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HOUSE DISTRICT 35 PRIMARY EARLY VOTING

ALAFAYA BRANCH Saturday October 28 – Sunday November 5

HOUSE DISTRICT 35 GENERAL ELECTION VOTING

ALAFAYA BRANCH Saturday January 6 – Sunday January 14



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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Next Board of Trustees Meeting:

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Thursday, August 17, 6 p.m.

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Next Friends of the Library Board of Directors Meeting:

Hiawassee Branch Wednesday, August 16, Noon

FROM THE DIRECTOR

n January 7, when we officially kicked off our 100 Year Celebration, we shared the news that Sorosis of Orlando Woman's Club had donated \$100,000 to help us bring mobile services back to Orange County. We're using that money to support the purchase of book bikes and a bookmobile that can help us get books, library card applications and other resources into the community.

Well, I'm thrilled to share that our first book bicycle has made its debut in downtown Orlando! In mid-July, staff piloted the bike into Lake Eola Park to test it out in public. They learned a few things about how it works (it turns out the turning radius on a cargo bike is extremely wide), and they're now preparing to bring it to an event near you!

At this time, we hope to bring the bike to some select events happening in August, including the Florida Kids and Family Expo at the Orange County Convention Center August 12–13, and the BLK Joy festival, taking place August 19 at Lake Lorna Doone Park.

The bike will be equipped with library literature, giveaways and (of course) books!

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Keep an eye out for our book bike the next time you're at an event or enjoying a local park (photos below, so you know what it looks like). Take a photo or a selfie with the bike and post it to social media with the hashtag #OCLSBookBike and tell us what you think. Many thanks to Sorosis of Orlando Woman's Club for helping us bring this book bike to life.



And looking ahead, we have a partnership in the works with OUC to bring a second book bike to Orlando. As you may know, OUC is also celebrating 100 years of service in 2023 and kicked off its celebration on June 26. We're proud to partner with them in honor of this shared milestone, and we're looking forward to working with them on some exciting projects in the coming year. Congratulations, OUC!



OUC100 A Century of Reliability



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REACHING OUT: A COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, August 6, 2-3:30 p.m.

Connect with local community services. Various organizations will discuss the services they provide, including Orange County Library System. Participating organizations include the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. Alzheimer's Association - Central and North Florida Chapter, The Center, Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County, Inc., Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, IDignity, Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association. Inc., Miracle of Love, New Hope for Kids, Operation New Hope, Orlando VA, and Victim Service Center.



EXPLORE ORANGE COUNTY CHALLENGE FOR ADULTS

ocls.beanstack.org August 1-31

Discover the City Beautiful and everything Orange County has to offer through fun activities! Log your progress, including readings and book reviews to earn badges and enter for a chance to win a prize.

Reel Conversations: A Library Film Club

Tuesday, August 1, 7-8:30 p.m.

Reel Conversations: A Library Film Club discusses the themes and importance of a different movie each month. All films are available to watch beforehand for free on Kanopy.

Tea Social Hour

North Orange Branch

Wednesdays, August 2 & 16, 5 p.m.

Need to unwind? Listen to music, snag a sweet treat with your cuppa, relax and chat while the library provides a meditative art activity.

Adult Game Time

Windermere Branch

Saturdays, August 5-26, 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.

Drawing 101: Artist Hour Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, August 5, 3:30 p.m.

Bring your own drawing project or use our supplies to practice drawing each month! Our teacher will be available to give tips on drawing basics. Recommended for ages 18 and up. Registration required.

All Levels Yoga

Monday, August 7, 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.

Organizing for Student Success Virtual

Monday, August 7, 11 a.m.

Jane Cole, a certified professional organizer, will present best practices and tips that help parents and students create an educational environment for positive results.

Plant Clinic

Alafaya Branch Thursday, August 10, 2-4 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, August 12, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 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.

Yoga for Core Strength Virtual

Thursday, August 10, 7 p.m.

This all-levels yoga class focuses on stabilizing poses to build focus, core strength and better control of your body's overall balance. Presented by certified yoga instructor Dana Brady.

Semamori Paper Stitched Patterns

Friday, August 11, 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.

Comic Strip Creations Winter Garden Branch

Friday, August 11, 4 p.m.

Come create a three-panel comic strip bookmark and take a free comic! Recommended for ages 6

Beginner Line Dancing Southwest Branch

Saturday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

Learn beginner line dances to all types of music and discover a great way to exercise and have fun. Partners not needed. Non-stick sole shoes recommended. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Financial Literacy -**Preparing With Proper Protection** South Creek Branch

Saturday, August 12, 11 a.m.

Understanding your finances is the first step to financial freedom. In this six-part series. determine how to protect your money and take control of your finances.

Altered Books Workshop Southwest Branch

Saturday, August 12, 2-4:15 p.m.

Junk journal, scrapbook, diary? Bring your imagination and join us to discover the possibilities of altered books. Recommended for ages 18 and up. Registration required.

Dungeons & Dragons at the Library! West Oaks Branch

Saturday, August 12, 2:30-5:30 p.m. Have you heard about D&D and want to see what it's all about? Are you an experienced player looking for a new party? Join us at the library where every event is a new adventure! Recommended for ages 16 and up.

Healthy Relationships: What a Healthy Relationship Looks Like Virtual

Monday, August 14, 11 a.m.

Part three of Victim Service Center of Central Florida's series. Identify the characteristics of healthy, unhealthy and abusive relationships through interactive scenarios. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Water Wise Neighbor Hiawassee Branch

Wednesday, August 16, 3-6 p.m.

Stop by to learn about the water conservation resources offered by Orange County Utilities and have an opportunity to receive a high-efficiency water device.

Sketching 101 Virtual

Friday, August 18, 11 a.m.

Learn the basics of sketching through the use of simple art techniques and observing the world around you. All you need is a no. 2 pencil, colored pencils, paper and paper towels.

Classical Music & Painting South Trail Branch

Saturday, August 19, 11 a.m.

Create guided art while listening to classical music and letting it influence your art. Presented by Central Florida Community Arts, a continuum of arts education and experiences for a lifetime.

Puzzle Swap South Creek Branch

Saturday, August 19, 2:30 p.m.

Finished with an old puzzle and looking for something new? Stop by and swap an old puzzle for a new-to-vou one. Please bring at least one complete puzzle for adults.

Chair Yoga Virtual

Monday, August 21, 9 a.m.

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair voga sequence for all levels. Tap into the strength. balance, flexibility and relaxation that your body can provide you. Requires use of a chair.

Podcast Listening Club: Ethics in Artificial Intelligence Dr. P. Phillips YMCA

7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819 Monday, August 21, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Join us at Foxtail Coffee Co. at Dr. Phillips YMCA to discuss ethics in artificial intelligence. Podcasts focus on kev ethical concerns when it comes to Al and how they might impact us. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Therapeutic Pottery Program West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, August 22, 1:30-3 p.m.

Learn about the history of clay and the benefits to your body of working with clay while being led through a step-by-step air-dry clay pottery event. Recommended for ages 18 and up. Registration required.

Homeownership Program Hiawassee Branch

Saturday, August 26, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Is it a good time to buy a home? How much can I afford? How do I qualify for a loan? You may get help with closing costs.

Eatonville Weekend Wellness Workshop Eatonville Branch

Saturday, August 26, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Learn from a social worker how to navigate government and agency websites with help in completing forms, eligibility and required documentation.

Financial Literacy -Your Health and Wealth **South Creek Branch**

Saturday, August 26, 11 a.m.

Understanding your finances is the first step to financial freedom. Learn how to build wealth, grow your money and take control of your finances in this six-part series.

Advanced Improv Games With Power2Improv

Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, August 27, 3-5 p.m.

Participate in an advanced improv workshop that focuses on games that are physical, dramatic and highly interactive with the audience.

Best-Tea Mugs

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Tuesday, August 29, 5:30 p.m.

Bring your bestie and decorate your very own friendship mugs. Registration required.

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MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY

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SHANNON RAE '80S Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, August 20, 2 p.m. Seasoned vocalist Shannon Rae will perform adored classics from our past. Hear songs every generation will enjoy, you might even catch yourself singing along.

Romanza

Orlando Public Library, Library Central Saturday, August 12, 2 p.m.

Duo Arpeggione brings music to life with power, expression, virtuosity and flawless ensemble. Hear works that explore the lyrical side of the cello with the versatility and power of the piano.



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BOOK CLUBS

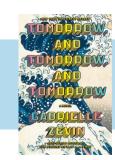
Y READ: BOOK READ ALOUD

Dr. P. Phillips YMCA

7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819

Saturdays, August 5-26, 2-3:30 p.m.

Experience the joy and camaraderie of reading a book aloud with others at Y Read Book Club, hosted by the Dr. P. Phillips YMCA and Southwest Branch. Meetings will be held in the Dr. P. Phillips YMCA Conference Room. Recommended for ages 18 and up.



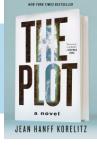
Alafaya Book Club Virtual

Thursday, August 10, 7 p.m.
The Alafaya Book Club's August selection is Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin.



Southwest Book Club Southwest Branch Friday, August 18, 2–3:30 p.m. Virtual

Tuesday, August 22, 7–8:45 p.m. Discuss the international bestseller Foster by prize-winning Irish author Claire Keegan.
A story of childhood, loss and love. Registration required.
Recommended for ages 18 and up.



Hiawassee Book Club Virtual

Monday, August 21, 7–8:30 p.m. In August the Hiawassee Book Club will discuss *The Plot* by Jean Hanff Korelitz.



Winter Garden Book Club Virtual

Thursday, August 31, 6 p.m.
Join us as we discuss Lilac Girls
by Martha Hall Kelly. This
runaway international bestseller
reveals the power of unsung
women to change history in
their quest for love, freedom and
second chances.

WRITERS CORNER

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WRITING WORKSHOP: DEVELOPING VOICE & STYLE

Virtual

Tuesday, August 15, 7 p.m.
Readers will forgive a lot if the authorial voice speaks to them.
Author and editor Lorin Oberweger will discuss how to develop sentence-level writing skills to improve your narrative voice and style.



Publishing Contracts for Short FictionVirtual

Thursday, August 3, 7 p.m.
Literary agent and contracts
manager Rebecca Matte will discuss
what to look out for in publishing
contracts for short stories and other
shorter works.

Writing Workshop: Infodumping vs. Infolding Virtual

Friday, August 4, 7 p.m. Writers know that "infodumping" is bad, but what exactly is it and how do you provide info without dumping it? Literary agent Keir Alekseii will discuss how to infold info without dumping.

What To Expect After Your First Book Is Published Virtual

Tuesday, August 8, 7 p.m.
A lot of writing advice is focused on getting that first book contract, but what's next? Literary agent Kaitlyn Katsoupis will discuss what happens after your first book is traditionally published.

OCLS Writer's Group

Sunday, August 13, 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.

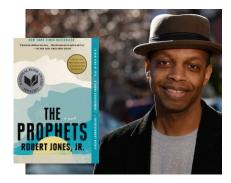
MEET THE AUTHOR

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AUTHOR TALK WITH CASSANDRA CLARE Virtual Wednesday, August 23, 8 p.m. Join us for an exciting evening online as we chat with mega-bestselling author Cassandra Clare about her newest and final book in The Last Hours series, Chain of Thorns. Chain of Thorns THELAST HOURS BEDG TRAIT CLASS ANDRA CLARE Virtual Wednesday, August 23, 8 p.m. Join us for an exciting evening online as we chat with mega-bestselling author Cassandra Clare about her newest and final book in The Last Hours series, Chain of Thorns THELAST HOURS BEDG TRAIT CLASS ANDRA CLARE CLASS ANDRA CLASS ANDRA CLARE CLASS ANDRA CLASS ANDRA CLARE CLASS ANDRA CL

Author Talk With Robert Jones Jr. Virtual

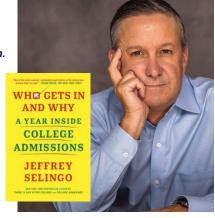
Tuesday, August 15, 4 p.m. Join us for an engaging hour online with New York Times bestselling author Robert Jones, Jr., as he discusses his award-winning debut novel, The Prophets.



Author Talk With Jeff Selingo

Virtual

Wednesday, August 30, 2 p.m. Spend an hour with bestselling author Jeff Selingo, who immersed himself in the world of college admissions for a year to answer the question: how do colleges select their freshman class?











GENEALOGY 101

West Oaks Branch Friday, August 11, 3 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.

Mastering Genealogical Documentation Study Group

Virtual

Tuesdays, August 1-15 & 29, 1 p.m. Join us for our Mastering Genealogical Proof study group focusing on genealogical documentation.

File Your Piles: **Digital Organization for Genealogy** Virtual

Wednesday, August 2, 6:30 p.m. Learn how to digitize and organize your genealogical files.

Advanced Searching on Ancestry.com Virtual

Thursday, August 3, 12 p.m.

Learn how to make the most out of your searches on Ancestry Library Edition and Ancestry.com.

Facts vs. Stories: Writing for Genealogy Virtual

Wednesday, August 9, 6:30 p.m.

Learn how to turn your family history facts into engaging stories that your relatives will want to read.

Building Your Family Tree on Ancestry.com Virtual

Thursday, August 10, 12 p.m. Discover all of the tools and resources Ancestry.com has to help you build your family tree online.

Periodical Source Index (PERSI)

Wednesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.

Discover how to use PERSI to further your genealogical research.

Exploring DNA Tools on Ancestry.com Virtual

Thursday, August 17, 12 p.m.

Learn about the latest tools Ancestry.com has developed to assist you in working with your DNA matches

Hard to Find Ancestors

Virtual

Wednesday, August 30, 6:30 p.m. Join us as we discuss techniques you can use to find your ancestors even if they didn't leave a large trail of records behind.

Exploring FamilySearch.org

Thursday, August 31, 12 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



MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION ON LIVING WITH DIABETES

LIFE Information for Elders Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Thursday, August 17, 12:10 p.m.

Join Dr. Jorge Nazario, M.D., EliteCare Health Centers, as he discusses living with and managing diabetes, as well as treatment options available. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446. Seating is limited. Registration required.

Adult Karaoke Night Fairview Shores Branch

August 3 & 17, 5:30-6:45 p.m. Bring on the night by singing! Come on in and sing your way through the karaoke night!

Medicare 101 South Trail Branch Monday, August 7, 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.

Keeping Seniors in the Know Open Forum Smarter Senior Seminar Series Chickasaw Branch

Friday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

Have your questions about aging in today's world answered. Discuss senior living options, independent/ assisted/memory care, legal, downsizing and more. Space is limited. Registration required.

Medicare Help Desk

South Trail Branch Monday, August 21, 1–3 p.m. Join Collette Rance, a former teacher and experienced Medicare scholar, for a one-on-one session to discuss your Medicare questions and needs. Registration required.

Qigong Movement and Breathing

Wednesday, August 23, 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.

JOBSEEKERS

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LEVEL UP ORANGE **NEIGHBORHOOD NAVIGATORS**

South Trail Branch Wednesday, August 2, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Thursday, August 10, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **North Orange Branch**

Wednesday, August 16, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. **Washington Park Branch**

Thursday, August 24, 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.





A proud partner of the americanjobcenter° **Career Academy: Perfecting Your Resume** Orlando Public Library Tuesday, August 22, 2:30 p.m.

Get noticed! Elevate your job application with best practices in crafting a resume and cover letter.

Career Academy: Interview Like A Pro **Orlando Public Library**

Tuesday, August 29, 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.

LANGUAGE LEARNING

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

ENGLISH FROM ZERO

English from Zero is a series of vocabulary classes that follow the Oxford Picture Dictionary outline to address fundamental English vocabulary needed for everyday life.

Southeast Branch Tuesdays, August 1, 8 & 29, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, August 2, 9 & 30, 2:30 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch Tuesdays, August 1-29, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Windermere Branch Wednesdays, August 2-30, 3:30 p.m. Thursdays, August 3-31, 4:45-6:15 p.m.

Chickasaw Branch Thursdays, August 3-31, 11 a.m.-12:15 a.m. Fridays, August 4 & 18, 11 a.m.-12:15 a.m. Mondays, August 7-28, 5:30 p.m. Saturdays, August 12 & 26, 11 a.m.-12:15 a.m.

Alafaya Branch Saturdays, August 5 & 26, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch Fridays, August 4-25, 4:30-5:45 p.m.

South Trail Branch Wednesdays, August 9-30, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Fridays, August 11-25, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Wednesdays, August 2-30, 3-4:30 p.m. Thursdays, August 3-31, 12:30 p.m. Thursdays, August 3-31, 6 p.m. Mondays, August 7-28, 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays, August 9-30, 3-4:30 p.m.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION HOUR

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

Chickasaw Branch Fridays, August 4 & 18, 12:30 p.m. Thursdays, August 3-31, 12:30 p.m. Saturdays, August 12 & 26, 12:30 p.m.

South Trail Branch Fridays, August 4-25, 2 p.m. Wednesdays, August 2, 9 & 30, 4 p.m.

Windermere Branch Fridays, August 4-25, 3:30 p.m. **Alafava Branch** Saturdays, August 5 & 26, Noon

Virtual Tuesdays, August 1-29, 6 p.m. Wednesdays, August 2-30, Noon Thursdays, August 3-31, 2 p.m. Mondays, August 7-28, 4:15 p.m.

Making Cents: Your Money In English **South Creek Branch**

Wednesdays, August 2-16, 4 p.m. In this six-week series, you will learn the English skills needed to manage your money in the USA.

Practice Makes Perfect Chickasaw Branch

Thursdays, August 3-31, 2-3:30 p.m. Practice Makes Perfect are English conversation classes that are led by Adult Literacy League volunteers.

English for Families South Trail Branch

Thursday, August 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m. English for Families is a series of interactive classes for parents and children (ages 6-12) that focuses on developing English vocabulary and literacy skills through strategic and fun story reading.

Introducción Al Inglés **South Trail Branch**

Fridays, August 4-25, 4-5:30 p.m. Introducción al Inglés está diseñada y enfocada en Hispanohablantes interesados en aprender el idioma del Inglés comenzando desde lo mas básico y desarrollando vocabulario, gramática y conversación.



Speaking Clearly Beginners South Creek Branch Tuesdays, August 1–29, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays, August 3–24, 10:30 a.m. Southeast Branch Friday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, August 4 & 18, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, August 12 & 26, 2:30 p.m. This pronunciation class is the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation.

Speaking Clearly Intermediate South Creek Branch

Tuesdays, August 1–29, 1 p.m. Thursdays, August 3–24, 1 p.m. Southeast Branch Tuesdays, August 1, 8 & 29, 2 p.m.
This pronunciation class is designed

spelling and pronunciation of English words and phrases.

Speaking Clearly Advanced

Mondays, August 7–28, 10:30 a.m. This course is designed for students who want to improve their speaking and presentation skills.



Writing Clearly Beginners

Tuesday, August 1-29, 10:30 a.m. Join us for a virtual meeting using Zoom where we will review different grammar points in English and basic sentence writing.

Writing Clearly Intermediate Southeast Branch Thursdays, August 3, 10 & 31, 1:30 p.m.

Writing Clearly is a grammar and writing course that focuses on complex grammar ideas, including sentence structures, phrases and

Language Classes

Intermediate Spanish Virtual

Wednesdays, August 2-30, 10:30 a.m. Intermediate Spanish is designed to introduce learners to Spanish grammar by focusing on the parts of speech, verb conjugations, sentence structure and vocabulary building.

Beginner Mandarin Chinese For Adults

Alafava Branch Sunday, August 27, 3 p.m.

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

Spanish From Zero **Basics With Ms. Brenda** Virtual

Tuesdays, August 15-29, 4 p.m. Come and learn Spanish basics and grammar with Ms. Brenda.

Spanish Pronunciation With Ms. Brenda Virtual

Tuesdays, August 15-29, 5 p.m. Learn all about Spanish pronunciation with Ms. Brenda.

Open Lab Learn a Language: Spanish

Southeast Branch Thursdays, August 17-31, 3 p.m.

Learn basic Spanish with Ms. Brenda. **Open Lab Learn Spanish**

Pronunciation Southeast Branch Thursdays, August 17-31, 4 p.m. Learn all about Spanish pronunciation with Ms. Brenda.



FIBER ARTS

FALL INTO FIBER ARTS

Fiber art is a hobby that everyone can enjoy. Start the fall by discovering a new craft. This is a great time to learn and start working on those handmade holiday gifts all your family and friends will love!



Introduction to the Sewing MachineNorth Orange Branch

Saturday, August 5, 2–4 p.m.
Monday, August 14, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Friday, August 18, 10 a.m.–Noon
Thursday, August 24, 10 a.m.–Noon
Sunday, August 27, 1:30–3:30 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.

Sewing: Patterns and Fabric Orlando Public Library Fridav. August 25. 10 a.m.-Noon

Monday, August 28, 10 a.m.–Noon
Reading the hieroglyphics on a sewing pattern
can be quite intimidating. Learn to read a
professional sewing pattern, how to layout
fabric and prepare material for a project.

Sewing: Overnight Bag – Advanced Level

Orlando Public Library Tuesdays, August 15-September 5, 10 a.m.-Noon & 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Get ready for your vacation by making a quilted overnight bag in this eight-part series. Students are required to bring fabric and notions.

Let's Crochet Level 1South Trail Branch

Saturday, August 12, 3-5 p.m.

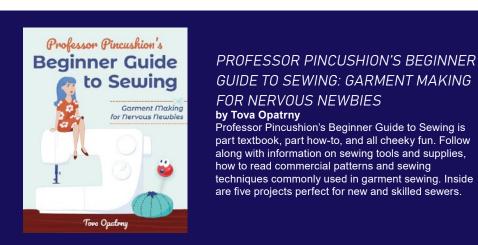
Start crocheting today! Learn basic techniques while creating your first project, a bookmark for your favorite read. Techniques include creating a slip knot, chaining and single crochet stitches.

Let's Knit Level 1 South Trail Branch

Wednesday, August 2, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Start knitting today! Learn basic techniques while creating your first project, a bookmark for your favorite read. Techniques include casting on, the knit stitch and binding off.

Let's Knit Level 2 South Trail Branch Saturday, August 26, 3–5 p.m.

Level up your knitting. Learn how to combine knit and purl stitches to create smooth fabric. Techniques include the purl stitch, counting stitches and rows, using stitch markers and fabric sides.



TECHNOLOGY

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BACK TO BUSINESS

Maybe you're thinking about starting a business. Perhaps you're getting back into the workforce. We have some classes for you!

RESUME WRITING

Orlando Public Library Tuesday, August 1, 3 p.m. Monday, August 28, 10:30 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Saturday, August 5, 10:15 a.m. **South Trail Branch** Thursday, August 10, 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 15, 3:15 p.m. **Southwest Branch** Saturday, August 12, 10:30 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Wednesday, August 23, 10:15 a.m. Bring your resume to the top of the pile. Learn how to plan, create and format a professionallooking resume using built-in templates in Microsoft Word and library resources.



QuickBooks Pro Level 1
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, August 5, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 17, 1 p.m.
Learn the basic features of QuickBooks
Pro and how it can be used to organize
your business finances. Explore the
environment and master the basic
concepts of a balance sheet.

QuickBooks Pro Level 2
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 17, 2:45 p.m.
Learn how to set up a new company
profile including the Vendor Center,
Customer Center and adding Items.

QuickBooks Pro Level 3
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, August 19, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 24, 1 p.m.
Learn how to record different types
of business transactions such as
posting accounts payable and
accounts receivable. Also, generate
financial reports for your company.

SEARCH AND APPLY FOR JOBS

Orlando Public Library Tuesday, August 1, 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, August 29, 10:30 a.m. **South Trail Branch** Wednesday, August 9, 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 15, 2 p.m. **North Orange Branch** Saturday, August 19, 10:15 a.m. **Southwest Branch** Saturday, August 19, 10:30 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Wednesday, August 23, 11:30 a.m. Become familiar with popular iob search websites and common questions asked on job applications. Learn how to use various internet resources to search and apply for jobs.



Microsoft 365 Basics
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, August 2, 3 p.m.
Southwest Branch
Thursday, August 3, 10:15 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, August 8, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, August 30, 10:30 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Saturday, August 12, 10:15 a.m.
Discover how you can use Microsoft's powerful productivity tools to connect and collaborate with your team. Learn how to access apps, store and share files.

Microsoft OneNote Fundamentals

Southwest Branch
Thursday, August 3, 11:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, August 8, 4:15 p.m.
Thursday, August 31, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, August 9, 3 p.m.
North Orange Branch
Saturday, August 12, 11:30 a.m.
Boost your productivity with Microsoft's

powerful note-taking app. Learn how to organize your pages, revise your notes and collaborate with your team.



100 YEAR CELEBRATION

EVERY MONTH DURING 2023. WE CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY BY HIGHLIGHTING EACH DECADE THE LIBRARY HAS BEEN OPEN WITH SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROGRAMS THAT ILLUMINATE OUR HISTORY AND ENHANCE OUR PRESENT. IN AUGUST, WE LOOK BACK AT THE 1980S.



100 YEARS OF OCLS: 1923-2023

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Sunday, August 13, 2 p.m.

Celebrate 100 Years of OCLS by exploring people, events, locations and initiatives that have shaped our path to the award-winning library system we are today. Discover why our future looks so bright.

Dancing Through the Decades Southeast Branch

Friday, August 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

100 Years of Art **Eatonville Branch** Tuesday, August 15, 3:30 p.m. Explore art styles through the

children ages 5 and up.

decades as we celebrate the library's 100th birthday! Recommended for families with children ages 6 and up.

Jumpin' Jubilee **Hiawassee Branch** Tuesday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate with stories. songs, dancing and crafts in honor of the library's 100th birthday! Recommended for ages 18-36 months.

STEM 100

South Creek Branch Tuesday, August 8, 10:30 a.m. What does 100 look like? How can we use 100 of something? Celebrate 100 years of the library in STEM stations by completing different activities, each using 100 items. Recommended for ages 3-5.

Centipede's 100 Shoes **Orlando Public Library** Wednesday, August 9, 10:30 a.m. Winter Garden Branch Tuesday, August 22, 10:30 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! Recommended for ages 3-5.

September 1980

Voters approve the library expansion referendum and the establishment of Orange County Library Service District

April 1981

Local architectural firm Schweizer Associates, Inc. is awarded the design contract for expanding and renovating Orlando Public Library

July 1981

Mrs. Julia Bennett sells her property at 130 Wall St. to the library

September 1981

The Fort Gatlin Branch moves into a 10,000 square foot building and becomes South Trail Branch

November 1982

Great Southwest Corporation is awarded the construction contract for the library expansion

December 1982

Groundbreaking ceremony is



One Hundred Years of Picture Books Windermere Branch

Saturday, August 5, 11 a.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.

Let's Knit a Timeless Herringbone Clutch Bag Southwest Branch Tuesdays,

August 1 & 29, 10:15 a.m.-Noon Celebrate OCLS's 100th birthday by knitting the decades with us in this two-part series. This month's featured pattern is a timeless herringbone clutch. Learn how to knit the herringbone stitch. seam and create the button

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Wednesdays,

August 9 & 30, 11 a.m.-1 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.

100 Year Celebration Challenge for Adults ocls.beanstack.org January 1- December 31

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

OCLS IN THE 1980s

April 1984 The new Washington Park Branch opens on Raleigh Street, combining Booker T. Washington and Washington Shores branches

March 1985

The 1966 library building closes to move into the expanded areas

April 1985

The library expansion officially opens to the public

January 1986

The new Southeast Branch library opens

April 1986

The official grand opening ceremony celebrates both the expansion and remodeling of Orlando Public Library

March 1989

The new Southwest Branch opens a 14,000-square-foot building in the Dr. Phillips area



A Decade in Film: 1980s

THE HISTORY OF ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM: **GLENN MILLER AND** THE ORLANDO PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPANSION

BY ANDREA JACKSON, MARKETING SPECIALIST

lenn Miller got his start in libraries at an early age. At 16, he was a clerk at Saginaw Public Library in Michigan, and during college, he worked as a reference assistant. After graduating, Miller became the city librarian in Southfield, MI before he and his family moved to Winter Park, Florida, where he accepted the role as Orlando Public Library's assistant director in 1969.



November 1970 ushered in an era of change when Glenn Miller became the director of Orlando Public Library, where he served for 25 years until retirement in 1995. Miller's focus remained on finding ways to better serve the average library user whom he referred to as "Harry Smith."

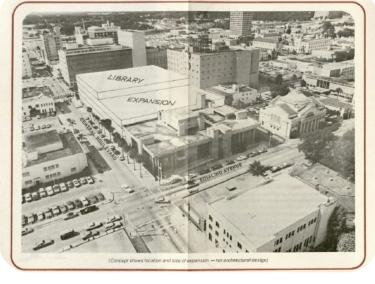
John Martin, former branch administrator, reflected, "Glenn Miller was all about delivering the best library service possible to the library user in the most costeffective manner ... He looked at everything in the light of what it would mean to Harry Smith. Every program, every service, every clever idea was met with the question. 'What's this got to do with library service?' And if there was not a clear answer, then he would not buy into it."

Some of his biggest accomplishments include installing drive through pickup windows, starting Books-by-Mail and the creation of a special library tax district to provide the library with security and autonomy separate from the county.

"He believed in libraries and their importance in communities. He sought ways in which to bring the library to the user rather than the user to the library way before we had internet access to our services." Debbie Moss, former assistant director shared.

Due to the rapidly growing population in Central Florida. it became apparent that the Orlando Public Library building was unable to meet the public's needs. Miller's commitment to serving the community helped facilitate the Pull for the Library campaign, which encouraged residents to vote in favor of a proposed library expansion. On September 9, 1980, the referendum passed by a 58% margin.

The groundbreaking ceremony took place on December 7, 1982. Construction soon followed. Adding 230,000 square feet to the building was guite an undertaking. A pamphlet titled "How to Preserve Your Tranquility During the



On April 6, 1986, the grand opening celebration welcomed visitors to the library we use today. One notable detail included in the design was automated doors to the entrance on Central Boulevard.

In an interview about the library's grand opening, Glenn Miller said, "Service to people is the force behind the building. Our primary mission hasn't changed, isn't going to change. I want this library to maintain and enhance its credibility with the people who are paving for it by giving them the information they need. Budgets and buildings aren't the important thing. Harry Smith is the important thing."

OCLS comptroller said. "Due to the internet, library service has changed dramatically since Mr. Miller retired in 1995. Books-by-Mail continues to be a very popular service and one that's still not offered by many large public libraries. We have all grown accustomed to retailers delivering items to our doorstep within days. but OCLS was providing that service over 40 years ago. We have Glenn Miller to thank for that.

During his tenure, Miller was

known for his innovation as he sought to expand the library and

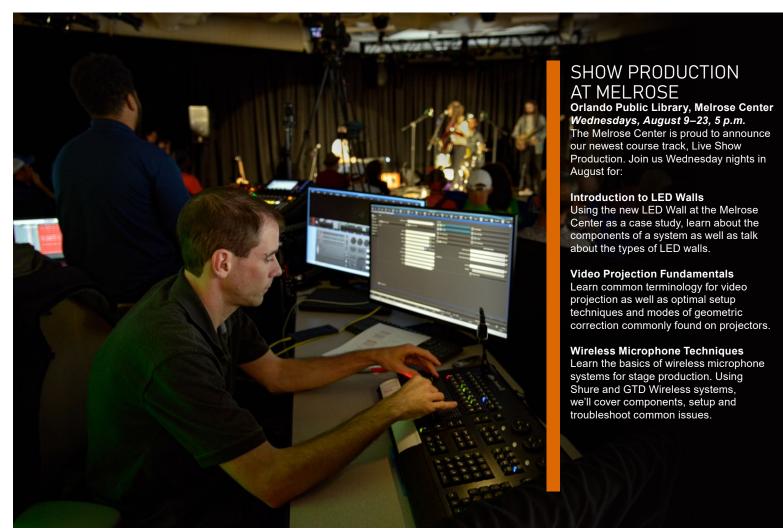
develop services. Even today, he's

remembered. Bob Tessier, former

Expansion of the Orlando Public Library" was provided to customers with helpful information such as alternate parking, nearby branches and how to use Books-by-Mail.

Other additions included story rooms for the Children's Library, meeting rooms and permanent locations for many departments. John Martin shared, "[Miller] wanted to build a building that would last forever but would be flexible for the changing needs over time."

MELROSE CENTER





BOOMBOX BLOCK PARTY A FABLAB AND AUDIO JOINT

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Sunday, August 13, 2 p.m.

The Melrose FabLab and Melrose Audio crews are teaming up to build that staple of all great 1980s block parties - the boombox! Learn how these boxes work as you build one from the boards up.

8-Bit Shadowboxes - Mixed Media Pixel Art **Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center** Saturday, August 26, 3 p.m.

Tune to channel 3 and flip the switch on your console – it's time to jump into an 8-bit wonderland of your making! Pay homage to your favorite console games of the 1980s with artwork you design and assemble from laser-cut and 3D-printed elements.



Orange County Library System wants to express our deepest appreciation to the generous sponsors of this year's Summer at Your Library. Their support is invaluable. We are incredibly fortunate to work with local businesses that believe in the library's mission and contribute to making a positive difference in the lives of our community.

Thanks to their sponsorship, the library was able to provide an enriching and memorable experience for the thousands of children participating in Summer at Your Library. Their contributions played a vital role in enabling us to offer a wide range of educational incentives and prizes for young readers, empowering the youth in our community to learn, grow and connect.

































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SOLAR ECLIPSE

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Two solar eclipses are coming to North America – an Annular Eclipse on October 14, 2023 and a Total Solar Eclipse on April 8, 2024. Thanks to a grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation and a supplement to the NASA @ My Library Project, the Space Science Institute's STAR Net team is providing solar viewing glasses to public libraries. To receive your solar viewing glasses (while supplies last) you must attend a program presented by Orange County Library System related to the upcoming eclipses.









Winter Garden Branch Wednesday, August 9, 3:30 p.m. **Windermere Branch** Saturday, August 19, 11 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Wednesday, August 23, 3:30 p.m. **South Trail Branch** Monday, August 28, 4 p.m. **Alafaya Branch** Wednesday, August 30, 4 p.m. Discover how scientists work to keep astronauts safe from radiation in space. Create and craft a creature with a built-in UV-radiation "detector! Recommended for families with children ages 4 and up. Bear's Shadow

Way Back When the Dragons

Wednesday, August 2, 11 a.m.

solar eclipse! Learn how ancient

Recommended for ages 6-12.

Saturday, August 5, 3 p.m.

Monday, August 28, 4:30 p.m. Discover more about our place

in space! Introduce your child to

temperature. Recommended for

concepts such as size, distance and

families with children ages 5 and up.

Fairview Shores Branch

cultures explained an eclipse and

design your own edible sun cookie.

Let's get ready for October's

Ate the Sun

West Oaks Branch

Registration required.

Sorting Games

UV Kid

South Trail Branch

Saturday, August 19, 3 p.m. **Southeast Branch** Monday, August 21, 10:15 a.m. **South Creek Branch** Saturday, August 26, 2:30 p.m. Virtual Tuesday, August 22, 11 a.m. How do shadows work? Follow bear in this interactive storytime as he discovers how shadows are made. Recommended for families with children ages 3-8.

Friday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

Hiawassee Branch

South Trail Branch

Sun Cookies South Creek Branch Saturday, August 12, 2:30 p.m. **Hiawassee Branch** Thursday, August 24, 4:30 p.m. Southeast Branch Friday, August 25, 4 p.m. Create a model of the sun that you can eat! Use candy pieces and a

cookie to make a delicious treat.

Eclipse Bingo Hiawassee Branch Saturday, August 12, 4 p.m. Learn some fun astronomy facts while enjoying a game of family bingo.

Southwest Homeschool Club Southwest Branch Mondays, August 14 & 28, 1 p.m. Join us for math, science, history, art and literature-based learning to support your homeschool curriculum. Recommended for ages 9-12.

Design Your Own Solar Cupcakes South Trail Branch Monday, August 14, 4 p.m. Decorate your own cupcake inspired by the sun! Explore aspects of the sun and solar activity by modeling them as solar cupcakes. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Solar Engineer Southeast Branch Saturday, August 19, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. It's hot dog roasting time! Build your own solar hot dog roaster. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Eclipse Chalk Art Chickasaw Branch Saturday, August 19, 2 p.m. Learn how eclipse watchers used to record what they saw before modern technology. Participants will then create their very own eclipse art. Recommended for ages 3 and up

Pinhole Viewer: Shoebox Version Winter Garden Branch Wednesday, August 30, 3:30 p.m. Create a safe way to view the sun. Using a shoebox and other common materials build your own solar eclipse viewers! Recommended for families with children ages 8 and up.



CUISINE CORNER JUNIOR: TURKEY PINWHEELS

All ingredients are optional and substitutions are welcome.

Thursday, August 24, 4 p.m.

School is back and so are our appetites! Learn to create some fun and tasty lunch ideas for your back-to-school lunchbox! Recommended for families with children ages 6-8.

1 pack tortilla wraps

8 oz. deli turkey meat

8 green/red leaf lettuce leaves

4 tbsp. mayonnaise

2 tomatoes

6 slices American cheese



Mindful Start Family Yoga West Oaks Branch Wednesdays, August 2-30, 10 a.m. Winter Garden Branch Mondays, August 7-28, 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.

English for Families South Trail Branch

Thursday, August 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m. English for Families is a series of interactive classes for parents and children (ages 6-12) that focuses on developing English vocabulary and literacy skills through strategic and fun story reading.

Family Game Time Fairview Shores Branch Saturdays, August 5, 19 & 26, 10:30 a.m.

It's time for Saturday morning game-time fun! We'll have family-friendly games and activities for all ages.

Fun Family Film **South Trail Branch**

Saturdays, August 5-26, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Join us for a movie that's fun for the whole family!

ArtMazing

South Creek Branch

Saturday, August 5, 2:30 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.

Perler Bead Jewelry North Orange Branch Monday, August 7, 4:30 p.m.

Come get crafty and fuse your very own Perler bead creation. Design beautiful earrings or make a fun keychain.

Prime Time Family Reading Time South Trail Branch

Thursday, August 17-31, 5:30-7 p.m. Join us for a six-week reading and discussion program that inspires thought and conversation between children and families. Meals will be provided. Registration required.

Family Clay Time Fairview Shores Branch Friday, August 18, 3 p.m.

Do you love drawing, painting or just creating art? Well, this program may be what you're looking for! Make your very own air-dry clay project.

Plushie Animal Rescue North Orange Branch Saturday, August 19, Noon-4 p.m. Rescue your new plushie best

friend! Create a collar, cozy bed and more so they're ready for their forever home.

What Can You Do With a Potato? **West Oaks Branch**

Saturday, August 19, 3 p.m.

Turn your food prep into an experiment. Explore kitchen science and spud art at this STEAMinspired event. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up. Registration required.

Afterschool Snack: Sun Cookies Southeast Branch

Friday, August 25, 4 p.m.

Want an easy treat for after school? Look no further than our sun cookies! Participants will use candy pieces and a cookie to make a model of the sun. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Dungeons, Dragons & Libraries North Orange Branch

Saturday, August 26, 1-3 p.m. Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons? Now's your chance! Join us, adventurers, on our next quest! Recommended for families with children ages 9-15.

Family Game Time South Trail Branch

Wednesday, August 30, 3:30-5 p.m.

Go toe to toe and test your wits against your fellow kids with a variety of strategy, card and multiplayer party games. Games will be provided!

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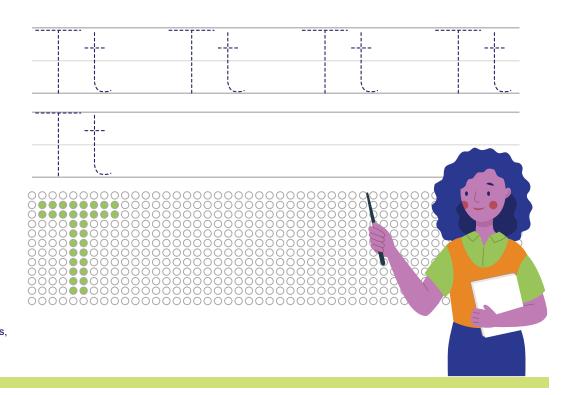
BABY AGES 0-18 MONTHS



TODDLER AGES 18-36 MONTHS



T IS FOR TEACHERS **West Oaks Branch** Tuesday, August 1, 11 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Saturday, August 12, 10:30 a.m. It's never too early to celebrate the teachers in your life! Shout hooray for teachers with stories, songs and activities. Registration required.



Artsy Toddler

Fairview Shores Branch Tuesdays, August 1-29, 10:30 a.m. Alafaya Branch Wednesday, August 9, 10:15 a.m. **Southwest Branch** Wednesday, August 30, 10:30 a.m. Learn new fine motor skills using paint, paste, glue and stamps to create!

Parachute Play North Orange Branch Tuesday, August 1, 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.

Bubble Playtime Alafaya Branch Wednesday, August 2, 10:15 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Tuesday, August 15, 11 a.m. Help your child with their motor development skills in this interactive bubble class.

Now I'm Big **Southwest Branch** Wednesday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.

Let's come together to explore our surroundings. Enhance your gross motor skills through activities that will get your large muscles movin'.

Storytime Craft North Orange Branch Wednesdays, August 2-30, 10:30 a.m. **Southwest Branch**

Thursdays, August 3-31, 10 a.m.-Noon Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft.

If You're Happy and You Know It! Windermere Branch

Monday, August 7, 10:30 a.m. Clap your hands, stomp your feet and shout hooray! Bring your little ones to celebrate with a smile.

Guitar Sing Along Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, August 8, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a brief singalong to familiar songs along with live guitar for you and your toddler.

I Can Count **Southwest Branch**

Wednesday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child explore their world with stories and activities that encourage mathematical thinking.

You Are My Sunshine North Orange Branch Thursday, August 10, 11 a.m.

Celebrate a positive mindset and sunshiny moments by singing songs, reading stories and completing crafts and activities sure to make your little one smile!

Toddler Playground Southwest Branch

Wednesday, August 16, 10:30 a.m. Toddlers use unstructured play to advance

their physical and cognitive development and to have fun!

Extraordinarily Ordinary West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, August 22, 11 a.m.

Discover the joys of imagination with everyday items. Little ones will make the ordinary into extraordinary! Registration required

Teddy Bear Picnic

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, August 23, 10:30 a.m. Bring your teddy bear to the library! Interact with your teddy through stories, songs and rhymes for a one-of-a-kind story time!

Bean Bag Play With a Purpose North Orange Branch

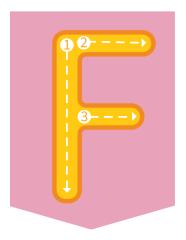
Tuesday, August 29, 11 a.m.

Come play with us and have fun as we use movement, balance and coordination to develop gross motor skills.

Traffic JAM!

Chickasaw Branch Wednesday, August 30, 11 a.m.

It's time for a tough truck party with a celebration of things that go, go, go!



F IS FOR FLORIDA West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, August 8, 11 a.m. Southeast Branch Thursday, August 10, 4:30 p.m. Washington Park Branch Wednesday, August 23, 4 p.m. Virtual

Tuesday, August 8, 11 a.m.
Celebrate the ABCs and 1-2-3s
with crafts, stories and Florida fun!
Registration required.





CUÉNTAME UN CUENTO

Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, August 9, 11 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, August 15, 11 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Monday, August 28, 10:15 a.m.
Virtual
Tuesdays, August 15 & 29, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, August 29, 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.

This is My Name Southwest Branch

Tuesday, August 1, 10:30 a.m. Winter Garden Branch Thursday, August 31, 10:30 a.m. Virtual

Tuesday, August 1, 11 a.m.
Your name is special, just like you!
Help your child learn to recognize
and spell their name through fun
crafts and activities. Registration

Yoga With PLAYologist Yolonda

Eatonville Branch

required.

Tuesdays, August 1–29, 10:15 a.m. Fun-filled yoga, meditation

Fun-filled yoga, meditation and mindfulness sessions with a twist that uses a playbased yoga curriculum that is trauma-informed conscious.

Discover America Virtual

stories and crafts.

Wednesdays, August 2–30, 11 a.m.
Travel with us on a virtual road trip
across America. Preschoolers will
learn about a different state each
week through educational activities,

D is for **Dinosaur** Chickasaw Branch

Wednesday, August 2, 11 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Monday, August 14, 10:15 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Tuesday, August 22, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, August 29, 11 a.m.

Virtual
Tuesday, August 15, 11 a.m.
Dino time is near, let's give a
roaring cheer! We are off on a
dinosaur adventure using stories
and activities while experiencing a

Little Chef: No Bake Monster Cookies North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 3, 11 a.m.
Get ready for a delicious snack. Mix things together to create delicious monster cookies!

Polygon Wild!South Trail Branch

good time together.

Thursday, August 3, 11 a.m.
We're going wild for shapes! Learn about our many-sided friends with fun hands-on activities and stories.

Sesame Street Storytime Virtual

Mondays, August 7–28, 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.

Pajama Party Virtual

Monday, August 7–28, 7 p.m.Put on your pajamas and enjoy an interactive virtual storytime with books, songs, games and a craft.

SmARTies Junior Southwest Branch Tuesday, August 8, 10:30 a.m. In this series, we will explore arti

Tuesday, August 8, 10:30 a.m. In this series, we will explore artists and their styles. We will also create our own masterpieces inspired by their work.

E is for Elephant North Orange Branch Tuesday, August 8, 11 a.m. Enjoy stories and engage in handson learning activities to celebrate

World Elephant Day.

Little Chef:
Yummy Bug Snacks
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 9, 4:30 p.m.
Let the kids have fun creating
fruit and veggie bug snacks. They
are easy to make and healthy!

Little Artist North Orange Branch Friday, August 11, 11 a.m.

Registration required.

Get creative with arts and crafts! Explore art techniques, play with bubbles and learn letters, numbers and colors.

Little Readers Virtual

Saturdays, August 12 & 19, 10 a.m. Start your child's reading journey with engaging activities focused on phonics and sight words. Emergent readers should be able to recognize all letters of the alphabet.

Shape Seekers Southwest Branch Tuesday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.

Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, August 23, 11 a.m.
Shapes are found everywhere!
Embark on a shape search to help
your preschooler identify shapes
in nature and built environments.

Muppet Babies Make Believe! Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, August 15, 11 a.m.

Make your dreams come true with the
Muppet Babies! Celebrate these imaginative
pals with stories, songs and crafts.
Registration required.

What Can You Do With a Crayon? Chickasaw Branch Wednesday, August 16, 11 a.m.

North Orange Branch
Thursday, August 17, 11 a.m.
Explore the world of color and how crayons can help boost a child's imagination as well as strengthen important developmental skills.

Aliens, Oh My! Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, August 22, 11 a.m.Zoom into space with this alien-themed storytime! Hear some out-of-this-world stories and make an extraterrestrial craft.

I Can Count North Orange Branch Thursday, August 24, 11 a

Thursday, August 24, 11 a.m. Help your child explore their world with stories and activities that encourage mathematical thinking.

Arabic Storytime Alafaya Branch

Sunday, August 27, 4:30 p.m.
Listen to storytime in Arabic. Connect with friends and sing the Arabic alphabet song. Participate in circletime, interactive songs, play, and craft time.

Together in My Neighborhood Southwest Branch

Tuesday, August 29, 10:30 a.m.Preschoolers will celebrate friends and family in their neighborhood through stories and activities that promote early literacy.

Move and Play Alafava Branch

Wednesday, August 30, 10:15 a.m.
Get ready to move and groove to popular kid songs.

R is for Robot Eatonville Branch

Wednesday, August 30, 10:15 a.m.
Shapes, sorting and early math concepts
will inspire STEM learning for your little one.
Robot fun with crafts, activities and stories.

Under the SeaNorth Orange Branch

Thursday, August 31, 11 a.m.
Travel under the sea and discover all the treasures therein with activities, crafts and more.



STORYTIMES

INY TALES (ages 0-18 months)

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

TODDLER TIME (ages 18–36 months

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, 11:00 a.m. Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m. Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m. Orlando Public Library, Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.

STORYBOOK FUN (ages 3–5

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

ZERO TO FIVE STORYTIME (ages 0–5)

Hiawassee Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch, Mondays, 10:30 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 STORYTIM

Hiawassee Branch, Fridays, 10:30 a.m. North Orange Branch, First Sundays, 2 p.m. South Creek Branch, Third Sundays, 2 p.m. West Oaks Branch. Fourth Sundays, 2 p.m.

CHILDREN'S

BACKPACK BLING

Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 5, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Monday, August 7, 4 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesday, August 16, 3:30 p.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Thursday, August 31, 4 p.m.
Go back to school in style by
making a statement with new
decorations for your backpack.



CUISINE CORNER JUNIOR: PIZZA ROLL-UPS

Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 2, 4:30 p.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Tuesday, August 8, 4:30 p.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, August 22, 3:30 p.m.
Get your fingers on this delicious fouringredient pizza recipe that is perfect for
an after-school snack and ready in no time!
Recommended for ages 10 and up.

Beginner's Spanish For Kids Fairview Shores Branch

Tuesdays, August 1–29, 4:30 p.m. Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary through games and activities while having fun.

Pinch Pots Eatonville Branch Wednesday, August 2, 3:30 p.m. Southeast Branch Thursday, August 24, 4:30 p.m.

A pinch of creativity goes a long way! Participants will learn a new art technique as they create a clay pot to paint and keep. Recommended for ages 9–12.

Southwest LEGO Club Southwest Branch

Wednesdays, August 2–30, 4 p.m. The LEGO Club invites you to use your imagination to build! Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

LEGO Club South Creek Branch Saturday, August 5, 11 a.m.

Saturday, August 5, 11 a.m. Expand your creativity and imagination with LEGO! Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

LEGO One Scoop Alafaya Branch

Saturday, August 5, 1:30 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. Registration required.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Snacks 2 Go! Eatonville Branch

Tuesday, August 8, 3:30 p.m. Learn how to mix up a delicious snack for back-to-school season! Recommended for ages 10 and up.

STEAM Challenge! Eatonville Branch

Eatonville Branch
Thursday, August 10, 3:30 p.m.
Engage in a classic building
challenge where we will engineer
a boat using simple materials and
test its strength! Recommended for
families with children ages 4–9.

Extreme Weather Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, August 10, 4:30 p.m.
Howling wind, flooding rain, flashing lightning and roaring thunder!
Discover the dangers of the elements and how to best be prepared for the unexpected. Recommended for ages 6–8.

Hearts of Gold Therapy DogsSouth Trail Branch

Saturday, August 12, 10:30 a.m. South Creek Branch Saturday, August 19, 10:30 a.m. Southwest Branch Saturday, August 26, 10:30 a.m.

Children can improve their reading skills by reading to a therapy dog with Golden Retriever Rescue of Mid-Florida. Practice with a furry friend and build your confidence.

Reading Paws Windermere Branch Saturday, August 12, 11:30 a.m.

Alafaya Branch

Saturday, August 26, 11:30 a.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.

Pajama Jamboree Windermere Branch Tuosday August 15, 4:20

Tuesday, August 15, 4:30 p.m. Put on your favorite jammies for a fun-filled evening of a story, craft, cookies and milk. Recommended for ages 3–7. Seating is limited.

Voyage to Valhalla West Oaks Branch

Wednesday, August 16, 4 p.m.
Take a trip to Valhalla to learn about
Norse mythology and create crafts
inspired by the Vikings.
Registration required.

Art Club Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, August 19, 3:30 p.m.
Try out new artistic techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists! Recommended ages 10 and up. Registration required for each child.

Honest Abe and Other Famous Dudes South Trail Branch

Monday, August 21, 4 p.m.
Learn about Abraham Lincoln
and other famous dudes from
history. There will be activities
and crafts to go along with
these presidential stories.

Magical Monarchs West Oaks Branch

Wednesday, August 23, 4 p.m. Learn about the life cycle and the importance of one of our most beautiful pollinators with crafts, stories and more. Registration required.

Make and Take Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, August 23, 4 p.m. Get ready to build! Make a Home Depot wood craft to keep. Recommended for ages 6–8. Kits are limited. Registration required.

Did You Know ... All About Florida Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, August 24, 4–5:15 p.m. Explore the world of Florida through fun facts, a true or false game and a very fun craft. Recommended for families with children ages 5–8.

Back to School Bonanza South Creek Branch

Thursday, August 24, 4:30 p.m. Celebrate the new school year with stories, games and crafts. Learn about library resources that can help us get prepared for the school year ahead. Recommended for ages 6–8.

STEAM Free PlaySouth Trail Branch

Friday, August 25, 2:30–4 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.

Macaroni Mania Windermere Branch

Monday, August 28, 4 p.m.
Create a macaroni masterpiece!
Macaroni Mania explores the
versatility of using pasta to create
one-of-a-kind crafts.

A World Of Color Windermere Branch

Tuesday, August 29, 4 p.m.Create abstract art using vivid colors inspired by the work of Disney artist, Mary Blair.

Magic Tree House Expeditions Virtual

Tuesday, August 29, 4:30 p.m. Jack and Annie need your help with their latest voyage in the Magic Tree House. If you love their adventures, now is your chance to be part of their travels through time. Recommended for ages 6–8.

Ocean Wave Finger Painting Fairview Shores Branch

Wednesday, August 30, 4:30 p.m. Learn about ocean wave movements by blending and layering colors using your fingers.

Snack Around The World: Taiwan

West Oaks Branch Wednesday, August 30, 4 p.m.

Treat yourself to tasty snacks from a land far away! Each month we'll learn about a different culture and sample the yummiest snacks it has to offer. Registration required.

Pirates! All Aboard to England Fairview Shores Branch

Thursday, August 31, 4:30 p.m.
All aboard to explore the Sherwood forest with a band of merry pirates!
We'll read the English classic Robin Hood, create a craft and play trivia with everyone's favorite parrot, Petey!

MODERN PARENTING

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Caregiver Connect: Stay and Play

West Oaks Branch Saturday, August 12, 11 a.m. Get your family moving with this Thursdays, August energizing workout class! Learn 3-31, 11:45 a.m. **South Trail Branch** basic Zumba moves to help you Fridays, August 4-25, 11 a.m. dance your way to fitness. Zumba Winter Garden Branch uses dance aerobics to create a Fridays, August 4-25, 11:35 a.m. fun workout.

Southeast Branch Mondays, August 7-21, 11 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Mondays, August 7-28, 11 a.m. **Orlando Public Library** Mondays, August 7-28, 11 a.m.

Mondays, August 7-28, 11 a.m. Connect with other caregivers to meet and mingle while your little one explores imaginary play with new and old friends.

Southwest Branch

Every Child Ready to Read Caregiver Workshop

Windermere Branch

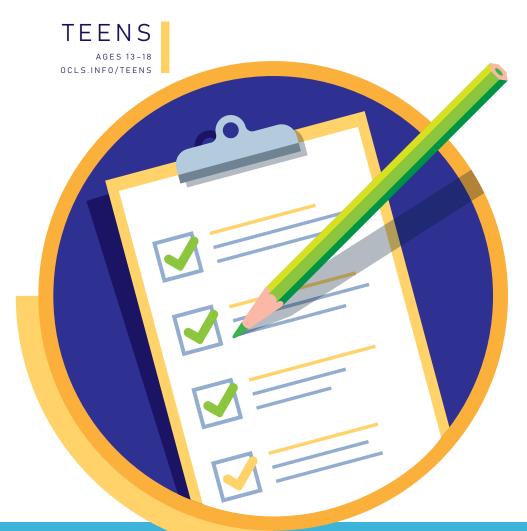
Caregiver Coffee

Family Zumba

Virtual

Saturday, August 26, 11 a.m. Learn about the five early literacy practices as well as tips, tricks and resources to help your child strengthen important pre-reading skills. Recommended for adults who care for children ages 0-5.

and a Craft **Southeast Branch** Monday, August 28, 11 a.m. Connect with other caregivers while sipping a hot beverage and making a craft. Your child will explore play with friends.



BACK TO SCHOOL BUCKET LIST

South Trail Branch Thursday, August 3, 4 p.m. **Orlando Public Library, Club Central** Tuesday, August 15, 3 p.m. A new school year calls for new goals! Discover ways to build self-confidence and

learn relaxation techniques to keep your

stress levels low and your grades high.

HOMESCHOOL

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Winter Garden Branch

Friday, August 11, 10 a.m.-Noon

first-come, first-served basis.

Did you know that 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

Homeschool: French Windermere Branch

Tuesdays, August 1 & 15, 2 p.m. Develop your French skills with us! In this French class, you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Recommended for ages 6-17.

Homeschool Discovery: Earth Sciences

Windermere Branch Thursdays, August 3-17, 1 p.m. Discover the world around us through STEM, geography, the arts, culture, history, literature and library-aligned themes with hands-on activities.

Homeschool: Art Expressions Windermere Branch Fridays, August 4 & 18, 2 p.m.

Recommended for ages 6-17.

Develop and express creativity in a fun art experience. Children will expand their abilities as they improve their fine motor skills and ingenuity. Recommended for ages 6-17.

Homeschool Meetup: Ball Drop STEAM Challenge Southwest Branch

Monday, August 7, 1 p.m. Students will be given a task to complete using the materials given. Are you up for the challenge? Recommended for ages 6-12.

Homeschool: Spanish Windermere Branch

Tuesdays, August 8 & 22, 2 p.m. Develop your Spanish skills with us! In this Spanish class, you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Recommended for ages 6-17.

Homeschool Jr. Windermere Branch Wednesdays,

August 9 & 23, 10:30 a.m. Kickstart your child's education! Listen to stories and engage in activities about basic concepts. Recommended for ages 3-5.

Southwest Homeschool Club Southwest Branch

Mondays, August 14 & 28, 1 p.m. Join us for math, science, history, art and literature-based learning to support your homeschool curriculum. Recommended for ages 9-12.

Homeschool Meetup -Frank Epperson & the **Popsicle: A Century of Chill Southwest Branch**

Monday, August 21, 1 p.m. Experiment with Frank Epperson. the inventor of the popsicle, to understand the fun and scientific origins of this frozen treat. Recommended for ages 9-12.

Homeschool Art Adventures: Medieval Stained Glass West Oaks Branch

Monday, August 21, 11 a.m. Lower the drawbridge, prepare the roval windows! It's time to create faux stained glass like in medieval times. Recommended for ages 6-15. Registration required.

Homeschool Branch Out: Earth Science Experiments Windermere Branch

Thursday, August 24, 1 p.m. Branch out and develop new skills. Socialize with friends as you expand your horizons during this exploratory recreation time. Recommended for ages 6-17.

Homeschool: **Reading Rangers** Alafaya Branch

Thursday, August 24, 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 Super Turbo Saves the Dav! by Lee Kirby. Recommended for ages 6-8.

Eatonville Teen Film Club Eatonville Branch

Tuesday, August 1, 2-4 p.m. Calling all teens! Are you a movie fan? Join us and enjoy a film and discussion with your peers.

DIY Terrarium Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, August 1, 3 p.m. Create a miniature world and design a cool landscape inside a jar.

Homeschool Teen Rec Time Windermere Branch Wednesdays,

August 2 & 16, 4:30-6 p.m. Socialize, play games, do crafts, learn a life skill or just hang out with friends during this teen-reserved library recreation time. Light snacks will be provided.

Fashion Forward Eatonville Branch

Thursday, August 3, 3:30 p.m. What will you wear to school this year? Find new ideas and create your own inspiration board as we watch a super stylish movie.

Teen Board Game Meetup West Oaks Branch

Friday, August 4, 4:30 p.m. Leave Monopoly at home! Come learn a new board game or revisit some unique favorites. Games and snacks will be provided. Registration required.

DIY Back to School Hiawassee Branch Saturday, August 5, 11 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch**

Wednesday, August 16, 4:30 p.m. Make your gear the coolest in school with fun and useful crafts.

Make a Flower Crown Fairview Shores Branch

Saturday, August 5, 3-4:30 p.m. Make your own floral crown using fresh flowers. All tools and materials will be provided. Presented by UF/ IFAS Extension Orange County. Registration required.

How To Survive School South Creek Branch

Tuesday, August 8, 4:30 p.m. Learn new tips and tricks on how to survive your first day back to school this fall. Create unique crafts that are just too cool for school.

Dance Off Party! Fairview Shores Branch Saturday, August 12, 3-4:30 p.m.

Do you love to dance or move around? This program is just for you! We are bringing back the Wii console and Just Dance games. Stop by and have a good time.

DIY Sticker Making Eatonville Branch

Thursday, August 17, 3:30 p.m. Decorate your binder and folders this school year with homemade stickers.

Teen Volunteering Hiawassee Branch Saturday,

August 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. High school students will earn two hours of community service by assembling craft kits for the library.

Teen Art Adventures: **Pendulum Painting West Oaks Branch**

Friday, August 25, 4:30 p.m. Swing on over and rethink the way you paint! First we will build our pendulum and then we will use it to create a masterpiece. Registration required.

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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.

Alafava 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.

Hiawassee 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.

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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., Orlando, FL 32832

Materials placed in book drops are picked up and returned to the library Monday—Saturday.



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