit their work to be exhibited during Women's History Month at the library. Finalists will be chosen from the entries submitted. Selected art will be featured in the annual Celebrating the Genius of Women exhibition at the Orlando Public Library in March and April 2023. Finalists will be eligible for up to \$3,000 in cash prizes and in-kind awards.

Apply online at [womeninthearts.org/call-for-artists](https://womeninthearts.org/call-for-artists).  
Submission deadline January 20, 2023, 11 a.m.

### Then & Now: 100 Years of Orlando Public Library Orlando Public Library, Melrose Gallery On Display Through March

Join us for the opening reception for this retrospective created by Winny Rivas, looking at the history of the Orlando Public Library building and its operation over the years. Work displayed includes images from local photographers during the 1960s through the 1980s alongside Winny's current day recreations, celebrating the changes that have occurred in the building and its surroundings.



## MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY

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### Many Cultures, Many Instruments

Orlando Public Library, Library Central  
Sunday, January 8, 2 p.m.

Explore a collection of 30 unique instruments from around the world as Yurfolk uses them to perform engaging and fun stories and songs.



## CUISINE CORNER

[ocls.info/cuisinecorner](https://ocls.info/cuisinecorner)

### Food is Fuel

Virtual

Wednesday, January 11, 6 p.m.

Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will demonstrate how to create delightful tasting food that is also good for you.

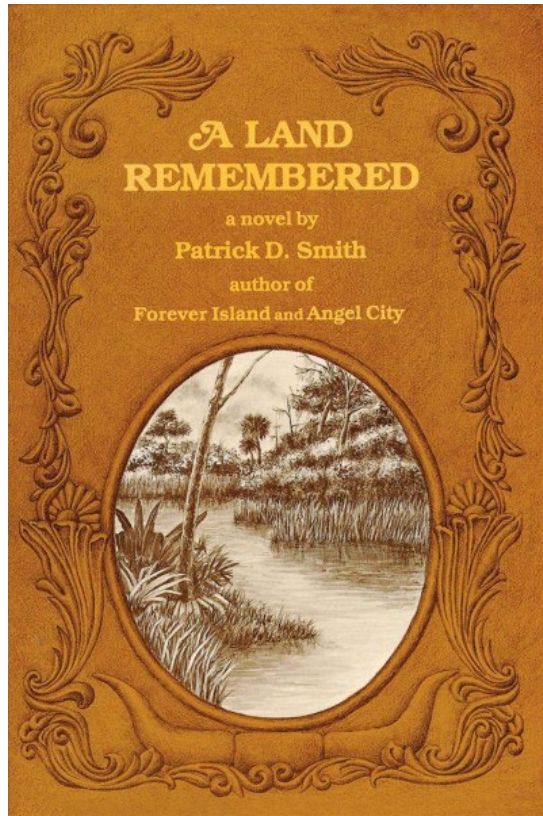
### Curry Chicken and Roti

Virtual

Tuesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.

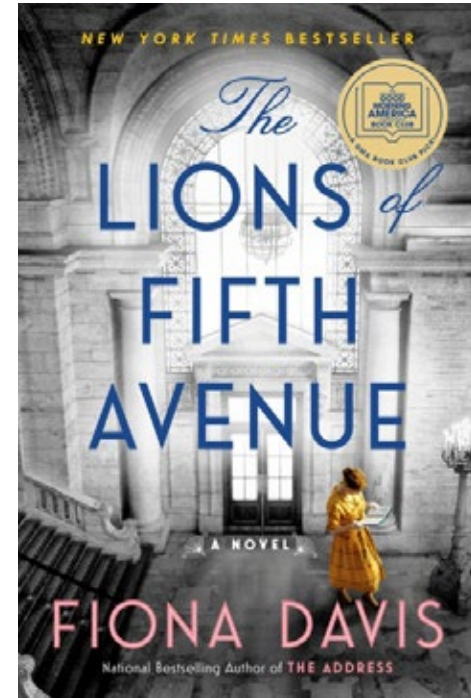
Indian to the Caribbean – curry chicken is a dish originating from the Indian subcontinent. Join culinary expert, Dianne Morin, as she demonstrates how to make curry chicken and roti.





**Nature Walk Book Club**  
Southwest Branch  
**Monday, January 9, 10 a.m.–Noon**  
Take a walk on a paved trail at a local park followed by discussion of the classic Florida novel *A Land Remembered* by Patrick D. Smith. Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

**Southeast Book Club**  
Southeast Branch  
**Monday, January 9, 3 p.m.**  
Virtual  
**Monday, January 9, 7 p.m.**  
Join the Southeast Book Club to discuss *The Lions of Fifth Avenue* by Fiona Davis.

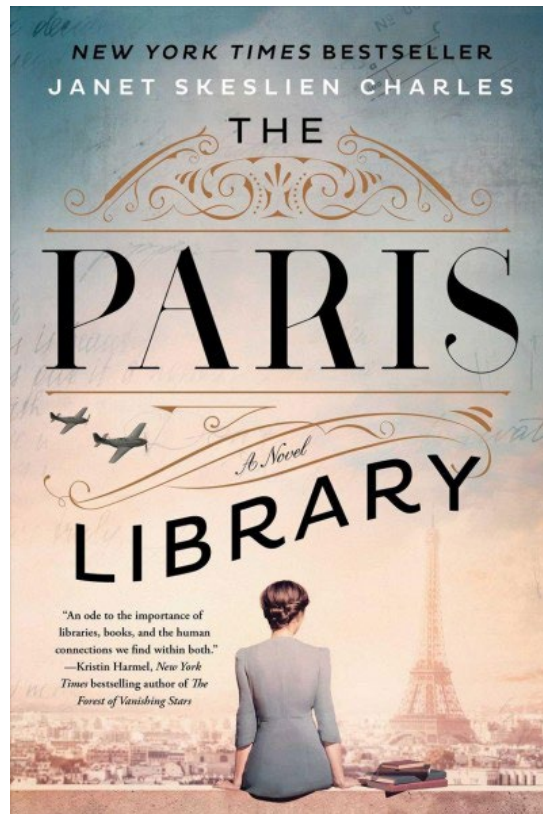


**Readers of the Pack**  
Tween Book Club  
Virtual  
**Thursday, January 26, 5 p.m.**  
Engage in a dynamic discussion and a themed activity based on *The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell* by Chris Colfer. Recommended for ages 9–12. Registration required.



**Hiawassee Book Club**  
Virtual  
**Monday, January 23, 7–8:30 p.m.**  
In January the Hiawassee Book Club will discuss *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles.

**Southwest Book Club**  
Virtual  
**Tuesday, January 24, 7–8:45 p.m.**  
The Southwest Book Club will discuss *Under the Whispering Door* by TJ Klune. An uplifting story about a life spent at the office and a death spent building a home. Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.



# AUTHOR TALKS ONLINE

Enjoy a range of live online talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders every month.

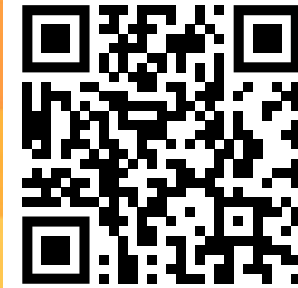
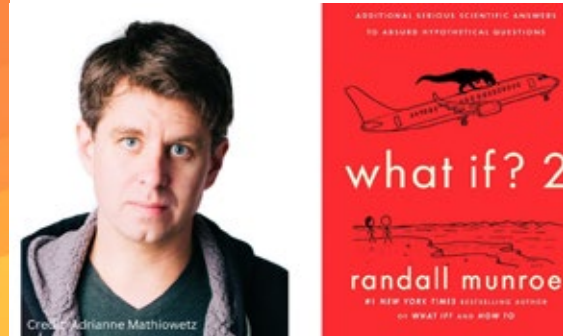
**Author Talk with Namina Forna**  
Saturday, January 7, 2 p.m.



**Author Talk with Dana K. White**  
Tuesday, January 17, 2 p.m.



**Author Talk with Randall Munroe**  
Tuesday, January 31, 2 p.m.



Scan for Details or visit  
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## COMING SOON:

**Lana Harper**  
New York Times bestselling author of *Payback's a Witch* and *From Bad to Cursed*

**Grace M. Cho**  
Author of *Tastes Like War*, 2021 National Book Award Finalist and TIME and NPR Best Book of the Year

**Cassandra Clare**  
#1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Mortal Instruments Series*, *The Infernal Devices Series* and *The Last Hours Series*

## WRITERS CORNER

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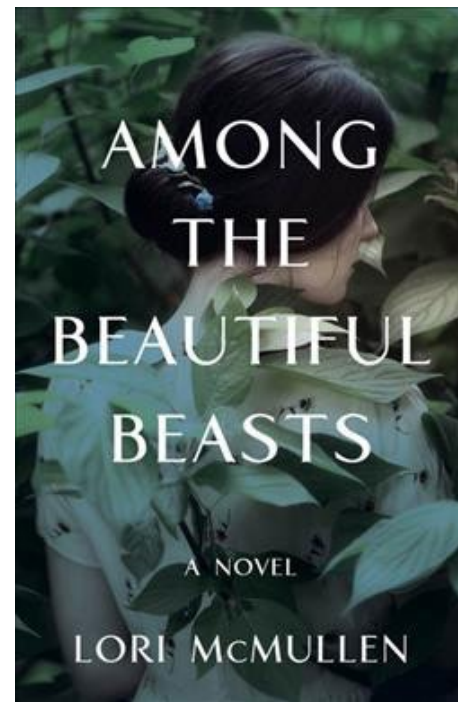
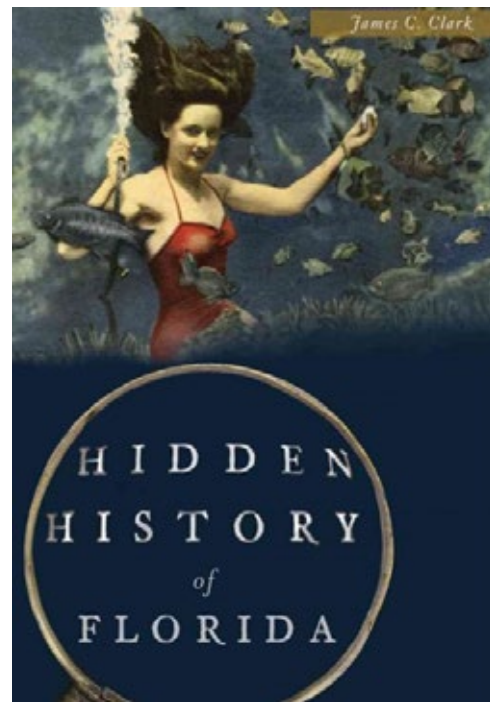
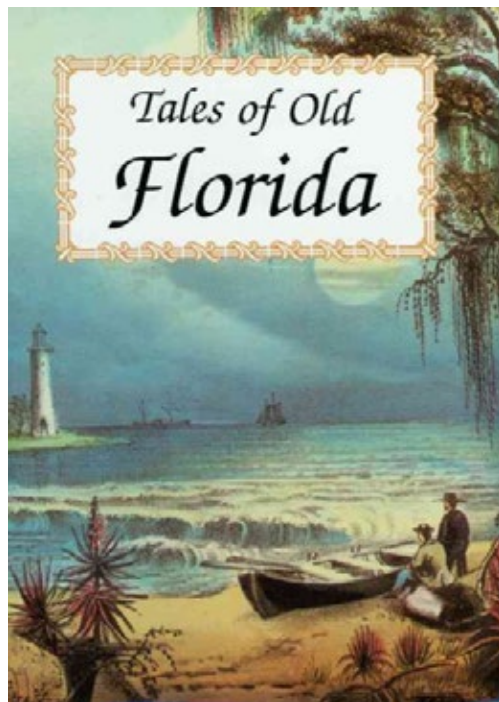
**OCLS Writer's Group**  
Virtual  
**Sunday, January 8, 4 p.m.**  
Join your fellow writers for critique, discussion and camaraderie. Writers of all genres and experience are welcome. Please attend one meeting before submitting a piece for critique.

**Indie Publishing on a Budget**  
Virtual  
**Tuesday, January 17, 7 p.m.**  
Have you decided to self publish your book but you don't have a lot of money to invest? Author and publisher L.E. Perez will discuss how to indie publish your book on a budget.

**OCLS Writers Conference**  
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
**Saturday, January 28, 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m.**  
Make 2023 the year you finish and publish a novel. Authors and publishing professionals will teach workshops on both craft and business topics to help you reach your writing and publishing goals. Registration required. To register, visit [ocls.info/writersconference](https://ocls.info/writersconference).



Book recommendations from library staff.



**Tales of Old Florida**  
 edited by Frank Oppel & Tony Meisel  
 A collection of original articles and stories of the old Florida, the development of the sportsman's paradise, and the vast canvas of nature prior to the coming of the condominium. Illustrated with rare drawings, photographs and engravings, this book will recreate a paradise that can never be again.

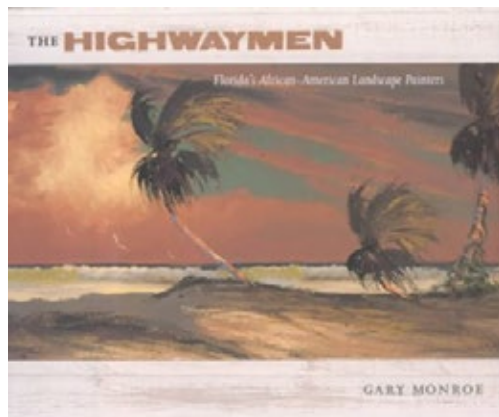
**The Highwaymen: Florida's African-American Landscape Painters**  
 by Gary Monroe  
 "For the first time, the real story behind the Highwaymen has emerged ... a well-researched, lively, and comprehensive overview of the development and contribution of these African-American artists and their place in the history of Florida's popular culture."  
 – Mallory McCane O'Connor, author of *Lost Cities of the Ancient Southeast*

**Historic Orlando**  
 by Elizabeth Randall and Bob Randall  
 Images of Orlando from 1875 to 2022 paint a picture of a landscape dotted with cattle and orange trees exploding into a bustling city. While some authors claim that Orlando's history is lost, these images show how the city's Historic Preservation Board has safeguarded many cultural and architectural treasures.

**Hidden History of Florida**  
 by James C. Clark  
 Florida's swamps and sands hide a rich history and strange stories abound. Whether you live in the state or just have a fascination with its unique background these are stories to surprise and fascinate.

**Among the Beautiful Beasts**  
 by Lori McMullen  
 Famous late in life as a champion of the Florida Everglades, Marjory Stoneman Douglas was a woman whose passion was forged from the pain, sacrifice and mistakes of her early years – a heroine whose story will resonate with anyone who has found strength and meaning in unexpected places.

**The Magic Kingdom**  
 by Russell Banks  
 In 1971, a property speculator records his life story, reflecting on his time in a community of Shakers in Florida, which saved his family from complete ruin. A meditation on youth, belief, betrayal, Florida's ever changing landscape and the search for an American utopia.



**MELROSE**  
[ocls.info/melrose](https://ocls.info/melrose)

**Improv One**  
 Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  
 Sundays, January 22–March 26, 3:30–5:30pm  
 This eight-week series focuses on team building, trust, listening and agreeing in a safe and encouraging environment. The last day of our series includes a live showcase for your friends and family!

**Lunar New Year Lantern Workshop with the Glowforge**  
 Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  
 Saturday, January 21, 3:30–5 p.m.  
 Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit as a Fab Lab instructor shows you how to load a design in the Glowforge and apply the right settings to bring your idea to illuminated life! Students will receive pre-cut materials and assemble their own lantern.



**English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)**

**English from Zero**  
Southeast Branch  
Tuesdays, January 3–31, 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesdays, January 4–25, 2:30 p.m.  
Thursdays, January 5–26, 5 p.m.

**Winter Garden Branch**  
Tuesdays, January 3–31, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
**Windermere Branch**  
Thursdays, January 5–26, 4:45–6:15 p.m.  
**South Trail Branch**  
Fridays, January 13–27, 4 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

**Virtual**  
Tuesdays, January 3–17, 3:30 p.m.  
Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 3 p.m.

This series of classes is designed for beginning English learners. Each workshop has a specific target topic.

**Speaking Clearly Intermediate**  
Southeast Branch  
Tuesday, January 3–31, 2 p.m.

This pronunciation class for intermediate speakers is designed to introduce learners to the rules of spelling and pronunciation of English words and phrases.

**Conversation Hour**  
Virtual  
Wednesday, January 4–25, Noon  
Thursdays, January 5–26, 2 p.m.

Join us to practice your English speaking skills with us on a virtual Conversation Hour. Each session will have specific topics for discussion.

**English Conversation Hour**  
Southeast Branch  
Wednesdays, January 4–25, 4 p.m.

Come practice your English speaking skills during the English Conversation Hour. All proficiency levels are welcomed.

**Speaking Clearly Beginners**  
Southeast Branch  
Fridays, January 6 & 20, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, January 14, 10:30 a.m.

**Virtual**  
Fridays, January 6 & 20, 2:30 p.m.  
Saturdays, January 14 & 28, 2:30 p.m.

This class is designed to introduce learners to the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation.

**Speaking Clearly Advanced**  
Virtual  
Mondays, January 9–30, 10:30 a.m.

Designed for advanced students who want to improve their speaking and presentation skills.

**Creole Connect**  
South Trail Branch  
Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 4:15 p.m.

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**Language Classes**

**Spanish Pronunciation**  
Virtual  
Wednesday, January 4, 10:30 a.m.

This six-week course is designed to take you through the sounds of Spanish. Special focus is given to the Spanish alphabet, vowel sounds, and tricky consonant sounds, like Ñ and the “rolled R.”

**Beginner Mandarin Chinese for Adults**  
Alafaya Branch  
Sundays, January 8, 22 & 29, 3 p.m.

In this beginner series for adults, Jenny Forest Lin, principal of the Oviedo Chinese School, will introduce students to the basics of Mandarin Chinese.

**Bilingual Interactions with Ms. Brenda**  
Virtual  
Tuesdays, January 10–31, 5 p.m.

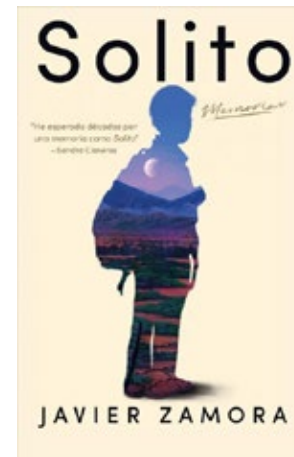
Do you want to get more exposure to the Spanish or English Language? Well, this conversational hour is for you. Talk with Ms. Brenda and her students to practice your bilingual speaking skills. Each class will have a specific topic to discuss.

**Bilingual Hour**  
Southeast Branch  
Thursdays, January 12–26, 4 p.m.

Are you learning Spanish or English and looking for a class to practice your skills? Well, this conversational practice hour is for you. Each class will have a fun topic to discuss. Ms. Brenda will put your bilingual speaking skills to use.

**Spanish from Zero: Basics with Ms. Brenda**  
Virtual  
Tuesdays, January 10–31, 4 p.m.

Get an introduction to the basic sounds of Spanish including pronunciation, alphabet, sounds, syllables, vocabulary, reading and basic phrases.



**Libros**

**Solito [Spanish ed.]**  
por Javier Zamora  
traducción de José García Escobar

En esta conmovedora autobiografía que no podrás soltar, un joven poeta relata la inolvidable historia de su desgarradora migración hacia Estados Unidos desde El Salvador a los nueve años, considerada ‘el viaje mítico de nuestra era.’



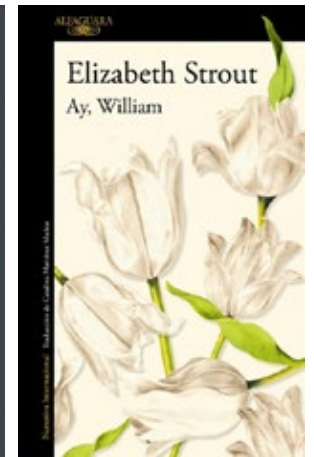
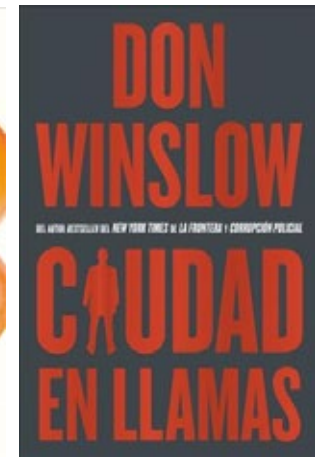
**Ciudad en llamas**  
por Don Winslow  
traducción de Victoria Horrillo

Del autor número 1 en ventas internacionales de la Trilogía Cartel (*El poder del perro, El cartel y La frontera*) llega la primera novela de una saga criminal épica sobre los sindicatos del crimen irlandeses e italianos en Estados Unidos durante las décadas de 1980 y 1990.



**El arte de reunirse: ¿por qué nos reunimos y por qué es importante?**  
por Priya Parker  
traducción de Alicia Botella Juan

*El arte de reunirse* te ofrecerá distintas herramientas para llevar a la práctica y cambiará para siempre la manera en que afrontarás tu próxima reunión, congreso, fiesta e incluso barbacoa con amigos.



**Ay, William**  
por Elizabeth Strout  
traducción de Catalina Martínez Muñoz

Un libro del que no se sale, hermoso, doloroso, irónico y profundo como las historias de Lucia Berlin o Alice Munro, por la ganadora del Premio Pulitzer y el Premi Llibreter entre otros, con tres millones y medio de lectores.

CITIZENSHIP INSPIRED  
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**Citizenship Inspired**  
Southeast Branch  
Saturdays, January 21 & 28, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Virtual**  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, January 3, 4, 10 & 11, 3–5 p.m.  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, January 17, 18, 24 & 25, 3–5 p.m.

During this program, students will meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.







## TECHNOLOGY

[ocls.info/techclasses](https://ocls.info/techclasses)

### New Year, New Tech-Savvy You

Start this New Year right. Begin with the foundations of computer literacy or learn an exciting new skill like flying a drone.

#### Introduction to Computers

Orlando Public Library  
 Tuesday, January 3, 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday, January 18, 4 p.m.  
 South Trail Branch  
 Wednesday, January 4, 2:30 p.m.  
 Tuesday, January 24, 2:30 p.m.  
 Washington Park Branch  
 Friday, January 13, 1:30 p.m.  
 Chickasaw Branch  
 Monday, January 23, 10:30 a.m.  
 Take your first steps into the world of computing. Discover the essential parts of and types of computers, as well as the basics of using a computer for the first time.

#### Computer Basics Level 1

Eatonville Branch  
 Wednesday, January 4, 10:15 a.m.  
 North Orange Branch  
 Thursday, January 12, 10:15 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch  
 Thursday, January 12, 10:15 a.m.  
 Orlando Public Library  
 Tuesday, January 17, 10:30 a.m.  
 Thursday, January 19, 4:00 p.m.  
 Washington Park Branch  
 Friday, January 20, 1:30 p.m.  
 Get up and running with computers. Learn how to navigate the computer desktop and how to manipulate windows using basic mouse and keyboard techniques.

#### How to Use the Mouse & Keyboard

North Orange Branch  
 Thursday, January 5, 10:15 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch  
 Thursday, January 5, 10:15 a.m.  
 South Trail Branch  
 Saturday, January 7, 2:30 p.m.  
 Tuesday, January 24, 4:30 p.m.  
 Orlando Public Library  
 Tuesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday, January 18, 5:15 p.m.  
 Learn how to use the mouse and keyboard to navigate within the computer's interface. Practice using these two devices with hands-on exercises and online resources.

#### Computer Basics Level 2

Eatonville Branch  
 Wednesday, January 11, 10:15 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch  
 Thursday, January 12, 11:30 a.m.  
 North Orange Branch  
 Thursday, January 19, 10:15 a.m.  
 Orlando Public Library  
 Thursday, January 19, 5:15 p.m.  
 Tuesday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.  
 Washington Park Branch  
 Friday, January 27, 1:30 p.m.  
 Get your computer skills racing. Learn how to create, rename, delete and organize files and folders on your computer.

#### The Drone Zone

Washington Park  
 Wednesday, January 4, 4:30 p.m.  
 Orlando Public Library  
 Saturday, January 21, 2:30 p.m.  
 Pilot real drones in the Drone Zone. Compete in races and fly drones through obstacle course challenges, use the cannon to hit targets and the grabber to make deliveries. Recommended for ages 10–12.

#### NEW! Introduction to Drones

Washington Park Branch  
 Friday, January 6, 2 p.m.  
 Orlando Public Library  
 Saturday, January 14, 3:45 p.m.  
 Take a drone for a spin! Learn the basics of safe piloting, FAA guidelines and career options for drone pilots.

#### Become a Drone Pilot

Orlando Public Library  
 Saturday, January 14, 2:30 p.m.  
 Pilot real drones in the Drone Zone. Compete in races and fly drones through obstacle course challenges. Recommended for ages 7–9.

#### The Drone Zone

Orlando Public Library  
 Wednesday, January 25, 3:30 p.m.  
 Pilot real drones in the Drone Zone. Compete in races and fly drones through obstacle course challenges, use the cannon to hit targets and deliver packages with the grabber. Recommended for ages 13–17.



## FIBER ARTS

[ocls.info/fiberarts](https://ocls.info/fiberarts)

### Sew Your Way into the New Year!

Resolve to sew in 2023! Start the year off right by learning to sew for the first time, mastering the Cricut maker or improving your sewing skills in new specialized bootcamps.

#### Sewing – Introduction to the Sewing Machine

Orlando Public Library  
 Tuesday, January 3, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Monday, January 9, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Thursday, January 19, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Saturday, January 21, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Sunday, January 22, 1:30–3:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday, January 25, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 South Trail Branch  
 Tuesday, January 3, 4:15–6:15 p.m.  
 North Orange Branch  
 Saturday, January 7, 2–4 p.m.

Ever wanted to make your own custom clothes, home decor, costumes or accessories? Join us in this basic sewing class and learn about sewing safety, basic sewing machine skills and stitching seams.

#### NEW! Cricut Design Space and Cricut Maker

Orlando Public Library  
 Saturday, January 7, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Sunday, January 8, 1:30–3:30 p.m.  
 Thursday, January 26, 12:30–2:30 p.m.  
 Monday, January 30, 10 a.m.–Noon

Learn to use Cricut Design Space Software to create a custom vinyl transfer, sticker and more. Create a unique look and style while learning to use the software, Cricut Maker and heat press.

#### NEW! Sewing Bootcamp – Bags and Totes

Orlando Public Library  
 Wednesdays, January 18–April 5, 3:30–5:30 p.m.  
 Start sewing today! In this bootcamp learn the basics of sewing with a machine while creating bags and totes featured in *Bags* by Anna Alicia. No prior sewing experience needed.

#### NEW! Sew Your Own Wardrobe Bootcamp – Skirts

Orlando Public Library  
 Fridays, January 20–April 7, 10 a.m.–Noon  
 Get started creating your own wardrobe. Learn to make an A-line skirt, tailored skirt and flared skirt.

#### Sewing – Pillowcase

North Orange Branch  
 Saturday, January 21, 2–4 p.m.

Create a classic pillowcase with a contrasting cuff. Professionally finish your project with French seams, while practicing straight stitches.

#### Sewing – Hair Bonnet

South Trail Branch  
 Saturday, January 21, 3–5 p.m.

Make a custom hair bonnet. This fast and easy sewing project is a great project to help protect your hair at night.

#### NEW! Sewing Bootcamp – Quilting

Orlando Public Library  
 Mondays, January 23–April 10, 12:30–2:30 p.m.

Start sewing quilts today! In this bootcamp learn the basics of quilting while creating a two-color quilt. Students will make half triangle blocks, sew the quilt top, back and bind their quilts.

# 100 YEARS

## ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

### 100 Year Celebration Challenge for Adults

[ocls.beanstack.org](http://ocls.beanstack.org)

January 1 – December 31

It was 100 years ago that the first seeds of the Orange County Library System were planted. The library is challenging you to participate in activities all year long in celebration of our centennial anniversary.

### Weird Florida

by Charlie Carlson

### Unique Eats and Eateries of Orlando

by Kendra Lott

### 100 Things to Do in Orlando Before You Die

by Brendan O'Connor & Jon Busdeker

### Orlando's Historic Haunts

by Thomas Cook

### 50 Hikes in Central Florida

by Sandra Friend & John Keatley

### A Decade in Film: 1920s

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Wednesdays, January 11 & 18, 2–4 p.m.

This series explores film through each of the decades our library has been open! Celebrate the history of film every single month in 2023.

### Past and Present: Historic Orlando

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m.

Author Elizabeth Randall will tell the story of Orlando's historic structures and landmarks and photographer Bob Randall will present the challenges of replicating historic photography.

### Art 101: Celebratory Painting

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Tuesday, January 31, 5:30 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate the new year, and the 100th anniversary of OCLS, with a fun and relaxing hour of painting.

### Lunch & Learn:

100 Years of Orlando Public Library

Orange County Regional History Center

Friday, January 6, Noon

In celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Orange County Library System, join us as we look back on their 100 years of service to Orange County. We will explore the important role that libraries hold in their communities and take an in-depth look at the fascinating history of OCLS growing along with our community from the singular Albertson Library to the far-reaching, widely utilized resource we know today. The Orange County Regional History Center is located right next door to Orlando Public Library at 65 E Central Blvd, Orlando, FL, 32801.



# 100 YEAR CELEBRATION KICKOFF

Orlando Public Library | Saturday, January 7, 10:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

Join us as we begin Orange County Library System's 100 Year Celebration with a rededication ceremony and ribbon cutting by local elected officials. The celebration continues all day with music, refreshments and a variety of activities that you and your family can explore.



**10:30 a.m.**

**Ribbon Cutting and Rededication Ceremony**  
Lobby

**11 a.m.–5 p.m.**

**Albertson Library Escape Room VR Game**  
Tickets available while supplies last  
Melrose Center

**11 a.m.**

**Family Storytime**  
Children's Library

**11:30 a.m.**

**Storytime Craft**  
Children's Library

**Noon**

**Music in the Library: Z Street Speakeasy Band**  
Library Central

**1 p.m.**

**The Bandbox Presents Non-Alcoholic Craft Cocktails**  
Serving Noon–2 p.m. while supplies last,  
Demonstration at 1 p.m.  
Library Central

**1:30 p.m.**

**Tech Exploration: Sphero**  
Technology & Education Center

**2 p.m.**

**Then & Now: 100 Years of Orlando Public Library**  
Melrose Center

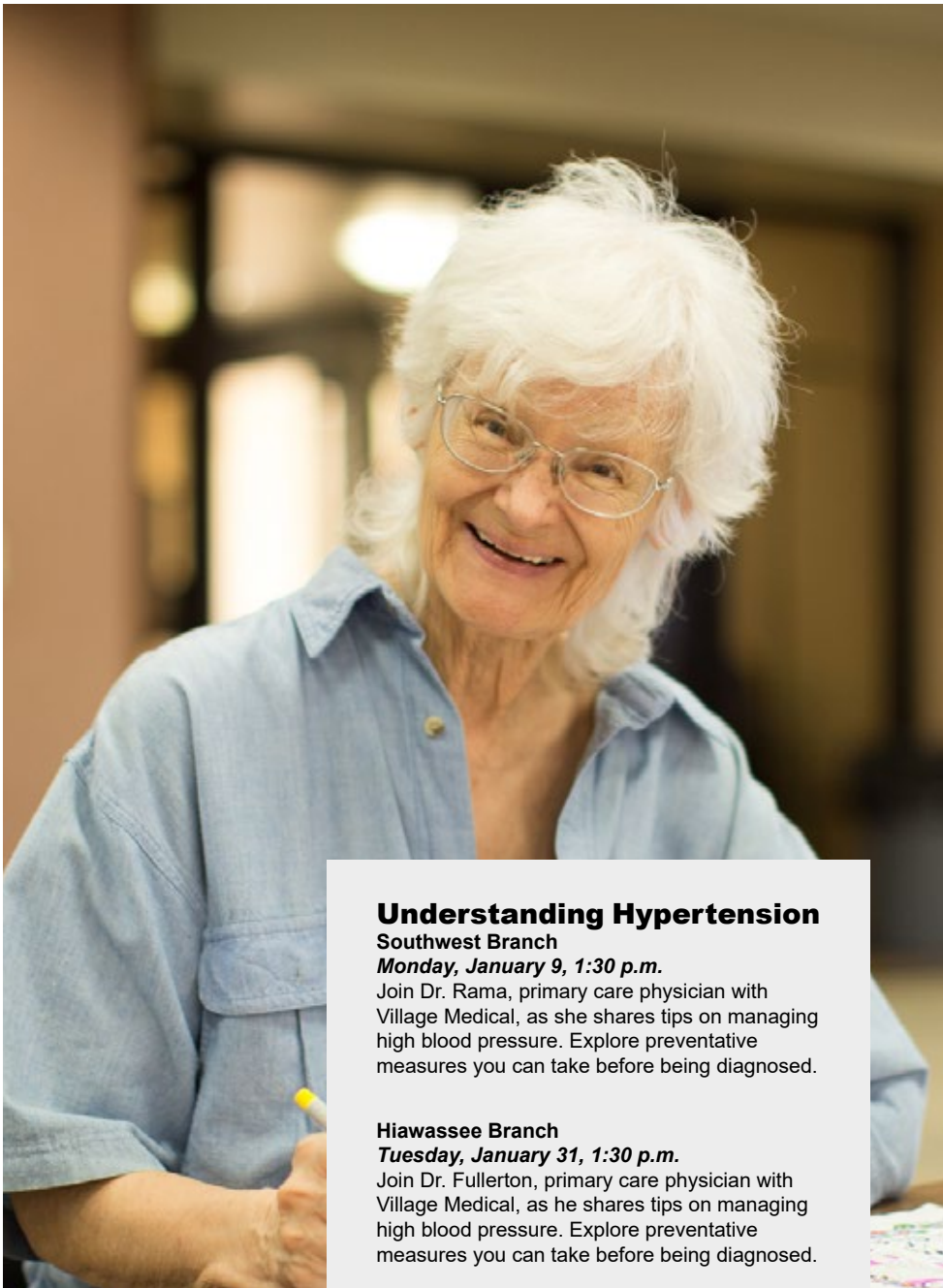
**3–5 p.m.**

**Share Your OCLS Memories on Orlando Memory**  
Learning Central

**4 p.m.**

**Saturday Improv Show**  
Melrose Center





### Understanding Hypertension

**Southwest Branch**  
**Monday, January 9, 1:30 p.m.**

Join Dr. Rama, primary care physician with Village Medical, as she shares tips on managing high blood pressure. Explore preventative measures you can take before being diagnosed.

**Hiawasse Branch**  
**Tuesday, January 31, 1:30 p.m.**

Join Dr. Fullerton, primary care physician with Village Medical, as he shares tips on managing high blood pressure. Explore preventative measures you can take before being diagnosed.

## NEXT CHAPTER

[ocls.info/nextchapter](https://ocls.info/nextchapter)

**Medicare 101**  
**North Orange Branch**  
**Mondays, January 9 & 23, 1–2:30 p.m.**  
 Learn about Medicare from an expert that will be able to answer your questions about getting healthcare, dental, prescription, medical supplies and other health-related topics.

**First Time Home Buyer Financing**  
**South Creek Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 10:30 a.m.**  
 Mortgage banker Maria Smith will discuss home buyer financing options including the Homes for Heroes program and 100% financing using Census Tract. Presented in English with a Spanish translator available.

**Nutritional Factors to Help Prevent Alzheimer's**  
**Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room**  
**Thursday, January 19, 12:10 p.m.**  
 Join Edith Gendron, chief of operations with the Alzheimer's & Dementia Resource Center and PAC certified trainer and consultant, as she discusses nutritional factors to help prevent Alzheimer's.

**Qigong Movement and Breathing**  
**Southwest Branch**  
**Friday, January 27, 10:30 a.m.**  
 Learn ancient qigong practice with modern day instructor Jasmine Win. Using the five elements of life, students will undergo an empowering and uplifting shift to take control of their health and lives.

**Medicare Mondays**  
**South Trail Branch**  
**Monday, January 30, 1–3 p.m.**  
 Join Collette Rance, a former teacher and experienced Medicare Scholar, at a no-pressure, no-sales, strictly educational event about Medicare.

## GENEALOGY

[ocls.info/genealogy](https://ocls.info/genealogy)

**West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center Overview**  
**Virtual**  
**Tuesday, January 10, 1 p.m.**  
 Learn about the services and resources that are offered by the library to help you with your genealogical research.

**Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing Study Group**  
**Virtual**  
**Thursdays, January 12–26, Noon**  
 Join us for our genetic genealogy study group. A copy of the book *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy* by Blaine T. Bettinger is required to participate in this webinar series.

**Sunday Morning Genealogy**  
**Virtual**  
**Sunday, January 15, 11 a.m.**  
 Grab a cup of coffee (or tea) and join us for this Sunday morning genealogy hangout. Feel free to ask any type of genealogy question or propose a genealogy discussion topic.

**Organizing Your Family History Research**  
**Virtual**  
**Tuesday, January 17, 1 p.m.**  
 Keep your genealogy research on track by staying organized. Learn how to organize your genealogy documents and do your research in a systematic manner.

**Advanced Searching on Ancestry.com**  
**Virtual**  
**Tuesday, January 24, 1 p.m.**  
 Learn how to make the most out of your searches on Ancestry Library Edition and Ancestry.com.

**Exploring FamilySearch.org**  
**Virtual**  
**Tuesday, January 31, 1 p.m.**  
 FamilySearch is a tremendous and free source for family history research. Learn how to navigate this website and how to make the most of the information that it contains.

**Finding Your Roots Series**  
 This series will cover the nine core elements that you need to build a strong foundation for your genealogical research. Each week will focus on a different record group.

**Genealogy 101**  
**Virtual**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 6:30 p.m.**  
 Are you interested in learning about your family history but don't know where to begin? This program will help you get started by introducing you to genealogical terms, techniques and resources.

**Census Records**  
**Virtual**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.**  
 Learn about what information is contained in each of the censuses and discover how to use all the various bits of information from the census as clues to further your research.

**Vital Records**  
**Virtual**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.**  
 Births, marriages and deaths are important pieces of information for your family history. Become familiar with the key sources for locating your ancestors' vital records.



## JOBSEEKERS

[ocls.info/jobseekers](https://ocls.info/jobseekers)

**Career Academy: Interview Like a Pro**  
**Orlando Public Library**  
**Tuesday, January 24, 2:30 p.m.**  
 You've landed an interview! Now what? Get tips that will help you to practice and prepare, and to write a memorable thank you letter.

**Career Academy: Perfecting Your Resume**  
**Orlando Public Library**  
**Tuesday, January 31, 2:30 p.m.**  
 Get noticed! Elevate your job application with best practices in crafting a resume and cover letter.

**Level Up Orange Neighborhood Navigators**  
**South Trail Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
**Fairview Shores Branch**  
**Thursday, January 12, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
**North Orange Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 1–3 p.m.**  
**Washington Park Branch**  
**Thursday, January 26, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

Level Up Orange offers career exploration, training and internships, and job placement to Orange County residents who qualify. Level Up Orange is a program of CareerSource Central Florida.

The program is funded by Orange County government using federal dollars. This project is being supported, in whole or part, by federal award number HR 1319, Title IX, Subtitle M, Section 9901, awarded to Orange County, FL by the Department of Treasury.



**Kids Yoga & Meditation**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
*Tuesdays, January 3–31, 3 p.m.*  
North Orange Branch  
*Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 10:15 a.m.*  
Practice yoga, meditation and mindfulness in a fun way by integrating music with movement. Families can wiggle together and learn ways to calm down. Recommended for families with children ages 3–10.

**Mindful Start Family Yoga**  
West Oaks Branch  
*Wednesdays, January 4–25, 10 a.m.*  
Winter Garden Branch  
*Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 10:30 a.m.*  
Silly and fun yoga poses designed for kids. Flow-through an imaginative journey filled with puppets, parachute games and relaxing rest time. Recommended for families with children ages 0–7.

**ArtMazing**  
South Creek Branch  
*Saturday, January 7, 2 p.m.*  
Unleash your inner artist and discover your creative side in this all-ages art exploration. Inspiration is a must! Recommended for families with children ages 6 and up.

**Fun Family Film**  
South Trail Branch  
*Saturday, January 7–28, 2–4 p.m.*  
Join us for a movie that's fun for the whole family!

**STEAM Free Play**  
South Trail Branch  
*Mondays, January 9 & 23, 3:30–5 p.m.*  
Explore and play as we have fun with STEAM-related toys! Kits such as LEGO and K'NEX are available for anyone to play.

**Dancing Through the Decades**  
Eatonville Branch  
*Tuesday, January 10, 3:45 p.m.*  
Washington Park Branch  
*Wednesday, January 11, 4 p.m.*  
Get up and move! Listen to the story *How Do You Dance?* by Thyra Heder while learning popular dance moves done throughout the last 100 years. Recommended for families with children ages 3–12.

**Cuisine Corner Junior: Century-Old Recipes – Icebox Cakes**  
Hiawassee Branch  
*Thursday, January 19, 4:30 p.m.*  
South Creek Branch  
*Saturday, January 21, 2 p.m.*  
What did people eat 100 years ago? Celebrate the library's 100th birthday by making a tasty recipe that is just as old! Recommended for families with children 6–8.

**Box Engineers**  
Southeast Branch  
*Saturday, January 21, 10:30 a.m.*  
Fuel your creativity with a cardboard box! Families will work together to design and construct an architectural marvel. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

**Cookies & Milk with a Cop**  
North Orange Branch  
*Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m.*  
Bring your kids to meet our local police officers and enjoy a story, cookies and milk. This series will be a great chance to interact with Apopka officers in a fun and informative environment.

**WonkaPaloosa**  
North Orange Branch  
*Saturday, January 21, 1–4 p.m.*  
Celebrate the works of Roald Dahl with a half day of candy crafts, candy experiments and all things sweet.

**100 Years of Cinema**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
*Saturday, January 21, 2:30–4:30 p.m.*  
We're off to see the Wizard to learn about film history while watching classic movies from the last century! Explore fun activities and snacks inspired by the film and the 1930s.

**Crafternoons: Letter Name Bracelet**  
South Trail Branch  
*Wednesday, January 25, 3 p.m.*  
Get ready for an hour of making your own bracelet while having fun with friends.

**Fuel, Fun, Fitness**  
Southeast Branch  
*Friday, January 27, 4 p.m.*  
What are the best foods to eat to fuel your body before a fun workout? Get ready, eat a snack and get active! Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

**Stretch Across the Universe**

Southwest Branch  
*Wednesday, January 4, 10:30 a.m.*  
Southeast Branch  
*Saturday, January 7, 10:30 a.m.*  
Transform into a meteor, a shooting star and even the moon! Gather the family for a space-themed introduction to yoga.



100 YEAR LIBRARY CELEBRATION FOR THE FAMILY

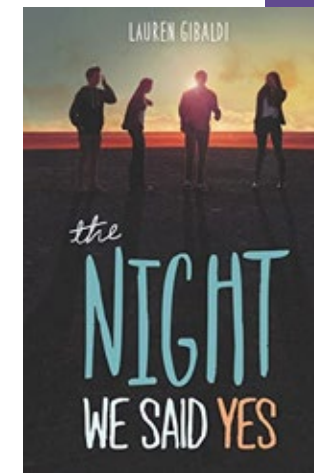
**One Hundred Years of Picture Books**  
Washington Park Branch  
*Wednesday, January 4, 4 p.m.*  
West Oaks Branch  
*Wednesday, January 4, 4 p.m.*  
Travel back in time through picture books. We will share stories from the past 100 years and children will have the opportunity to become picture book illustrators. Recommended for ages 6–8.

**Family Art Adventures: 100 Years of Art**  
Southwest Branch  
*Saturday, January 7, 10:30 a.m.*  
Chickasaw Branch  
*Friday, January 20, 3:30 p.m.*  
Eatonville Branch  
*Wednesday, January 25, 3:45 p.m.*  
Explore art styles through the decades as we celebrate the library's 100th birthday! Recommended for families with children 6 and up.

**Babies en la Biblioteca**  
Southwest Branch  
*Monday, January 9, 10:30 a.m.*  
South Trail Branch  
*Wednesday, January 11, 11 a.m.*  
Adventures can be had both inside the pages of a book and out. Discover new words and new worlds with your child as we sing, talk and play during storytime to connect and foster a love for reading.

**Jumpin' Jubilee**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
*Wednesday, January 18, 10:30 a.m.*  
North Orange Branch  
*Thursday, January 19, 11 a.m.*  
Celebrate with stories, songs, dancing and crafts in honor of the library's 100th birthday!

**Centipede's 100 Shoes**  
Southeast Branch  
*Monday, January 9, 10:15 a.m.*  
Eatonville Branch  
*Wednesday, January 18, 10:15 a.m.*  
Winter Garden Branch  
*Tuesday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.*  
Virtual  
*Tuesday, January 10, 11 a.m.*  
Help centipede put on his 100 shoes, then crawl into the celebration with stories, songs and rhymes about centipedes and other bugs in honor of the library's 100th birthday!



**100 Year Celebration Challenge for Youth**  
ocls.beanstack.org  
*January 1–December 31*  
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**Babies/Toddlers**  
*Curious Critters: Florida*  
by David FitzSimmons  
*Splash!*  
by Leslie Patricelli  
*Colors with Little Fish*  
by Lucy Cousins

**Kids**  
*Where is Walt Disney World?*  
by Joan Holub  
*Celebrating Florida*  
by Marion Dane Bauer

*Zora's Garden*  
by Rae Chesney  
*My Tio's Pulse*  
by Keith Newhouse  
*Growth of Florida: Pioneers and Technological Advances*  
by Heather E. Schwartz  
*Orlando, FL: Cool Stuff Every Kid Should Know*  
by Kate Boehm Jerome

**Twens**  
*Manatee Summer*  
by Evan Griffith  
*Zora & Me: The Song of Ivory*  
by T.R. Simon  
*Florida's American Indians Through History*  
by Jennifer Overend Prior

**Teens**  
*Paper Towns*  
by John Green  
*Death, Dickinson, and the Demented Life of Frenchie Garcia*  
by Jenny Torres Sanchez  
*Fireworks*  
by Katie Cotugno  
*This Tiny Perfect World*  
by Lauren Gibaldi  
*The Night We Said Yes*  
by Lauren Gibaldi

**BABY (Ages 0–18 Months)**

**Mother Goose on the Loose**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
Thursdays, January 5–30, 10:30 a.m.  
Using rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and more, we will be interacting together to help develop important pre-literacy skills in our littlest ones.

**Baby Animals: In the Snow**  
Chickasaw Branch  
Wednesday, January 18, 11 a.m.  
Explore baby animals in the winter with your little one. Listen to a story and learn through sensory play all while warming up to new friends.

**Shake, Rattle & Roll**  
Southwest Branch  
Monday, January 23, 10:30 a.m.  
Encourage your baby's movement and hand-eye coordination by exploring shapes, shakers and sounds.



**Winter Snow**  
North Orange Branch  
Thursday, January 12, 11 a.m.  
Explore winter, weather and snow with your toddler – then create your very own snowflake.

**TODDLER (Ages 18–36 Months)**

**Bubble Playtime**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
Tuesdays, January 3–31, 10:30 a.m.  
North Orange Branch  
Tuesday, January 24, 11 a.m.  
Help your child with their motor development skills in this interactive bubble class. Recommended for ages 2–5.

**Sleepy Bear**  
West Oaks Branch  
Tuesday, January 3, 11 a.m.  
Zzzzz ... Winter is here and it is time to hibernate. Interact and explore animal patterns as we snuggle into dreamland.

**Storytime Craft**  
North Orange Branch  
Wednesdays,  
January 4–25, 10:30 a.m.  
Southwest Branch  
Thursdays,  
January 5–26, 10 a.m.–Noon  
Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft. Recommended for ages 2–5.

**Parachute Play**  
North Orange Branch  
Tuesday, January 10, 11 a.m.  
Play, explore and learn about the world. Put thoughts into words by talking about what your child is doing and building positive social interactions with others.

**Artsy Toddler**  
Alafaya Branch  
Wednesday, January 11, 10:15 a.m.  
Learn new fine motor skills using paint, paste, glue and stamps to create!

**Toddler Playground**  
Southwest Branch  
Wednesday, January 11, 10:30 a.m.  
Toddlers use unstructured play to aid their physical and cognitive development and have fun using age-appropriate toys for children and their caregivers.

**Move Like the Animals**  
Chickasaw Branch  
Wednesday, January 11, 11 a.m.  
Can you hop like a frog? Waddle like a penguin? Run like a cheetah? See if you can move like the animals do! Recommended for ages 2–5.

**Strings & Things**  
North Orange Branch  
Tuesday, January 17, 11 a.m.  
Exercise your little fingers while having a blast by practicing stringing and lacing. Recommended for ages 2–5.

**Artsy Toddler: Flowers and Gardens**  
Southwest Branch  
Wednesday, January 18, 10:30 a.m.  
Paint, paste, glue, stamp and create! Young children will enjoy stories, songs and exploring age-appropriate art experiences.

**Rails and Tales**  
West Oaks Branch  
Tuesday, January 24, 11 a.m.  
All aboard for exciting stories and activities about trains. Come ready to play!

**Toddler Spill & Fill**  
Southwest Branch  
Wednesday, January 25, 10:30 a.m.  
Fill, spill, scoop and pour with your toddler at this event full of funnels, cups, a little mess and more!

**Fingers, Toes, Hands & Feet**  
Chickasaw Branch  
Wednesday, January 25, 11 a.m.  
Clap and stomp at this event filled with a bit of messy art and play.

**Chilly Critters**  
North Orange Branch  
Thursday, January 26, 11 a.m.  
Brrrr! Who is brrrave enough to live in the cold? Discover chilly animal friends and their snowy homes with fun stories, crafts and activities. Recommended for ages 2–5.

**Relaxation Stations**  
South Creek Branch  
Tuesday, January 31, 10:30 a.m.  
Introduce relaxation to your little one! Although it may not be a quiet event, you will enjoy a calming time with soothing activities and stations.

**Germs, Germs Go Away!**  
North Orange Branch  
Tuesday, January 31, 11 a.m.  
Wash, wash, wash your hands, soap will make them clean. Scrub the germs until they come off to make them nice and clean. Recommended for ages 2–5.



**Penguin Party**  
South Creek Branch  
Tuesday, January 17, 10:30 a.m.  
Alafaya Branch  
Tuesday, January 17, 11 a.m.  
Brrrr! It's cold out there! Warm up with stories, math, science activities and a craft featuring some icy friends.

**PRESCHOOL (Ages 3–5)**

**Growing Up WILD: First Impressions**  
Southwest Branch  
Tuesday, January 3, 10:30 a.m.  
Preschoolers will combine movement and math to show how they think and feel about animals.

**Alphabet Adventures**  
Alafaya Branch  
Tuesday, January 3, 11 a.m.  
Learn the alphabet with exciting stories and fun activities.

**Cuéntame un Cuento**  
South Trail Branch  
Tuesdays,  
January 3, 17 & 31, 11 a.m.  
West Oaks Branch  
Tuesday, January 10, 11 a.m.  
Southeast Branch  
Monday, January 30, 10:15 a.m.  
Virtual  
Tuesday, January 10 & 24, 10 a.m.  
Tuesday, January 31, 11 a.m.  
Cuéntame un Cuento is an interactive storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish that are suitable for speakers of either language.

**Explore the World!**  
Alafaya Branch  
Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m.  
Learn about a different country each month through games, activities and crafts. Don't forget your passport! This month we're visiting China.

**Happy Noon Year**  
South Trail Branch  
Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m.  
Virtual  
Tuesday, January 3, 11 a.m.  
Make some noise and ring in the noon year with your little ones! Join us for fun and games with an exciting countdown at noon.

**Lovely Lions**  
Virtual  
Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m.  
We're traveling to Africa to learn about lions. Preschoolers will learn about these animals through fact-filled stories and activities that help develop pre-literacy skills.

**Chiquiticos / Little Ones**  
Southeast Branch  
Thursdays,  
January 5–26, 10:15 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch  
Mondays,  
January 9, 23 & 30, 11 a.m.  
Learn Spanish through the exploration of original music with a live guitar performance. Reinforce new vocabulary words using visual, auditory and kinesthetic skills. Recommended for ages 0–8.

**Button Up**  
North Orange Branch  
Thursday, January 5, 11 a.m.  
Brrr ... it's cold outside! Be sure to button up before coming to the library. Join us for stories, crafts and activities all about buttons.

**Caregiver Coffee and a Craft**  
Southeast Branch  
Mondays, January 9 & 30, 11 a.m.  
Connect with other caregivers while sipping a hot beverage and making a craft. Your child will explore play with friends.

**Pajama Party**  
Virtual  
Mondays,  
January 9, 23 & 30, 7 p.m.  
Put on your pajamas and enjoy an interactive virtual storytime with a book, songs, games and a craft.

**Fabulous Frogs**  
Southwest Branch  
Tuesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.  
Ribbit! Explore the world of frogs with fun songs and stories perfect for your preschooler.

**Number Countdown**  
Alafaya Branch  
Tuesday, January 10, 11 a.m.  
Let's learn counting and numbers through stories and activities.

**Rugged Rhinos**  
Virtual  
Wednesday, January 11, 11 a.m.  
Preschoolers will discover interesting facts about rhinos through fact-filled stories and activities that encourage learning and development of early literacy skills.

**Zoo Zen**  
Virtual  
Thursday, January 12, 11 a.m.  
It's time for an introduction to yoga with zoo animals and friends! Learn fun movements as you go on a wild and magical journey full of movement and stories.

**Countdown to Kindergarten**  
Fairview Shores Branch  
Thursday,  
January 12–26, 11:15 a.m.  
Learn about pets through stories, rhymes and activities designed to help preschoolers develop the necessary skills to become readers and succeed in kindergarten. Recommended for ages 4–5.

**Little Artist**  
North Orange Branch  
Friday, January 13, 11 a.m.  
Get creative with arts and crafts! Preschoolers will enjoy age-appropriate stories and crafts.

**When the Wind Blows**  
Southwest Branch  
Tuesday, January 17, 10:30 a.m.  
Do you hear the drip-drop of rain or the clapping of thunder? Observing the weather, will sure make you wonder ... what could it mean when the wind blows?

## PRESCHOOL (Ages 3–5)

### Gorgeous Gorillas

Virtual

**Wednesday, January 18, 11 a.m.**

Come along with us on a trip through the jungles of Africa. Preschoolers will learn about gorillas through fact-filled stories and activities that promote early literacy.

### Spidey Storytime

Alafaya Branch

**Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m.**

Help Spidey, Spin and Ghost Spider save the day from Doc Ock, Rhino and more in this *Spidey and His Amazing Friends* themed storytime. Enjoy games and a craft.

### Winter Tea Party

Southeast Branch

**Monday, January 23, 10:15 a.m.**

Virtual

**Tuesday, January 24, 11 a.m.**

Pull up a chair and warm up at our winter tea party. Savor stories, songs and activities that will bring our tea party to life.

### Sesame Street Storytime

Southwest Branch

**Tuesday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.**

Virtual

**Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 11 a.m.**

Can you tell me how to get, how to get to *Sesame Street*? Let's make it a sunny day with a virtual storytime and craft celebrating our favorite friends.

### Yetis!

Alafaya Branch

**Tuesday, January 24, 11 a.m.**

Roar and stomp like a yeti as we enjoy stories, songs and crafts.

### Gentle Giraffes

Virtual

**Wednesday, January 25, 11 a.m.**

Preschoolers will learn about giraffes while practicing early literacy skills as we trek across the African savannah.

### Colorful Chameleons

Virtual

**Thursday, January 26, 11 a.m.**

Preschoolers will learn how chameleons use color while strengthening early literacy skills through stories and a craft.

### Growing Up WILD: Ants on Parade

Southwest Branch

**Tuesday, January 31, 10:30 a.m.**

Preschoolers will learn about insect characteristics and go outdoors to observe ant behavior.

### It's All Groovy

Alafaya Branch

**Tuesday, January 31, 11 a.m.**

Who's the cool cat on the street? Learn basic concepts with sing-along stories and activities inspired by Pete the Cat. Come dressed with your groovy buttons for a good time!



### Look, I'm a Scientist: Iceberg Animal Rescue!

West Oaks Branch

**Tuesday, January 17, 11 a.m.**

Learn what happens when it gets very cold and interact while rescuing animals from an iceberg.



## LITTLE CHEF

### Peanut Butter Swirl Fantasy Fudge

Virtual

**Thursday, January 5, 11 a.m.**

Learn kitchen safety and early mathematical skills while whipping up a delicious fudge recipe.

### Key Lime Pie Parfaits

South Creek Branch

**Tuesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.**

Crush and layer ingredients to make one of Florida's famous treats! This no-bake layered dessert will allow your little one to explore texture and new flavors that will make their taste buds jump.

### A Full Scoop

Virtual

**Tuesday, January 17, 11 a.m.**

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! Let's mix and sprinkle fun toppings to make a delicious treat to keep us cool.

### Pizza Pinwheels

Virtual

**Thursday, January 19, 11 a.m.**

Grate, roll and dip a delicious pizza snack! Learn kitchen skills such as safety, spreading, scooping, measuring and more.

### Banana Pudding

South Creek Branch

**Tuesday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.**

You'll go bananas for our banana pudding! Bring your little one for mixing, mashing and stacking as they create this classic recipe.

### Winter Cake in a Jar

West Oaks Branch

**Tuesday, January 31, 11 a.m.**

Assemble a winter treat in a jar! Layer festive cake, sweet frosting and colorful sprinkles to make a delicious gift. Adult participation required.

## STORYTIME

[ocls.info/storytime](https://ocls.info/storytime)

### TINY TALES

(ages birth–18 months)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 11:15 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.  
Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 11:15 a.m.

### TODDLER TIME

(ages 18 months–3 years)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 10:45 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m.  
Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m.  
Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11 a.m.  
Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m.

### STORYBOOK FUN

(ages 3–5 years)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 a.m.  
Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.  
Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 11:15 a.m.

### ZERO TO FIVE STORYTIME

(ages 0–5 years)

Fairview Shores Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
Hiawassee Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
Washington Park Branch, Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
Eatonville Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
South Trail Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.

### FAMILY STORYTIMES

Orlando Public Library, Saturdays, 11 a.m.  
North Orange Branch, First Sundays, 2 p.m.  
Alafaya Branch, Second Sundays, 2 p.m.  
South Creek Branch, Third Sundays, 2 p.m.  
West Oaks Branch, Fourth Sundays, 2 p.m.



**Art Club**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 4, 4 p.m.**  
Try out new artistic techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists! Recommended for ages 9–12.

**Southwest LEGO Club**

**Southwest Branch**  
**Wednesdays, January 4–25, 4 p.m.**  
The LEGO Club invites you to come use your imaginations to build! Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

**Make Your Own Beat!**

**South Trail Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 4, 4:30 p.m.**  
Learning music production is a lot like playing with LEGO. In this activity, kids will learn fun and easy-to-follow music production techniques so they can unleash their creativity! Recommended for ages 8–14.

**Tabletop Thursday**

**South Trail Branch**  
**Thursday, January 5, 3:30–5 p.m.**  
Go toe-to-toe and test your wits against your fellow kids with a variety of strategy, card and multi-player party games. Games will be provided or bring one to share! All ages are welcome.

**Book Buddies**

**Southwest Branch**  
**Thursdays, January 5–26, 5 p.m.**  
Drop in and practice your reading skills with a teen volunteer buddy. Recommended for ages 5–8.

**LEGO One Scoop**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Saturday, January 7, 3 p.m.**  
Create greatness with one single scoop! The challenge is on so let's see what you can build. Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

**READING Paws**

**Chickasaw Branch**  
**Saturday, January 7, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
**Windermere Branch**  
**Saturday, January 14, 11:30 a.m.**  
**North Orange Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 11 a.m.**  
**Alafaya Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 11:30 a.m.**  
**West Oaks Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.**  
The Reading Education Assistance Dogs (R.E.A.D.) program improves children's reading and communication skills by employing a powerful method: reading to a therapy dog.

**Brain Games**

**Fairview Shores Branch**  
**Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 4:30 p.m.**  
Use your critical thinking and creativity skills to participate in STEM-based experiments and games.

**Beginner's Spanish for Kids**

**Fairview Shores Branch**  
**Tuesdays, January 10–31, 4:30 p.m.**  
Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary through games and activities while having fun.

**Snack Around the World: Spain**

**West Oaks Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 4 p.m.**  
Treat yourself to tasty snacks from a land far away! Each month we will learn about a different culture while we sample the yummiest snacks it has to offer.

**Happy Habitats**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Thursday, January 12, 4 p.m.**  
Learn about habitats, plants and animals through books and crafts. This month we're learning about the taiga. Registration required for each child. Recommended for ages 6–8.

**Passport to France**

**Virtual**  
**Thursday, January 12, 4 p.m.**  
Learn about the lives of kids around the world through hands-on activities.

**Read to Sydney**

**North Orange Branch**  
**Saturday, January 14, 11 a.m.**  
Read to Sydney is a local therapy dog organization that encourages children to practice their reading skills with an attentive furry listener.

**Winter Wonderland**

**Fairview Shores Branch**  
**Saturday, January 14, 3 p.m.**  
Even though it's not very cold, it really is winter! Join us for winter themed crafts and games to get into the spirit of colder weather.

**Crazy 8's Math Club**

**Windermere Branch**  
**Tuesdays, January 17–31, 4:30 p.m.**  
**Hiwassee Branch**  
**Mondays, January 23 & 30, 4:30 p.m.**  
Help kids learn to love numbers through high-energy math activities that appeal to kids of all math abilities. Recommended for ages 8–12 or grades 3–5.

**Art for Dreamers**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 1 p.m.**  
Create a painting based on Martin Luther King Jr.'s inspirational quotes. Recommended for ages 9–12. Registration required for each child.

**January Crafternoon**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 4 p.m.**  
Celebrate Lunar New Year with lucky slime! Learn about what the colors mean and make a fun craft. Registration required for each child. Recommended for ages 6–8.



**I Have a Dream**  
**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 3:30 p.m.**  
**Chickasaw Branch**  
**Thursday, January 12, 11 a.m.**  
**Southeast Branch**  
**Friday, January 13, 4 p.m.**  
**Washington Park Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 4 p.m.**  
**West Oaks Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 4 p.m.**  
**South Creek Branch**  
**Thursday, January 19, 4:30 p.m.**  
Celebrate the life and dream of Martin Luther King Jr. by making crafts inspired by your own dreams, the importance of peace and togetherness.

**Mayor Buddy's Book Club**

**Virtual**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 4 p.m.**  
Engage in a lively discussion and fun activities with Mayor Buddy's Book Club. Recommended for ages 8–12.

**Book Bingo**

**South Trail Branch**  
**Thursday, January 19, 4:30 p.m.**  
Bingo! You could win a book to take home.

**Botanical Collages**

**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 3:30 p.m.**  
Design, cut and paste to create beautiful collages inspired by nature. Recommended for ages 9–12.

**The 100 Word Challenge**

**Washington Park Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 4 p.m.**  
Connect and collaborate with others through games and competitions, while showcasing your storytelling skills at the celebration of the century! Recommended for ages 9–12.

**Neo-Plastic Art**

**West Oaks Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 4 p.m.**  
Learn to create your own art using the neo-plastic style of Dutch painter Piet Mondrian.

**Paper Pals**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 4 p.m.**  
Create fun paper creations inspired by your favorite characters. Learn basic paper engineering techniques while making pop-up cards and papercrafts. Recommended for ages 8–12.

**Pirates! All aboard to Greece**

**Virtual**  
**Thursday, January 26, 4:30 p.m.**  
All aboard to explore Ancient Greece with a quirky pirate crew! We'll read tales, sing songs, do movements and learn about Ancient Greece.

**Passport to Panama**

**Virtual**  
**Thursday, January 26, 4 p.m.**  
Learn about the lives of kids around the world through hands-on activities.

**A World of Pausabilities**

**South Creek Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 2 p.m.**  
Take a moment to pause. Teach your child how to identify their emotions and use meditation to control them. Use and create fun tools to help your children meditate.

**Fantasy Map Making**

**Alafaya Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 4 p.m.**  
Use your imagination and art skills to create a map and bring a new fantasy world to life. Recommended for ages 9–12.

**Crafternoons**

**South Trail Branch**  
**Monday, January 30, 4 p.m.**  
Make ice cream crafts and learn how to make edible "ice cream" using only two ingredients!



**Meet the Author Roseanne A. Brown**

**ZORA! Festival's Education Day 2023**  
**Eatonville Branch**  
**Friday, January 27, 10:30 a.m.**  
Meet *New York Times* bestselling writer Roseanne A. Brown, author of several works published by Marvel and Disney, including *Shuri* and *T'Challa: Into the Heartlands* and contributions to the Star Wars collection *Stories of Jedi and Sith*, as well as her debut young adult novel *A Song of Wraiths and Ruin*. Hosted in partnership with the 2023 ZORA! Festival's Education Day. Recommended for ages 8 and up.



**Homeschool Meetup:  
Aquatic WILD – Riparian Retreat  
Southwest Branch**

**Monday, January 9, 1 p.m.**  
Students will learn about riparian zones, identify the animals that call them home and understand the importance of these areas to wildlife and humans. Recommended for ages 6–12.

**Homeschool: Art Expressions  
Alafaya Branch**

**Thursday, January 12, 2 p.m.**  
Come and be creative as you learn various art techniques. Recommended for ages 6–12. Registration required for each child.

**Homeschool Meetup  
Southwest Branch**

**Mondays, January 23 & 30, 1 p.m.**  
Come and participate in math, science, history, art and literature-based learning to support your child's homeschool curriculum. Recommended for ages 6–12.

**Homeschool: Reading Rangers  
Alafaya Branch**

**Thursday, January 26, 2 p.m.**  
Who's ready to read? Discuss a different fun chapter book each month and do an activity inspired by it. This month we're reading *The Bad Guys* by Aaron Blabey. Recommended for ages 6–8.

**Caregiver Connect: Stay and Play**

**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Fridays, January 6–27, 11:35 a.m.**  
**Fairview Shores Branch**  
**Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 11 a.m.**  
**Southwest Branch**  
**Mondays, January 9, 23 & 30, 11 a.m.**  
Connect with other caregivers to meet and mingle while your little one explores imaginary play with new and old friends.

**Family Zumba**

**Virtual**  
**Thursday, January 26, 11 a.m.**  
Get your family moving with this energizing workout class! Learn basic Zumba moves to help you dance your way to fitness. Zumba uses dance aerobics to create a fun workout.

**Car Seat Safety**

**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Friday, January 27, 10 a.m.–Noon**  
Three out of four car seats are installed and used incorrectly! Certified technicians from Safe Kids Orange County will be available to check your car seat on a first come, first served basis.



**Middle School Advisory  
Board Meeting  
Virtual**

**Wednesday, January 4, 4 p.m.**  
Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new tween and teen programs, brainstorm new teen services and more! Recommended for students in grades 6–8.

**Teens Play & Create  
Orlando Public Library,  
Club Central**

**Thursdays, January 5–26, 3 p.m.**  
**Tuesdays, January 10–31, 3 p.m.**  
Choose your own adventure with a variety of tabletop board games and DIY crafts. Challenge your friends to a fun game or let your creativity fly with provided craft supplies.

**Teens Sew: Storage Basket  
South Trail Branch**

**Wednesdays,  
January 11 & 18, 3–5 p.m.**  
Impress that special someone in your life by wrapping their gift in a handmade storage bag! These gift bags can be made for any occasion. They are fast and easy to make and each one is unique.

**Paper Pizzazz  
South Trail Branch**

**Thursday, January 12, 4:30 p.m.**  
Learn to make cool paper decorations to add pizzazz to your own room or to give as a gift.

**Teen Volunteering**

**Orlando Public Library**  
**Saturday, January 14, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
**Hiawasse Branch**  
**Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Saturday, January 28, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
High school students will earn two hours of community service by assembling craft kits for the library.

**Pop-Up Culture  
Alafaya Branch**

**Saturday, January 14, 4 p.m.**  
Create fun paper creations inspired by your favorite fandoms. Learn basic paper engineering techniques while making pop-up cards and crafts.

**Hygge Hangout**

**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 4:30 p.m.**  
Break out your chunkiest sweater, sip some hot chocolate and learn about the Danish concept of coziness. Participants will create their own glittery mason jar candles to take home.

**Teen Art Adventures  
Southeast Branch**

**Wednesday, January 18, 4:30 p.m.**  
Explore your creative side with this monthly series. We'll provide the supplies and instruction on different types of art forms, you bring the imagination!

**Teen Art Adventures:  
Mixed Media Art  
Fairview Shores Branch**

**Thursday, January 19, 4:30 p.m.**  
Do you love art? Have you tried mixing different types of art? If not, this program is for you!

**Seeing 20/20 in 2023**

**West Oaks Branch**  
**Friday, January 20, 4:30 p.m.**  
Don't be blindsided in the new year! Create a clear picture for where you want to go with a vision board.

**Art Club**

**Winter Garden Branch**  
**Saturday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.**  
Try out new artistic techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists!

**Music Battles**

**South Trail Branch**  
**Thursday, January 26, 4:30 p.m.**  
Put your knowledge to the test. Tune into some lullaby renditions from popular musical artists such as Adele, Foo Fighters and Coldplay for a little competition.

**Teen Book Club  
Alafaya Branch**

**Sunday, January 29, 1:30 p.m.**  
Discuss a monthly novel, talk about your favorite books and celebrate all things YA in Teen Book Club!

**Reggaeton Rhythms  
South Trail Branch**

**Tuesday, January 31, 4:30 p.m.**  
Explore reggaeton's cultural significance to Puerto Rico through interactive trivia, music and basic Spanish. Then channel your inner Lin-Manuel Miranda to write your own rap.



**Money Mondays!  
A Perfect Fit: Finding the  
Right Career for You!**

**Virtual**  
**Monday, January 23, 5 p.m.**  
#CAREERGOALS! Explore your career goals and create a plan for reaching them, discover career and income options, and understand how entrepreneurship can impact a career path.

**Money Mondays!  
Keeping Score:  
Why Credit Matters!**

**Virtual**  
**Monday, January 30, 5 p.m.**  
Give yourself credit for learning about credit! Learn strategies for understanding credit reports and scores to help you make smart money decisions.





## LIBRARY LOCATIONS

**Orlando Public Library**  
101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*  
*Sunday: 1–6 p.m.* 🕒

**Alafaya Branch**  
12000 E. Colonial Drive, Orlando, FL 32826  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*  
*Sunday: 1–6 p.m.* 🕒

**Chickasaw Branch**  
870 N. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando, FL 32825  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Eatonville Branch**  
200 E. Kennedy Blvd., Eatonville, FL 32751  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Fairview Shores Branch**  
902 Lee Road, Suite 26, Orlando, FL 32810  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Hiawasse Branch**  
7391 W. Colonial Drive, Orlando, FL 32818  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**North Orange Branch**  
1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*  
*Sunday: 1–6 p.m.* 🕒

**South Creek Branch**  
1702 Deerfield Blvd., Orlando, FL 32837  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*  
*Sunday: 1–6 p.m.* 🕒

## Sunday Hours: 🕒

**South Trail Branch**  
4600 S. Orange Blossom Tr.,  
Orlando, FL 32839  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Southeast Branch**  
5575 S. Semoran Blvd.,  
Orlando, FL 32822  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Southwest Branch**  
7255 Della Drive, Orlando, FL 32819  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Washington Park Branch**  
5151 Raleigh St., Suite A., Orlando, FL 32811  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center**  
1821 E. Silver Star Road, Ocoee, FL 34761  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*  
*Sunday: 1–6 p.m.* 🕒

**Windermere Branch**  
530 Main St., Windermere, FL 34786  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

**Winter Garden Branch**  
805 E. Plant St., Winter Garden, FL 34787  
*Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.*  
*Friday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.*

## BOOK DROP LOCATIONS

**Horizon West Book Drop**  
Hamlin Town Center  
14416 Shoreside Way,  
Winter Garden, FL 34787

**Lake Nona Book Drop**  
Valencia College Lake Nona Campus  
12350 Narcoossee Rd.,  
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*Materials placed in book drops are  
picked up and returned to the  
library Monday–Saturday.*

## CLOSURES



**New Year's**  
All Locations:  
*Saturday, December 31–*  
*Monday, January 2*

**Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday**  
All Locations:  
*Sunday, January 15–*  
*Monday, January 16*

**Eatonville Branch**  
*Saturday, January 28*

**Año Nuevo**  
Todos las localidades:  
*el sábado, 31 de diciembre–*  
*el lunes, 2 de enero*

**Conmemoración del cumpleaños  
de Martin Luther King Jr.**  
Todos las localidades:  
*el domingo, 15 de enero–*  
*el lunes, 16 de enero*

**Eatonville Branch**  
*el sábado, 28 de enero*



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