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SAVE THE DATE! ORLANDO BOOK FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 10 A.M.–6 P.M.

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50% Off Book Sale

Orlando Public Library · April 26–28

Friday & Saturday, April 26 & 27, 10:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

Sunday, April 28, 1:30–5 p.m.

Members Only Preview

Thursday, April 25, 4–6 p.m.

PLUS!

Winter Garden Branch Sidewalk Sale

Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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Next Board of Trustees Meeting:

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
 Thursday, April 11, 6 p.m.

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Next Friends of the Library Board of Directors Meeting:

Virtual
 Wednesday, April 17, Noon



JOB FAIR

May 22, 2024 12-4PM

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**Orlando Fairgrounds Expo Building
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- Dress interview ready & bring resumes.
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FROM THE DIRECTOR |

Every April during National Library Week, we try to share with you the value that libraries bring to the community. From books to programs to meeting spaces to experiences, we provide an awful lot of stuff for a wide range of people.

But this National Library Week, I want to focus the conversation on you rather than on us. A library is only as strong as the support it receives from the people it serves. So, if you love the library, can you do us a favor? Please use our resources.

Borrow a book or a DVD, and if you're too busy to come in person, we'll deliver it to your home.

Pause your Audible subscription for a month and try using your library card and the Libby app for audiobooks instead. You'll save a little money, and you might be surprised how easy it is to use.

Try the Mango or Rocket languages apps to brush up on your second (or third) language skills.

Sign up for a book club or attend an author event.

I know we say it all the time, but there is literally something for everyone at the library. And there are 15 locations, dozens of events, hundreds of online resources, thousands upon thousands of books and countless things to discover that you've probably not seen before. And we offer them all at no cost to you.

People tell me all the time that they love the library, but they often follow it up with a comment about how they haven't used it in a long time. I get it: Life is busy, and finding time to visit can be hard, but if you love your library, please do use it. You don't have to come in person – just find your library card, log into our website and check out an ebook or log into a learning resource.



Steve Powell

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Happy National Library Week!

SUMMER AT YOUR LIBRARY
June 1 - July 28
Registration Opens May 1
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LIBRARY OF THINGS

17TH ANNUAL SOUTHWEST AUTHOR SERIES



FEATURING
LAUREN GROFF



FRIDAY, APRIL 12
7 PM

Southwest Branch | 7255 Della Drive Orlando, FL 32819

Join us for the 17th Annual Southwest Author Series featuring bestselling author, Lauren Groff. Presented in partnership with the Rotary Club of Dr. Phillips. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and light refreshments will be served. Book sale and signing to follow author presentation.

ART & DISPLAY

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“RISE”: THE MURAL PROJECT

Eatonville Branch

On Display Through May

Art of Collab, a group of local artists and creatives, pay homage to culture, youth and visions for a brighter future with their collaborative mural projects. Experience their photo exhibit depicting the masterful merging of art and poetry used to create their mural on the walls of Elizabeth Park's basketball court in Eatonville. For more information, visit risemural.com.



CUISINE CORNER

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SRI LANKAN SEENI SAMBOL AND KIRIBATH

Virtual

Monday, April 29, 6:30 p.m.

Join culinary expert Dianne Morin as she teaches how to make a delicious Sri Lankan seeni sambol (spicy onion sambol) and kiribath (Sri Lankan milk rice).

One Pot Meal

Virtual

Wednesday, April 17, 6 p.m.

Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make a tasty one-pot meal.

MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY

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OPERA AND ART SONGS AROUND THE WORLD

Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Sunday, April 14, 2 p.m.

Experience operatic and classical songs from global composers. Discover opera's history, evolution and influence on all music.

Guitarist Glenn Roth

Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Saturday, April 13, 2 p.m.

Guitarist Glenn Roth creates soundscapes of compelling melodies that invite listeners to join him on an aural escape.

WRITERS CORNER

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How to Plot the Perfect Murder (Mystery!)

Virtual

Tuesday, April 2, 7 p.m.

Mystery requires intrigue and misdirection. *New York Times* bestselling author Ginny Myers Sain will show you how to plot a compelling mystery story.

Pre-Writing Strategies

Virtual

Sunday, April 7, 1 p.m.

Author and screenwriter Jennie Jarvis will discuss various strategies for the work you can do before the work begins, including outlining, idea development and setting a realistic writing schedule.

Creating Characters Readers Want to Root For

Virtual

Tuesday, April 9, 7 p.m.

Literary agent Sandra Proudman will discuss how to create fantastic characters that readers will connect with.

OCLS Writer's Group

Virtual

Sunday, April 14, 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.

How to Begin and End Chapters Effectively

Virtual

Tuesday, April 16, 7 p.m.

How do you start chapters? How do you end them? Author Shannon A. Thompson will discuss how you know those points are enough to keep the reader interested.

An Author Panel On Writing Authentic Dialogue

Virtual

Saturday, April 27, 4 p.m.

A panel of five authors will discuss how to make your dialogue effective, realistic and lively. Featuring authors Elle Ire, MB Austin, Meredith Doench, Virginia Black and Riley Scott.

WRITER'S MEETUP

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, April 20, 3:30 p.m.

Join your fellow writers for critique, discussion and camaraderie.

Writers of all genres and experience are welcome. Recommended for adults.

MORE THAN A PLACE: MAKING SETTING A CHARACTER IN YOUR STORY

Virtual

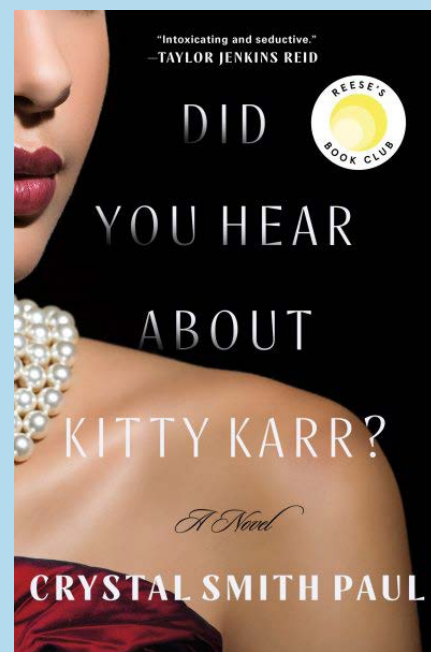
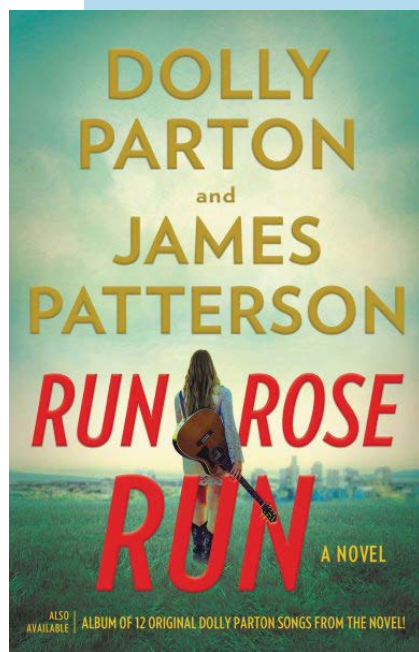
Tuesday, April 23, 7 p.m.

Places can have as much personality as people. *New York Times* bestselling author Ginny Myers Sain will discuss how to develop the character of your setting to deepen your fiction.



BOOK CLUBS

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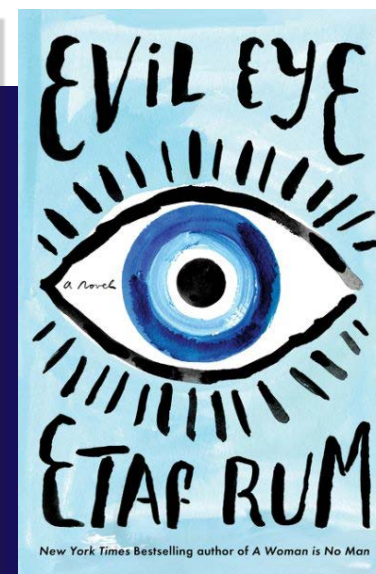
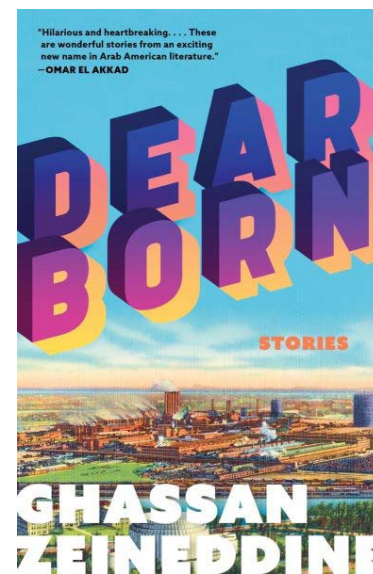
Y Read: Book Read Aloud
 Dr. P. Phillips YMCA
 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819
Saturdays, April 6–27, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
 Experience the joy and camaraderie of reading aloud a book with others each week. Facilitator-led in partnership with the Dr. P. Phillips YMCA and Southwest Branch. Ages 18 and up.

Winter Garden Book Club
 Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, April 11, 6 p.m.
 Virtual
Thursday, April 25, 6 p.m.
Run Rose Run by Dolly Parton & James Patterson
 On the rise and on the run, a young singer-songwriter arrives in Nashville to claim her destiny, but it's also where the darkness she's fled might find her – and destroy her.

Hiawassee Book Club
 Virtual
Monday, April 15, 7–8:30 p.m.
Did You Hear About Kitty Karr? by Crystal Smith Paul
 After a silver screen icon dies and leaves her huge estate to three sisters, one of them discovers that the actress was really their grandmother, a black woman who had “passed” for white for over 60 years.

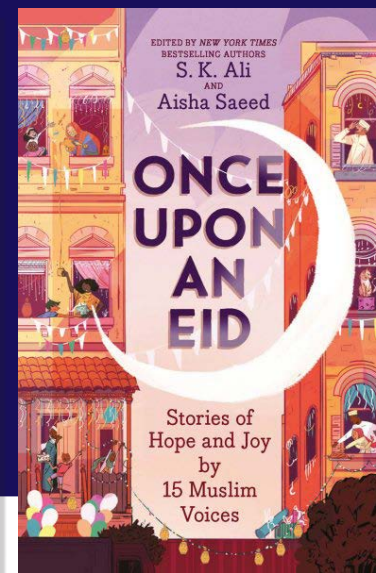
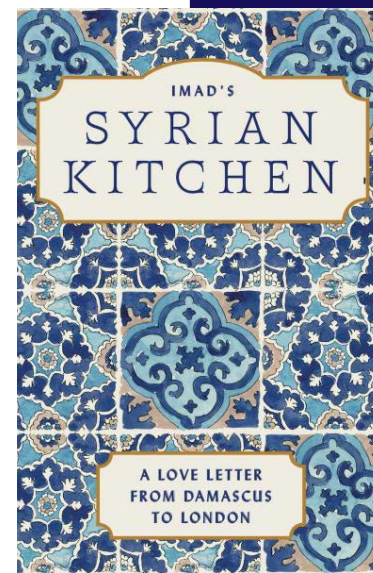
STAFF PICKS

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Dearborn
 by Ghassan Zeineddine
 Spanning several decades, Ghassan Zeineddine's debut collection examines the diverse range and complexities of the Arab American community in Dearborn, Michigan.

Evil Eye
 by Etaf Rum
 The acclaimed *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Woman Is No Man* returns with a striking exploration of the expectations of Palestinian American women, the meaning of a fulfilling life and the ways our unresolved pasts affect our presents.

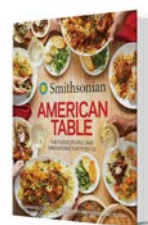


Imad's Syrian Kitchen
 by Imad Alarnab
 Complete with heartfelt stories, stunning photography and beautiful illustrations, *Imad's Syrian Kitchen* features 90 sensational recipes celebrating the flavors of Syria.

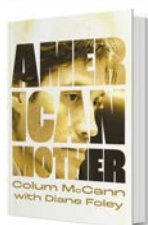
Once Upon an Eid
 edited S. K. Ali and Aisha Saeed
Once Upon an Eid is a joyous short story collection by and about Muslims, edited by *New York Times* bestselling authors Aisha Saeed and S. K. Ali.

MEET THE AUTHOR

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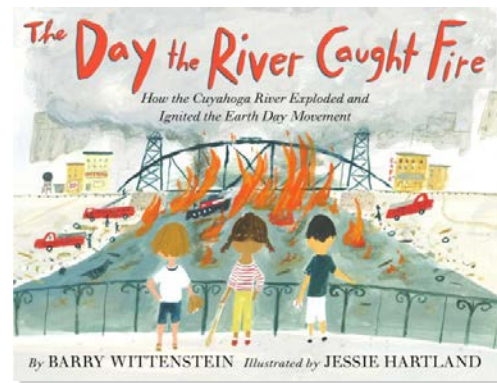
Author Talk: Smithsonian
 Virtual
Tuesday, April 2, 2 p.m.
The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us – A Sweeping History of Food and Culture with Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson.



Author Talk with Colum McCann & Diane Foley
 Virtual
Tuesday, April 9, 2 p.m.
 Join us for a one-of-a-kind conversation with National Book Award-winner Colum McCann as he is joined by Diane Foley, the inspiration behind the heartrending book *American Mother*.



Author Talk with Xochitl Gonzalez
 Virtual
Wednesday, April 17, 8 p.m.
 We cannot wait for you to join us as we chat with award-winning and bestselling author Xochitl Gonzalez about her newest novel *Anita de Monte Laughs Last*.



The Day the River Caught Fire
 by Barry Wittenstein
 illustrated by Jessie Hartland
 The true story of how a 1969 fire in one of the most polluted rivers in America helped foster awareness of water pollution and how the river's fate contributed to the environmental movement.

The Wind and the Trees
 by Todd Stewart
 A gentle meditation on the cycle of life, told by two trees. This moving picture book poignantly honors intergenerational relationships and the exchange of wisdom, while also opening up conversations about loss and environmental stewardship.

Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts Arts For Every Life

To fulfill their vision, Arts for Every Life™, The Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts makes performing arts accessible to people from all walks of life, all around the world. With the help of over 19,000 donors and 32 sponsors to date, the Dr. Phillips Center has contributed more than \$20.7 million to the community through a variety of initiatives.

These initiatives have established the center as a community hub for Central Florida through outreach, education and partnerships. Among these partnerships is the library's Local Wanderer program, which provides free access to select performances at the Dr. Phillips Center all year long.

Disney Musicals in Schools

Serving Seminole, Osceola and Orange County elementary schools, artists train local teachers to begin and sustain performing arts programs. Every year this initiative concludes with a musical student-shared celebration in the Walt Disney Theater.

Teen Ambassador Program

A program available to nearly 30 high school students a year, these student leaders learn about non-performing jobs available in the performing arts, including production and administrative roles.

Applause Awards

A regional qualifier to the National High School Musical Theater Awards, also known as the Jimmy Awards, the Applause Awards is an annual celebration of high school musical theater excellence. Nearly 3,000 student performers and production crew members are invited every summer to perform a musical number inside the Walt Disney Theater. Ultimately, two performers are chosen to represent the community in New York City.

Project WoW

A program developed in partnership with the Orlando Science Center that builds and implements a curriculum for Pre-K students to learn about science through movement and dance.



6th & Jazz

In conjunction with the state curriculum, Dr. Phillips Center hosts a free jazz program for all sixth graders in Orange and Seminole counties. Eight concerts bring in roughly 15,000 students to learn about jazz through an immersive and interactive performance.



Pilobolus

A week-long annual residency with Pilobolus Dance Company works with seniors, autistic students and aspiring professional high school dancers to put on a free community performance every year in the Alexis & Jim Pugh Theater.

STROKESTRA

In partnership with London's Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and AdventHealth, the center hosts STROKESTRA, an international medical research program that includes a learning exchange session where our community shares musical practices with local stroke survivors and their caregivers to enhance treatment delivery.

AdventHealth School of the Arts

Offering classes year-long, including summer camps and programs, our industry professional teaching artists facilitate classes on acting, musical theater, dance, music and more.

Community Givebacks

Since 2017, the Dr. Phillips Center has led community givebacks meant to spread the joys of performing arts to children, first responders, teachers, veterans and more. Most recently, more than 400 guests from twenty different organizations, including schools, after school programs and local nonprofit groups, participated in a two-day event attending Broadway's *Aladdin*.

Broadway Masterclasses & Chatbacks

In partnership with national touring Broadway shows, the center offers masterclasses to individuals of all ages and conversations with performers in a panel-style Q&A session post-show.

To learn more about the programs offered, visit drphillipscenter.org/education.



Visit ocls.info/wander or scan to check out your passes today!

GENEALOGY

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GENEALOGY RESEARCH QUESTION WORKSHOP

Virtual

Wednesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.

Sharpen your genealogy skills and learn about resources by sharing your research questions.



Utilizing the General Register Office Records (GRO)

Virtual

Tuesday, April 2, 1 p.m.

The GRO oversees civil registration in England and Wales.

Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing Study Group

Virtual

Wednesdays, April 3–17, 6:30 p.m.

A copy of the book, *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy* by Blaine T. Bettinger, is required to participate.

Using the DPLA Website for Genealogy

Virtual

Thursday, April 4, Noon

Discover the Digital Public Library of America and how you can use it to enhance your research.

Genealogy in the States: Tennessee

Virtual

Tuesday, April 9, 1 p.m.

Explore resources held in archives and repositories in Tennessee.

Researching in NYC The Five Boroughs

Virtual

Thursday, April 11, Noon

Explore resources that are held in repositories in New York City.

Genealogy Research Report Writing & Numbering

Virtual

Tuesday, April 16, 1 p.m.

Learn about genealogy reports and numbering systems.

Global Genealogy: Germany

Virtual

Thursday, April 18, Noon

Explore resources, tips and tricks for finding records in Germany.

Finding Your Roots: Land Records

West Oaks Branch

Friday, April 19, 3 p.m.

Learn about deeds, mortgages, platting and surveys.

Hard to Find Ancestors

Virtual

Tuesday, April 23, 1 p.m.

Utilize strategies for uncovering your ancestors' stories.

Connecting with DNA Cousins

Virtual

Thursday, April 25, Noon

Explore the best way to work with your DNA matches.

Genealogy Research Project Start-to-Finish

Virtual

Tuesday, April 30, 1 p.m.

Learn to organize information in order to develop and implement an effective research plan.



NEXT CHAPTER

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MEAL PLANNING AND NUTRITIONAL TIPS FOR ELDERS

LIFE Information for Elders

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Thursday, April 18, 12:10 p.m.

Join Hillary Ayers, family and consumer sciences agent with UF/IFAS Extension Orange County, as she shares nutritional tips, dietary guidelines and meal planning for elders. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446.

Legal Concerns in Today's Environment Keeping Seniors in the Know

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, April 17, 1:30 p.m.

Join us as elder law attorney Elizabeth Bertrand, Palumbo & Bertrand of Orlando, discusses avoiding probate, the advantages of a will, the benefits of trusts, having directives and estate planning.

Qigong Movement and Breathing

Southwest Branch

Friday, April 26, 10:30 a.m.

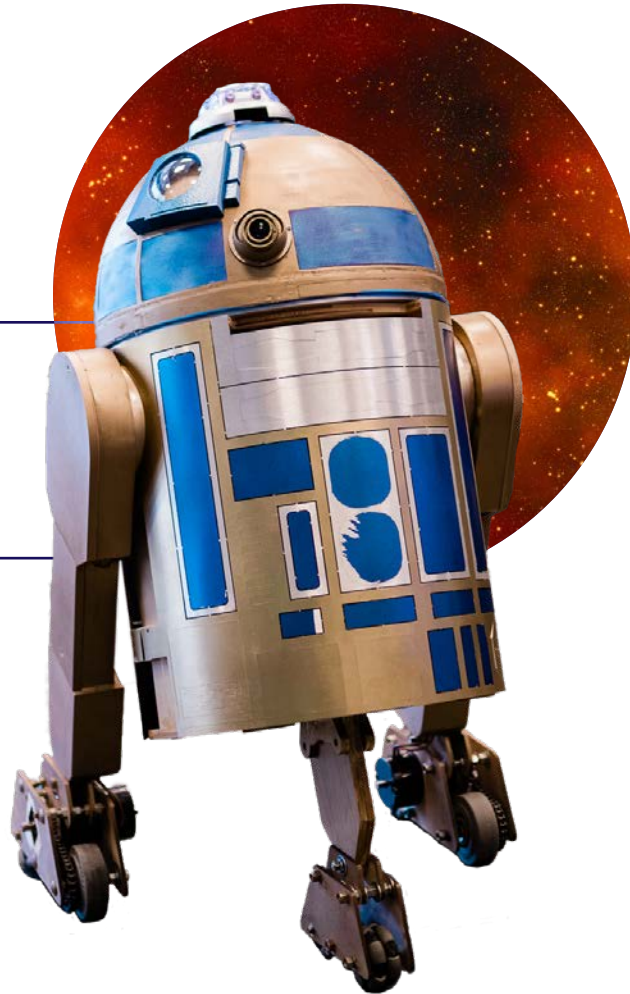
Learn ancient qigong practice with modern-day instructor Jasmine Win. Using the five elements of life, students will undergo an empowering and uplifting shift to take control of their health and lives.

MAY THE 4TH STAR WARS CELEBRATION

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Saturday, May 4, 10:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Take a Family Portrait in a Galaxy Far, Far Away 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Bring the whole family for a galactic photo op with our very own R2-KN3, the Melrose Center astromech droid! His friends call him "Kenny."



Star Wars: Tales from the Galaxy's Edge 2–4 p.m.

Travel across the galaxy, alongside your favorite Star Wars characters, in this epic virtual reality experience. Sign up for this experience the day of the event in the VR Game Lab. Limited availability. First come, first served.

Star Wars Episodes 4, 5 & 6 10:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Join us at the LED wall all day to watch the original Star Wars trilogy that started it all!



SELF-TAPING KIT

Need a space to record your audition video? Coming soon, the Melrose Center will have a Self-Taping Kit available when you book the Rehearsal Room. Talk to a Melrose Center staff member on your next visit and learn how you can record your next audition like a pro!

Audio Open Lab Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center

Thursday, April 4, 2–4 p.m.
Saturday, April 13, 2–4 p.m.
Wednesday, April 17, 2–4 p.m.
Sunday, April 28, 2–4 p.m.
Log practice time with DAW software in the Audio Learning Lab. Melrose Audio Instructors are on hand to answer your questions.

UPDATED VIRTUAL GRAPHIC DESIGN CURRICULUM

- AI Tools
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- Adobe Express for Social Media
- And much more!



BRIANNA FULFORD BRANCH OUTREACH SPECIALIST

Greetings from the Community Engagement Department! My name is Brianna Fulford, the Branch Outreach Specialist for West Oaks Branch and Genealogy Center. When I am not at a preschool story time, crafting with seniors or informing teens about financial literacy, you can find me snuggled up with my Maltese, drinking a cup of tea or axe throwing.

I joined Orange County Library System in July of 2023. This is my first position with OCLS. Not only am I new to the library system, I am also new to Orlando. I moved here in September of 2022, after living in the south suburbs of Chicago my whole life.

All of it has been a magnificent experience. Promoting the library to the community, brainstorming innovative ways to provide information and knowing I have the support of my branch, department and administration fills me with joy.

If you're ever in the Ocoee area, I hope to meet you there!

OUTREACH EVENTS

Horizon West Craft Class for Adults
Waterleigh Clubhouse
16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Tuesday, April 2, 11 a.m.

Oakland Storytime
Healthy West Orange
Arts & Heritage Center
126 W. Petris Ave.,
Oakland, FL 34760
Thursday, April 4, 10 a.m.

Horizon West Family Event: Terrariums
Waterleigh Clubhouse
16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Saturday, April 20, 10:30 a.m.

Horizon West Book Club
Waterleigh Clubhouse
16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Tuesday, April 2, 1 p.m.

Horizon West Family Storytime
Waterleigh Community
Clubhouse
16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Saturday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.

Horizon West Storytime
Waterleigh Phase
1 Clubhouse
15572 Marina Bay Drive,
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Wednesday, April 24, 11 a.m.



BOOK BIKE

Book Bike at Oakland Farmer's Market
Healthy West Orange Arts & Heritage Center
126 W. Petris Ave., Oakland, FL 34760
Thursday, April 25, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.



ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

Basic English 1

Fairview Shores Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 5 p.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 5:30 p.m.
Thursdays, April 4–25, 11 a.m.
 Southeast Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:15 a.m.
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 2 p.m.
 South Trail Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.
Fridays, April 5–26, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.
 Windermere Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 3:30 p.m.
 Hiawasse Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 11:45 a.m.
 North Orange Branch
Fridays, April 5–26, 4:30 p.m.
 Virtual
Mondays, April 1–22, 6:45 p.m.
 This class is designed for students with a beginner level knowledge of English.

Basic English 2

Southeast Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 11:15 a.m.
Wednesdays, April 3–17, 3 p.m.
 Winter Garden Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, Noon–1:30 p.m.
 West Oaks Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 4:30 p.m.
 South Trail Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 2:30–4 p.m.
Fridays, April 5–26, 2:30–4 p.m.
 Windermere Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 4:45–6:15 p.m.
 Alafaya Branch
Saturdays, April 6–20, 10:30 a.m.
 This class is designed for students with a high-beginner to intermediate level of English.

English Conversation Hour

Hiawasse Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 5:45 p.m.
 North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 2, 16, 23 & 30, 3 p.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 12:30 p.m.
 Windermere Branch
Fridays, April 5–26, 3:30 p.m.
 Alafaya Branch
Saturdays, April 6–20, Noon
 Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, April 9 & 23, 4 p.m.
 Southeast Branch
Fridays, April 12 & 26, 11:30 a.m.
Saturday, April 20, 11:30 a.m.
 West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 22, 4:30 p.m.
 Virtual
Wednesdays, April 3–24, Noon
Thursdays, April 4–25, 2 p.m.
Fridays, April 5–26, 4:45 p.m.
 Practice your English speaking skills.



English for Social Interactions

Fairview Shores Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 11 a.m.
 North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 2, 16, 23, 30, 2 p.m.
 Hiawasse Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 5:30 p.m.
 Learn English idioms and phrases that are used to communicate on a daily basis.

Introductory English Course

Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 2:30 p.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
Saturdays, April 6 & 20, 11 a.m.
Fridays, April 12 & 26, 11 a.m.
 This course is designed for students who have very little or no English experience.

English Conversation 2

Southeast Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–17, 4 p.m.
 Practice your English conversation skills! This class is intended for intermediate and advanced English language learners.

Creole Connect

South Trail Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 2–4 p.m.
 Vini aprann pale e pratike anglè w nan kou sa.

Practice Makes Perfect

Chickasaw Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 2–3:30 p.m.
 English conversation classes led by Adult Literacy League volunteers.

Enhanced English Reading Session

Hiawasse Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 4:45 p.m.
 Discuss what we read in order to help students get a better understanding of the English language.

Introducción al Inglés

South Trail Branch
Fridays, April 5–26, 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.

English from Zero

West Oaks Branch
Saturday, April 13, 4:30 p.m.
 English from Zero classes are designed for beginning English learners. This a one-time course to prepare students for English Level 1.



Speaking Clearly Beginners

Southeast Branch
Fridays, April 12 & 26, 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, April 20, 10:30 a.m.
 Virtual
Mondays, April 1–29, 11:30 a.m.
 Introduction to the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation.

Speaking Clearly Intermediate

Southeast Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 2 p.m.
 Designed to introduce learners to the rules of spelling and pronunciation of English words and phrases.

Speaking Clearly Advanced

Virtual
Mondays, April 1–29, 10 a.m.
 Designed for students who want to improve their English speaking and presentation skills.



Writing Clearly Beginner

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 2, 16 & 30, 5:30 p.m.
 Learn English grammar by focusing on the parts of speech, the organization of sentences and vocabulary building.

Writing Clearly Intermediate

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 9 & 23, 5:30 p.m.
 Southeast Branch
Thursdays, April 18 & 25, 1:30 p.m.
 Focuses on grammar complex ideas, including sentence structures, phrases and vocabulary building.

Writing Clearly Part 1

Virtual
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:30 a.m.
 Learn and practice grammar and a variety of writing styles.

Writing Clearly Part 2

Virtual
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 10:30 a.m.
 Practice different writing styles.

LANGUAGE CLASSES

Práctica Spanish Conversation

Virtual
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 4–5:30 p.m.
 ¡Práctica tu español! Develop your Spanish language skills through conversation. Conversation topics and themed vocabulary will be provided. Recommended for adults.

Spanish Conversation

Chickasaw Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 5–6:30 p.m.
 Develop your Spanish language skills through conversation. Conversational topics and themed vocabulary will be provided. Recommended for adults.

Adult French

Windermere Branch
Mondays, April 8–29, 2:30 p.m.
 Virtual
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 1 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 6 p.m.
 Adult French is specifically designed for students with no prior French exposure. It combines face-to-face class time with the flexibility of independent learning. Recommended for adults.

Beginner Spanish Storytime

South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 a.m.
 Introduce beginner Spanish words and phrases to your little one through stories, songs and interactive play. Recommended for children ages 3–5.



Spanish From Zero for Beginners with Ms. Brenda

Virtual
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 6 p.m.
 (Spanish A0) Learn and use Spanish for the first time with Ms. Brenda.

Spanish from Zero: Basics with Ms. Brenda

Virtual
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 4 p.m.
 (Spanish A1-A2) Come and learn basic Spanish with Ms. Brenda.

Spanish from Zero: Intermediate with Brenda

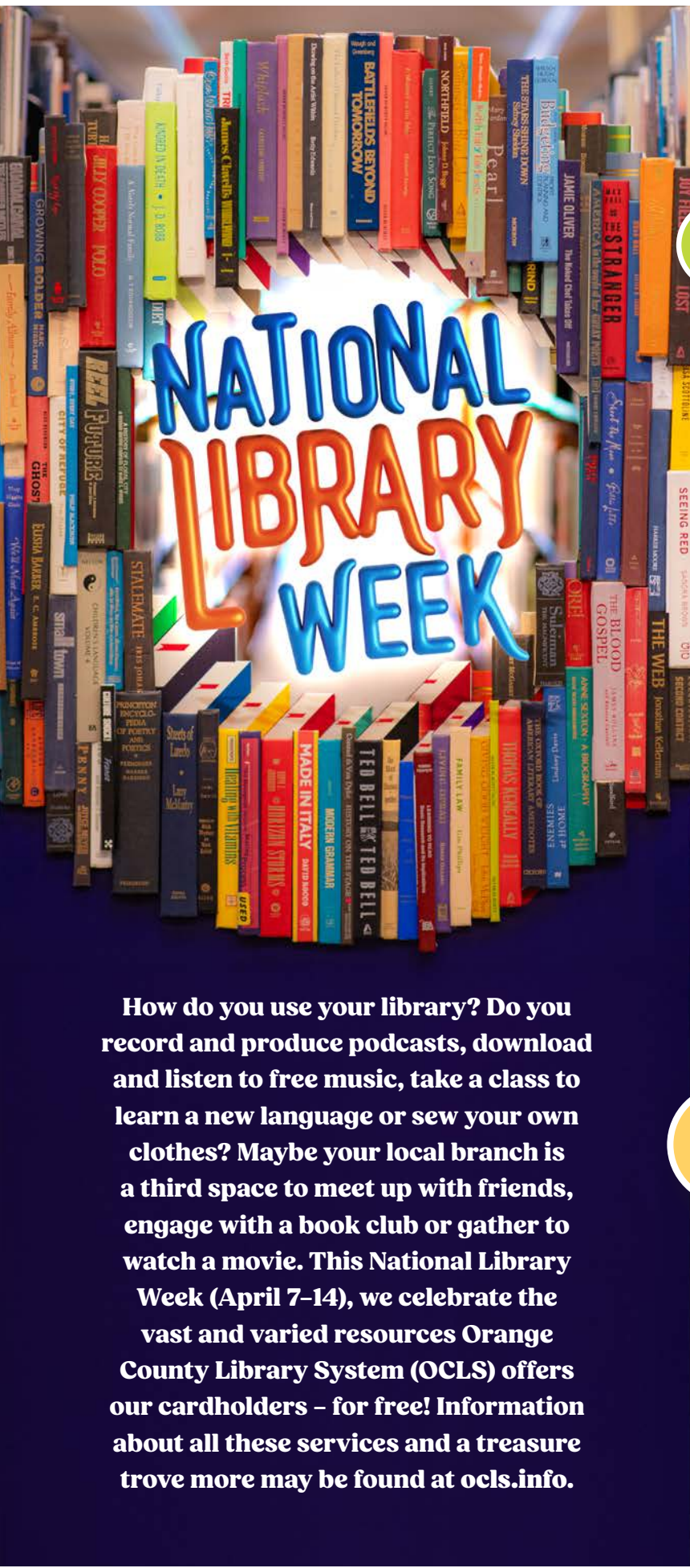
Virtual
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 5 p.m.
 (Spanish B1) Come and learn Spanish grammar with Ms. Brenda.

CITIZENSHIP INSPIRED

Citizenship Inspired

Fairview Shores Branch
Mondays, April 1–22, 5 p.m.
 Hiawasse Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 10:30 a.m.
 Windermere Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 3–4:30 p.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
Fridays, April 5 & 19, 2:30–5:30 p.m.
 Southeast Branch
Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
 Virtual
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, April 2, 3, 9 & 10, 3–5 p.m.
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, April 16, 17, 23 & 24, 3–5 p.m.
 During this program, students will meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.





How do you use your library? Do you record and produce podcasts, download and listen to free music, take a class to learn a new language or sew your own clothes? Maybe your local branch is a third space to meet up with friends, engage with a book club or gather to watch a movie. This National Library Week (April 7-14), we celebrate the vast and varied resources Orange County Library System (OCLS) offers our cardholders – for free! Information about all these services and a treasure trove more may be found at ocls.info.



We deliver books, movies and more to your door!



Since 1974, OCLS has been delivering books right to cardholders' homes. It's easy – you can order materials by logging into your OCLS account from your mobile device or computer or ask a helpful team member at any local branch. This service has grown right along with our county and each month more than 30,000 of the familiar blue bags show up on doorsteps across Orange County!

ocls.info/homedelivery



Study for a test.



Through our LearningExpress Library, cardholders have free access to upskill resources: books, study guides and practice tests to prepare for professional exams. Study to become an EMT, a firefighter, a real estate broker or an air traffic controller. Prepare for nursing school entrance tests or military officer candidacy; OCLS online resources are ready when you are.

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Learn a new language or read and learn in your own.



OCLS' language offerings include in-person classes as well as virtual and digital resources. Deep dive into language learning using the popular app Mango with more than 70 languages available. Digital picture book collection LOTE4Kids brings children's books to life in a world of languages, including sign languages. Cardholders starting their English learning journey have a wide variety of in-person and virtual classes to choose from for all ages and levels including adult conversation hours and multi-week family literacy programs.

ocls.info/language



Check out something different.



Why buy when you can borrow? The OCLS Library of Things is a new and expanding collection that allows cardholders to learn and grow by doing, seeing, and making. From Fiber Arts kits with crochet and knitting supplies to blood pressure monitoring kits to our brand-new Citizen Science Kits, OCLS is expanding offerings at every branch!

ocls.info/libraryofthings

Be the center and show us your best shelfie!

Visit Orlando Public Library during National Library Week (April 7-14) to take a picture in our book tunnel. #OCLSReads



Learn to drive a stick shift or land a plane.



Venture into the world of The Melrose Center at Orlando Public Library and utilize our driver education simulator to practice driving a car in realistic situations. Aspiring pilots or curious hobbyists can learn to fly with our professional flight simulator using realistic flight controls and runways based on real airports! Learn more and sign up for required orientations at

tic.ocls.info/simulation



This National Library Week, we want to know what services YOU love best. We want to hear about it! Follow the QR code to tell us what you love best. One randomly chosen entry will receive a prize!





ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE:
EXPLORING CULTURE AND
LANGUAGE

Eatonville Branch
Thursday, April 4, 3:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch
Friday, April 5, 4 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Monday, April 15, 3 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 4 p.m.

Children will explore stories and activities that introduce them to the Arabic language and teach them about understanding and celebrating cultures outside of their own. Recommended for ages 6–12.

Let's Crochet: Tunisian Crochet
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 10 a.m.
What's better, knitting or crochet? With Tunisian crochet you get the best of both worlds. Craft a bookmark while learning the techniques for a forward and return pass.

Malala's Magic Pencil
Southeast Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 4:30 p.m.
Create your own magic pencil at this craft-based storytime all about Malala Yousafzai. Ages 3–5.

Homeschool Home Ec
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, April 11, 2 p.m.
Learn the Arabic art of macramé. Supplies limited. Registration required. Ages 8–12.

Macram-April
Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 13, 11 a.m.
Why wait until May when you can macramé now? Learn some macramé basics and complete a small project to keep. Ages 9–12.

Lore at the Library:
One Thousand and One Nights
Fairview Shores Branch
Saturday, April 13, 3 p.m.
Explore the folktales within *One Thousand and One Nights*. Read "The Ebony Horse" and create a craft. Ages 13–18.

New Home, New Neighbor
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 11 a.m.
Welcome, neighbor! Say hello in Arabic and other languages, learn about your neighborhood and welcome new friends. Ages 3–5.

Let's Embroider: Tattreez Flower Motifs
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 10 a.m.
Create a small embroidery hoop of tattreez flower motifs, a traditional Palestinian embroidery that uses geometric patterns. Ages 13 and up.

Aladdin Storytime
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 11 a.m.
Jump on your magic carpet for an *Aladdin*-themed storytime. Enter the Cave of Wonders for stories, games and crafts. Ages 3–5.

Pirate Adventures: Voyage to Egypt
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 3:30 p.m.
Learn pirate lingo, read an Egyptian tale and meet a pirate mummy or two. Ages 6–12.

Shadow Puppets
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 4 p.m.
Learn about the art of khayal al-zill (shadow play) and make your own shadow puppet! Ages 8–12. Registration required.

Homeschool Art: The Mountain and the Sun
West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 29, 11 a.m.
Study the brilliantly colored work of Lebanese American poet and artist Etel Adnan, then create your own masterpiece. Ages 6–15.

The Red Pyramid
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 4:30 p.m.
Dive into Egyptology and explore hieroglyphics, pyramids, amulets and ancient Egyptian history. Based on *The Kane Chronicles* by Rick Riordan. Ages 9–12.

ECLIPSE VIEWING PARTY

Orlando Public Library &
Orange County Regional History Center
Monday, April 8, 2:30–4 p.m.

In partnership with the Orange County Regional History Museum, join us at Heritage Square Park to view the eclipse in real-time while participating in other eclipse activities. Safely view the solar eclipse live using a solar telescope, soloculars and eclipse viewing glasses – plus enjoy total eclipse trivia and sidewalk chalk art. Head inside the History Center for *Celestial Odyssey*, a portable planetarium tour of the stars, and a Seminole solar legend craft. You can also catch live streams of the total solar eclipse for adults and families, coloring activities for kids and an eclipse photo booth inside Orlando Public Library.

Eclipse Viewing Parties

Eatonville Branch
Monday, April 8, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch
Monday, April 8, 1–2:15 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Monday, April 8, 1 p.m.
Alafaya Branch
Monday, April 8, 2 p.m.
North Orange Branch
Monday, April 8, 2:30 p.m.
Southwest Branch
Monday, April 8, 2:30 p.m.
Washington Park Branch
Monday, April 8, 2:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Monday, April 8, 2:30 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Monday, April 8, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 8, 2:30 p.m.

Receive your very own pair of eclipse viewing glasses, participate in activities and step outside to view the eclipse live. Eclipse glasses will be provided while supplies last.

SOLAR ECLIPSE
MOCKTAIL
LOUNGE

Orlando Public Library,
Albertson Room
Thursday, April 4, 5 p.m.
Try space inspired mocktails and test your solar eclipse knowledge with trivia. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.



Why Do Eclipses Happen?
West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 1, 4 p.m.
Explore the vast distance between the Earth and the moon and model how solar and lunar eclipses happen. Ages 8 and up.

All About The Sun
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 5 p.m.
Explore the star at the center of our universe. Ages 8 and up.

Solar Bingo
Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, April 3, 3:30 p.m.
Test your knowledge of the solar terms with solar bingo, trivia and fun activities to celebrate the solar eclipse. Recommended for families.

Solar Cupcakes!
Hiawassee Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 4–6 p.m.
Explore aspects of the sun and the solar system by modeling them as solar cupcakes. Ages 7 and up.

Build a Sizzling Solar Oven
Hiawassee Branch
Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Create a solar-powered oven out of a cardboard box to bake up a yummy treat! Ages 6 and up.

Big Sun, Small Moon?
Washington Park Branch
Monday, April 8, 1:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Monday, April 8, 1:30 p.m.
Discover how distance affects how objects can appear similar in size. Ages 6 and up.

Design Your Own Solar Cookie
Fairview Shores Branch
Monday, April 8, 3 p.m.
Explore aspects of the sun and solar activity by modeling them as solar cupcakes. Ages 5 and up.



SPRING INTO THE WORLD OF NEEDLECRAFTS

Explore the latest trends, techniques and inspirations for sewing, crochet, knitting and embroidery. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out on your crafting journey, there's a class for everyone.

Knit Hedgehogs

Virtual
Mondays, April 1, 15, 29 & May 13, 10:30 a.m.
Learn and advance your skills while knitting an adorable hedgehog.

Knit Level 1

Chickasaw Branch
Thursday, April 4, 3 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.

Knit Squares: Diamonds Square

Chickasaw Branch
Thursday, April 18, 3 p.m.
Build your knitting skills one square at a time. Finished squares can be used individually for dishcloths or washcloths or seamed together as scarves or blankets.

Winter Garden Monthly Knitting Circle

Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, April 20, 10:15 a.m.
Join us for our monthly knitting circle. Bring your own projects, yarn and tools, ask questions, receive help, give help, share ideas and meet new people!

Let's Crochet: Reusable Tote Bags

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 2 & 9, 5 p.m.
Celebrate the Earth by creating a reusable bag. Learn how to crochet in the round, use double crochet and multiple colors.

Let's Crochet Level 1

Alafaya Branch
Friday, April 5, 4 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Thursday, April 11, 5 p.m.
Hiwassee Branch
Monday, April 15, 4 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 Crochet Level 2

Hiwassee Branch
Monday, April 29, 4 p.m.
Level up your crocheting. Learn how to create more open fabric with new stitches. Techniques include chaining up rows, as well as double and half-double crochet stitches.

Crochet Open Lab

Fairview Shores
Thursday, April 18 & 9, 5 p.m.
North Orange
Tuesday, April 30, 5 p.m.
Bring your crochet projects, yarn and tools to this open lab. All levels are welcome.

Let's Crochet: Coin Purse

Chickasaw Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 3 p.m.
Create a fun crochet project. Learn how to create a coin purse using the magic circle and some basic stitches.

Hand Sewing Sashiko Patterns

Virtual
Thursdays, April 4–25, 10:15 a.m.
Learn to stitch using sashiko hand sewing techniques. This Japanese hand sewing technique uses the simple running stitch to form geometric patterns.

FEATURED BOOK

Explore new techniques, get ideas for projects and find helpful patterns in our featured fiber arts book.



The Re:Fashion Wardrobe: A Practical Guide to Sustainable Style by Portia Lawrie

The founder of The Refashioners movement presents step-by-step projects for adapting and cutting away at tops, trousers, dresses and more to build a stylish, modern and environment-saving capsule wardrobe you can wear throughout the year.

CLASES DE ARTE TEXTIL

Costura: Patrones y Tela

North Orange Branch
Monday, April 1, 10:30 a.m.
Leer los símbolos en un patrón de costura puede resultar bastante intimidante. Aprenda a leer un patrón de costura profesional, cómo colocar las telas y preparar el material para un proyecto.

Costura: Bolsa Grab-N-Go Pouch

North Orange Branch
Mondays, April 8–22, 10:30 a.m.
Esta bolsa es un pequeño y sencill lugar donde guardar todo esencial. Esto sería genial para viajes a la piscina o a la playa, pero es realmente una pieza útil durante todo el año.

Costura: Introducción a la Máquina De Coser

North Orange Branch
Saturday, April 13, 2 p.m.
¿Alguna vez quisiste hacer tu propia ropa, decoración, disfraces o accesorios? Únase a nosotros en esta clase de costura básica y aprenda manejar una máquina de coser y cómo coser costuras básicas.

Tejido en Croché: Bolsa de Mano Reusable

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, April 16 & 23, 5 p.m.
Celebra la Tierra creando una bolsa reutilizable. Aprende a tejer en la ronda, a utilizar la punto alto y a utilizar varios colores.

Costura: Funda Para Almohadas

North Orange Branch
Saturday, April 27, 2 p.m.
Crea una funda de almohada clásica. Termina tu proyecto profesionalmente con costuras francesas, mientras practicas puntadas rectas. Se requiere que los estudiantes traigan tela.

SPRING INTO CREATIVITY

Get creative in Photoshop and Canva. Use these powerful applications to create flyers, business cards, presentations and more. Or learn Tinkercad, a free entry-level 3D application in our Intro to 3D Design class. You can create anything you set your mind to!



Design with Canva

Fairview Shores Branch
Friday, April 5, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Saturday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m.
Bring your design ideas to life with Canva, a free graphic design application. Save time by building on thousands of professional templates to create logos, flyers, social media content and more.

Introduction to 3D Design

South Trail Branch
Saturday, April 6, 10:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Friday, April 19, 10:30 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, April 30, 10:30 a.m.
Create and build models using Tinkercad, a free 3D Design application. Explore the process for exporting a compatible model for 3D printing.

Adobe Photoshop Level 1

Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 10:30 a.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 11 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 10:30 a.m.
Hiwassee Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 4, 1 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Friday, April 12, 10:30 a.m.
Learn about the functionality of Photoshop and explore the environment.

Adobe Photoshop Level 3

Eatonville Branch
Thursday, April 4, 11 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 10:30 a.m.
Hiwassee Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 18, 1 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Friday, April 19, 10:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 10:30 a.m.
Learn how to add layer styles, custom shapes, gradients and photo filters.

Adobe Photoshop Level 2

Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 11 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 a.m.
Hiwassee Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 11, 1 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Friday, April 12, 12:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 10:30 a.m.
Learn how to use layers, layer masks, free transform tools and text tools.

Adobe Photoshop Level 4

Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Friday, April 19, 12:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m.
Hiwassee Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 25, 1 p.m.
Learn how to apply common image editing techniques used to retouch and restore photographs.



MINDFUL START FAMILY YOGA

Winter Garden Branch
Mondays, April 1–29, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 10 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.

PALS

Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy a fun and entertaining puppet show accompanied by a storytime.

Create Comics

Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 3:30 p.m.
Use Comic Life to change layouts, add cartoons and write a story to make your comic drawings come alive! Ages 7–9.

Karaoke

Fairview Shores Branch
Thursday, April 4, 5–6:30 p.m.
Do you love Japan? Then you'll love Japanese pop culture karaoke with classic anime songs and more! All skill levels are welcome in this friendly, no-judgment environment.

Creatures of the Night

South Trail Branch
Saturday, April 6, 10:30 a.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 3:30 p.m.
Discover adaptations that have allowed nocturnal animals to be successful in the dark. Ages 0–12.

Art Like Ivan

West Oaks Branch
Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m.
Use some of Ivan the gorilla's unusual techniques to create your own masterpiece! Ages 5–12.

Dog Adoption Event

Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Meet rescue dogs ready for adoption and learn about volunteer opportunities with Polka Dogz Pet Rescue!

Inside Out Escape Room

South Creek Branch
Saturday, April 6, 1–2:30 p.m.
Riley's in trouble and Joy needs you to help unlock an important core memory! Ages 5 and up. Registration required.

Earth Day Pudding Cup

Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 3:30 p.m.
Create a flower garden with chocolate pudding, marshmallows, sprinkles and other sweet treats.

ZOOper Heroes

North Orange Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 3:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, April 20, 10:30 a.m.
Investigate the world of superheroes with special animal abilities. Discover what kind of adaptations it takes to be Spider-Man, Batman and Catwoman! Ages 0–12.

Family Art Adventures: Andy Warhol

Southeast Branch
Thursday, April 11, 4:30 p.m.
Learn about Andy Warhol, the American pop artist, and create a masterpiece in his style. Ages 5 and up.

Box Engineers

Southeast Branch
Saturday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.
Fuel your creativity with a cardboard box! Work together to design and construct an architectural marvel. Ages 5 and up.

Perler Bead Accessories and More

North Orange Branch
Thursday, April 18, 4:30–6 p.m.
Celebrate the Earth by making nature-inspired designs with Perler beads.

What Can You Do with a Potato?

Southeast Branch
Friday, April 19, 4 p.m.
Explore kitchen science and spud art at this STEAM-inspired event. Ages 5 and up.

Storygami

Fairview Shores Branch
Monday, April 22, 3:30 p.m.
Learn to make your own Earth Day flower and enjoy a story reading.

Terraforming Terrariums

Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, April 25, 4:30 p.m.
Design a world that fits in the palms of your hands and learn the concepts of planetary terraforming by creating a miniature terrarium. Supplies limited. Recommended for ages 6–12.

You're a Poet and You Don't Even Know It

Southeast Branch
Thursday, April 25, 4:30 p.m.
Explore selections from the greats and try to recreate some of your own. Ages 5 and up.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Pop'T Canvas

Southeast Branch
Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m.
Celebrate all that's special about Pop-Tarts: the filling, frosting and sprinkles that dazzle our taste buds! Ages 5 and up.

Family Book Week Fun

West Oaks Branch
Saturday, April 27, 3 p.m.
Enjoy stories about families of all types and make your own book together to take home. Ages 5–12.

Pokémon Patisserie

Fairview Shores Branch
Monday, April 29, 4:30 p.m.
Join a Pokémon gym leader to recreate a Pokémon dessert for your little trainers to enjoy.



BOUNCE INTO BOOKS

Southwest Branch
Monday, April 8, 11 a.m.
Introduce your baby to early literacy skills through movement, music, rhymes and stories.

BABY (Ages 0–18 Months)

Little Hatchlings
Southeast Branch
Monday, April 1, 10:15 a.m.
Hatch up some fun with an egg-themed storytime with songs.

Mother Goose on the Loose
Orlando Public Library
Mondays, April 1–29, 10:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 10:30 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Monday, April 22, 11 a.m.
Use rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and more to help develop pre-literacy skills.

Baby Bookworms
Southwest Branch
Monday, April 1, 11 a.m.
Introduce your baby to literacy practices that encourage learning and developmental growth.

Bilingual Baby Time
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 10:15 a.m.
Grow your baby's language skills with this English/Spanish storytime.

Ocean Baby
Southwest Branch
Monday, April 15, 11 a.m.
Help boost your child's pre-literacy skills with ocean-themed nursery rhymes.

Baby's First Galaxy Art
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 11 a.m.
Dress for a mess! Your baby will use edible paint to create their first interstellar masterpiece.

Nature Baby
Southwest Branch
Monday, April 29, 11 a.m.
Help boost your child's pre-literacy skills with nature-themed nursery rhymes.

TODDLER (Ages 18–36 Months)

Little Bugs
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 10:30 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 11 a.m.
Let's learn, grow and play as we learn about our favorite bugs with interactive stations for all.

Digging in the Dirt
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, April 2, 11 a.m.
Learn about our Earth and the plants and animals that share it with us. Dress for a mess!

Music and Movement
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 11 a.m.
Wiggle and move with scarves, ribbons and a parachute.

Bilingual Storytime
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 10:30 a.m.
Help your child develop early literacy skills in this English/Spanish bilingual storytime. Ages 2–5.

Storytime Craft
North Orange Branch
Wednesdays, April 3–24, 10:30 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Thursdays, April 4–25, 10 a.m.–Noon
Drop in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft. Ages 2–5.

Artsy Toddler
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 11 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesdays, April 9 & 23, 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 10:15 a.m.
Learn new fine motor skills using paint, paste, glue and stamps to create.

Bubble Playtime
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 11 a.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesdays, April 3 & 17, 11 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 11 a.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Friday, April 26, 11:15 a.m.
Help your child develop gross motor skills in this interactive bubble party.

Pom Pom Party
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m.
Come party with us and discover all kinds of ways to use those fluffy, puffy pom poms!

Teddy Bear Storytime
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 11 a.m.
Interact with your teddy through stories, songs and rhymes for a one-of-a-kind story time! Ages 2–5.

Ryder Storytime
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 a.m.
Ryder reads you a *Paw Patrol* story with an interactive craft.

STEAM Free Play
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesdays, April 10 & 24, 11 a.m.
Explore, discover and learn with STEAM-related toys. Ages 2–5.

Toddler Playground
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 11 a.m.
Use unstructured play to advance physical and cognitive development and to have fun!



EARTH DAY, HOORAY!

Southeast Branch
Monday, April 15, 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, April 16, 4:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 10:30 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Thursday, April 18, 11 a.m.

It's never too early to start learning about protecting our planet! Enjoy nature-friendly stories, crafts and activities with your little one. Ages 2–5.

Craft and a Snack
Eatonville Branch
Monday, April 15, 10:30 a.m.
 Join us for a frog-inspired craft and story to celebrate National Frog Month!

Toddlerumpus
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 11 a.m.
 Wiggle, squiggle, dance and clap with stories and songs that invite play and motor movement.

Hello, Spring!
South Creek Branch
Thursday, April 18, 10:30 a.m.
 Learn, explore and play with all the things this season brings. Ages 2–5.

Mama Goose for Little Geese
South Creek Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 10:30 a.m.
 Listen, play and sing along to a nursery rhyme-themed storytime.

Little Lit Classics
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 11 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m.
 Introduce your toddler to classic literature by exploring colors from *Alice in Wonderland*, shapes from *Treasure Island*, counting from *Jane Eyre* and more!

Now I'm Big
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 11 a.m.
 Let's come together to explore our surroundings. Enhance your gross motor skills through activities that will get your large muscles movin'!

Seeds of Kindness
Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 10:30 a.m.
 Attendees will learn about the importance of seeds and kindness through stories, songs and activities.

PRESCHOOL (Ages 3–5)

Sesame Street Storytime
 Virtual
Mondays, April 1–29, 11 a.m.
 Let's make it a sunny day with a storytime and craft celebrating our favorite friends.

Pajama Party
 Virtual
Mondays, April 1–29, 7 p.m.
 Put on your pajamas and enjoy an interactive virtual storytime.

Mindful Play Learning: Yoga for Preschoolers
Eatonville Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:15 a.m.
 Use yoga and imagination to teach early learners social-emotional skills, support cognitive development and enhance creativity. Ages 3–5.

Countdown to Kindergarten
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesdays, April 2–30, 10:30 a.m.
 Learn about pets through stories, rhymes and activities designed to develop skills for success in kindergarten. Ages 4–5.

Little Chef: PB&J Spiders
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 3:30 p.m.
 Spread, cut and stack ingredients to make a friendly and delicious spider. Ages 3–8.

Bunny Tales
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 10:30 a.m.
 Hop into a great book followed by a rabbit craft.

I Spy a Shape
North Orange Branch
Thursday, April 4, 11 a.m.
 Square! Circle! Triangle! We invite you to explore shapes with STEAM-based learning.

This Pretty Planet
Southeast Branch
Monday, April 8, 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, April 9, 4:30 p.m.
 Explore songs, stories, rhymes and activities about our beautiful planet and how to take care of it.

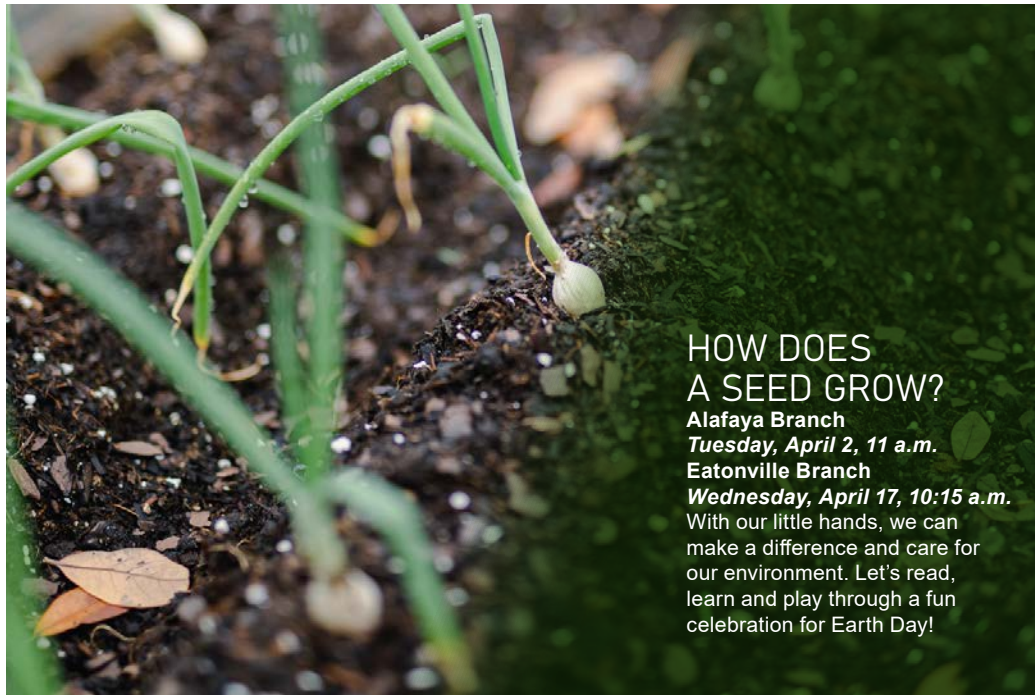
Earth Day Birthday
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, April 18, 10:30 a.m.
 Honor our planet on her special day with stories, games and activities about keeping her clean.

Little Chef: Strawberry Yogurt Parfait
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, April 9, 11 a.m.
 What can you make with strawberries, graham crackers and yogurt? Join us to find out! Registration required.

Homeschool Jr.
Windermere Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 a.m.
 Kickstart your child's education! Listen to stories and engage in activities about basic concepts.

Cuéntame un Cuento
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 11 a.m.
South Creek Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 10:30 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Monday, April 29, 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, April 30, 4:30 p.m.
 Virtual
Fridays, April 5 & 19, 11 a.m.
Thursdays, April 4–25, 10 a.m.
 Bilingual storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish.

Earthy Snack Attack
North Orange Branch
Thursday, April 11, 11 a.m.
 Put your chef's hat on and make a rice cake Earth using cream cheese, grapes and blueberries.



HOW DOES A SEED GROW?

Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 11 a.m.
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 10:15 a.m.
 With our little hands, we can make a difference and care for our environment. Let's read, learn and play through a fun celebration for Earth Day!

Wild Monkey Tails
Fairview Shores Branch
Friday, April 12, 10:30 a.m.
 Calling all curious kids! It's time to go wild at the library with stories, arts and crafts about monkeys.

Little Chef: Fluffy Bunny Cakes
Hiwassee Branch
Friday, April 12, 11:15 a.m.
 Welcome in the spring sunshine than with a bunnyrific cupcake! Registration required.

Little Readers
 Virtual
Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m.
 Start your child's reading journey with engaging activities focused on phonics and sight words.

Pajama Jamboree
Windermere Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 4:30 p.m.
 Put on your favorite jammies for a fun-filled evening of a story, craft and a snack. Ages 3–7.

Wild Creatures
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 10:30 a.m.
 Learn about an exciting animal through stories and a craft.

Little Artist
North Orange Branch
Friday, April 19, 11 a.m.
 Explore art techniques, play with bubbles and learn letters, numbers and colors.

Little Chef: Bird's Nest Treats
Southeast Branch
Monday, April 22, 10:15 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 4:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 27, 11 a.m.
 Join us for a celebration of the season with a bird's nest-inspired treat.

Teddy Bear Picnic
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, April 23, 10:30 a.m.
 Interact with your teddy through stories, songs and rhymes for a one-of-a-kind story time!

Little Chef: Little Pig, Little Pig Let Me In
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m.
 Build the Three Little Pigs a house of candy and sticks to keep them safe before the wolf huffs and puffs and gobbles it all up!

Rainy Day Fun
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 11 a.m.
 Enjoy stories, songs and crafts at the library all about the rain.

Rutti-Tutti-Frutti Fun!
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 4:30 p.m.
 Have a berry good time celebrating fruits with stories and activities!

D is for Dinosaur
North Orange Branch
Thursday, April 25, 11 a.m.
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 11 a.m.
 Dino time is near, let's give a roaring cheer! Go on a dinosaur adventure using stories and activities.

When the Wind Blows
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 11 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?

STORYTIMES

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TINY 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, 11:15 a.m.
 Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.
 Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 11:15 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 Public Library, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

ZERO TO FIVE STORYTIME

(ages 0–5)

Hiwassee 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 STORYTIME

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.

SECRET LIFE OF TREES

Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 4 p.m.

West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 4 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 11, 4 p.m.

Trees are the oldest living things in the world. Join us for an Earth Day celebration of trees and discover their vital role in our environment.

GREEN THUMBS,
DIRTY FEET

Southeast Branch
Thursday, April 18, 4:30 p.m.
Eatonville Branch
Monday, April 22, 3:30 p.m.

Earth Day is April 22 and we are celebrating! Plant a seed and learn how you can get your feet dirty while showing your appreciation for our planet Earth.



Homeschool Meetup

Southwest Branch
Mondays, April 1, 15, 22 & 29, 1 p.m.
Come participate in math, science, history, art and literature-based learning.

April Fools!

Eatonville Branch
Monday, April 1, 3:30 p.m.
Celebrate the silliest holiday by engaging in wacky activities and learning the history of the day. Ages 6-10.

Macaroni Mania

Windermere Branch
Monday, April 1, 4 p.m.
Explore the versatility of using pasta to create one-of-a-kind crafts.

Homeschool: Spanish

Windermere Branch
Tuesdays, April 2 & 16, 2 p.m.
Learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and more. Ages 6-17.

Chess Clubs

Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesdays, April 2-30, 3:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Mondays, April 8 & 22, 4 p.m.
Chess sets are available for play and lessons will be provided.

Beginner's Spanish for Kids

Fairview Shores Branch
Tuesdays, April 2-30, 4:30 p.m.
Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary through games and activities while having fun.

LEGO Clubs

Windermere Branch
Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 23 & 30, 4:30 p.m.
Southwest Branch
Wednesdays, April 3-24, 4 p.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Fridays, April 5 & 19, 4 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Fridays, April 5 & 23, 4:30 p.m.
Alafaya Branch
Saturday, April 6, 1:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Thursday, April 18, 4 p.m.
Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

Candy Science

South Creek Branch
Tuesday, April 2, 5:30 p.m.
Science gets tasty when we explore the sweeter side of experiments!

Celebrate Earth Month

West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, April 3, 4 p.m.
Learn about inspiring young activists from around the world with stories, activities and snacks. Presented by the City of Ocoee.

Homeschool Discovery

Windermere Branch
Thursdays, April 4-18, 1 p.m.
Discover the world around us through STEM, geography, the arts, culture, history and literature with hands-on activities. Ages 6-17.

How do you BURP in Space?

Southeast Branch
Thursday, April 4, 4:30 p.m.
Learn answers to questions you didn't know you had about outer space and beyond.

Cuisine Corner Junior:

Rainbow Fruit Nachos
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 4, 4 p.m.
Turn your fruit into your next hit. Learn how to create fruit nachos to share.

READING Paws

Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Saturday, April 13, 11:30 a.m.
Alafaya Branch
Saturday, April 27, 11 a.m.
The Reading Education Assistance Dogs program improves children's reading and communication skills by reading to a therapy dog.

Insect Inspectors

Orlando Public Library
Saturday, April 6, 2 p.m.
Learn about the insects that call our community home and explore the ways they help our environment. Registration required. Ages 6-8.

Homeschool Explorers

North Orange Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 2 p.m.
Support your child's homeschool curriculum with crafts and stories from around the world.

Help! I'm Endangered!

Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 3:30 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 4:30 p.m.
What do giant pandas, gorillas and Brazilian three-toed sloths have in common? They are all endangered.

DIY Spinner Toys

Hiawassee Branch
Wednesday, April 10, 4 p.m.
Prep for school by making your own spinner toys using recycled materials or things around the house!

All About Amphibians

Eatonville Branch
Thursday, April 11, 3:30 p.m.
April is National Frog Month! Let's hop to learning about different types of amphibians.

Sadako Sasaki and the 1000
Origami Cranes

South Creek Branch
Thursday, April 11, 4:30 p.m.
Learn how to make origami cranes while we talk about Sadako's story and legacy. Ages 8 and up.

Homeschool: Art Expressions

Windermere Branch
Fridays, April 12 & 26, 2 p.m.
Children will expand their abilities as they improve their fine motor skills and ingenuity. Ages 6-17.

Dungeons & Dragons

North Orange Branch
Saturday, April 13, 1-3 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Mondays, April 15 & 29, 4-5:30 p.m.
Join us adventurers on our next quest! Ages 9-17.

Homeschool Science:

Great Li'l Gastropods
West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 15, 11 a.m.
Explore the various snails and slugs in Florida's ecosystem. Ages 6-15. Registration required.

Snack Around the World:

Scandinavia
West Oaks Branch
Monday, April 15, 4 p.m.
Learn about a different culture and sample the snacks it has to offer. Registration required.

LEGO Printmaking

Hiawassee Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 4:30-6 p.m.
Design and create unique prints using LEGO bricks. Ages 7 and up.

Cuisine Corner Junior:
Spaghetti and Meatballs

South Creek Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 5:30 p.m.
Set the table and prepare a classic dish inspired by Disney's *Lady and the Tramp*. Ages 9-12.

DIY SpongeBob Can Planter

Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 3:30 p.m.
In honor of Mother Earth, make SpongeBob and Patrick flower pots with aluminum cans.

Snacks for Squirrels

Hiawassee Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 4 p.m.
Earth Day is April 22 and we are celebrating! Create a treat for your backyard critters.

Magic Tree House
Expeditions

Virtual
Wednesday, April 17, 4:30 p.m.
Jack and Annie need your help with their latest voyage in the Magic Tree House. Ages 6-8.



Bluey Shrinky Dinks

Alafaya Branch
Monday, April 15, 4 & 4:30 p.m.
Take Bluey home with you! Make your own Bluey Shrinky Dink inspired by the *Escape* episode.

Pajama Party: Sleepytime

Virtual
Monday, April 15, 7 p.m.
Put on your pajamas and join us a storytime featuring *Bluey* books, songs and games.

Bluey Storytime!

Alafaya Branch
Tuesdays, April 16 & 20, 11 a.m.
Mom! Dad! Bingo! Bluey!
Join us for stories, crafts and songs inspired by *Bluey*.

DIY Bob Bilby

Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, April 16, 4 p.m.
Make your own Bob Bilby puppet using felt, glue and lots of imagination. Ages 5 and up.

Dance Mode

Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 10:15 a.m.
Get ready to move and groove to all the best songs from *Bluey*!

Cuisine Corner Junior:

Bluey Snacks!
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 4 p.m.
Make some easy recipes from the show *Bluey*! Registration required.

Happy Habitats

Alafaya Branch
Thursday, April 18, 4 p.m.
Learn about the habitats, plants and animals of Australia through books and crafts. Registration required. Ages 6-8.

Calypso's Classroom

Alafaya Branch
Friday, April 19, 11:45 a.m.
Join us in Calypso's classroom, where you can explore and tinker while engaging in imaginative play. Ages 0-5.

Bluey Mugs

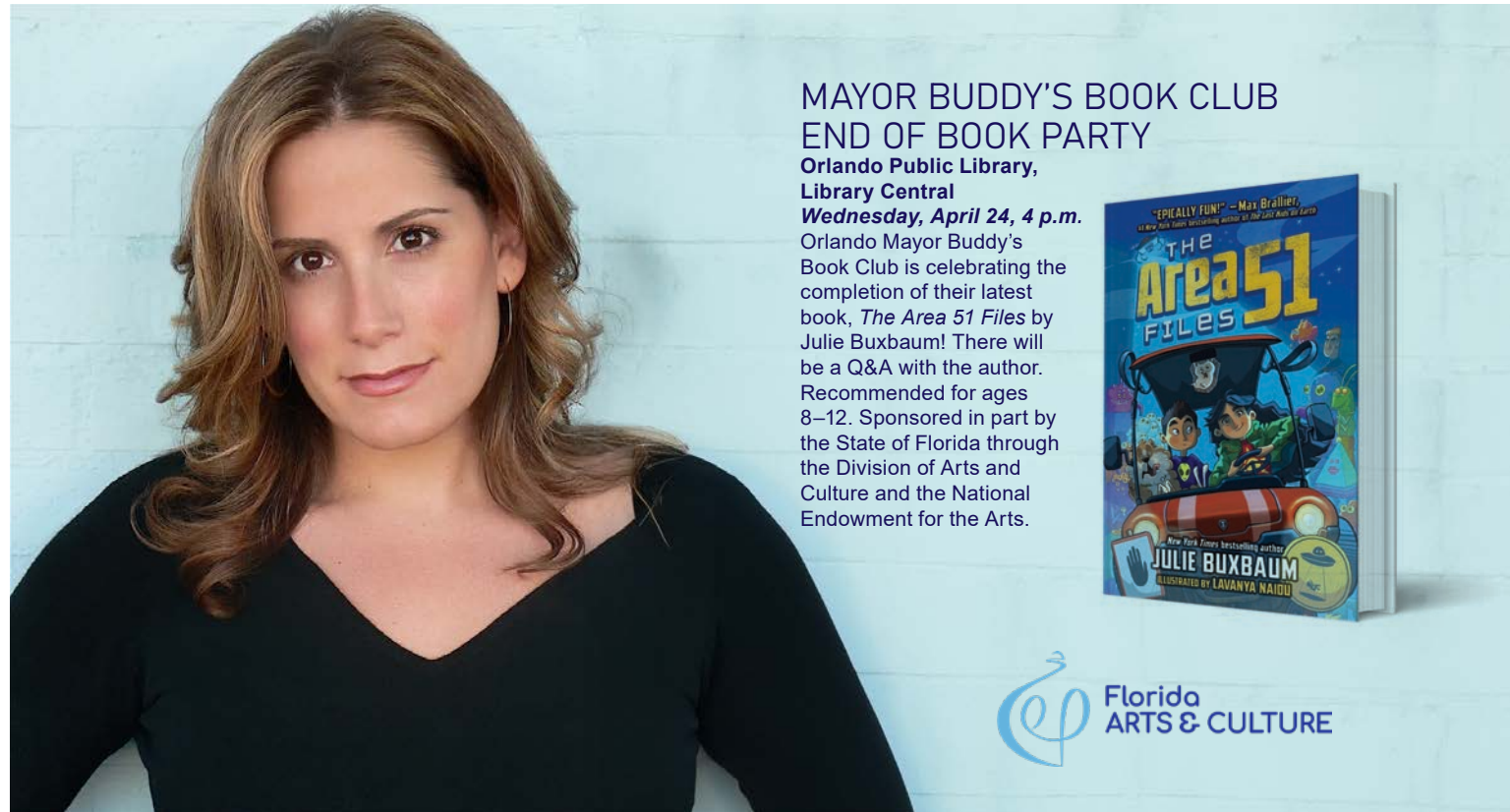
Alafaya Branch
Friday, April 19, 4:30 p.m.
Discuss your favorite *Bluey* moments and paint your own *Bluey*-inspired mug. Ages 18 and up.

Bluey Fest!

Alafaya Branch
Saturday, April 20, 2 p.m.
Wackadoo! Join us to make *Bluey*-inspired crafts. Just don't slip on the beans!

Trifficult Trivia

Alafaya Branch
Saturday, April 20, 4 p.m.
Do you know the name of Bluey's garden gnome husband? What's Bandit's job? Test your knowledge against other adult *Bluey* fans!



MAYOR BUDDY'S BOOK CLUB END OF BOOK PARTY

**Orlando Public Library,
Library Central
Wednesday, April 24, 4 p.m.**
Orlando Mayor Buddy's Book Club is celebrating the completion of their latest book, *The Area 51 Files* by Julie Buxbaum! There will be a Q&A with the author. Recommended for ages 8–12. Sponsored in part by the State of Florida through the Division of Arts and Culture and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Kids Film Club
Eatonville Branch
Thursday, April 18, 3:30–5 p.m.
What's a cool way to celebrate Earth Day? With Dr. Seuss' *The Lorax* of course!

Origami Club
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, April 18, 3:30 p.m.
Fold paper frogs for National Frog Month and unravel the fun of this ancient craft! Ages 8–12.

Hearts of Gold Therapy Dogs
South Creek Branch
Saturday, April 20, 10:30 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m.
Children can improve their reading skills by reading to a therapy dog with Golden Retriever Rescue of Mid-Florida.

"Grow" Your Own Truffula Tree
Hiawassee Branch
Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m.
Craft a Truffula tree from Dr. Seuss' *The Lorax*.

Magic Tree House Adventures
South Creek Branch
Saturday, April 20, 1:30 p.m.
Explore the classic book series by Mary Pope Osborne through kid-friendly STEAM activities. Recommended for all ages.

Wild Earth: Volcanoes
Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, April 20, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Thursday, April 25, 4 p.m.
Experiment and learn more fun facts about volcanoes!

Celebrate the Outside!
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, April 23, 4:30 p.m.
Celebrate the Earth and everything nature. Make your very own germination jars and bird feeders.

Backyard Birds of Prey
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 3:15 p.m.
Meet and learn about the birds of prey that can be found in your own backyard. In partnership with the Audubon Center for Birds of Prey.

A Very Merry Unbirthday
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 4 p.m.
Take a trip to Wonderland and celebrate your "unbirthday" with whimsical crafts and activities.

Shakespeare for Kids
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 4 p.m.
Have some fun and learn a lot as we introduce the "cool" side of Shakespeare. Ages 9–12.

Homeschool Branch Out
Windermere Branch
Thursday, April 25, 1 p.m.
Socialize with friends as you expand your horizons during this exploratory recreation time. Ages 6–17.

Homeschool: Simple Machines
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, April 25, 2 p.m.
Learn the science behind simple machines, and then make your own. Ages 6–8.

Cuisine Corner Junior:
Fluffy Bunny Cakes
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, April 25, 3 p.m.
We'll show you how to turn a plain ol' cupcake into an animal work of art that you can eat too!

STEM Challenge: Make it Rain!
Eatonville Branch
Thursday, April 25, 3:30 p.m.
Dive into our STEM challenge to explore rain and make it happen!

Pirate Adventures: Voyage to Dino Land
Fairview Shores Branch
Thursday, April 25, 4 p.m.
We'll learn pirate lingo, read a dinotastic tale and meet a pirate dinosaur or two.

Garden Rocks!
South Creek Branch
Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m.
Paint rocks to add to our garden and take a self-guided tour of our plants.

Poetry Playground
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, April 30, 3:30 p.m.
Celebrate National Poetry Month! Save the date and don't forget the time. Join us for some fun and rhyme. Ages 9–12.

TEENS

AGES 13–18
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High School Advisory Board Meeting
Virtual
Tuesday, April 2, 4 p.m.
Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new programs, brainstorm new teen services and more. Grades 9–12.

Middle School Advisory Board Meeting
Virtual
Wednesday, April 3, 4 p.m.
Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new programs, brainstorm new teen services and more. Grades 6–8.

Homeschool Teen Art: Happy Little Trees
West Oaks Branch
Friday, April 5, 11 a.m.
Grab a brush, mellow out and paint some happy little trees the Bob Ross way. Ages 11–17.

Let's Play D&D
Hiawassee Branch
Saturdays, April 6 & 20, 1–5 p.m.
Choose your character and work together to face obstacles and defeat monsters.

Paint Party!
Fairview Shores Branch
Saturdays, April 6 & 20, 3–4:30 p.m.
It's that time again for a paint party! Create your very own artwork at three different art stations.

Teen Volunteering: Orange Slice
Alafaya Branch
Saturday, April 6, 3–5 p.m.
Earn community service hours by getting involved in Alafaya Branch's teen literary and creative arts magazine. Registration required.

Teen Art Adventures: Book It!
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, April 9, 4:30 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 4:30 p.m.
From single-page crafts to full book projects, it's time to upcycle our most well-loved titles.

Washington Park's Animanga Club
Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, April 9 & 23, 5 p.m.
Love manga and anime? Join us for manga recommendations, crafts, anime and more.

Visual Poetry for Teens
South Creek Branch
Friday, April 12, 4:30 p.m.
Try your hand at poetry that sounds good and looks even better.

Teen Takeover Southeast Branch
Wednesday, April 17, 3–5 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 3–5 p.m.
Earn up to two hours of community service by assembling craft kits and performing other tasks. Registration required.

Teen Art Adventures: Plastic Bag Print Making
South Creek Branch
Thursday, April 18, 4:30 p.m.
Create unpredictable and expressive pieces of art by painting with plastic bags.

Write a Business Letter
Virtual
Thursday, April 18, 4:30 p.m.
Take the opportunity to equip yourself with an important life skill by learning acceptable ways to write a business letter.

Teen Board Game Meetup
South Creek Branch
Friday, April 19, 4:15–5:45 p.m.
Learn D&D Attack Wing, a fast-paced miniature battle game, at the library! Registration required.

Teen Volunteering
Eatonville Branch
Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Earn two hours of community service by assembling craft kits for the library.

Heroes of Olympus
Hiawassee Branch
Wednesday, April 24, 4 p.m.
Learn more about the ancient Greek gods and goddesses.

Create a Manga Bookmark
Fairview Shores Branch
Friday, April 26, 3 p.m.
Mix and match different manga panels to create a unique bookmark.

Teen Volunteering
Hiawassee Branch
Friday, April 26, 3:30–5:30 p.m.
Earn two hours of community service by participating in Hiawassee Branch's teen literary magazine or assembling craft kits for the library.

Art Club
Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, April 27, 3:30 p.m.
Try out new artistic techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists! Ages 10 and up. Registration required.

Video Game Design: Role-Playing Games
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, April 29, 2:30 p.m.
Use Tynker to create a classic top-down role-playing game.

RECYCLED POETRY

South Creek Branch
Thursday, April 4, 4:30 p.m.
Everything can be reused or recycled, including poetry! Earn your poetic license as we turn old poetry into new art.



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.

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. 🕒

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.,
Orlando, FL 32832

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



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