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Primary Election Early Voting

August 5-18
9 a.m.-7 p.m.



Primary Election for
Assigned Districts*

August 20
9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Chickasaw Branch
Fairview Shores Branch*
Hiawasse Branch
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Southeast Branch

Southwest Branch*
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Next Board of Trustees Meeting:

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Thursday, August 8, 6 p.m.

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Next Friends of the Library Board of Directors Meeting:

Virtual
Wednesday, August 21, Noon



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JOB FAIR

September 11, 2024 12-4PM

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employers from the Central Florida area!*

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

Summer has been a busy and exciting time at Orange County Library System and I hope you had the opportunity to enjoy some of the Summer At Your Library programming offered in branches, at pop-up events around the county and virtually. Nearly 5,000 kids and adults participated in our summer reading challenge, building literacy skills and inspiring lifelong learning. Offering ways for community members to learn, grow and connect is a vital role for OCLS.

August brings a host of programs and events for all ages: from plant clinics to storytimes, financial literacy to cooking classes. Several branches will host open sewing labs for crafters to contribute to Yarnfiti, our community-created art installation. This year's theme is Enchanted Forest and handcrafted art contributions may be brought to any of our locations by closing on Friday, August 23 or brought to our Yarnfiti Installation Party from 3 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 12 at Orlando Public Library.

I have the pleasure of announcing two notable author events. On September 20, romance fans can gather at Chickasaw Branch to hear popular romance writer Brenda Jackson share the inspiration behind her latest book at Romance, Wine and Chocolate. Tickets for this after-hours event go on sale August 1 and include a copy of Ms. Jackson's latest book, *The Cottage on Pelican Bay*, complimentary wine and chocolate. You can purchase tickets at ocls.info/rwc but don't wait – they sell out fast.

On January 24, we will host New York Times bestselling author John Green for the inaugural Lillian Louise Pharr Author Series. This new annual event is the result of a generous donation made by the late Roger Pharr, an Orlando native, tennis champion and Orlando Public Library volunteer. Mr. Pharr established an endowment with the Friends of the Orange County Library System in honor of his mother. An Evening with Author John Green, presented by the Lillian Louise Pharr Endowment Fund, will be held at The Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts and tickets go on sale September 9. Attendees will have the unique opportunity to gain deeper insights into Mr. Green's creative process and hear firsthand about his experiences as a writer through a moderated conversation that details his literary journey and inspirations.

OCLS brings meaningful, engaging events and programs to Orange County residents through the generous support of our community. We look forward to seeing you at a branch, online or at an event in your neighborhood.



Steve Powell

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An Evening With
New York Times Bestselling Author

JOHN GREEN

Friday, January 24, 2025 | 8 p.m.
Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Tickets on sale **September 9**

Presented by the Lillian Louise Pharr Endowment Fund

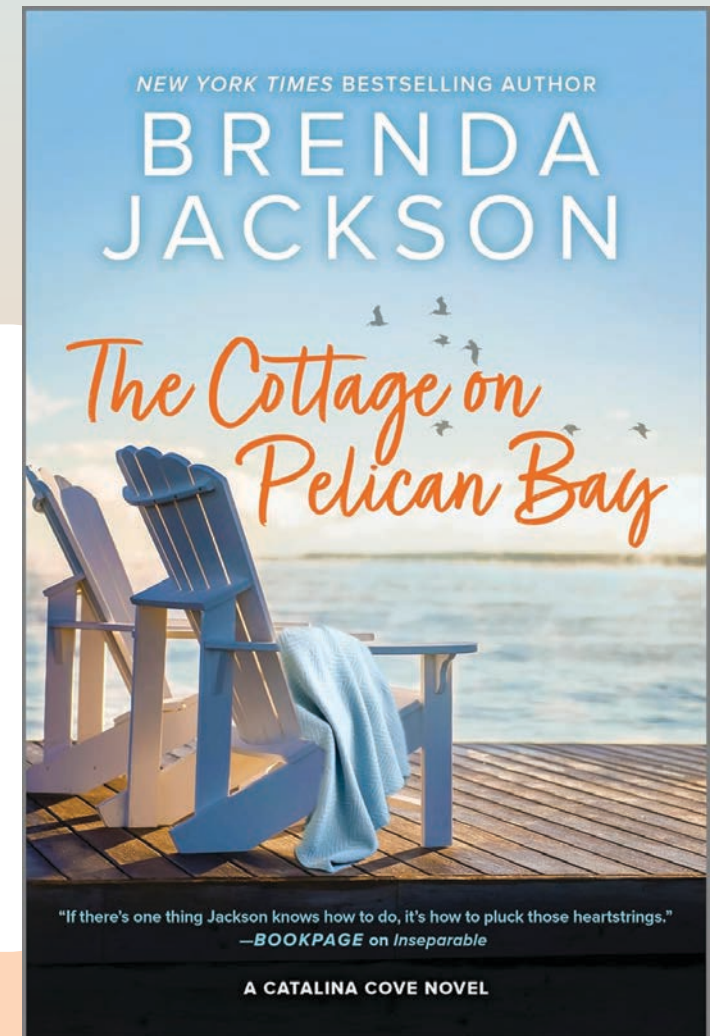


Romance, Wine & Chocolate

SEPTEMBER 20, 7 P.M.
CHICKASAW BRANCH



Join us for an evening of romance with bestselling author Brenda Jackson, who shares the inspirations behind her latest book. Tickets are \$25, including one signed copy of *The Cottage on Pelican Bay*, complimentary wine, and chocolate. To purchase tickets, visit ocls.info/rwc.



"If there's one thing Jackson knows how to do, it's how to pluck those heartstrings."
—BOOKPAGE on *Inseparable*

A CATALINA COVE NOVEL

PLANT CLINIC

Windermere Branch
Tuesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, August 8, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, August 10, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.
 Bring your plants and ask questions! Master Gardener volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office will be available to answer your gardening questions.

HERB GARDENING:
FLEET FARMING

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Monday, August 12, 5:30 p.m.
 Learn to cultivate herbs like a pro! Fleet Farming covers growing, harvesting and using herbs for cooking and wellness. From basil to rosemary, unlock the secrets to a thriving herb garden.

GARDEN DESIGN:
FLEET FARMING

West Oaks Branch
Thursday, August 22, 2 p.m.
 Discover the secrets of stunning garden design! Learn everything from soil basics to layout techniques. Get hands-on experience and unleash your creativity to craft beautiful outdoor spaces.

GARDENING 101:
FLEET FARMING

Chickasaw Branch
Monday, August 26, 10:30 a.m.
 Get started with gardening basics with Fleet Farming! Learn soil prep, plant care and simple design tips. Perfect for beginners, this course will have you growing with confidence in no time.



Mindfulness Challenge for Adults

ocls.beanstack.org
August 1–31
 Use mindfulness to get to know yourself better. Join us as we look for ways to relax, enjoy and create with this online Beanstack challenge.

Book to Film Series

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Thursday, August 1, 11 a.m.
Saturday, August 17, 3 p.m.
 This month we'll watch *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea* and *Around the World in 80 Days*.

CareerSource Central
Florida Career Navigators

Washington Park Branch
Thursday, August 1, Noon–2 p.m.
 CareerSource offers career exploration, training, internships and job placement.

Yoga for Adults

North Orange Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 1 p.m.
 Dress in comfortable clothing and bring a mat.

Adult Game Time

Windermere Branch
Saturdays, August 3–31, 3–4:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Saturdays, August 10 & 24, 2:30–4:30 p.m.
 From party games to classic cards. Ages 18 and up.

All-Levels Yoga

Virtual
Monday, August 5, 8 a.m.

Organizing for Student Success

Virtual
Monday, August 5, 11 a.m.
 Jane Cole, a certified professional organizer, will present best practices for parents and students to create a positive educational environment.

Resin Charms

North Orange Branch
Monday, August 5, 4:30 p.m.
 Explore the world of UV resin and create a charm for a necklace or keychain. Ages 18 and up.

Entrepreneur Toolkit

Virtual
Tuesdays, August 6–27, Noon
 Discover reliable and authoritative databases and learn how to use them to build your business.

Career Academy: Interview Like a Pro

Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, August 6, 2:30 p.m.
 You've landed an interview! Now what? Get tips that will help you to practice and prepare.

Tea Social Hour

North Orange Branch
Wednesdays, August 7 & 21, 5 p.m.
 Listen to music, snag a sweet treat with your cup of tea, relax and chat. Ages 18 and up.

Dot Mandala Painting

Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room
Wednesday, August 7, 5:30 p.m.
 Practice mindfulness as you create a geometric, painted mandala using a few simple tools.

Back to School: Family Health Tips

Virtual
Wednesday, August 7, 6:30 p.m.
 Explore health tips that will help you with your young ones as you prepare for back to school.

Interior Design: Shelfie Ready

Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room
Thursday, August 8, 2:30 p.m.
 Learn about the social media sensation – shelfies!

Yoga for Core Strength

Virtual
Thursday, August 8, 7 p.m.
 Presented by certified yoga instructor Dana Brady.

Dungeons & Dragons

Windermere Branch
Saturday, August 10, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
 A one-shot adventure for teens and adults. Players of all experience levels are welcome.

Polynesian Team

Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Saturday, August 10, 2 p.m.
 Immerse yourself in the vibrant history of Polynesia through elaborate dances.

Beaded Jewelry: Bracelets

North Orange Branch
Monday, August 12, 5 p.m.
 Use beads, pearls and letter charms to create stylish jewelry. Ages 18 and up.

Blood Pressure Monitor

Checkout Program
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, August 13, 11 a.m.
 Learn a simple and efficient way to monitor your blood pressure at home.

Legal Learning Workshop

Sealing & Expungement
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, August 14, 4 p.m.
 Learn about sealing and expunging criminal records and discuss eligibility and requirements.

Air-Dry Clay Magnets

Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room
Thursdays, August 15 & 22, 5:30 p.m.
 Use air-dry clay and paint to create a one-of-a-kind magnet in this two-part class.

Sketching 101

Virtual
Friday, August 16, 11 a.m.
 Learn the basics of sketching through the use of simple art techniques.

Super Searchers

Windermere Branch
Friday, August 16, 11 a.m.
 Learn the skills it takes to engage more critically with information and become more efficient searchers. Ages 13 and up.

Harp and Clarinet Concert

Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Saturday, August 17, 11 a.m.
 Enchanting harp and clarinet sounds will fill the air with a repertoire ranging from lyrical songs and tangos to light classical tunes.

Chair Yoga

Virtual
Monday, August 19, 8 a.m.
 Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence.

Podcast Listening Club:

Oceans and Sea Life
Southwest Branch
Monday, August 19, 6:30–8 p.m.
 Join us this month to discuss this month's listening list topic: oceans and sea life. Ages 18 and up.

Career Academy:

Perfecting Your Resume
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, August 20, 2:30 p.m.
 Get noticed! Elevate your job application with best practices in crafting a resume and cover letter.

Water Wise Neighbor Program

South Creek Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 3–6 p.m.
 Learn how to maximize water savings for your home.

Adult Craft and Chat

Hiawasee Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 4–5:30 p.m.
 Use hot glue to transform a simple tealight candle into illuminated art.

Intro to Foundation Center &
Grant Resources

Orlando Public Library
Thursday, August 22, 11 a.m.
 Get the 101 on using this comprehensive directory to win grants and make a difference.

1st Time Home Buyers Workshop

Hiawasee Branch
Saturday, August 24, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
 Operation HOPE presents free workshops for new home buyers.

Beginner Line Dancing

Southwest Branch
Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a.m.
 Learn beginner line dance steps to all types of music. Ages 18 and up.

Dungeons and Dragons at the Library!

West Oaks Branch
Saturday, August 24, 1:30–5:30 p.m.
 Join us at the library where every event is a new adventure! Ages 18 and up.

Puzzle Swap

South Creek Branch
Saturday, August 24, 2:30 p.m.
 Stop by and swap an old puzzle for a new-to-you one. Bring at least one complete puzzle for adults.

Sunshine State Planners

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Sunday, August 25, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
 Bring your own supplies and connect and share ideas with other planners.

Altered Books

West Oaks Branch
Sunday, August 25, 2:30–4:30 p.m.
 Discover the possibilities of altered books. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.

Advanced Improv:
Power2Improv Workshop Series

Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Sunday, August 25, 3–5 p.m.
 Advanced games and training will lead to a battle for laughter as groups put their skills to the test.

Maternal Telehealth Program

South Trail Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 10:30 a.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, August 29, 4:30 p.m.
 Learn about the services provided by Orlando Health's Maternal Telehealth Program. These telehealth services support moms during pregnancy.

Trivia Tuesday

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Tuesday, August 27, 3:30 p.m.
 Match wits against an OCLS staff member in a fun trivia game.

Rock the Wrap:
Headwrap Styling Workshop

South Trail Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 4–5:30 p.m.
 Provides step-by-step instructions on headwrap styling techniques. Registration required.

Creative Coloring for Adults

Hiawasee Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 5 p.m.
 Color to your heart's content with other adults as you relax and create works of art. Ages 18 and up.

Food 101: Desserts

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Wednesday, August 28, 5:30 p.m.
 Examine the historical and social significance of what we eat.

Focus on Hobbies

Windermere Branch
Friday, August 30, 11 a.m.
 This month's focus – cooking. Ages 18 and up.

BEAUTY IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

Eatonville Branch
On Display August 1–31
Come explore *Beauty in The Eye of The Beholder*, an art exhibition created by young artists from Eatonville's Boys & Girls Club. Each piece of art in their collection is a window into their hearts and minds.

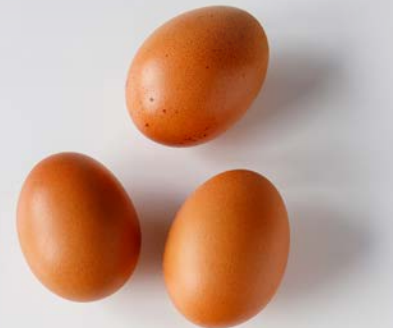
MEET THE ARTISTS

Eatonville Branch
Saturday, August 17, Noon
Celebrate the creative and vision of young artists from Eatonville's Boys & Girls Club and learn about the inspiration behind their art.



TORTILLA ESPAÑOLA

Virtual
Wednesday, August 21, 6 p.m.
Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make the classic Spanish omelette.



One-Pot Cooking
Hiawassee Branch
Tuesday, August 20, 4 p.m.
That is some good cookin! Make easy and quick meals all in one pot.

Jamaican Beef Patty
Virtual
Monday, August 26, 6:30 p.m.
Join culinary expert Dianne Morin as she teaches how to make delicious Jamaican beef patties.

A Deep Dive Into Scene Structure

Virtual
Saturday, August 3, 11 a.m.
Learn how to take your scenes to greater heights with book editor and author, Lorin Oberweger. Create richer and more dynamic moments that lead to a much more satisfying work.

Continuing Education for Writers

Virtual
Sunday, August 4, 1 p.m.
Improving your writing craft is the best way to increase your chances of publishing success. Author Jennie Jarvis will discuss how to find and create educational opportunities to improve your writing.

OCLS Writer's Group

Virtual
Sunday, August 11, 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.

Writing Rules, Why They Exist, and When to Break Them

Virtual
Tuesday, August 13, 7 p.m.
Have you been told "show, don't tell" or not to use passive voice? Authors José Pablo Iriarte and Elle E. Ire will discuss why these writing rules and more exist and when you can safely break them.

Writer's Meetups

Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, August 24, 3:30 p.m.
Attend an hour-long workshop with local writers as we brainstorm ideas, discuss writing methods, and give constructive feedback. Submissions must be sent ahead of time. Walk-ins welcome.

Creating the Anti-Hero

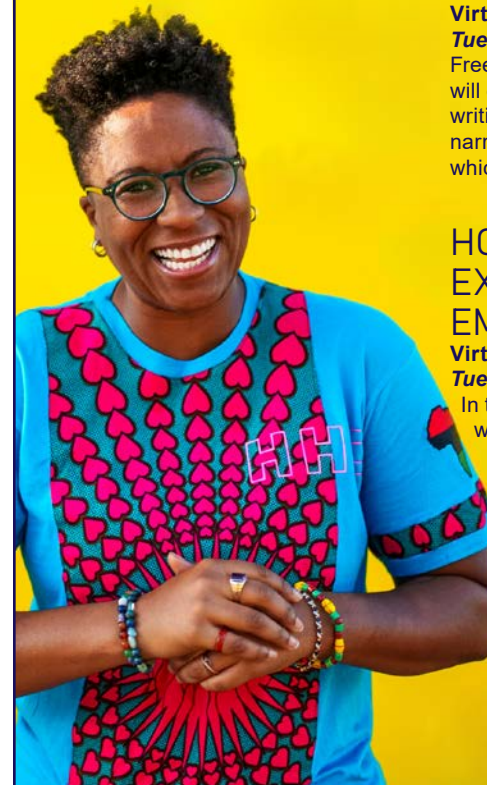
Virtual
Saturday, August 24, 4 p.m.
An antihero is a conflicted, deeply flawed character who can be extremely compelling when well-written. Author Janice Hardy will discuss how to write a complex, realistic antihero for your story.

A New Perspective on Viewpoint

Virtual
Tuesday, August 27, 7 p.m.
Freelance editor Kristen Stieffel will explain the difference between writing in character POV versus narrator POV, and how to choose which is right for your story.

HOW DOES IT FEEL? EXPLORING EMOTION IN FICTION

Virtual
Tuesday, August 20, 7 p.m.
In this interactive fiction workshop with Sheree Greer, writers will use writing prompts to explore character interiority and how to avoid melodrama and sentimentality while raising emotional stakes.



Local Author Festival
Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Sunday, August 18, 2–4 p.m.
Meet and greet local authors from a variety of genres. Each author will have books available for purchase and signing.



AUTHOR TALKS

Dr. Jennifer Levasseur

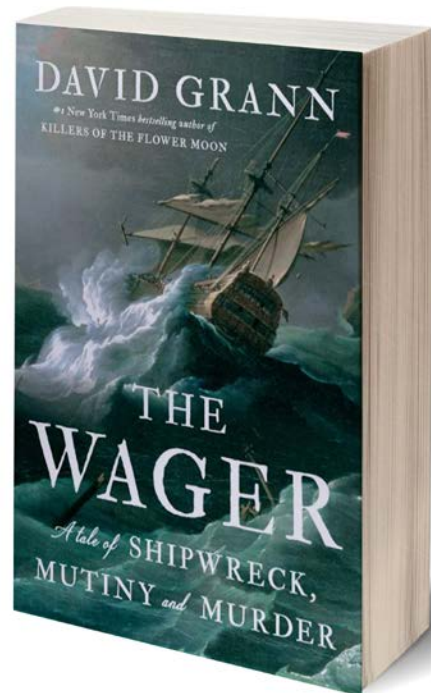
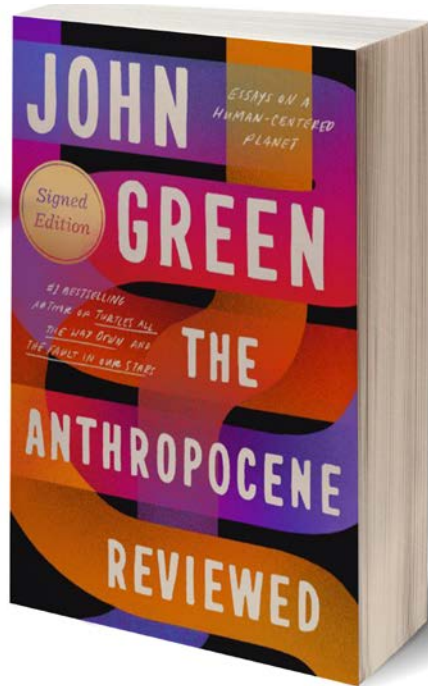
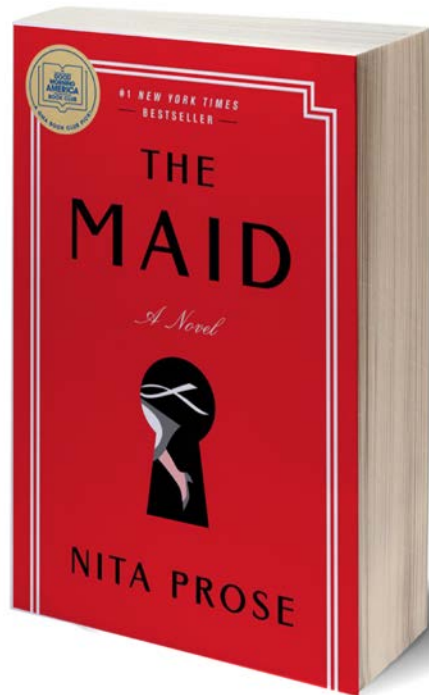
Virtual
Wednesday, August 7, 2 p.m.
You're invited to virtually step inside one of the greatest international achievements with a behind-the-scenes guide to space exploration.

Irena Smith Golden: Ticket to College Admissions

Virtual
Thursday, August 15, 2 p.m.
College application season is around the corner. Teens and their parents can learn valuable tips at this must-watch talk by Irena Smith, PhD.

Shelby Van Pelt

Virtual
Wednesday, August 21, 7 p.m.
Join us as we chat with the *New York Times* bestselling author Shelby Van Pelt about her beloved novel *Remarkably Bright Creatures*.



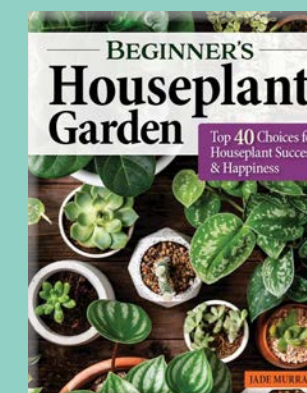
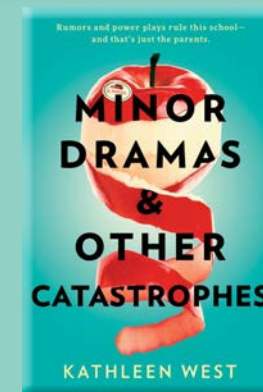
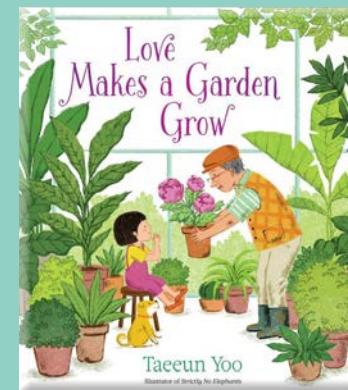
Y Read: Book Read Aloud
Dr. P. Phillips YMCA
 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819
Saturdays, August 3–31, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
 Experience the joy and camaraderie of reading aloud great literature with others each week. Facilitator-led in partnership with the Dr. P. Phillips YMCA and Southwest Branch. Ages 18 and up.

Hiawassee Book Club
Virtual
Monday, August 19, 7–8:30 p.m.
The Diamond Eye by Kate Quinn. Known as Lady Death – a lethal hunter of Nazis – Mila Pavlichenko, sent to America on a goodwill tour, forms an unexpected friendship with First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and a connection with a silent fellow sniper, offering her a chance at happiness until her past returns with a vengeance.

Winter Garden Book Club
Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, August 22, 6 p.m.
Virtual
Thursday, August 29, 6 p.m.
The Maid by Nita Prose. When she discovers the dead body of the infamous and wealthy Charles Black in his suite, hotel maid Molly Gray finds her orderly life upended as she becomes the prime suspect in the case and is caught in a web of deception that she has no idea how to unravel.

Alafaya Book Club
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, August 22, 5 p.m.
The Anthropocene Reviewed by John Green. The Anthropocene is the current geologic age, in which humans have profoundly reshaped the planet and its biodiversity. In this remarkable symphony of essays adapted and expanded from his groundbreaking podcast, bestselling author John Green reviews different facets of the human-centered planet on a five-star scale – from the QWERTY keyboard and sunsets to Canada geese and Penguins of Madagascar.

Southwest Book Club
Southwest Branch
Thursday, August 29, 2–3:45 p.m.
Virtual
Tuesday, August 27, 7–8:45 p.m.
The Wager by David Grann. In this tale of shipwreck, survival and savagery, the number one *New York Times* best-selling author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* recounts the events on His Majesty's Ship *The Wager*, a British vessel that left England in 1740 on a secret mission, resulting in a court martial that revealed a shocking truth. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.



Love Makes a Garden Grow
by Taeun Yoo
 A grandfather shares his love of gardening with his granddaughter and it keeps them connected through the years.

All the Small Wonderful Things
by Kate Foster
 In an endearing story about an autistic boy and his steadfast furry pal, Alex is convinced that winning a trophy at the dog show will help him make a real friend at last.

Minor Dramas & Other Catastrophes
by Kathleen West
 Targeted by privileged families for her progressive educational approaches, a beloved teacher discovers unexpected common ground with a meddling parent whose inadvertent encounter with a drama student has had dangerous consequences for her family.

Everything the Light Touches
by Janice Pariat
 A young woman in modern India seeks solace and renewal with Indigenous communities and is strangely connected to an Edwardian scientist who left Cambridge for the sacred Himalayan forests and a botanist who explored Lapland in 1732.

Here We Go Again
by Alison Cochran
 A queer rom-com following once childhood best friends forced together to drive their former teacher across the country.

Rebel Gardening: A Beginner's Handbook to Creating an Organic Urban Garden
by Alessandro Vitale
 This is the ultimate beginner's guide to establishing and tending an organic kitchen garden in any urban space, no matter how small, written by the YouTuber and TikTok known as Spicy Moustache.

Container Gardening: The Permaculture Way
by Valéry Tsimba
 Based on the author's own experience growing a lush permaculture garden on her balcony, this book teaches anyone, anywhere to grow fresh, healthy produce in containers, free of chemical fertilizers or insecticides.

Beginner's Houseplant Garden: Top 40 Choices for Houseplant Success & Happiness
by Jade Murray
 User-friendly and highly accessible, this is a practical and inspiring guide to indoor gardening for complete beginners by award-winning and self-taught plant enthusiast Jade Murray.

GLOBAL GENEALOGY: SWEDEN

Virtual
Thursday, August 1, Noon

Explore resources, tips and tricks for finding records in the home countries of your ancestors. This session focuses on Sweden.

GLOBAL GENEALOGY: FRANCE

Virtual
Tuesday, August 13, 1 p.m.

Explore resources, tips, and tricks for finding records in the home countries of your ancestors. This session focuses on France.



Using The Periodical Source Index (PERSI)

Virtual
Tuesday, August 6, 1 p.m.

PERSI is the premier subject index for genealogy and local history periodicals. Discover how to use PERSI to further your genealogical research.

Genetic Genealogy Foundations Series

Virtual
Wednesdays, August 7–28, 6:30 p.m.
 Learn about the different types of DNA tests on the market and how to effectively use them to uncover or enhance your family history research.

Genealogy in the States: Ohio

Virtual
Thursday, August 8, Noon
 Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in the Buckeye state. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

AI and Genealogy

Virtual
Tuesdays, August 20–27, 1 p.m.
 Join us for a two-week adventure as we explore the foundational role of AI in the world of genealogy.

Exploring FamilySearch.org

Virtual
Thursday, August 22, Noon

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.

Genealogy in the States: Mississippi

Virtual
Thursday, August 29, Noon
 Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in Mississippi. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

Finding Your Roots: Military Records

West Oaks Branch
Friday, August 30, 3 p.m.
 Military records have been created throughout our history regardless of whether or not there was a war being waged. Learn how military records can help you to uncover information on your ancestors.

**AT HOME IN HOME:
 THRIVING IN PLACE**

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Friday, August 30, 1–2:30 p.m.

Join interior designer Rebecca Hubler for an informative discussion on how seniors can continue to live at home safely, independently and comfortably regardless of age or ability level.



**MANAGING MONEY
 FOR THOSE FACING
 CHRONIC ILLNESS**

Southwest Branch
Friday, August 30, 10:30 a.m.

If you or someone you know is facing Alzheimer's disease, dementia or another chronic illness, it's never too early to put financial plans in place. Learn about managing other's finances and more.



**Summer Scent Sachets
 for Seniors**

Hiawassee Branch
Thursday, August 1, 2 p.m.
 Use a few simple ingredients to freshen up your space with a summer scent sachet.

**Trivia Mornings
 for Seniors**

Orlando Public Library,
Albertson Room
Tuesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.
 Travel through the decades during our new monthly trivia game series. This month's game will focus on the 1950s.

**What's Pre-Planning
 and What Consumers
 Should Know**

LIFE Information for Elders
**Orlando Public Library,
 Albertson Room**
**Thursday, August 15,
 12:10 p.m.**
 Join Tee Rogers, pre-planning advisor with Baldwin Fairchild, as she shares the process of starting a conversation and navigating final arrangements for yourself or a loved one. Registration required. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446.

**Navigating Employment
 Opportunities as a Senior**

Orlando Public Library,
Albertson Room
Thursday, August 22, 11 a.m.
 Join CareerSource as they share tips to help seniors navigate today's workforce opportunities. Explore the use of technology in the workforce and how to leverage employment platforms.

Geometric Art for Seniors

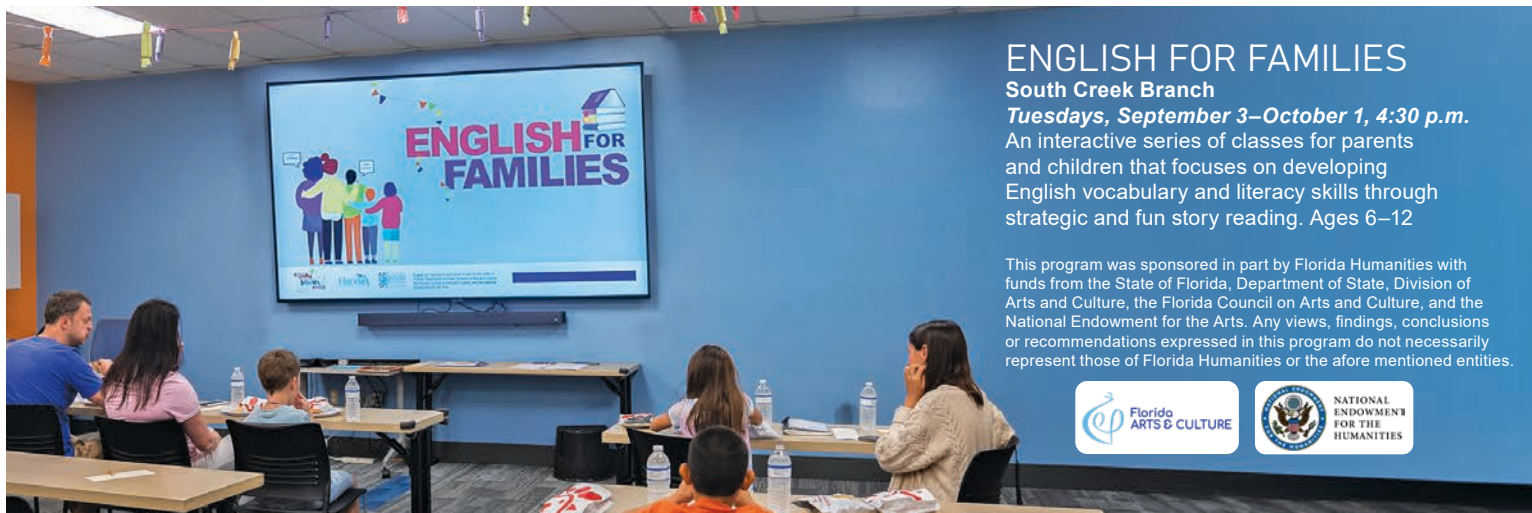
Hiawassee Branch
Thursday, August 22, 2 p.m.
 Offering a relaxing and creative outlet for our older adults to craft beautiful geometric patterns into art.

**Qigong Movement
 and Breathing**

Southwest Branch
Friday, 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.

**Armchair Travel
 for Seniors**

Orlando Public Library,
Magnolia Room
Thursday, August 29, 11 a.m.
 Take yourself on a little vacation without leaving your chair!



ENGLISH FOR FAMILIES

South Creek Branch
Tuesdays, September 3–October 1, 4:30 p.m.

An interactive series of classes for parents and children that focuses on developing English vocabulary and literacy skills through strategic and fun story reading. Ages 6–12

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Basic English 1

Hiawassee Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 11:45 a.m.
Saturday, August 3, 17 & 31, 11:30 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Fridays, August 2–30, 11 a.m.
Fridays, August 2–30, 4:30 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 11:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 5 p.m.
Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, August 6–27, 2:30 p.m.
Saturdays, August 10–31, 1 p.m.
Saturdays, August 10–31, 2:15 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Wednesdays, August 7–28, 3:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday, August 28, 2 p.m.
Virtual
Mondays, August 5–26, 6:45 p.m.
Saturdays, August 10–31, 4 p.m.
Designed for students with a beginner level knowledge of English.

Basic English 2

Hiawassee Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 3 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 4:45 p.m.
Wednesdays, August 7–28, 4:45 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 2:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 5:30 p.m.
Thursdays, August 8–29, 1 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesdays, August 6–27, Noon
Alafaya Branch
Saturdays, August 24 & 31, 10:30 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday, August 28, 3:15 p.m.
Virtual
Saturdays, August 10 & 17, 10:30 a.m.
Designed for students with a high-beginner to intermediate level of English

English Conversation Hour

Alafaya Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 4:45 p.m.
Thursdays, August 8–29, 12:30 p.m.
Saturdays, August 24 & 31, Noon
Windermere Branch
Fridays, August 2–30, 3:30 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 4:30 p.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 5:30 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesdays, August 6–27, 3 p.m.
Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, August 6–27, 4 p.m.
Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 24, 11:30 a.m.
Friday, August 30, 11:30 a.m.
Virtual
Thursdays, August 1–29, 2 p.m.
Fridays, August 2–30, 4:45 p.m.
Wednesdays, August 7–28, Noon
Saturdays, August 10 & 17, Noon
Practice your English speaking and listening skills.

Homeschool: French

Windermere Branch
Tuesdays, August 6 & 20, 2 p.m.
Develop your French skills with us! In this French class, you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Ages 6 and up.

Spanish from Zero: Intermediate with Ms. Brenda

Virtual
Tuesdays, August 13–27, 10:15 a.m.
Tuesdays, August 13–27, 5 p.m.

Spanish from Zero: Basics with Ms. Brenda

Virtual
Tuesdays, August 13–27, 4 p.m.

Spanish From Zero: Beginners with Ms. Brenda

Virtual
Tuesdays, August 13–27, 6 p.m.

Adult French

Windermere Branch
Mondays, August 19 & 26, 2:30 p.m.
Virtual
Tuesdays, August 6, 20 & 27, 1 p.m.
Wednesdays, August 7, 21 & 28, 6 p.m.
Combines face-to-face class time with independent learning. Ages 18 and up.

Beginner Spanish Storytime

South Creek Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 10:30 a.m.
Introduce some beginner Spanish words and phrases to your little one through stories, songs and interactive play. Ages 3–5.

English for Social Interactions

Hiawassee Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 5:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Mondays, August 5–26, 11 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, August 6–27, 2 p.m.
Virtual
Mondays, August 5 & 26, 4 p.m.
This class will cover a wide array of topics from accepting and rejecting an invitation to engaging in small talk with strangers. Recommended for those with a basic understanding of English.

English Reading Session

Hiawassee Branch
Wednesdays, August 7–28, 4:45 p.m.
Students will read and discuss what they read to help get a better understanding of the English language.

Introductory English Course

Chickasaw Branch
Saturdays, August 10 & 24, Noon
Fridays, August 16 & 30, 1 p.m.
This course is designed for students who have very little English experience.

Practice Makes Perfect

Chickasaw Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 2–3:30 p.m.
Taught by a certified ESOL instructor from the Adult Literacy League.

English Conversation Hour 2

Southeast Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 4:15 p.m.
This class is intended for intermediate and advanced English language learners.



Speaking Clearly Beginners

Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a.m.
Friday, August 30, 10:30 a.m.
Virtual
Mondays, August 5 & 26, 11:30 a.m.
Designed to introduce learners to the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation.

Speaking Clearly Intermediate

Southeast Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 2 p.m.
Designed to introduce learners to the rules of spelling and pronunciation of English words and phrases.

Speaking Clearly Advanced

Virtual
Mondays, August 5 & 26, 10 a.m.
Improve your English speaking and pronunciation skills.

Writing Clearly Beginner

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, August 6 & 20, 5:30 p.m.
Get an introduction to the basics of English grammar by focusing on the parts of speech, the organization of sentences and vocabulary building.

Writing Clearly Intermediate

North Orange Branch
Tuesdays, August 13–27, 5:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch
Thursdays, August 22 & 29, 1:30 p.m.
Virtual
Tuesdays, August 6–27, 10:30 a.m.
Focus on grammar for complex ideas, including sentence structures, paragraph and essay writing.

Writing Clearly Advanced

Virtual
Wednesdays, August 7–28, 10:30 a.m.
Practice academic-style writing along with more complex vocabulary.

CITIZENSHIP INSPIRED

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Hiawassee Branch
Thursdays, August 1–29, 10:30 a.m.
Windermere Branch
Thursdays, August 1–22, 3–4:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Fridays, August 9 & 23, 2:30–5:30 p.m.
Virtual
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, August 6, 7, 13 & 14, 3–5 p.m.
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, August 20, 21, 27 & 28, 3–5 p.m.
During this program, students will meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.



Share in the magic of making as we create an enchanted forest of handcrafted art. Classes and meetups will be available to help collaborate on pieces from suggested patterns. Contributors are also encouraged to submit creations of their own design.

Yarnfiti is an annual community-created art installation. This year, in addition to knitting and crochet, contributors are invited to submit projects from a variety of crafts including, sewing, embroidery, weaving and more! All submissions should fit this year's theme, Enchanted Forest, and must be accompanied by a submission form. Projects must be received at an Orange County Library System location by closing on Friday, August 23 or brought to the Yarnfiti Installation Party on Thursday, September 12, 3–6 p.m.

Join us for the Installation Party on Thursday, September 12, 3–6 p.m. to help set up the final display on the second floor of Orlando Public Library.

An Opening Reception will be held on Saturday, September 14, at noon for everyone to enjoy their community-created work!

Visit ocls.info/yarnfiti for more details.



It's time for "Back to School," focus on learning opportunities and innovative projects perfect for kicking off the new school year. Delve into the vibrant world of fiber arts. Explore various fiber art forms, including wearables, knitting, crochet and hand sewing.



YARNFITI

Sewing Open Lab Chickasaw Branch

Thursdays, August 1 & 15, 3 p.m.

Share in the magic of making as we create an enchanted forest of handcrafted art. Take this time to finish your Yarnfiti sewing projects. Machine sewing skills are required.

Open Lab Chickasaw Branch

Thursdays, August 8 & 22, 3 p.m.

Share in the magic of making as we create an enchanted forest of handcrafted art. Bring your Yarnfiti fiber arts project to work on.

SEWING CLASSES

Sewing Open Lab Orlando Public Library

Thursdays, August 8–29, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch

Monday, August 26, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your sewing projects. All the tools are here for you. Participants are required to bring their own materials. Machine sewing skills are required.

Introduction to the Sewing Machine North Orange Branch

Saturday, August 10, 10:30 a.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. Beginner level.

Buttonholes and Buttons

Orlando Public Library

Monday, August 19, 10:30 a.m.

Go beyond the basics with your sewing machine! Learn to stabilize and stitch machine buttonholes for a polished finish, then use your machine to attach buttons for the perfect project accent. Confident beginner level.

Patterns and Fabric

North Orange Branch

Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a.m.

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. Beginner level.

Infinity Scarf

Orlando Public Library

Monday, August 26, 10:30 a.m.

Create a classic infinity scarf. Turn a simple rectangle of fabric into a stylish accessory. Students are required to bring thread and fabric.

Hand Sewing Basics

Hiawassee Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 4 p.m.

Basic hand-sewing skills are essential skills needed in everyday life. Learn the basic techniques to get started, including how to make a quilter's knot, thread a needle and sew a running stitch. Beginner level.

Hand Sewing Sashiko Patterns: Mini Hydrangea

Chickasaw Branch

Thursday, August 29, 3 p.m.

Learn sashiko hand-sewing techniques that form geometric patterns from simple running stitches. Create beautiful designs layer-by-layer while learning to mark and sew these geometric designs. Beginner level.

KNITTING CLASSES

Simple Lacey Scarf

Virtual

Mondays, August 19–October 7, 10:30 a.m.

The gifting series is all about knitting gifts to give or accent gifts. This simple lacey scarf is easy to memorize and quick to knit up. Confident beginner level.

Knitting Level 1

Hiawassee Branch

Monday, August 26, 4 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.

CROCHET CLASSES

Let's Crochet Level 1 & 2 Hiawassee Branch

Monday, August 19, 4 p.m.

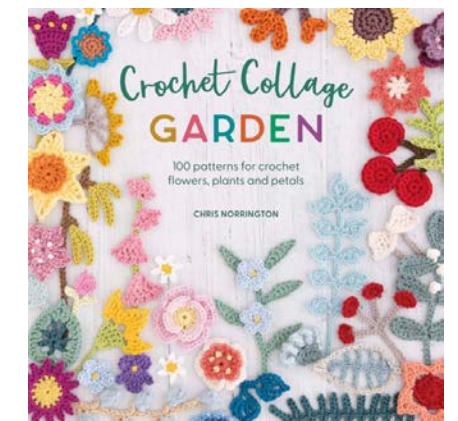
Level up your crocheting. Learn how to create more open fabric with new stitches. Techniques include chaining up rows, as well as double and half double crochet stitches. Beginner level.

Kid's Crochet: Learn How to Crochet Alafaya Branch

Monday, August 26, 4 p.m.

Learn how to crochet a new project each month. Beginners welcome. Materials will be provided. Ages 8–12.

FEATURED BOOK



Crochet Collage Garden: 100 Patterns for Crochet Flowers, Plants and Petals

A collection of 100 crochet motifs arranged in 10 crochet collages based on the beautiful flowers and plants found in author, crochet designer and gardener Chris Norrington's stunning cottage garden.

2024 MELROSE AWARDS

CASH PRIZES FOR WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY!

- AUDIO – VOICE ONLY**
- AUDIO – MUSIC**
- FIBER ARTS**
- GRAPHIC DESIGN**
- MAKER**
- PHOTOGRAPHY**
- VIDEOGRAPHY**
- VIDEO GAME DEVELOPMENT**

SUBMISSION PERIOD: May 1st – August 31st
AWARDS PRESENTATION: November 9th

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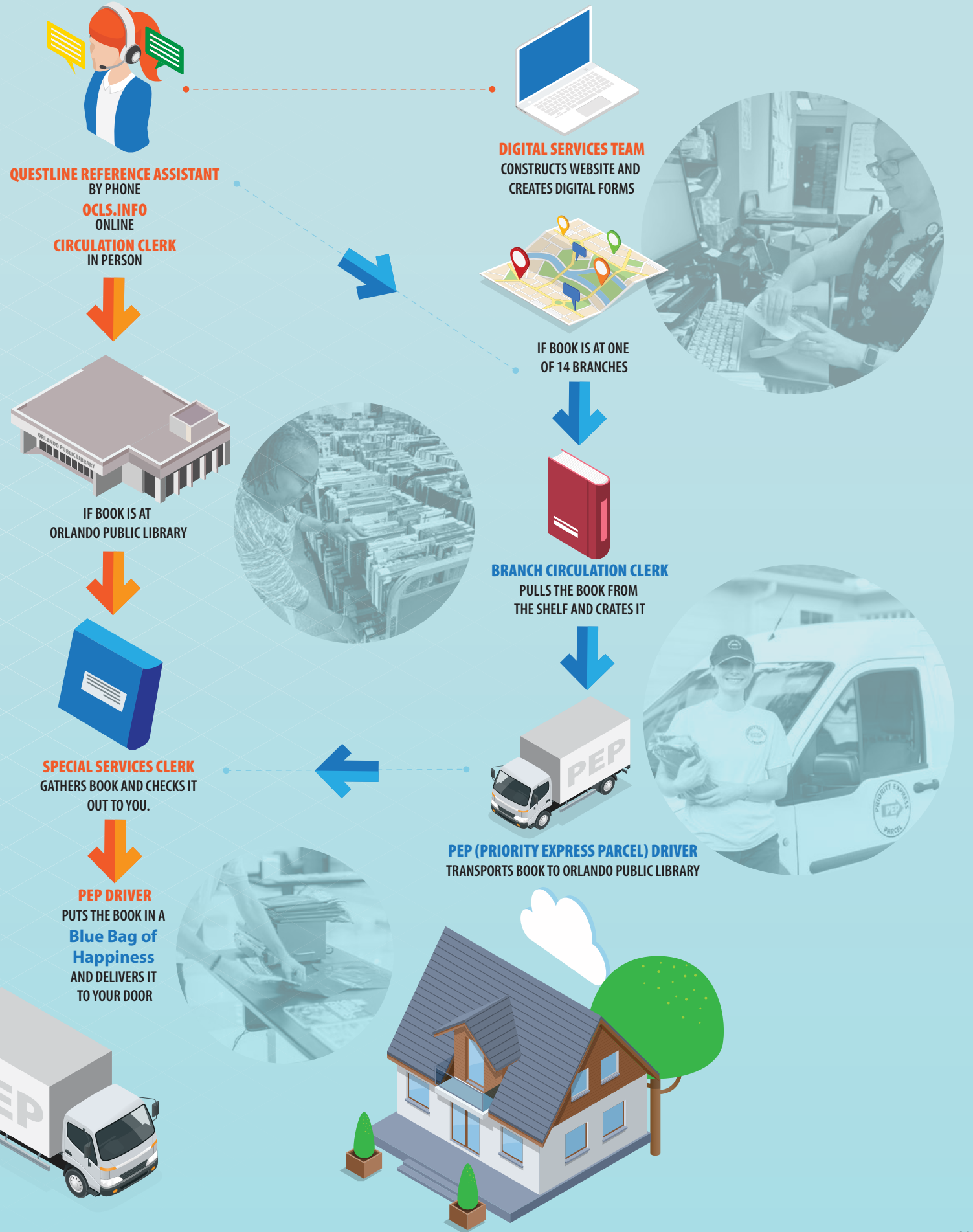
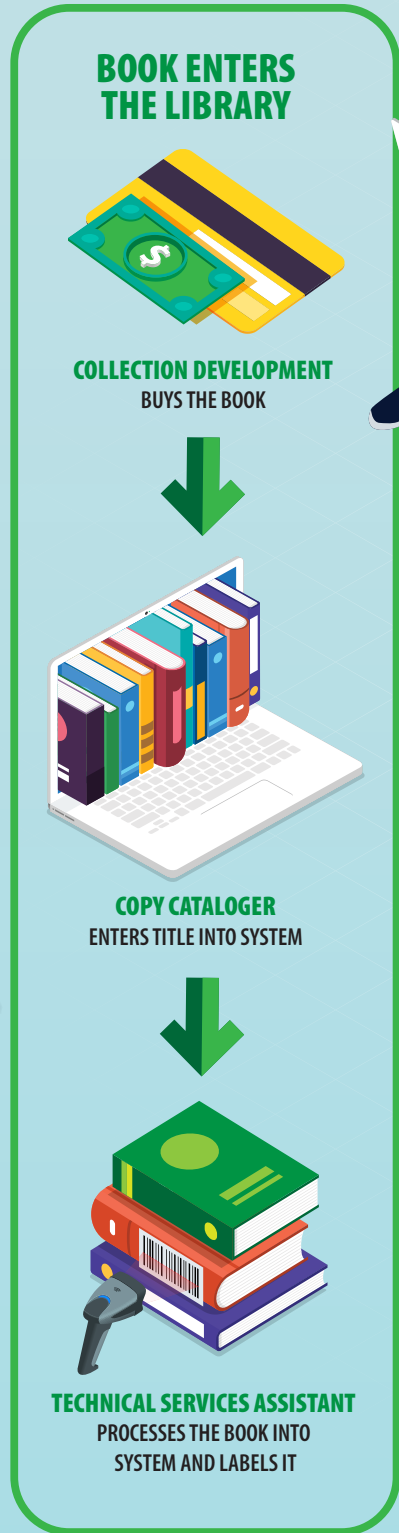
50 YEARS OF HOME DELIVERY:

A Behind the Scenes Look

Since 1974 your library has packaged up books, movies and more into **Blue Bags of Happiness** for delivery across Orange County. Over the years the service has grown and evolved – moving from sending books through the mail to working with PEP (Priority Express Parcel) to deliver books right to your door – but the mission remains the same: providing easy and convenient access to library materials no matter where you are.

To celebrate 50 years of home delivery, we've put together an inside look at the process from start to finish. From buying and cataloging to sorting and delivery, it takes many talented library staff to make sure everything runs smoothly. We would just like to say thank you for your hard work!

To learn more, visit ocls.info/home-delivery.



BACK TO TECHNOLOGY BASICS

Take this opportunity in August to gear up with these important basic classes. OCLS has excellent and supportive trainers at each location ready to help you.



Computer Basics Level 1

Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 13, 4:15 p.m.
 Windermere Branch
 Friday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.
 Fairview Shores Branch
 Tuesdays, August 6 & 20, 10:30 a.m.
 Washington Park Branch
 Thursday, August 8, 10 a.m.
 Hiawassee Branch
 Monday, August 12, 11:30 a.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 12, 4:15 p.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Wednesday, August 14, 10:30 a.m.
 Alafaya Branch
 Thursday, August 22, Noon

Get up and running with computers. Learn how to navigate the computer desktop and how to perform various techniques in manipulating windows using basic mouse and keyboard techniques.

Computer Basics Level 2

Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 2, 11:45 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 13, 5:30 p.m.
 Windermere Branch
 Friday, August 2, 11:45 a.m.
 Washington Park Branch
 Thursday, August 8, 11:15 a.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 12, 5:30 p.m.
 Fairview Shores Branch
 Tuesdays, August 13 & 27, 10:30 a.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Thursday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.
 North Orange Branch
 Saturday, August 17, 10:30 a.m.
 Alafaya Branch
 Thursday, August 22, 1:15 p.m.

Get your computer skills racing. Learn how to create, rename, delete and organize files and folders on your computer.

Internet Level 1

Eatonville Branch
 Saturday, August 3, 10:15 a.m.
 Fairview Shores Branch
 Wednesdays, August 7 & 21, 4:45 p.m.
 Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a.m.
 Hiawassee Branch
 Monday, August 19, 11:30 a.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 26, 4:15 p.m.
 Alafaya Branch
 Thursday, August 29, Noon
 North Orange Branch
 Saturday, August 31, 10:30 a.m.

Learn internet concepts and terminology. Become familiar with web browsers while surfing the web.

Internet Level 2

Eatonville Branch
 Saturday, August 3, 11:30 a.m.
 Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 9, 11:45 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 20, 5:30 p.m.
 Fairview Shores Branch
 Wednesdays, August 14 & 28, 4:45 p.m.
 Hiawassee Branch
 Tuesday, August 20, 11:30 a.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Thursday, August 22, 10:30 a.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 26, 5:30 p.m.
 Alafaya Branch
 Thursday, August 29, 1:15 p.m.
 North Orange Branch
 Saturday, August 31, 11:45 a.m.

Learn about search engines and search techniques to help you find exactly what you are looking for on the web.

Email Level 1

Fairview Shores Branch
 Saturdays, August 10 & 24, 4:45 p.m.
 Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 27, 4:15 p.m.
 Eatonville Branch
 Saturday, August 17, 10:15 a.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 19, 4:15 p.m.
 Hiawassee Branch
 Monday, August 26, 11:30 a.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Wednesday, August 28, 10:30 a.m.

Create a free email account. Learn how to navigate the environment, including the inbox, the reading pane and the compose area.

Email Level 2

Orlando Public Library
 Friday, August 16, 11:45 a.m.
 Tuesday, August 27, 5:30 p.m.
 Eatonville Branch
 Saturday, August 17, 11:30 a.m.
 Fairview Shores Branch
 Saturdays, August 17 & 31, 4:45 p.m.
 South Trail Branch
 Monday, August 19, 5:30 p.m.
 Hiawassee Branch
 Tuesday, August 27, 11:30 a.m.
 Chickasaw Branch
 Thursday, August 29, 10:30 a.m.

Learn how to compose and send email messages with attachments. Become familiar with replying and forwarding messages.

Meet you
 There



NATHALIA MATERON

BRANCH OUTREACH SPECIALIST

Hello, everyone! I'm Nathalia Materon, the Outreach Specialist at Chickasaw Branch. Since 2022, I've been on a delightful journey with OCLS. My affinity for libraries began in my teenage years at Alafaya Branch, where I'd immerse myself in stacks of books, much to my mom's surprise. Reading has always been a loved pastime, offering me tranquility and fun adventures.

Outside of work, you'll find me enjoying a cozy cup of tea or coffee, indulging in TV show marathons or cooking up delicious meals; Cooking is my therapy and eating is the ultimate reward! Quality time with loved ones is very important to me and I like to share with family and friends. Whether it's sharing stories over a meal or enjoying a yoga session together.

As your Outreach Specialist, I'm dedicated to spreading the joy of learning and literacy throughout our community. From bilingual storytimes to tailored tech workshops for seniors, my goal is to make education accessible and enjoyable for all ages. Moreover, I'm committed to understanding the unique needs of our diverse community and advocating for their empowerment and well-being. Every day, I'm inspired by the profound impact of community engagement in shaping a brighter, more inclusive future. It's an honor to be part of this journey, one meaningful connection at a time.



OUTREACH EVENTS

Oakland Storytime
 126 W. Petris Ave., Oakland, FL 34760
 Thursday, August 1, 10 a.m.

Story Time at Bill Frederick Park
 3401 S. Hiawassee Road,
 Orlando, FL 32835
 Saturday, August 3, 10 a.m.
 Wednesday, August 7, 10 a.m.
 Small fee required to enter park.

Storytime at Leu Gardens
 1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando, FL 32803
 Monday, August 5, 10 a.m.

Horizon West Crafts Class for Adults
 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
 Winter Garden, FL 34787
 Tuesday, August 6, 11 a.m.

Storytime in the Garden
 Nehrling Gardens
 2267 Hempel Ave., Gotha, FL 34734
 Saturday, August 10, 10 a.m.

Horizon West Family Storytime
 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
 Winter Garden, FL 34787
 Saturday, August 10, 10:30 a.m.

Book Club: Waterleigh Daytime Readers
 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop,
 Winter Garden, FL 34787
 Wednesday, August 21, 1 p.m.

Horizon West Storytime
 15572 Marina Bay Drive,
 Winter Garden, FL 34787
 Wednesday, August 28, 11 a.m.

BOOK BIKE

Leu Gardens
 1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando, FL 32803
 Monday, August 5, 10 a.m.

Leu Gardens Fairy Nights
 1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando, FL 32803
 Friday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.

Third Thursday at Heritage Park
 65 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801
 Thursday, August 15, 5 p.m.

Book Bike at Oakland's Farmer's Market
 126 W. Petris Ave., Oakland, FL 34760
 Thursday, August 22, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Lake Eola Playground
 501 E. Washington St.,
 Orlando, FL 32801
 Sunday, August 25, 10 a.m.



A Wild Adventure Awaits at the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens

Escape into the wild at the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens! The Zoo was first established in 1923 as the Sanford Zoo, when a rhesus monkey was given to the Elks Club in Sanford by a traveling circus. Today, the Central Florida Zoo is home to more than 350 animals representing more than 100 species.

The Sanford attraction along Lake Monroe is perfect for families, animal enthusiasts and anyone seeking an unforgettable and unique adventure. Guests can enjoy up close encounters with animals, such as feeding a giraffe, touching a greater one-horned rhino named PJ, and interacting with animals in a hands-on experience at Barnyard Buddies. Have questions about your favorite animals? Check out daily keeper chats led by the Zoo's expert animal care specialists, where guests will learn cool facts about species from all around the world.

Beyond the animal exhibits, guests can stroll along the Zoo's shaded boardwalks and enjoy beautifully landscaped gardens that showcase Florida's native and exotic plant species.

A day at the Zoo isn't complete without a hopping on the train! Take a ride on the Champion Miniature Train around the Zoo's property through natural Florida landscaping, across realistic crossings and back into the depot near the entrance to the Zoo. Kids will have a blast making a splash at the Wharton-Smith Tropical Splash Ground. The cool oasis features streams, sprinklers and

sprays creating the perfect place for kids of all ages to beat the heat. Looking for even more adventure? Swing through the trees using rope bridges, zips and suspended disks on the Seminole Aerial Adventures Zipline Courses. Take flight and view the world from above while navigating through the trees and obstacles that will challenge your body and mind.

Education is a cornerstone of the Central Florida Zoo's mission. The Zoo offers a variety of programs designed to inspire and educate visitors of all ages about wildlife conservation and environmental stewardship through summer camps, school and group programs and community outreach.

The Central Florida Zoo also hosts wildly fun events throughout the year, including the very popular summer series, *Sunset at the Zoo*. Gates reopen at 5 p.m. for guests to enjoy exploring the zoo, with music, food and more until the sun goes down! Tickets are only \$6 when purchased in advance or grab a family four-pack with four tickets, four hot dogs and four drinks for just \$44. The next *Sunset at the Zoo* takes place August 23. For more information, visit centralfloridazoo.org/sunset.

The Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens is open daily from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. and is filled with encounters and attractions, sure to make any visit memorable! For more information and purchase tickets, visit centralfloridazoo.org.



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

FAMILY

[OCLS.INFO/FAMILY](http://ocls.info/family)

CUISINE CORNER: MY PARENT + ME BREAKFAST QUESADILLAS WITH GUACAMOLE

Chickasaw Branch
Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a.m.–Noon
Chefs ages 5–12 can team up with their grown-ups for a dash of fun and a sprinkle of learning! From mixing up magic to savoring the results, it's a recipe for memories and quality time together.



Dragonology
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 1, 4:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Saturday, August 3, 10:30 a.m.

Do you believe in dragons? If you are a true believer, you don't want to miss this exciting adventure to discover the truth about these legendary creatures.

Backpack Bling
Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 3, 10:30 a.m.
Go back to school in style by making a statement with new decorations for your backpack. Ages 5 and up.

Fun Family Film
South Trail Branch
Saturdays, August 3–31, 10:30 a.m.–Noon
Join us for a movie that's fun for the whole family!

ArtMazing
South Creek Branch
Saturday, August 3, 2:30 p.m.
Unleash your inner artist and discover your creative side in this all-ages art exploration. Inspiration is a must! Ages 6 and up.

Dungeons & Dragons
Windermere Branch
Mondays, August 5 & 19, 4–5:30 p.m.
Washington Park Branch
Tuesdays, August 6 & 20, 5–6:30 p.m.
Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons? Now's your chance! Join us, adventurers, on our next quest! Ages 9 and up.

Tie-Dye Bandanas
Windermere Branch
Wednesday, August 7, Noon
Learn how to make a tie-dye bandana. Bandanas will be supplied.

How To Origami
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 7, 3 p.m.
Follow along as we teach you how to make origami boats, frogs and more.

Perler Bead Accessories
North Orange Branch
Thursday, August 15, 4:30–6 p.m.
Create pixelated art with Perler beads by designing earrings, a necklace, a keychain or a magnet with your own flair.

Cuisine Corner Junior: BANANA!
Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 17, 10:30 a.m.
Banana? Banana! Ba-na-na? BANANA! Celebrate National Banana Lovers Day by creating tasty treats featuring this tropical fruit. Ages 5 and up.

Folding Origami Cranes
South Creek Branch
Monday, August 19, 4:30 p.m.
Let's learn how to make origami cranes as we fold as many as we can to help South Creek Branch reach 1000 paper cranes. Ages 8 and up.

DIY FIDGET TOYS
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, August 7, 4 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, August 14, 4:30 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 4:30 p.m.
Prep for back to school by making your own fidget toy! Fidget toys give your hands something to do so your mind can focus. Ages 9 and up.



Pokémon Cuisine
Fairview Shores Branch
Saturday, August 24, 3 p.m.
Do you have a little trainer who is a picky eater? Well, this program is just what you're looking for. Join a Pokémon Gym Leader to recreate a Pokémon snack for your little trainers to enjoy.

Family Game Time
Alafaya Branch
Sunday, August 25, 2–4 p.m.
Come play board games and card games with family and friends.

Pirate Adventures
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 3:30 p.m.
Ahoy mates! Set sail for Greece with our friendly pirate crew. We'll read a classic tale, sing songs and play trivia with everyone's favorite parrot, Petey!

Under the Sea Snacks
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 5 p.m.
In honor of National Beach Day, have fun creating a themed beverage and "under the sea" snacks!

Box Engineers
Southeast Branch
Saturday, August 31, 10:30 a.m.
Fuel your creativity with a cardboard box! Families will work together to design and construct an architectural marvel. Ages 5 and up.



BABY GOES TO SCHOOL

Southeast Branch

Monday, August 5, 10:15 a.m.

Introduce your baby to school through movement, music, rhymes and stories to develop important pre-literacy skills in our littlest ones.

MY 5 SENSES

Southeast Branch

Monday, August 19, 10:15 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 p.m.

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 11 a.m.

Explore the wonders of your five senses while walking through interactive stations that will put your senses to work. Ages 2–5.

AROUND THE WORLD

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, August 13, 10:30 a.m.

Let's hop on our magic carpet and take a trip to a new country! Learn about the world through stories and a craft.

BABY SHAPE SCHOOL

North Orange Branch

Tuesday, August 27, 11 a.m.

Explore, learn and play with shapes that make up your baby's world. This program is sure to expand your baby's print awareness.

BABY (Ages 0–18 Months)

Mother Goose on the Loose

Orlando Public Library

Mondays, August 5–26, 10:30 a.m.

Using rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and more, we will be interacting together to help develop important pre-literacy skills in our littlest ones.

Babies en la Biblioteca

Southeast Branch

Thursday, August 22, 10:30 a.m.

Discover new words and new worlds with your child as we sing, talk and play to connect and foster a love for reading.

Back to Baby Time

Southwest Branch

Monday, August 26, 11 a.m.

Cuddle with baby and develop bonds of love and literacy through snuggle songs and endearing rhymes.

TODDLER (Ages 18–36 Months)

Bilingual Storytime

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, August 7–28, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child develop key early literacy skills in this bilingual storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish. Ages 2–5.

Storytime Craft

North Orange Branch

Wednesdays, August 7–28, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Thursdays, August 22 & 29, 10 a.m.–Noon

Ages 2–5.

Sensory Free Play

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, August 7 & 21, 11 a.m.

Explore, discover and learn through sensory play. Ages 2–5.

Parachute Play Time

Hiawasse Branch

Friday, August 9, 11 a.m.

Circle up! It's time to play with a childhood favorite – the group parachute. Ages 0–5.

STEAM Free Play Jr.

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, August 14 & 28, 11 a.m.

Help your child build observation skills, boost creativity and develop critical thinking while engaging in STEAM-based play. Ages 2–5.

Artsy Toddler

Orlando Public Library

Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a.m.

Toddlers will enjoy stories and songs about the weather and then create a paper sun.

Bubble Playtime

North Orange Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 11 a.m.

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, August 21, 10:30 a.m.

West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, August 27, 11 a.m.

Hiawasse Branch

Friday, August 30, 11 a.m.

Help your child develop gross motor skills in this interactive bubble party. Ages 2–5.

Toddler Playground

West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 11 a.m.

Toddlers use unstructured play to advance their physical and cognitive development and to have fun.

Craft and a Snack

Eatonville Branch

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

Join us for a craft and enjoy a small snack while creating! Ages 2–4.

Little Lit Classics

South Creek Branch

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

Introduce your toddler to classic literature through basic concepts by exploring colors from *Alice in Wonderland*, shapes from *Treasure Island*, counting from *Jane Eyre* and more.

PRESCHOOL (Ages 3–5)

Dance Party!

North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 1, 11 a.m.

Join in on an event full of songs and dancing that will get you up off the floor to learn and play along.

Fairy Tale Fun:

Imagine You're a Community Hero

Hiawasse Branch

Friday, August 2, 11 a.m.

Journey to an interactive storytime that unlocks what makes an everyday champion.

Sesame Street Storytime

Virtual

Mondays, August 5–26, 11 a.m.

Let's make it a sunny day with a virtual storytime and craft celebrating our favorite friends.

Pajama Party

Virtual

Mondays, August 5–26, 7 p.m.

Enjoy an interactive virtual storytime with books, songs, games and a craft.

Mindful Play Learning:

Yoga for Preschoolers

Eatonville Branch

Tuesdays, August 6–27, 10:15 a.m.

Uses yoga and imagination to teach social-emotional skills, support cognitive development and enhance creativity.

Wild Creatures

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, August 6, 10:30 a.m.

Learn about an exciting animal through stories and a craft.

Cuéntame un Cuento

Orlando Public Library

Tuesday, August 6, 11 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Monday, August 26, 10:15 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Tuesday, August 27, 4:30 p.m.

South Creek Branch

Thursday, August 29, 10:30 a.m.

Bilingual storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish.

D is for Dinosaur

Southeast Branch

Tuesday, August 6, 4:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, August 21, 10:30 a.m.

Eatonville Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 10:15 a.m.

We are off on a dinosaur adventure using stories and activities.

Stories & Stretches

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, August 7, 10:30 a.m.

Wiggle and stretch to stories, songs and rhymes focusing on motor development.

F is for Florida

North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 8, 11 a.m.

Celebrate the ABCs and 123s with crafts, stories and Florida fun.

E is for Elephant

Southeast Branch

Monday, August 12, 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, August 13, 4:30 p.m.

Enjoy stories and engage in hands-on learning activities to celebrate World Elephant Day.

Little Chef: Smiley Face Pancake

Orlando Public Library

Tuesday, August 13, 11 a.m.

Mix a delicious fluffy pancake and enjoy your fun breakfast creation! Adult participation is required.

Homeschool Jr.

Windermere Branch

Wednesday, August 14, 10:30 a.m.

Kick start your child's education. Listen to stories and engage in activities about basic concepts.

Tiny House

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, August 14, 10:30 a.m.

Learn, grow and play with hands-on activities inspired by using objects in your kitchen.

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)

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 STORYTIME

Alafaya Branch, Second Sunday, 2 p.m.
South Creek Branch, Third Sunday, 2 p.m.
West Oaks Branch, Fourth Sunday, 2 p.m.

OFF TO SCHOOL!

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 11 a.m.

Let's learn our ABCs and 123s as we get ready for school! Enjoy stories, songs and a craft.



Little Artist

North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 15, 11 a.m.

Explore art techniques, play with bubbles and learn letters, numbers and colors.

Little Readers

Virtual

Saturday, August 17, 10 a.m.

Start your child's reading journey with engaging activities focused on phonics and sight words.

Little Chef: French Bread Pizza

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a.m.

Teach your little one basic kitchen skills as you interact with hands-on recipes.

Pajama Jamboree

Windermere Branch

Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 p.m.

Put on your favorite jammies for a fun-filled evening of a story, craft and a snack.

This is My Name

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, August 22, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child learn to recognize and spell their name through fun crafts and activities.

Caribbean Cruisin'

North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 22, 11 a.m.

Set sail for a cruise around the Caribbean. Share multicultural stories and songs from each port of call.

Little Chef: Apple Donut

Hiawassee Branch

Friday, August 23, 11 a.m.

Do-not miss this fruity twist on a sweet treat!

Playtime!

Alafaya Branch

Fridays, August 23 & 30, 11:45 a.m.

Little ones are invited to explore and tinker while engaging in imaginative play. Ages 0–5.

Growing Up WILD

Orlando Public Library

Tuesday, August 27, 10:30 a.m.

Explore the life cycles of familiar wildlife and learn how living things grow and change.

Wish Storytime

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, August 27, 11 a.m.

Make a wish and enjoy a storytime full of wonder inspired by Disney's *Wish*.

Move and Play

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 10:15 a.m.

Get ready to move and groove!

I Can Count

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, August 28, 11 a.m.

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

What Can You Do With a Crayon?

Washington Park Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 4 p.m.

Explore the world of color and how crayons can help boost a child's imagination as well as strengthen important developmental skills.

Never Pet a Porcupine

North Orange Branch

Thursday, August 29, 11 a.m.

Explore textures from fluffy cotton balls to soft feathers and sticky paint with Porcupine.

CHILDREN

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BACKPACK BLING

Eatonville Branch

Tuesday, August 6, 3:30 p.m.

Washington Park Branch

Wednesday, August 14, 4 p.m.

Alafaya Branch

Friday, August 23, 4 p.m.

South Creek Branch

Saturday, August 24, 3:30 p.m.

Go back to school in style by making a statement with new decorations for your backpack.



READING Paws

Chickasaw Branch

Saturday, August 3, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Windermere Branch

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

Alafaya Branch

Saturday, August 24, 11 a.m.

Children can improve their reading skills by reading to a therapy dogs.

Cursive Writing

Windermere Branch

Saturdays, August 3, 17 & 31, 2 p.m.

Learn to write and read basic cursive handwriting in this three-week course.

Chess Clubs

Fairview Shores Branch

Tuesdays, August 6–27, 3:30 p.m.

Windermere Branch

Mondays, August 12 & 26, 4 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, August 14 & 28, 3:30 p.m.

LEGO Clubs

Windermere Branch

Tuesdays, August 6, 13 & 27, 4:30 p.m.

South Creek Branch

Wednesday, August 7, 4:30 p.m.

Southeast Branch

Thursday, August 15, 4:30 p.m.

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, August 28, 4 p.m.

Bricks will be provided but cannot go home with you.

The Joy of Failure

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, August 7 & 21, 3:30 p.m.

Learn about how to persevere in difficult situations and how failures lead to discoveries and inventions through storytime and poetry. Ages 6–8.

STEM Explorers

Hiawassee Branch

Wednesday, August 7, 4 p.m.

Learn about how the weather changes and complete your very own model.

Homing Pigeon Codebreakers

South Trail Branch

Wednesday, August 7, 4:30 p.m.

Homing pigeons have settled in the library! Crack their codes to send them back home. Ages 9–12.

Homeschool Discovery

Windermere Branch

Thursdays, August 8–22, 1 p.m.

Discover the world around us through. Ages 6 and up.

Masterpiece Junior: Jackson Pollock

Orlando Public Library

Thursday, August 8, 3:30 p.m.

Learn his history and create a piece inspired by his work. Ages 9–12.

Character Collages

Hiawassee Branch

Thursday, August 8, 4–5:30 p.m.

Design a collage that represents your individuality or your favorite character. Ages 10 and up.

Cuisine Corner Junior:

I Dip, You Dip, We Dip

South Trail Branch

Thursday, August 8, 4:30 p.m.

Experience fondue fun while getting creative with chocolate-covered treats! Ages 9 and up.

How to Draw Cartoon Characters:

Spider-Man

Hiawassee Branch

Friday, August 9, 4:30 p.m.

Crafternoons

Winter Garden Branch

Mondays, August 12–26, 4:30 p.m.

Get ready for an hour of crafting fun with friends!

Homeschool Technology Class

Windermere Branch

Tuesdays, August 13 & 27, 2 p.m.

Explore the technology and hone your computer literacy skills through hands-on activities.

Adventures in Homeschooling

Orlando Public Library

Wednesdays, August 14 & 28, 1 p.m.

Explore lessons and hands-on activities to inspire curiosity and learning. Ages 6 and up.

Celebrate World Lizard Day!

Eatonville Branch

Wednesday, August 14, 3:30 p.m.

Join us for lizard-inspired activities to celebrate these scaly friends.

Time Travel Club

Hiawassee Branch

Wednesday, August 14, 4 p.m.

Learn about the culture of Ancient Egypt, wrap a mummy and create your own canopic jar.

Kids' Free Art Time

South Creek Branch

Wednesday, August 14, 4:30 p.m.

Make a masterpiece using a variety of supplies.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Snacks 2 Go!

Eatonville Branch

Thursday, August 15, 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to mix up a delicious snack for back-to-school season! Ages 9 and up.

School Bus Picture Frame
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 15, 4:30 p.m.
Craft the perfect picture frame to celebrate the start of a new school year.

Hearts of Gold Therapy Dogs
South Creek Branch
Saturday, August 17, 10:30 a.m.
Children can improve their reading skills by reading to a therapy dog.

D&D for Young Adventurers
Hiwassee Branch
Saturday, August 17, 4–5:30 p.m.
Take your first steps into the exciting world of D&D. Ages 10–15.

Macaroni Mania
Windermere Branch
Monday, August 19, 4 p.m.
Explore the versatility of using pasta to create one-of-a-kind crafts.

Create Comics
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 3:30 p.m.
Put together cool comic drawings using Comic Life. Ages 7–9.

Art Adventures: Book Page Doodle Art
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 4 p.m.
It's time to upcycle some of our most well-loved titles. Ages 6–8.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Healthy Lunchbox Snacks!
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 4 p.m.
Learn to make some easy and healthy snacks for your lunch box. Registration required.

A Trip to the Louvre
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 4:30 p.m.
Learn about the most famous art museum in the world with crafts and activities.

Be a Leader
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 4:30 p.m.
Identify what it takes to be a leader. Ages 9–12.

Music Masters
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, August 22, 3:30 p.m.
Learn all things musical literacy with a crafted instrument. Ages 9–12.

Shrinky Dinks Backpack Charms
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 22, 4:30 p.m.
Create your own back-to-school bling with Shrinky Dinks.

Snack Around the World: China
Hiwassee Branch
Friday, August 23, 4:30 p.m.
Treat yourself to a variety of fun Chinese candies and find your favorite!

Way Back When: The Megalodon Ruled the Deep
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 4 p.m.
Explore our oceans and the history behind some of its biggest predators.

Egg Science
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 4:30 p.m.
Learn about nature's storage container with experiments.

Magic Tree House Expeditions
Virtual
Wednesday, August 28, 4:30 p.m.
Jack and Annie need your help with their latest voyage in the Magic Tree House. Ages 6–8.

Neo-Plastic Art
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 4:30 p.m.
Learn to create your own art using the neo-plastic style of Dutch painter Piet Mondrian.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Rice Krispie Rockets
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, August 29, 3:30 p.m.
Decorate a delicious treat as we explore the cosmos. Registration required. Ages 9 and up.

Hiwassee Art Club
Hiwassee Branch
Thursday, August 29, 4:30 p.m.
Experience new artistic techniques with your fellow artists.

Feeling Good
South Trail Branch
Thursday, August 29, 4:30 p.m.
Learn some chill skills with self-calming techniques, tips and tricks.

Healthy, Easy Snacks From the Garden
South Creek Branch
Saturday, August 31, 10:30 a.m.
Make and enjoy simple snacks using veggies and other healthy alternatives.

HOMESCHOOL

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Homeschool: National Aviation Day
Alafaya Branch
Monday, August 19, 11 a.m.
Explore a variety of subjects through special occasions. Ages 6–8. Registration required.

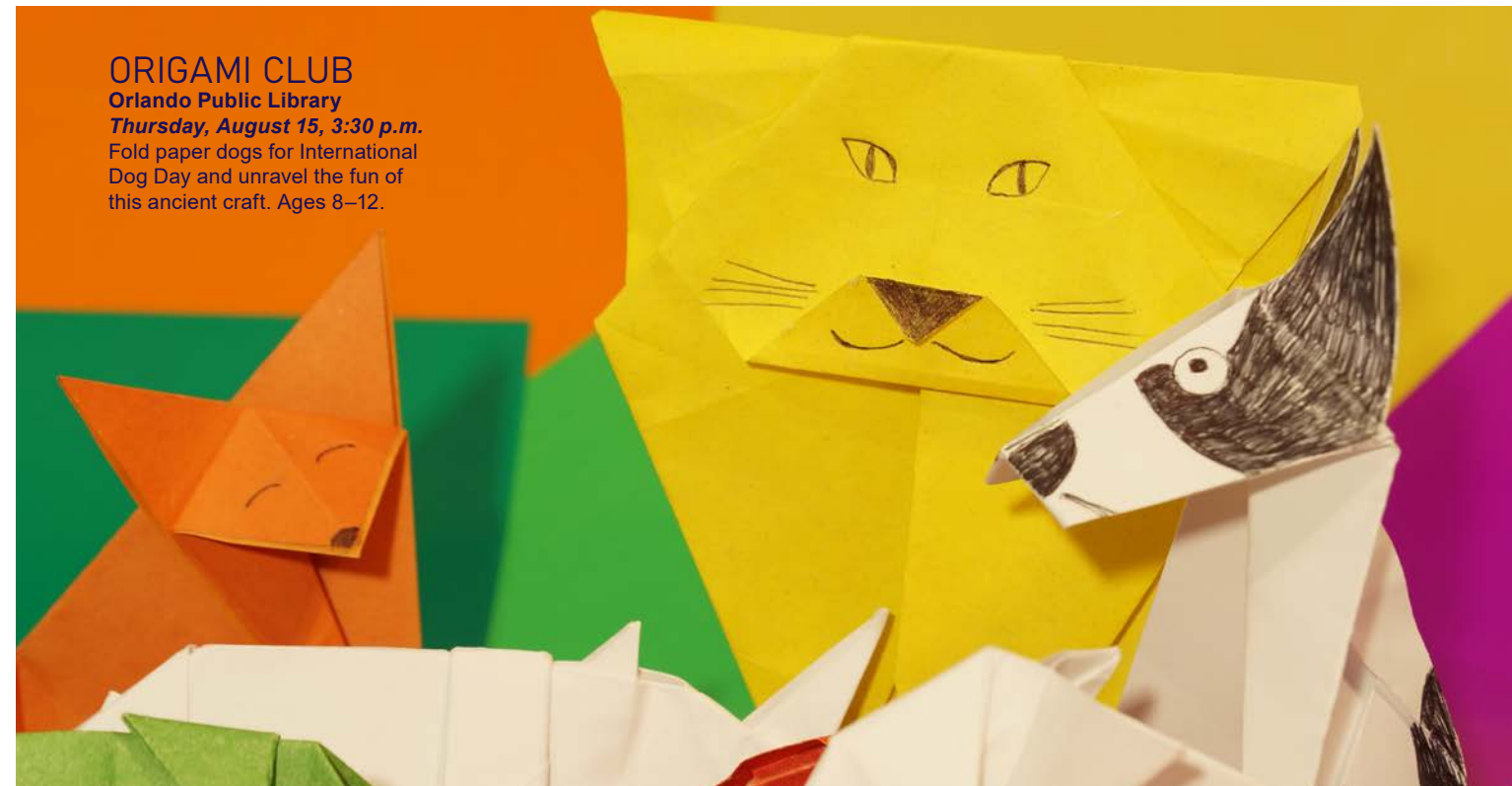
Homeschool Meetup
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, August 21, 10:30 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Monday, August 26, 1 p.m.
Play games, socialize and share ideas for activities at the library.

Homeschool Home Ec
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, August 22, 2 p.m.
This month we'll make felt puppets. Ages 8–12. Registration required.

Homeschool Science: Sharks!
West Oaks Branch
Monday, August 26, 11 a.m.
Dive into the fearsome and misunderstood world of sharks. Ages 6–15.

Homeschool Branch Out
Windermere Branch
Thursday, August 29, 1 p.m.
Branch out and develop new skills. Ages 6 and up.

Homeschool Science: Dancing Snake
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, August 29, 2 p.m.
Witness the power of static electricity and make a snake dance. Ages 7–9.



ORIGAMI CLUB
Orlando Public Library
Thursday, August 15, 3:30 p.m.
Fold paper dogs for International Dog Day and unravel the fun of this ancient craft. Ages 8–12.



COLLEGE APPLICATION ACADEMY

Hiwassee Branch
Saturday, August 24, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Learn what you'll need to apply to college, scholarship opportunities and FAFSA information. Ages 15 and up.

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT



**Teen Volunteering:
Southeast Teen Zine**
Southeast Branch
Wednesday,
August 7, 3-5 p.m.
Earn community service hours by contributing to Southeast Branch's teen literary and creative arts magazine.

Teen Takeover
Southeast Branch
Wednesday,
August 21, 3-5 p.m.
High school students will earn up to two hours of community service by assembling craft kits, testing new projects for future programs and performing other tasks as needed.

Teen Volunteering
Eatonville Branch
Saturday,
August 24, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
High school students will earn two hours of community service by assembling craft kits for the library.

**PerlyAnime:
Bead Your Favorite Characters**
Hiwassee Branch
Thursday, August 1, 4-5:30 p.m.
Unlock the magic of anime with Perler beads, where creativity flourishes and characters leap off the page in stunning detail.

High School Advisory Board Meeting
Virtual
Tuesday, August 6, 4 p.m.
Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new teen programs, brainstorm new teen services and more! Grades 9-12.

Teen Clothing Swap
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, August 7, Noon
It's time to clean out your closet! Enjoy a fun and guilt-free afternoon of shopping at the library. Bring your gently used clothing and accessories and swap them for new-to-you items.

Middle School Advisory Board Meeting
Virtual
Wednesday, August 7, 4 p.m.
Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new tween and teen programs, brainstorm new teen services and more! Grades 6-8.

Homeschool Teen Rec Time
Windermere Branch
Wednesdays, August 7 & 21, 4:45-6 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.

Let's Play D&D
Hiwassee Branch
Saturday, August 10, 1-5 p.m.
Step into the exciting world of Dungeons & Dragons. Choose your character and work together to face obstacles and defeat monsters.

Animanga Club: Isekai
Orlando Public Library, Club Central
Saturday, August 10, 2 p.m.
Share your love of anime and manga at the library, complete with snacks and activities curated for the theme of the month.

Globes and Gardens
Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, August 10, 2:30 p.m.
Use sand, glitter, shells and miniature beach decorations to create your own Florida paradise in a terrarium or "snow" globe. Registration required.

Lo-Fi Book Club
Virtual
Tuesday, August 13, 4 p.m.
Join us for a relaxed discussion about your favorite books and graphic novels. Each month, choose your own book to read and share with other teens based on a rotating theme.

Animanga
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday, August 13, 5 p.m.
Love manga and anime? Join us for manga recommendations, crafts, anime and more.

Teen Art Jam
Winter Garden Branch
Saturdays, August 17 & 31, 3-4:15 p.m.
Compete to create the best themed crafts with provided supplies in an hour. Winning crafts will receive a prize and be displayed at Winter Garden Branch for one month.

Teen Cuisine: Nachos
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, August 17, 4 p.m.
Satisfy your cravings and learn tips and tricks for making the ultimate nachos.

Advancing to Adulthood
Virtual
Tuesday, August 20, 4 p.m.
Challenge your skills and develop some new ones. Learn through games and activities designed to help prepare you for post-high school independence.

Temporary Art
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 p.m.
A judgment-free program for anyone who's ever wished to, but had trouble starting or finishing a drawing or sketch.

Visual Poetry for Teens
South Creek Branch
Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 p.m.
Transform words and rhyme into intellectual art. Try your hand at poetry that sounds good and looks even better.

Homeschool Teen Art: Stippling
West Oaks Branch
Friday, August 23, 11 a.m.
Learn how to dip, dot and stipple away at a painting of your own design using an assortment of tools.

Teen Board Game Meetup
South Creek Branch
Friday, August 23, 4-5:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 31, 2-3:30 p.m.
Leave Monopoly at home! Come learn a fast-paced miniature battle game at the library! Other classics and popular board games will also be available. Registration required.

Delicious in Dungeon
South Creek Branch
Saturday, August 24, 11 a.m.
Indulge in your love of *Dungeon Meshi* with crafts and snacks sure to delight those daring enough to brave the dungeon!

Navigate Your Way to Success
Eatonville Branch
Saturday, August 24, 1 p.m.
A good foundation for succeeding in high school is knowing how you learn! Explore your learning styles and some of the resources that can help you.

Coloring Time!
South Creek Branch
Monday, August 26, 4:30 p.m.
Dust off your crayons and markers and see if you can stay in the lines as we channel our inner child and color.

Animanga: Sailor Moon Iron-On Patches
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday, August 27, 5 p.m.
No magical transformation is needed to create fun *Sailor Moon*-inspired iron-on patches! Join us for manga recommendations, crafts, anime and more.

How To Survive School
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, August 28, 3:30 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.

Organize Your Mind
South Creek Branch
Thursday, August 29, 4:30 p.m.
Organize your thoughts, goals and tasks by utilizing the creative, versatile and efficient analog method of bullet journaling.

Homeschool Teen Board Game Meetup
West Oaks Branch
Friday, August 30, 11 a.m.
Inviting all teen homeschoolers to play games, socialize and share resources. Games will be provided or bring one to share!

BUTTON MAKING PARTY
Hiwassee Branch
Friday, August 30, 4 p.m.
Have you ever wanted to make your own buttons? Here's your chance!



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.

CLOSURES

North Orange Branch

Closed for Repairs

We do not have an established
reopen date at this time.
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Monday, August 5

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