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Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 9 • 6 p.m.

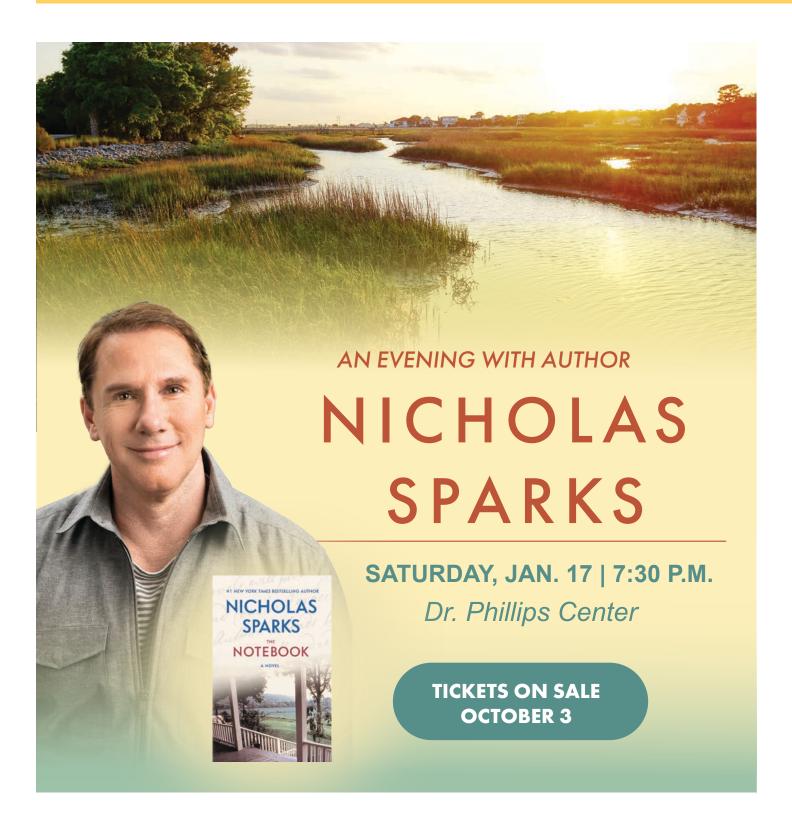
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Next Friends of the Library Board of Directors Meeting:

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15 • Noon

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Connect With Your Community Through Library Events and Programs

t's the start of fall and OCLS is bringing a new season of events, classes and programs to give customers fresh opportunities to learn and connect in the community. From cooking demonstrations to book clubs, technology classes to health and wellness programs, we offer Orange County residents and visitors a variety of free ways to develop new skills and grow.

This month, seven of our branches will each offer a three-part series of classes on the free graphic design application Canva. From the basics of navigating the program to creating custom presentations and social media campaigns, the classes can help guide and inspire your next project. If attending in-person at a branch isn't convenient, we are also offering the classes virtually. All the information may be found on page 19.

Kids and caregivers, dress up in your favorite costume and come out to our annual Halloween event, Trick or Treat Safe Zone, Sunday, October 12, from 1–3 p.m. This family event takes place at both Orlando Public Library and Orange County Regional History Center located right next door to the library and it's all free. This event is a great way to have some safe, spooky fun with live music. a Mad Science show, crafts, a

> scavenger hunt, games and, of course, candy. You can read all about it on page 21 and get more information on what's happening

at the History Center by visiting thehistorycenter.org/TrickorTreat. We hope to see you there!

In September, Orlando Public Library began a four-month series celebrating the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birthday with events and programs celebrating the timeless author's genius and offering insight into her literary world. On October 19, take a sensory tour of Austen's era through an exploration of the art and music that inspired her and readings of her work. Join us again on October 28 for tea and readings from Jane Austen's Gothic farce, Northanger Abbey. The Jane Austen series continues through December 13; visit ocls.org/JaneAusten for a complete listing of themed events.

Last month we announced the author for our second annual Lillian Louise Pharr Signature Author Series and tickets go on sale October 3. The event features Nicholas Sparks, the bestselling and much-loved author of The Notebook, A Walk to Remember, Night in Rodanthe and many more. We're excited to welcome him to the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts for an evening of conversation and a look into his inspiration and writing technique. Find out more at ocls.org/NicholasSparks.

As you turn through these pages, I hope you find something that sparks your interest. Sign up for a class, attend a program or check out your next great read to start off this new season.

Steve Powell, Library Director/CEO Orange County Library System comments@ocls.org



Elven Tea and Mapmaking

Step into a high-fantasy evening. Sip Elven tea and craft a fantasy map. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Wed., Oct. 1 • 5 p.m.

Tea Social Hour

Listen to music, enjoy a sweet treat with your cup of tea, relax and chat with a creative art activity. Ages 18 and up.

North Orange • Wed., Oct. 1, 15 • 5 p.m.

All-Levels Yoga

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing yoga sequence for all levels. Virtual • Wed., Oct. 1 • 7 p.m.

Career Academy: Interview Like a Pro

Get tips that will help you to practice and prepare. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 2 • 11:30 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., Oct. 9 • 11:30 a.m.

Yoga for Adults and Seniors

A gentle, beginner-friendly yoga class designed to improve flexibility, balance and mobility.

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 1 p.m.

Air-Dry Clay Pumpkin Series

Learn how to use air-dry clay to create a decorative pinch pot pumpkin. Ages 18 and up. **Orlando Public Library** • *Thu.*, *Oct.* 2, 9 • 5:30 p.m.

Acrylic Painting: Fall Pumpkin Patch

Join artist Kerry Ezzo as she demonstrates how to create a landscape painting. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Sat., Oct. 4 • 11 a.m.

Adult Art Expressions

Explore your artistic side in this guided visual art class. Ages 18 and up.

Windermere • Sat., Oct. 4 • 1 p.m.

Adult Game Time

Spend a fun afternoon playing games and meeting new friends. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 4, 18 • 2:30 p.m.

Windermere • Sat., Oct. 4–25 • 3 p.m.

D&D at Fairview

Embark on an epic journey into the magical world of Dungeons & Dragons. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Sat., Oct. 4. 18 • 4 p.m.

A Very Haunted Florida

Explore some of Florida's most haunted locations, uncovering the legends and lore behind the ghostly tales that haunt our great state.

Orlando Public Library • Sun., Oct. 5 • 2:30 p.m.

Floral Clay Ghosts

Create whimsical ghost figures using air-dry clay and decoupage flowers. Ages 18 and up. Chickasaw • Mon., Oct. 6 • 10:30 a.m.

Spice it Up! ■

Dive into a new spice and taste your way through its history, culture and uses. Ages 18 and up. **Hiawassee •** *Mon., Oct. 6* • 4 p.m.

DIY Candy Dish Painting

Paint your very own decorative candy dish. Ages 18 and up.
West Oaks • Mon., Oct. 6 • 5 p.m.

Mini Succulent Pumpkins

Make a fall display using mini pumpkins and succulent plants. Ages 18 and up. **South Creek •** *Tue., Oct. 7* • 10:30 a.m.

Plant Clinic

Bring your plants and get answers to your gardening questions with Master Gardener volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension.

Windermere • Tue., Oct. 7 • 10:30 a.m.

Winter Garden • Sat., Oct. 11 • 10:15 a.m.

Women in Science Tea Talks

Join us for tea and invigorating discussions on women in science. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 7 • 3 p.m.

Spooky Potion Bottles

Create your own mini spooky potion to add to your seasonal decor collection. Ages 18 and up. **Orlando Public Library** • *Tue., Oct. 7* • 5:30 p.m.

Tai Chi Chuan

Join us for light exercises from the traditions of tai chi chuan.

Windermere • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 10:30 a.m.

Legal Learning Workshop:

Discuss estate planning and advance directives and why it is important to have them. **Eatonville** • *Wed.*, *Oct.* 8 • 4 p.m.

How to Be Your Own Professional Organizer

Join organizing expert and author Jamie Novak as she shares insider secrets on how to declutter your home with lasting results. Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8 • 6:30 p.m.

Karaoke: Selena Quintanilla

Celebrate Latin American voices like Selena Quintanilla and more with songs and refreshments.

Fairview Shores • Thu., Oct. 9 • 5 p.m.

World Snacks: Puerto Rico!

Learn about a country and sample multicultural snacks. Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 9 • 5:30 p.m.

DIY UV Resin Magnets

Learn how to use UV resin to create your own unique magnet. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 10 • 2:30 p.m.

Mindful Making: Clay Sculpting

Relax and unwind with peaceful arts and crafts. Ages 18 and up.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons at the Library for Adults ■

Have you ever wanted to play D&D? Join us on our next quest. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2:30 p.m.

Puzzle Swap

Stop by and swap an old puzzle for a new-to-you one. Please bring at least one complete puzzle for adults. Ages 18 and up. Winter Garden • Sat., Oct. 11 • 3 p.m. South Creek • Sat., Oct. 25 • 11 a.m.

DIY Fall Charger Plates

Create an original charger plate design to display as holiday decor. Ages 18 and up. West Oaks • Sun., Oct. 12 • 2 p.m.

Balloon Art: Black Cat Bouquet

We'll guide you through balloon decoration techniques, demonstrating how to craft your own bouquet. Ages 18 and up.

North Orange • Mon., Oct. 13 • 11 a.m.

Making Art with Miró 🔳

Learn about surrealism and create your own art in the style of Joan Miró. Ages 18 and up. **Washington Park • Mon., Oct. 13 • 5** p.m.

Breast Cancer Awareness

Learn about the importance of preventative care for breast cancer. Virtual • Mon., Oct. 13 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Get Creative

Get creative and explore your artistic side with a fun activity. Ages 18 and up. **South Creek •** *Tue., Oct. 14 •* 10:30 a.m.

Therapeutic Pottery Program

Learn about the history and the benefits of working with clay. Ages 18 and up. **Orlando Public Library** • *Tue., Oct. 14* • 10:30 a.m.

Water Wise Neighbor Program

México Danza

Orlando Performance

Experience a Mexican Folkloric Dance Performance by México Danza Orlando.

Enjoy traditional dances from the states of Jalisco, Sinaloa and Veracruz.

West Oaks • Wed., Oct. 8 • 4 p.m.

Learn how to maximize water savings for your home. Orange County Utilities water customers will receive free onsite highefficiency devices, while supplies last.

Windermere • Tue., Oct. 14 • 4:30 p.m.

Calligraphy Workshop: Learn the Blackletter Style

Calligrapher Elinor A. Holland will share her expertise in writing in the blackletter style that was popular in medieval Europe.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15 • 10:30 a.m.

Let's Paint Fantasy Miniatures

Paint a miniature for use in D&D or other popular tabletop games. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Wed., Oct. 15 • 5 p.m.

DIY Mini Wands

Join us and create your very own mini wand. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15 • 5:30 p.m.

Cuisine Corner: Puerto Rican Cuisine

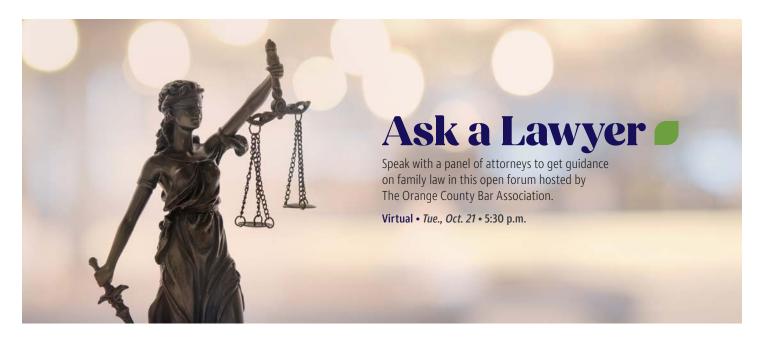
Explore the rich culinary heritage of Puerto Rico with Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira. **Virtual •** *Wed., Oct. 15* • 6 p.m.

Career Academy: Perfecting Your Resume

Elevate your job application with best practices. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 16 • 11:30 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., Oct. 23 • 11:30 a.m.



Community Office Hours: Legal Advice and Know Your Rights

Join Florida Legal Services for Community Office Hours, supported by the Enhancing Access to Haitian Survivors Project. Explore legal services and learn about your legal rights. South Trail • Thu., Oct. 16 • 1 p.m.

Sketching 101

Learn the basics of sketching through use of simple art techniques and observation. Virtual • Fri., Oct. 17 • 11 a.m.

Mocktails and Music (Trivia)

Join us for a multi-genre music trivia game. A signature mocktail will be included.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 17 • 3:30 p.m.

Beginner Line Dancing

Learn beginner line dance steps to all types of music. Ages 18 and up. **Southwest •** *Sat.*, *Oct. 18* • 10:30 a.m.

Intro to Foundation Center & Grant Resources

Get the 101 on using this directory to win grants and make a difference. Ages 18 and up. **Orlando Public Library** • *Sat.*, *Oct. 18* • 11:30 a.m.

Adult Craft & Chat: Boo-tanical Creations

Get creative and decorate a mini clay pot with a Halloween design. Ages 18 and up. **Hiawassee • Sat., Oct. 18 • 4** p.m.

Monster Silhouettes

Paint your own monstrous silhouette for Halloween. Ages 18 and up.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 18 • 4 p.m.

Jane Austen Sensory Tour

Immerse yourself into the world of Jane
Austen by taking a guided sensory tour
featuring art, music and readings.

Orlando Public Library • Sun., Oct. 19 • 2:30 p.m.

LEGO Spike Adventures

Apply physical science concepts and the engineering design process. Ages 18 and up. **Hiawassee •** *Mon., Oct. 20 •* 4 p.m.

Podcast Listening Club: Espionage

Dive into a world of espionage with spy stories throughout history. Ages 18 and up. Dr. P. Phillips YMCA, 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819 • Mon., Oct., 20 • 6:30 p.m.

Spooky Resin Jewelry

Create your own customized spooky resin jewelry. Ages 18 and up.

Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 21 • 4:30 p.m.

Container Gardening

Fleet Farming covers everything from choosing the right containers and soil to understanding plant care in small spaces. **South Creek • Wed., Oct. 22 • 11 a.m.**

Food 101: Restaurants

Examine the historical and social significance of what we eat.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 22 • 5:30 p.m.

DIY Sand Art

Make your own beautiful sand art jar to spruce up your home decor. Ages 18 and up. Winter Garden • Thu., Oct. 23 • 4:30 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Newbie Campaign

Choose a character or bring your own for our beginners campaign. Ages 18 and up. North Orange • Sat., Oct. 25 • 2 p.m.

That's the Tea (Social): Frankenstein

Enjoy tea, treats and create a faux stainedglass masterpiece. Ages 18 and up. **West Oaks** • *Sat., Oct. 25* • 3 p.m.

MasterClass Viewing: R.L. Stine

Join us for R.L Stine's MasterClass, where he will share tips and tricks from his writing career. Alafaya • Sun., Oct. 26 • 2 p.m.

Fireside Tales: Halloween Tales and Treats

Gather for creepy tales, haunting ghost stories and Halloween treats. Ages 18 and up. **Orlando Public Library •** *Sun., Oct. 26 •* 2:30 p.m.

Jane Austen's Northanger Abbey Tea Talk

Enjoy tea and readings from Jane Austen's Gothic farce.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 28 • 3 p.m.

DIY Potion Bottles

Create some magical fun with these little decorative potion bottles. Ages 18 and up. Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 28 • 5 p.m.



Fall Leaf Craft

Add a seasonal touch by decorating with vibrant fall leaves. **Hiawassee •** *Wed., Oct. 29* • 4 p.m.

Mini Foam Pumpkin Decorating

Celebrate National Pumpkin Day and decorate a mini foam pumpkin. Ages 18 and up. North Orange • Wed., Oct. 29 • 4:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga 🛡

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence for all levels. Virtual • Wed., Oct. 29 • 7 p.m.

Haunted Bouquets

Get in the spooky spirit and create your own haunted paper bouquet. Ages 18 and up. **Windermere** • *Thu., Oct. 30* • 2:30 p.m.

Yoga for Generosity and Gratitude

Reconnect with the natural balance of generosity and gratitude.

Virtual • Thu., Oct. 30 • 7 p.m.

Book to Film Series: *The Witches* (1999) (PG)

This series focuses on books that have been made into movies.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 31 • 2 p.m.

Genealogy at Your Library

ocls.org/genealogy



Genealogy: Discover America! ■

Come with us on a virtual road trip as we explore one state at a time. We will explore the history, the culture and most of all those precious genealogical resources that are unique to each location. Virtual • Wed., Oct. 1, 15, 29 • 1 p.m.

Genealogy: Oui! Discover Your French Canadian Roots! ■

We will explore French Canada, its history and its impact on North America. We will explore genealogical resources to help you claim your French heritage.

West Oaks • Sat., Oct. 18 • 1 p.m.

Genealogy Brunch Bunch

Your ancestors are calling – just before lunch. Join us to swap stories, solve genealogy puzzles and share research tips with fellow family history enthusiasts.

Virtual • Sun., Oct. 19 • 11 a.m.

Genealogy: Your DAR Patriot in Quebec? ■

Over 400 French Canadian patriots fought for American freedom. Let's find them. **West Oaks** • *Mon., Oct. 27* • 1 p.m.



Creating Unforgettable Characters

Author Sarah McGuire will share insights and specific tools on how to create unforgettable characters that ring true and feel like real, actual people instead of cardboard stereotypes. Presented by Florida SCBWI. West Oaks • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10:30 a.m.

Writing Novel Openings and Endings That Work

Author and editor Lorin Oberweger will discuss how to write beginnings to hook a novel reader and parallel endings to leave the reader satisfied. Virtual • Sat., Oct. 4 • 4 p.m.

Developing Sympathetic Characters

Author and editor Kristen Stieffel will show you how to create characters that readers can care about. Virtual • Mon., Oct. 6 • 7 p.m.

Writing Rhyming Picture Books that Sell

Literary agent Paula Weiman will discuss the craft of writing picture books, with a focus on considerations for rhyming picture books. Virtual • Tue., Oct. 7 • 7 p.m.

In-Person Networking for Writers

Whether you're an introvert or an extrovert, José Iriarte and Elle Ire will discuss best practices to help you get the most out of an in-person encounter with an agent, a publisher or other authors. Virtual • Sat., Oct. 11 • 4 p.m.

Writer's Meetup

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. Ages 18 and up. Winter Garden • Sat., Oct. 18 • 4:30 p.m.

OCLS Writer's Group

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. Virtual • Sun., Oct. 19 • 4 p.m.

Writing Gothic Poetry

Explore Gothic writing styles and write your own poem of melodrama and madness! Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Fri., Oct. 24 • 4 p.m.

Pre-Writing Strategies

Author and filmmaker Jennie Jarvis will discuss strategies for the work you can get done before writing begins, including outlining, idea development, setting a realistic writing schedule and more. **Virtual •** *Sun., Oct. 26* • 4 p.m.

How to Develop and Write Effective Twists in Thrillers

To execute effective twists, a lot needs to come together for the reader at the right time. Author and writing coach Samantha Skal will discuss how to craft the perfect twist for your books. Virtual • Mon., Oct. 27 • 7 p.m.



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Youth Book

Alafava Book Club

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley. Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 2 • 5 p.m.

Y Read: Book Read Aloud

Experience the joy and camaraderie of reading aloud great literature. Ages 18 and up. Dr. P. Phillips YMCA, 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., **Orlando, FL 32819 •** *Sat., Oct.* 4–25 • 1:30 p.m.

The Bleak Circle Horror Book Club

Come ready to discuss whatever creepy books you've enjoyed lately. West Oaks • Sun., Oct. 5 • 2:30 p.m.

Winter Garden Book Club

Calamity of Souls by David Baldacci. Winter Garden • Thu., Oct. 9 • 6 p.m. Virtual • Thu., Oct. 30 • 6 p.m.

Contemporary Romance Book Club

The Ex Hex by Erin Sterling. Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 11 • 4 p.m.

Nature Walk Book Club

Join a causal walk outdoors at Bill Frederick Park followed by a discussion of Bear by Julia Phillips. Ages 18 and up. Bill Frederick Park • Mon., Oct. 13 • 10 a.m.

Southeast Book Club

Becoming Madam Secretary by Stephanie Dray. Ages 18 and up. Southeast • Mon., Oct. 13 • 3 p.m.

Book Buddies

Speed date with a book to discover new reads and make book-loving friends. Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Mon., Oct. 13 • 5:30 p.m.

Central Florida Book Club

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 14 • 10:15 a.m.

Southeast Spanish Book Club

La Bibioteca de la Medianoche by Matt Haig. Southeast • Tue., Oct. 14 • 3 p.m.

South Creek Book Club

Mexican Gothic by Silvia Moreno-Garcia. Ages 18 and up. South Creek • Tue., Oct. 14 • 5:30 p.m.

Chickasaw Book Club

Sanatorium by Sarah Pearse. Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 18 • 11 a.m.

Hiawassee Book Club

The Wishing Game by Meg Shaffer. Virtual • Mon., Oct. 20 • 7 p.m.

Windermere Book Club

Mexican Gothic by Silvia Moreno-Garcia. Ages 18 and up. Windermere • Wed., Oct. 22 • 5:30 p.m.

Southwest Book Club

After Annie by Anna Quindlen. Ages 18 and up. Virtual • Tue., Oct. 28 • 7 p.m. Southwest • Thu., Oct. 30 • 2 p.m.

Youth Book Clubs

Kids Comic Club

Witches of Brooklyn by Sophie Escabasse. Ages 6–12. Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 2 • 4 p.m.

Kids Comic Club

Sonic the Hedgehog: Scrapnik Island by Daniel Barnes. Ages 6–12. Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 14 • 4:30 p.m.

Kids Comic Club

Taxi Ghost by Sophie Escabasse. Ages 6–12. South Creek • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2 p.m.

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ART EXHIBITS

ocls.org/art



America the Beautiful

Watercolors by artist Milkos Cruz that depict and capture the time and beauty of America's landscapes and historical places. Southwest Branch • On Display Through December



Society of American Mosaic Artists Exhibit

The Society of American Mosaic Artists (SAMA) began as a small group of mosaic artists wanting to share their knowledge and passion for this ancient art form. After 24 years, it thrives with support from artists, fans, collectors, suppliers and educators.

Orlando Public Library • On Display Through December



Orlando Modern Quilt Guild Exhibit

The Orlando Modern Quilt Guild is a local chapter that meets monthly for sew days, workshops and charity quilt projects. Their mission is to inspire, educate and support members in modern quilting. The guild also helps the community by making quilts and fabric projects for those in need.

Orlando Public Library • On Display Through December

MEET THE AUTHOR

ocls.org/meet-the-author



Author Talk: Nuestra América

Join us in conversation with Smithsonian professionals Adrián Aldaba and Emily Key as they discuss *Nuestra América* and highlight inspiring stories of Latinos throughout history. **Virtual** • *Thu., Oct. 2* • 2 p.m.



Author Talk: Leigh Bardugo

Join us as we pick the brain of the *New York Times* bestselling author herself, celebrating the release of her book, *Six of Crows* (The Dregs Edition). **Virtual •** *Thu., Oct. 9 •* 7 p.m.



Author Talk: Malala Yousafazai

Be one of the first to hear from Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Malala Yousafzai about her astonishing memoir, *Finding My Way*. **Virtual** • *Wed., Oct. 22* • 7 p.m.



Author Talk: Philipa Gregory

Coined as the "queen of British historical fiction," Philippa Gregory returns to the infamous Tudor Court with a tale that is both timely and timeless. **Virtual •** *Wed., Oct. 29 •* 2 p.m.

Senior Resource Fair

Connect with local community organizations that provide services for seniors. Participating organizations include: AdventHealth Hospice Care Central Florida, Advocates & Guardians for the Elderly & Disabled, Inc. (AGED), Alzheimer's Association Central and North Florida Chapter, Dr. P. Phillips YMCA Family Center, Florida Department of Transportation, Mental Health Association of Central Florida, Orange County Parks and Recreation, Orange County Office on Aging, Orange County Office of Tenant Services and Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Southwest • Fri., Oct. 24 • 2 p.m.

Bingo for Seniors

Meet new people, listen to music and play for your chance to win a fun prize.

Winter Garden • Thu., Oct. 2 • 11 a.m.

North Orange • Wed., Oct. 22 • 5 p.m.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 25 • 2 p.m. ■

Chair Yoga for Seniors

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence for all levels.

Windermere • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10 a.m.

Fruitful Endeavors: For Vibrant Seniors and Adults

Join us as we learn about productive perennials who are creating new standards of living well. **Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 4 • 1** p.m.

Seniors Kick Back

A welcoming space to explore new interests, connect with others and enjoy activities. **South Trail •** *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 10:30 a.m.

Creative Watercolor Rocks

Learn the basics of watercolor painting through the use of paint, rocks and saran wrap. **Hiawassee** • *Tue., Oct. 7* • 11 a.m.

Knit and Crochet Meetup with Alafaya

Be sure to bring your work in progress, yarn and tools. All levels are welcome. **Virtual** • *Tue.*, *Oct. 7–28* • 4 p.m.

Practica Spanish Conversation for Seniors and Beyond ■

Practica tu español. Develop your Spanish language skills through conversations.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 4 p.m.

Fitness Bingo

Get moving and win a prize. Designed for seniors and adults with mobility challenges. **Southwest** • *Fri.*, *Oct.* 10 • 2 p.m.

Dominoes for Seniors

Join us for game time as we play dominoes and connect with others. Alafaya • Sun., Oct. 12 • 4:30 p.m. South Creek • Tue., Oct. 21 • 10:30 a.m.

Wood Pumpkin Painting

Welcome autumn with your own painted craft-wood pumpkin.

Hiawassee • Tue., Oct. 14 • 11 a.m.

Smarter Senior Seminar Series: Aging at Home

Get information on what type of services are available for you to consider while you age in place. **Southwest** • *Wed., Oct. 15* • 1:30 p.m.

The Importance of Estate Planning LIFE Information for Elders

Join attorney Kimberly Soto as she discusses important estate planning elements. To register, email **OfficeonAging@ocfl.net** or call 407.836.7446.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 16 • 12:10 p.m.

Faux Stained Glass Painting for Seniors ■

Create a piece of faux stained glass artwork.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2:30 p.m.

Ghost Art

With brushes in hand and humor in their hearts, make old art delightfully eerie. Hiawassee • Tue., Oct. 21 • 11 a.m.

LIFE on the Big Screen: Singin' in the Rain

Tamela Ponder from Joyful Music Therapy is ready to show you how singing your heart out can be good for your health. To register, email **OfficeonAging@ocfl.net** or call 407.836.7446. **Orlando Public Library** • *Thu., Oct. 23* • 1:30 p.m.

Qigong Movement and Breathing

Embark on a transformative journey with Jasmine Win, a modern qigong instructor. **Southwest** • *Fri.* Oct. 24 • 10:30 a.m.

Fall Dot Magnets

Craft with the colors of autumn with a fun dot painting craft.

Hiawassee • Tue., Oct. 28 • 11 a.m.

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LANGUAGE LEARNING ocls.org/language





English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

Basic English 1

Practice basic English vocabulary and grammar. **Southeast** • *Wed., Oct. 1, 8, 22, 29* • 2 p.m.

• Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28 • 10:15 a.m.

Windermere • *Wed., Oct. 1–29* • 3:30 p.m. South Trail • *Thu., Oct. 2–23* • 11:30 a.m.

- *Mon., Oct. 6–20* 11:30 a.m.
- Tue., Oct. 7–21 3:30 p.m.
- Sat., Oct. 11, 25 11:30 a.m.

Hiawassee • *Thu., Oct. 2–30* • 11:45 a.m. ■

• Sat., Oct. 11, 25 • 11 a.m.

Chickasaw • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 5:30 p.m. ■ Virtual • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 6:45 p.m. ■

Basic English 2

Continue to practice basic English vocabulary and grammar.

Southeast • *Wed., Oct. 1, 8, 22, 29* • 4 p.m.

• Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28 • 11:15 a.m.

Windermere • *Wed., Oct. 1–29* • 4:45 p.m.

• Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 4:45 p.m.

Chickasaw • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 1 p.m. Hiawassee • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 3 p.m.

North Orange • Fri., Oct. 3–31 • 11 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.

South Trail • *Fri., Oct. 3, 17* • 11:30 a.m. **Alafaya** • *Sat., Oct. 4, 18, 25* • 10:30 a.m.

Fairview Shores • Mon., Oct. 6–27 • 5 p.m. Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 7–28 • Noon

English Conversation Hour

Students can practice their English speaking and listening skills.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 1–29 • Noon

- Thu., Oct. 2-30 2 p.m.
- Fri., Oct. 3-31 4:45 p.m.

Southeast • *Wed., Oct. 1, 8, 22, 29* • 3 p.m.

Chickasaw • *Thu., Oct. 2–30* • 2 p.m. ■ Windermere • *Fri., Oct. 3–31* • 3:30 p.m.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 4, 18, 25 • Noon

- South Trail Mon., Oct. 6–20 3 p.m.
 - Tue., Oct. 7-21 5 p.m.
 - Thu., Oct. 9, 23 1 p.m.
 - Sat., Oct. 11, 25 1 p.m.

Hiawassee • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 5 p.m. ■

North Orange • *Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28* • 3 p.m. ■

English Conversation Hour 2

Come practice your English conversation skills. **South Trail •** *Wed., Oct. 1–22 •* 3 p.m.

English Reading Session

Read a story, discuss it and look up the meaning of the words. Ages 18 and up. **Hiawassee** • *Wed., Oct. 1–29* • 4:45 p.m.

English for Social Interactions

Covers topics from accepting and rejecting an invitation to engaging in small talk.

Hiawassee • *Thu., Oct. 2–30* • 5:30 p.m.

Fairview Shores • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 11 a.m.

North Orange • *Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28* • 2 p.m.

Practice Makes Perfect

Taught by a certified ESOL instructor from the Adult Literacy League and focuses on developing various aspects of literacy. **Southeast** • *Thu.*, *Oct. 2*, *9*, *23*, *30* • 6 p.m.

English Listening Skills

Improve your English listening and comprehension skills. Ages 18 and up. **Southeast** • *Sat., Oct. 4, 18* • 11:30 a.m.

• Fri., Oct. 10, 24 • 11:30 a.m.

Introductory English Course

Start from the beginning with letter sounds, syllables and basic vocabulary.

Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 4 • 1 p.m.

Reading Clearly Beginners

Explores English grammar and vocabulary for comprehension and vocabulary development. South Trail • Fri., Oct. 3, 17 • 1 p.m.

Chickasaw • Fri., Oct. 10, 24 • 1 p.m.

Speaking Clearly Beginners

Introduces the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation. Ages 18 and up. **Southeast** • *Sat., Oct. 4, 18* • 10:30 a.m. • *Fri., Oct. 24* • 10:30 a.m.

Speaking Clearly Intermediate

Learn the rules of spelling and pronunciation of English words and phrases. Ages 18 and up. **Southeast** • *Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28* • 2 p.m.

Writing Clearly Beginner

Focuses on the parts of speech, organization of sentences and vocabulary building.

South Trail • Wed., Oct. 1–22 • 1:30 p.m.

Southeast • Thu., Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30 • 12:15 p.m.

Virtual • Thu., Oct. 2, 16 • 4:30 p.m.

Writing Clearly Intermediate

Focuses on grammar for complex ideas, including sentence structures, paragraph and essay writing.

Southeast • Thu., Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30 • 1:30 p.m.

Hiawassee • Fri., Oct. 3–31 • 4:45 p.m.

Virtual • Tue., Oct. 7–28 • 10:30 a.m.

North Orange • Tue., Oct. 7, 21, 28 • 5:30 p.m.

Writing Clearly Advanced

Practice academic style writing along with more complex vocabulary.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 1–29 • 10:30 a.m.

Bilingual Interactions with Ms. Brenda ■

Bilingual Spanish and English conversation with Ms. Brenda. **Virtual** • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 6 p.m.

Spanish From Zero: Beginners with Ms. Brenda ■

Virtual • Tue., Oct. 7–28 • 11:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Spanish From Zero: Basics with Ms. Brenda

Virtual • Tue., Oct. 7-28 • 4 p.m.

Spanish From Zero: Intermediate with Ms. Brenda

Virtual • *Tue., Oct. 7–28 •* 10:15 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Practica Spanish Conversation for Seniors and Beyond ■

Practica tu español. Develop your Spanish language skills through conversations. Conversation topics and themed vocabulary will be provided. Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 4 p.m.

Citizenship Inspired

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Citizenship Inspired

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

Hiawassee • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 11 a.m.

Hiawassee • *Thu., Oct. 2–30* • 11 a.m. Windermere • *Thu., Oct. 2–23* • 3 p.m. ■

Winter Garden • Sat., Oct. 4, 18 • 12:30 p.m. ■

Virtual • *Tue.* & *Wed., Oct. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22* • 3 p.m. ■ North Orange • *Mon., Oct. 20–Nov. 10* • 4 p.m. ■ Alafaya • *Thu., Oct. 16* • 4:30 p.m.







Foamsmithing Workshop

Foamsmithing is the art of creating props and costumes using different types of foam. You will get hands-on experience using Pepakura, Silhouette Cameo, Dremel tools and other tools of the trade.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 3, 10 • 3 p.m.

Family STEAM Saturdays: Easy Skeleton Halloween Masks

Put together your own custom skeleton mask just in time for Halloween. **Orlando Public Library •** *Sat., Oct. 18* • 10:30 a.m.

Maker Workshop: Create Your Own Magnetic Bookmarks

Learn to make your own spooktacular magnetic bookmarks using resources provided in the Melrose Makerspace.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 23 • 4:30 p.m.

Advanced Foamsmithing:
Custom
Witch Hats

Customize a magical witch hat using EVA

Customize a magical witch hat using EVA foam, paint and your own imagination.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15, 22 • 4 p.m.





Meetups

Fiber Arts Meetup

Connect with other fiber artists while sharing your creations and ideas.

Chickasaw • *Tue., Oct. 7–28* • 4:30 p.m.

Alafaya • *Fri., Oct. 17* • 4 p.m. ■

Knit & Crochet

Crochet Pumpkin Coaster

Learn the basics of how to crochet a pumpkin coaster. Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Fri., Oct. 3 • 4 p.m.

Crochet Level 1

Learn basic techniques while creating your first project, a bookmark for your favorite read.

Chickasaw • Tue., Oct. 7 • 3 p.m.

Crochet Granny Squares

Granny squares are the foundation of many blankets, bags and sweaters.

North Orange • Tue., Oct. 7 • 5 p.m.

Crochet Ghost with Witch Hat

Learn how to create a cute ghost with a witch hat while stitching in the round. Chickasaw • Thu., Oct. 9, 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Crochet Level 2

Level up your crocheting. Learn how to create more open fabric with new stitches. Eatonville • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2:30 p.m.
Chickasaw • Tue., Oct. 14 • 3 p.m.

Crochet Pumpkin Magnet

Practice crocheting in the round and attaching pieces to make this seasonal decor. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Mon., Oct. 13 • 2:30 p.m.

Tejido en Croché: Cuadrado Granny

Teje un cuadrado granny clásico. Los cuadrados granny son la base de muchas mantas, bolsos y suéteres. **North Orange •** *Mar., 14 de oct. •* 5 p.m.

Crochet Ghost Magnet

Celebrate spooky season with this crocheted ghost friend. Practice crocheting in the round to make this seasonal decor. Ages 18 and up. Fairview Shores • Mon., Oct. 20 • 2:30 p.m.

Crochet Corner to Corner

Corner to corner (C2C) crochet is perfect for pillows and blankets. Learn the technique to create textured fabrics in single colors and how to join multiple colors together for interesting patterns.

North Orange • Tue., Oct. 21 • 5 p.m.

Crochet Coasters

Put your skills into action. Crochet coasters using your new crochet skills. **Eatonville** • *Sat., Oct. 25* • 2:30 p.m.

Tapestry Crochet: Pumpkin

Learn how to read a grid to create a tapestry design using the single crochet stitch.

Chickasaw • Tue., Oct. 28 • 3 p.m.

Tejido en Croché: De esquina a Esquina (C2C) ■

El crochet de esquina a esquina (C2C) es perfecto para almohadas y mantas. Aprende la técnica para crear tejidos texturizadas en un solo color y a combinar colores para crear patrones interesantes.

North Orange • Mar., 28 de oct. • 5 p.m.

Sewing

Sewing Open Lab

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

Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2 p.m.

Hand Sewing Basics

Learn the basic techniques to get started, including how to make a quilter's knot, thread a needle and sew a running stitch. **Hiawassee** • *Wed., Oct. 15* • 4 p.m.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS ocls.org/techclasses TECH CLASSES



Family Storytime in Horizon West

Storytime is the right time for family time. Reading together is a wonderful way to bond and learn from one another. Bring your families together for fun stories that are designed for all ages.

Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop, Winter Garden, FL 34787

• Wed., Oct. 1–29 • 10:30 a.m.

Outreach Event: Storytime at Bill Frederick Park

Join us for an outdoor nature storytime hosted near the playground at Bill Frederick Park. Small fee required to enter the park. Ages 0–12. Bill Frederick Park, 3401 S. Hiawassee Road, Orlando, FL 32835 • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10 a.m.

Book Bike at Lake Eola

The book bike will be at Lake Eola playground with a pop-up library and a storytime scheduled for 10:30am.

Lake Eola, 512 E Washington St, Orlando, FL 32801

• Sun., Oct. 5 • 10 a.m.

Storytime at Orlando Executive Airport

The use of picture books, songs and told stories will encourage your child to read, talk, sing and play. Recommended for babies, toddlers and preschoolers. Storytime lasts approximately 30 minutes. Orlando Executive Airport, 365 Rickenbacker Drive, Orlando, FL 32803 • Tue., Oct. 7 • 10:30 a.m.

Storytime in the Garden

Join West Oaks Branch at the historical Nehrling Gardens to hear a story and complete a craft.

Nehrling Gardens, 2267 Hempel Ave., Gotha, FL 34734 • Sat., Oct. 11 • 10 a.m.





Bring your design ideas to life with Canva, a free graphic design application. Use thousands of templates to gain inspiration and ideas for your next project.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 1 • 10:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores • Wed., Oct. 1, 22 • 10:30 a.m.
• Fri., Oct. 3, 24 • 10:30 a.m.

Windermere • *Wed., Oct. 1* • 10:30 a.m. South Trail • *Thu., Oct. 2* • 10:15 a.m.

• *Tue., Oct. 21* • 2:15 p.m.

Alafaya • *Fri., Oct. 3* • 1 p.m. • *Mon., Oct. 13* • 5:30 p.m.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8 • 10:30 a.m.

• Wed., Oct. 22 • 4 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • *Thu., Oct. 9* • 10:30 a.m. Eatonville • *Tue., Oct. 14* • 11:30 a.m.



Canva Projects: Presentations

Create visually appealing and effective presentations. Dive into thousands of free Canva presentation templates. Once you have selected a template, edit it with ease and implement Canva elements.

Windermere • Wed., Oct. 1 • 11:45 a.m.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 8 • 10:30 a.m.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8 • 11:45 a.m.

• Thu., Oct. 23 • 4 p.m.

South Trail • *Thu., Oct. 9* • 10:15 a.m. • *Tue., Oct. 21* • 3:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 10 • Noon • Thu., Oct. 16 • 2:30 p.m.

Alafaya • Fri., Oct. 10 • 1 p.m.

Fairview Shores • Wed., Oct. 15 • 10:30 a.m. • Fri., Oct. 17 • 10:30 a.m.

Eatonville • Thu., Oct. 16 • 11:30 a.m.

Canva Projects: Social Media

Grab your viewers' attention by creating eye-catching posts, videos, and more. Utilize Canva's powerful social media management features to schedule, publish and track your content.

Windermere • Fri., Oct. 3 • 10:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores • Wed., Oct. 8, 29 • 10:30 a.m.

• Fri., Oct. 10, 31 • 10:30 a.m.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 10 • 10:30 a.m.

• Thu., Oct. 16 • 4 p.m.

South Trail • Thu., Oct. 2 • 11:30 a.m. Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 15 • 10:30 a.m. Eatonville • Wed., Oct. 15 • 11:30 a.m. Alafaya • Fri., Oct. 17 • 1 p.m.

• *Mon., Oct. 27* • 5:30 p.m. **Virtual** • *Thu., Oct. 23* • 5:30 p.m.

Básicos de Canva

Da vida a tus ideas de diseño con Canva, una aplicación gratuita de diseño gráfico. Usa miles de plantillas para inspirarte e inspirarte para tu próximo proyecto.

Chickasaw • Lun., 6 de oct. • 10:30 a.m.

Conceptos Básicos de Ciberseguridad

La ciberseguridad se trata de la seguridad de nuestra información cuando estamos en línea. Visite sitios web, cree contraseñas y responda correos electrónicos confiadamente. Chickasaw • Mon., Oct. 27 • 10:30 a.m.

Cybersecurity Basics

Cybersecurity is all about the safety of our information when we're online. Build confidence as you visit websites, create passwords, and respond to email.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 29 • 10:30 a.m.

HALLOWEEN ocls.org/halloween



Getting Goosebumps

Enter the world of R.L. Stine and enjoy games and crafts inspired by Goosebumps. Ages 6–12. South Trail • *Thu., Oct. 9* • 4:30 p.m. West Oaks • *Wed., Oct. 22* • 4 p.m. Orlando Public Library • *Thu., Oct. 30* • 4 p.m. North Orange • *Thu., Oct. 30* • 4:30 p.m.

Spooky Screening: *Corpse Bride*

Experience a dazzling blend of romance and the undead in this Gothic fairy tale. **Hiawassee** • *Fri.*, *Oct.* 10 • 4:30 p.m.

Design a Haunted House

Design a haunted house combining STEM and crafting using the DIY materials provided. Ages 6–12. Eatonville • Tue., Oct. 14 • 3:30 p.m.

Preschool Party: Boogie in the Boneyard

Groove with ghouls, sway with skeletons and move with monsters while enjoying spooky snacks and crafts. Costumes encouraged. Ages 3–5.

Winter Garden • Wed., Oct. 15 • 2:30 p.m.

Halloween Magnets

Color and shrink a fun magnet to celebrate Halloween! Ages 6–12. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 15 • 4 p.m.

ARTventures: Halloween

Explore the celebration of Halloween with some spooky crafts. Recommended for families Fairview Shores • Sat., Oct. 18 • 3 p.m.

Halloween Block Printing Patches

Learn how to carve and print your own spooky design onto fabric. Ages 18 and up. Alafava • Sun.. Oct. 19 • 4 p.m.

Batty for Halloween

Learn about the secret life of bats in this program about the behaviors of bats through books, riddles and a craft. Ages 18–36 months.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 21 • 10:30 a.m.

Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 28 • 10:30 a.m.

North Orange • Tue., Oct. 28 • 10:30 a.m.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 29 • 11 a.m.

Baby Costume Party!

It's baby's first Halloween! Bring your baby to the library for a storytime and costume parade! Ages 0–18 months. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 22 • 10:30 a.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Spooky Cake Pops ■

Satisfy your sweet tooth with a spooky treat, just in time for Halloween. Ages 6–12.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 23 • 4 p.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Spooky Snacks

Learn how to make some spooky and delicious Halloween-themed snacks. They're so good, it's scary! Ages 6–12. Windermere • Sat., Oct. 25 • 2 p.m.

October Crafternoon: Halloween Ornaments!

Paint a salt dough ornament for some spooky Halloween fun. Ages 6–12. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 29 • 4 p.m.

The BOO! Bash

Wear your favorite Halloween costume and join us for a ghoulish good time with creepy crafts, spooky stories and more. Ages 3–5. **South Creek •** *Thu., Oct. 30 •* 10:30 a.m.

Halloween Ornaments

Paint a salt dough ornament for some fun Halloween décor! Ages 18 and up. Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 30 • 5:30 p.m.

The Origins of Halloween

Join us online for a little history lesson on the origins of Halloween. Ages 18 and up. **Virtual** • *Thu.*, *Oct.* 30 • 5:30 p.m.

Boogie & Boo Dance Party

Bust out your best monster moves and get ready to BOO-gie. Costumes encouraged. **Hiawassee** • *Fri., Oct. 31* • 11 a.m.



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Orlando Public Library Activity Stations:

Creepy Crawlies & Monster Mayhem!

Escape from our monsters and creepy crawlers by conquering games and feats of skill.

Cryptid Country

Follow your guides on a tour of the deep, dark woods and see if you can spot Bigfoot and his friends.

DJ Musical Act

Show off your monster moves and dance along to some kid-friendly music at this DJ dance party.

Ghostly Games

Try your hand at robotics, coding and spooky-spirited games.

Hang Around With Bats!

Explore the bat cave and learn why these creatures are so FANG-tastic!

The Cozy Cave

Promotes calmness and peace while offering resources to meet the varied sensory needs of our visitors.

Whispering Everglades

Try swamp bocce ball, ribbit races and pin the tail on the Florida creature.

Live on the Melrose Center Stage

Music with Mr. Richard

Orlando's favorite kiddie rocker, Mr. Richard, performs original sing-along songs and Halloween tunes. **Orlando Public Library • Sun., Oct. 12 • 1:15** p.m.

Mad Science Spooktacular Halloween Show

Grab your broomsticks and lab coats for a Halloween show that is out of this world. **Orlando Public Library • Sun., Oct. 12 • 2:15** p.m.

Bring your own candy bags. Costumes must be familyfriendly. Costumes may not contain props or accessories that resemble or could be mistaken for real weapons. Adults may not wear costume masks that conceal their entire face.



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FAMILY ocls.org/family



Mindful Start Family Yoga

Flow through an imaginative journey filled with puppets, parachute games and rest time. West Oaks • Wed., Oct. 1–29 • 10 a.m. Winter Garden • Mon., Oct. 6–27 • 10:15 & 11:15 a.m. Southwest • Tue., Oct. 7–28 • 1 p.m.

Pura and Her Puppets

Celebrate Pura Belpré. Create a puppet and build narrative skills. Hiawassee • Wed., Oct. 1 • 11 a.m.

Chess Clubs

Join us for a game of chess. All experience levels are welcome.

Winter Garden • Wed., Oct. 1, 15, 29 • 4:30 p.m. ■
Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 7-28 • 3:30 p.m. ■
North Orange • Thu., Oct. 9, 23 • 5:30 p.m. ■
Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 11, 25 • 2:30 p.m. ■
Windermere • Mon., Oct. 13, 27 • 4:30 p.m. ■

Storytime Crafts

Drop-in before or after storytime to create a make-and-take craft.

Southwest • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 10 a.m.

Villain Potion Party

Calling all villains! Join us for a wickedly good time with villainous crafts and activities.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 4 • 11 a.m.

Family Art Adventures: Patterns in Peru

Create a vibrant paper tapestry inspired by the traditional patterned textiles of Peru. **South Trail •** *Sat., Oct.* **4 •** 2 p.m.

Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration

Celebrate a traditional Asian holiday with lantern making, jade rabbit origami and trivia. Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 4 • 3:30 p.m.

Family STEM: Bones!

Discover the wonders of the human skeleton through games and activities. **Hiawassee •** *Sat., Oct. 4 • 4 p.m.*

Family Game Time

Play board games and card games with family and friends.

Alafaya • Sun., Oct. 5 • 2 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons

Have you ever wanted to play D&D? Join us, adventurers, on our next quest. **Windermere •** *Mon.*, *Oct. 6*, *20* • 4:30 p.m.

Give a Hoot

Learn about owls in Florida and make an owl craft. Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 7 • 4:30 p.m.

Reboot Boutique

It's time to add to your closet at this free shopping experience with gently used clothing. **Eatonville** • *Thu., Oct. 9* • 4:30 p.m.

Owl Prowl

Put on your Halloween costumes and join the Audubon Center for Birds of Prey for an owl prowl. **Eatonville** • *Fri., Oct. 10* • 4:30 p.m.

Spooky Chalk Art

Come make spooky chalk art. Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 11 • 10:15 a.m.

Box Engineers

Families will work together to design and construct an architectural marvel.

South Creek • Wed., Oct. 15 • 4:30 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: A Renaissance Adventure!

Join us for a special session of D&D inspired by the famous Renaissance period. **Washington Park •** *Tue., Oct. 14* • 4:30 p.m.

Homeschool Makerspace Meetup

Discover DIY fidgets, homemade gifts and the joy of crafting everyday items. **Eatonville •** *Thu., Oct. 16* • 11:30 a.m.

Watch, Make and Play Together! ■

Watch *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, make a craft and enjoy fun activities. **Washington Park •** *Fri.*, *Oct.* 17 • 4 p.m.

Family Ballet

Learn introductory and foundational movements and steps of ballet for any age. Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 18 • 10:30 a.m.

DIY Skeleton

Decorate a skeleton for Halloween using different craft supplies and materials.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2 p.m.

Escape the

Haunted

House •

Can you solve puzzles and answer trivia questions to escape

a mansion haunted by ghosts, goblins and monsters?

Fairview Shores • Sat., Oct. 25 • 3 p.m.

Family Storytime

Reading together is a wonderful way to bond and learn from one another. **South Creek • Sun., Oct. 19 • 2 p.m.**

Sensory Storytime

A welcoming storytime specially designed for kids with sensory integration challenges.

Chickasaw • Mon., Oct. 20 • 11 a.m.

Bubble Playtime

Help your child develop gross-motor skills in this interactive bubble party. Ages 0–5. North Orange • Tue., Oct. 21 • 10:30 a.m. Winter Garden • Wed., Oct. 29 • 11 a.m.

Pirates vs. Vampires

Who would win between a swashbuckling pirate crew and not-so-spooky vampires? Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 21 • 4:30 p.m.

ArtMazing

Unleash your inner artist and discover your creative side in this all-ages art exploration. **South Creek •** *Wed.*, *Oct.* 22 • 4:30 p.m.

Bunny Care 101

Learn all about the care of bunnies as house pets and meet some adoptable rabbits.

North Orange • Sat., Oct. 25 • 11 a.m.

Open Playtime

Let your little one explores imaginary play during unstructured play time. Chickasaw • Tue., Oct. 28 • 10:30 a.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: A Pop Culture Adventure!

Join us for D&D inspired by your favorite fantasy lands.

Washington Park • Tue., Oct. 28 • 4:30 p.m.

Into the Big Bad Woods

Complete a series of challenges, outsmart fairy tale villains and escape the Big Bad Woods. Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 28 • 4:30 p.m.

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BABY (Ages 0-18 Months)

Mother Goose on the Loose

Uses rhymes, songs, puppets and music to help develop important pre-literacy skills. **Orlando Public Library** • *Mon., Oct.* 6–27 • 10:30 a.m. **Southwest** • *Mon., Oct.* 6–27 • 11 a.m.

Toddler (Ages 18–36 Months)

Bubble Playtime

Help your child develop gross-motor skills in this interactive bubble party. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 1 • 10:30 a.m. South Creek • Thu., Oct. 9 • 10:30 a.m.

Artsy Toddler: Fall

Enjoy stories, songs and exploring age-appropriate art experiences.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 1 • 11 a.m.

Little Fishes

Come in for a swimmingly good time listening to stories and participating in fun activities.

Southwest • Wed., Oct. 1 • 11 a.m.

Sensory Free Play

Build motor skills, boost creativity and develop independent thinking while engaging in play. **Southeast** • *Thu.*, *Oct.* 2 • 10:30 a.m.

Artsy Toddler: Pumpkin Patch

Toddlers will enjoy stories and songs about pumpkins, then create a pumpkin craft. **Orlando Public Library** • *Tue., Oct. 7* • 10:30 a.m.

There's a Bug in My Garden

Bring your toddler for a buggy adventure to explore stories and activities about insects. **West Oaks** • *Tue., Oct. 7* • 11 a.m.

Storytime Craft

Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft.

North Orange • Wed., Oct. 8–29 • 10:30 a.m.

Dino Boogie

Explore music and movement along with prehistoric pals in this raucous storytime. Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 8 • 11 a.m.

Froggy Fun

Toddlers will delight in stories and songs about frogs and participate in fun activities. **Southwest** • *Wed., Oct. 8* • 11 a.m.

B is for Bailar

¡Azúcar! Celebrate Hispanic Heritage with music and stories for all little ones. **North Orange •** *Tue., Oct. 14* • 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Playground

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

South Trail • Tue., Oct. 14 • 10:30 a.m.

Southwest • Wed., Oct. 22 • 11 a.m.

It's Autumn Time!

Stories and activities that promote early literacy with an autumn theme.

Southwest • Wed., Oct. 15 • 11 a.m.

Autumn Apples

Create and participate in fall crafts, activities and sorting games.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 15 • 11 a.m.

Colors of Fall

Celebrate fall with a cozy storytime featuring seasonal picture books, songs and crafts.

Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 21 • 10:30 a.m.

Itsy Bitsy Spiders

Join us for not-so-creepy, crawly stories and a craft starring our eight-legged friends.

Southwest • Wed., Oct. 29 • 11 a.m.

Preschool (Ages 3-5)

Bilingual Storytime

Develop early-literacy skills through music, movement and stories in English and Spanish. **Winter Garden •** *Wed., Oct. 1–29* • 10:30 a.m.

Pirate Party

Explore the Seven Seas aboard a pirate ship as we read, sing and dance like a pirate.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 1 • 10:30 a.m.

Sensory Free Play

Build motor skills, boost creativity and develop independent thinking with sensory-based play. **Winter Garden • Wed., Oct. 1, 15 • 11** a.m.

Zoom, Zoom,

Journey through the stars with your little astronaut on this outer space adventure. Ages 18–36 months.

North Orange • Tue., Oct. 7 • 10:30 a.m.

Blastoff!

Wild Creatures

Learn about an exciting animal through stories and a craft.

South Creek • Thu., Oct. 2 • 10:30 a.m.

Wild Thing Rumpus

Show your claws, make some mischief and roar your heart out in this storytime with crafts.

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 2 • 10:30 a.m.

Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 9 • 3 p.m.

West Oaks • Tue., Oct. 14 • 11 a.m.

Mindful Play Learning: Yoga for Preschoolers

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

Chickasaw • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 11 a.m.

Eatonville • Tue., Oct. 7–28 • 10:15 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Develop early-literacy skills using picture books, songs and told stories.

Fairview Shores • Thu., Oct. 2–23 • 11 a.m.

Build My Universe: Build a Monster

Build your own monster that expresses inner beauty – because its what's on the inside that counts.

Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 2 • 3 p.m.

Little Hoots: Owl Craft Time

Who's ready to get crafty? Explore the world of owls through stories, songs and a craft. **Hiawassee** • *Fri., Oct. 3* • 11 a.m.

Little Chef: Tres Leches Cake

Mix, pour, spread and decorate one of the most popular desserts from Latin America. Alafaya • Mon., Oct. 6 • 10:30 a.m.

Let's Learn Letters and Numbers!

Learn the ABCs and 123s virtually through stories, songs and interactive activities. Virtual • Mon., Oct. 6–27 • 11 a.m.



Pajama Party 🗾

Put on your pajamas and enjoy an interactive storytime with book, songs, games and a craft. **Virtual •** *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 7 p.m.

Discover America

Travel with us on an imaginary road trip to learn about different states. **Southwest** • *Tue., Oct. 7–28* • 11 a.m.

Pumpkin Rhyme Storytime

Celebrate the season with stories, songs and rhymes. Ages 3–5.

Alafaya • Tue., Oct. 7 • 11 a.m.

Artsy Toddler

Enjoy stories, songs and exploring age-appropriate art experiences. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 8 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: Spooky Ghost Treat Bags

Sort colors and play with food to create little ghosts that are both fun and tasty.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 8 • 10:30 a.m.

STEAM Free Play Jr.

Build observation skills, boost creativity and develop critical thinking while engaging.

Winter Garden • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 11 a.m.

Space Rocks!

Celebrate World Space Week with stories, crafts and activities.

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 9 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: A Full Scoop

Mix and sprinkle fun toppings to make a delicious treat to keep us cool. Washington Park • Fri., Oct. 10 • 4 p.m.

Little Readers

Start your child's reading journey with activities focused on phonics and sight words. Virtual • Sat., Oct. 11 • 10 a.m.

Monsters Read Too

Join us for not-so-scary stories and crafts featuring our favorite monsters.

Chickasaw • Wed., Oct. 22 • 11 a.m.

Little Chef: Monster Mash Trail Mix

Mix and mash along with the monsters for a Halloween-themed treat.

Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 14 • 10:30 a.m.

Witchy Witch Storytime

Let's cook up a wicked good time with witchthemed stories, songs and crafts. Ages 3–5. Alafaya • Tue., Oct. 14 • 11 a.m.

Who Hoots?

Play and discover while learning all about our feathered friends.

Eatonville • Wed., Oct. 15 • 10:15 a.m.

Homeschool Jr.

Listen to stories and engage in activities about basic concepts.

Windermere • Wed., Oct. 15 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: Apple Tales

Celebrate National Apple Month by adding a sweet twist to this wonderful fruit.

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: Monster Snack

Teach your little one basic kitchen skills as you interact with hands-on recipes. **South Creek •** *Thu., Oct. 16 •* **10**:30 a.m.

Ghosts & Monsters, Cats & Dogs! ■

Calling all little monsters and budding Botticelli's! Sing and dance during this spooky storytime.

Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 16 • 3 p.m.

Spooky Tales!

Get spooky with not-so-scary stories and activities.

North Orange • Mon., Oct. 20 • 10:30 a.m.

Ghosts, Monsters, Bats and Crows!

Calling all witches, zombies and monsters.
Sing and dance during this spooky storytime.
South Trail • Tue., Oct. 21 • 10:30 a.m.

Monster Boogie

Get your fangs and claws ready for a monstrously fun storytime! Enjoy monster-themed stories, songs and a craft.

Alafaya • Tue., Oct. 21 • 11 a.m.

P is for Pumpkin

Celebrate the ABCs with crafts, stories and fall fun.

West Oaks • Tue., Oct. 21 • 11 a.m.

Paiama Jamboree

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

Windermere • Tue., Oct. 21 • 4 p.m.

Cuéntame un Cuento: Spooky Storytime

Interactive bilingual storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 22 • 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Yoga and Stories

Bring stories to life with gentle movement. **South Creek •** *Thu., Oct. 23* • 10:30 a.m.

I'm Not Scared!

for a fun time filled with fearless stories, activities and crafts.

Winter Garden • Thu., Oct. 23 • 10:30 a.m.

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 30 • 10:30 a.m.

Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 30 • 3 p.m.

Calling all courageous preschoolers

Little Artist

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

North Orange • Thu., Oct. 23 • 10:30 a.m.

What Can You Do With a Crayon?

Explore the world of color and how crayons can help boost a child's imagination.

Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 23 • 3 p.m.

Fall Craft and Snack

Join us for an autumn-inspired craft and enjoy a small snack while creating. Ages 2–4. **Eatonville** • *Fri.*, *Oct.* 24 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: PB&J Spiders

Spread, cut and stack ingredients to make a friendly and delicious spider.

Hiawassee • Fri., Oct. 24 • 11 a.m.

Winter Garden • Tue., Oct. 28 • 10:30 a.m.

Little Chef: Pumpkin Patch

Create your own pumpkin patch from pudding, cookies and more sweet treats. West Oaks • Fri., Oct. 24 • 11 a.m.

Halloween Storytime

Wear your costume and join us for not-so-scary Halloween stories.

Alafaya • Tue., Oct. 28 • 11 a.m.

Oakie Doakie Puppet Storytime: Eek!

Experience a creepy storytime with puppets and songs as we practice expressing emotions. **West Oaks** • *Tue., Oct. 28* • 11 a.m.

Move and Play

Get ready to move and groove. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 29 • 10:15 a.m.

Growing Up WILD

Learn about "scary" animals and what makes them special with stories, songs and activities. **Orlando Public Library •** *Wed., Oct. 29* • 10:30 a.m.

Paws and Potions

Explore cat-themed Halloween tales, rhymes and a bubbling potion craft. Fairview Shores • Thu., Oct. 30 • 11 a.m.

STORYTIMES

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Tiny Tales (Ages 0–18 Months)

South Creek • Mon. • 11:15 a.m.
Chickasaw • Tue. • 11:15 a.m.
North Orange • Wed. • 11:15 a.m.
Southeast • Wed. • 11:15 a.m.
West Oaks • Thu. • 11:15 a.m.
Windermere • Thu. • 11:15 a.m.
Southwest • Thu. • 11:30 a.m.
Alafaya • Fri. • 11:15 a.m.
Winter Garden • Fri. • 11:15 a.m.

Toddler Time (Ages 18–36 Months)

Orlando Public Library • Sat. • 11:30 a.m.

South Creek • Mon. • 10:45 a.m.
Chickasaw • Tue. • 10:45 a.m.
North Orange • Wed. • 10:45 a.m.
Southeast • Wed. • 10:45 a.m.
West Oaks • Thu. • 10:45 a.m.
Windermere • Thu. • 10:45 a.m.
Southwest • Thu. • 11:00 a.m.
Alafaya • Fri. • 10:45 a.m.
Winter Garden • Fri. • 10:45 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • Sat. • 11:00 a.m.

Storybook Fun (Ages 3–5)

South Creek • Mon. • 10:15 a.m.
Chickasaw • Tue. • 10:15 a.m.
North Orange • Wed. • 10:15 a.m.
Southeast • Wed. • 10:15 a.m.
West Oaks • Thu. • 10:15 a.m.
Windermere • Thu. • 10:15 a.m.
Southwest • Thu. • 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya • Fri. • 10:15 a.m.
Winter Garden • Fri. • 10:15 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • Sat. • 10:30 a.m.

Zero to Five Storytime (Ages 0–5)

Hiawassee • *Mon.* • 10:15 a.m.
Fairview Shores • *Mon.* • 10:30 a.m.
Washington Park • *Tue.* • 10:15 a.m.
Eatonville • *Thu.* • 10:15 a.m.
South Trail • *Fri.* • 10:15 a.m.

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Finger Knit Jewelry

Create trendy accessories with upcycled fabric and your fingers.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 1 • 2:30 p.m.

Afternoon Art: Frida

Learn about a different artist and artistic style and then create your own masterpiece. **South Trail •** *Wed., Oct. 1* • 4 p.m.

Happy Habitats: Caves

Learn about habitats, plants and animals through books and crafts. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 1 • 4 p.m.

LEGO Clubs

Use your imagination to build. Bricks will be provided, but cannot go home with you.

Southwest • Wed., Oct. 1–29 • 4 p.m.
Washington Park • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 5 p.m.
Alafaya • Mon., Oct. 6, 20 • 4:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores • Tue., Oct. 7 • 4:30 p.m.
Windermere • Tue., Oct. 7, 28 • 4:30 p.m.
South Trail • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 4 p.m.
South Creek • Wed., Oct. 8 • 4:30 p.m.

Pumpkin Guts!

Let's take a look at the parts of a pumpkin as we dissect a real-life gourd.

West Oaks • Wed., Oct. 1 • 4 p.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior: No Bake Mooncakes

Celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival by making tasty no-bake mooncakes. **Hiawassee • Wed., Oct. 1 • 4:30** p.m.

Kids' Free Art Time

Make a masterpiece using a variety of supplies. **South Creek** • *Wed., Oct. 1* • 4:30 p.m.

Homeschool Discovery

Discover the world through STEM, geography, art, history, literature and activities.

Eatonville • Thu., Oct. 2 • 11:30 a.m.

Chickasaw • Thu., Oct. 2, 16 • 1 p.m.

Windermere • Thu., Oct. 9-23 • 1 p.m.

Homeschool Science: Barfing Pumpkins ■

Join us for a hands-on experiment and learn about the science behind acids and bases.

Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 2 • 2 p.m.

Crafternoons

Get ready for an hour of crafting fun.

West Oaks • *Thu., Oct. 2–30* • 3:30 p.m.

Winter Garden • *Mon., Oct. 6–27* • 4:30 p.m.

Homeschool Technology Class

Explore the fundamentals of technology and hone your computer literacy skills.

Windermere • Fri., Oct. 3, 31 • 2 p.m.

• Tue., Oct. 7, 28 • 2 p.m.

Kooky Cakes

Learn beginner cake decorating skills as you create and chow down on weird treats.

West Oaks • Fri., Oct. 3 • 4 p.m.

READing Paws

Improve children's reading skills by reading to a therapy dog.

Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10 a.m.

Windermere • Sat., Oct. 11 • 11:30 a.m.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 25 • 10 a.m.

Hora de Cuentos

Ayude a su hijo a desarrollar habilidades clave de alfabetización temprana a través de la música, el movimiento e historias en esta hora de cuentos en español.

Chickasaw • Lun., 6 de oct. • 11 a.m.

Homeschool Meetup

Participate in math, science, history, art and literature-based learning. **Southwest • Mon., Oct. 6–27 • 1 p.m.**

Adventures in Homeschooling

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

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 8, 22 • 1 p.m.

Art Adventures: Design Like Dalí 🕡

Explore Salvador Dalí's unique surrealist style, then create your own masterpiece. Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 8 • 4 p.m.

Tia Lola's Library

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage by enjoying fun stories and crafts with a Dominican twist. Washington Park • Wed., Oct. 8 • 4 p.m.

Homeschool Snack Around the World: Puerto Rico ■

Learn about a different country each month and try some local snacks.

Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 9 • 2 p.m.

Masterpiece Junior: Gothic Architecture

Learn about the history of Gothic Architecture and create a piece inspired by this haunting art. **Orlando Public Library •** *Thu., Oct. 9* • 4 p.m.

DIY Halloween

Makeup -

Become a special effects superstar! Learn how to make your own scars, scabs and scares just in time for Halloween.

Washington Park • Sat., Oct. 25 • 4 p.m.

• Wed., Oct. 29 • 4 p.m.

Homeschool Discovery: Book Adventure ■

Explore the writing of C.S. Lewis as we dive into the book *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. **South Creek • Fri., Oct. 10 • 10:30** a.m.

Homeschool: Art Expressions

Come and be creative as you learn various art techniques.

Windermere • Fri., Oct. 10, 24 • 2 p.m.

Alafaya • Thu., Oct. 23 • 2 p.m.

Snack Around the World: Taiwan

We'll learn about a different culture and sample the yummiest snacks it has to offer. West Oaks • Fri., Oct. 10 • 4 p.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Halo-Halo

Mix your favorite ingredients and follow the steps to make a refreshing Filipino treat.

Chickasaw • Sat., Oct. 11 • 11 a.m.

Homeschool Art: Abstract Art

No matter the medium, art is art. Create a unique piece inspired by your senses. **West Oaks •** *Mon., Oct. 13* • 11 a.m.

Let's Play Nintendo Switch

Grab your controller and show your skills to become the ultimate champion.

Washington Park • Sat., Oct. 11 • 11 a.m.

Galactic Groove

Get into a galactic groove with musical games that will make you move.

South Creek • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2:30 p.m.

CHILDREN (AGES 6–12) ocls.org/children



Snacks and Stories

Build literacy skills while munching on delicious snacks.

Windermere • Mon., Oct. 13 • 12:30 p.m.

Level Up Lounge: Kids

Grab a controller and race your peers or play solo with a handheld device.

North Orange • Mon., Oct. 13 • 3 p.m.

Yoga Play Lab for Kids

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

South Trail • Tue., Oct. 14 • 4 p.m.

Fabric Button Earrings

Use up those scraps of fabric to make fun and fashionable earrings. Ages 8–12.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15 • 2:30 p.m.

Mayor Buddy's Book Club End of Book Party ■

Mayor Buddy's Book Club is celebrating the completion of their latest book. Ages 8–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Wed., Oct. 15* • 4 p.m.

Sensational Spiders

Spiders continue to intrigue us with their sensational skills.

West Oaks • Wed., Oct. 15 • 4 p.m.
• Mon., Oct. 20 • 11 a.m.

Storm the Castle!

Learn about life in the Middle Ages then build marshmallow catapults. Washington Park • Wed., Oct. 15 • 4 p.m.

Campfire Cryptids

Learn about cryptid tales and collaborative storytelling by designing a legendary creature. **Hiawassee •** *Wed.*, *Oct.* 15 • 4:30 p.m.

Southwest STEM

Explore the world around us using science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Southwest • Thu., Oct. 16 • 4:30 p.m.

Hearts of Gold Therapy Dogs

Children can improve their literacy skills by reading to a therapy dog.

South Creek • Sat., Oct. 18 • 10:30 a.m.

Southwest • Sat., Oct. 25 • 10:30 a.m.

STEAM Saturday: Cauldrons Bubble

Intriguing ingredients combine to make bewitching brews and potions.

South Trail • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2 p.m.

Homeschool Explorers: Fall Painting

Explore art and stories while meeting new friends.

North Orange • Wed., Oct. 22 • 2 p.m.

Learn a Language



Learn a Language: Arabic

Discover a new language. Use
Little Pim to learn in a fun and
interactive way. Ages 7–9.

Orlando Public Library • Fri., Oct. 3 • 4 p.m.

Homeschool: Spanish

Develop your Spanish skills with us! In this Spanish class you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more.

Chickasaw • Thu, Oct. 9, 23 • 1 p.m.

Homeschool: French

Develop your French skills with us! In this French class you will learn basic vocabulary, number colors and much more.

Backyard Birds of Prey

Meet and learn about the birds of prey that can be found in your own backyard. In partnership with Audubon Center for Birds of Prey. Eatonville • Wed., Oct. 22 • 3:15 p.m.

Halloween Origami

Celebrate the Halloween season by learning to fold an origami pumpkin and bat.

Alafaya • Wed., Oct. 22 • 4 p.m.

Medusa & Other Monsters

Celebrate these great Greek beasts with mythical crafts and activities. Washington Park • Wed., Oct. 22 • 4 p.m.

Enchanted Fort Expeditions

If you love escape-room adventures, challenge yourself in this interactive mission.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 22 • 4:30 p.m.

Spooky Science: Create Your Own Witches Brew

Conduct a spooky and exciting science project, resulting in your very own bubbling cauldron. **Hiawassee** • *Fri.*, *Oct. 24* • 4:30 p.m.

Homeschool Art: DIY Paint Prints

Who needs a brush? Create beautiful paint masterpieces using handmade stamps.

West Oaks • Mon., Oct. 27 • 11 a.m.

BINGO: For Kids!

Learn to play bingo for a chance to win prizes. Alafaya • Mon., Oct. 27 • 4 p.m.

Macaroni Mania

Explores the versatility of using pasta to create one-of-a-kind crafts.

Windermere • Mon., Oct. 27 • 4 p.m.

Pumpkin Dissection

A festive science project where we will dissect a pumpkin and identify its parts. Ages 6–10. **Eatonville** • *Wed.*, *Oct.* 29 • 3:30 p.m.

Unwrapping the History of Candy

Explore the origins of candy from ancient sweets to modern treats. **West Oaks • Wed., Oct. 29 • 4 p.m.**

Spooky Crafts

Get creative with these Halloween crafts. **South Creek •** *Wed., Oct. 29* **•** 4:30 p.m.

Spooky Stories

A frightfully fun mix of scary stories and silly activities perfect for brave kids.

Hiawassee • Wed., Oct. 29 • 4:30 p.m.

Homeschool Branch Out

Expand your horizons during this exploratory recreation time.

Windermere • Thu., Oct. 30 • 1 p.m.

Haunted House Escape

Solve puzzles and test your knowledge of all things spooky to make it through the night. Winter Garden • Thu., Oct. 30 • 4:30 p.m.



LEGO Education Spike

Apply physical science concepts and the engineering design process through hands-on learning. Ages 6–12.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 1–29 • 10:30 a.m.
• Sun., Oct. 5, 19, 26 • 3:30 p.m.

Fairview Shores • Thu., Oct. 2–30 • 4 p.m. South Trail • Sat., Oct. 11 • 10:30 a.m.

Code the Shark Attack game with

MakeCode Arcade

Microsoft MakeCode Arcade. Ages 6–12.

Eatonville • Wed., Oct. 1 • 3 p.m.

• Fri., Oct. 3 • 3 p.m.

South Trail • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10:30 a.m.

• Fri., Oct. 24 • 4:30 p.m.

Alafaya • Fri., Oct. 10–24 • 4 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • *Thu., Oct. 16–30* • 10:30 a.m. Fairview Shores • *Tue., Oct. 28* • 4:45 p.m.

Adobe Photoshop Basics

Create awesome photo mash-ups in Adobe Photoshop. Ages 10–12.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 1 • 4 p.m.

BandLab

Create your own tracks in BandLab, a free digital audio workstation. Ages 13–18. **South Trail • Wed., Oct. 1–22 • 4** p.m.

Logical Quest with the Zoombinis

Help the Zoombinis across treacherous cliffs and up an unclimbable wall. Ages 10–12. **Orlando Public Library** • *Thu., Oct. 2* • 10:30 a.m.

Adobe Character Animator

Explore technologies that are used in animating cartoon characters in movies and video games. Ages 10–12.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 2 • 4 p.m.

Design Minecraft Characters

Design characters, items, blocks and mobs for Minecraft using Tynker. Ages 10–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Thu., Oct. 2* • 4 p.m.

Be Safe Online

Learn safety tips and good practices when using the Internet.

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Ages 7–12 • *Sun., Oct. 5* • 1:30 p.m. Ages 13–18 • *Sun., Oct. 19* • 1:30 p.m.

Scratch Programming

Scratch is a programming language where you create your own interactive stories, games and animations. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Mon., Oct. 6 • 4 p.m.

Build Robots with Cubelets

Learn to design and build complex robots with magnetic blocks. Ages 6–12.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 7 • 10:30 a.m.

Code with Dash Robots

Complete a code challenge by guiding Dash through an obstacle course. Ages 6–12.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 7 • 4 p.m.

Code with JavaScript

Explore the JavaScript programming language with characters from Star Wars. Ages 10–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Wed., Oct. 8* • 2:30 p.m.

Algodoo Sandbox

Experiment with objects and see how they react to gravity and friction. Ages 6–12. **Orlando Public Library** • *Thu.*, *Oct.* 9 • 4 p.m.

Video Game Design: Role-Playing Games ■

Use Tynker to create a classic top-down role-playing game. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Mon., Oct. 13 • 4 p.m.

Run a Pizza Shop with Osmo

Learn how to help customers and make change. Ages 6–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Tue., Oct. 14* • 4 p.m.

Create Animated GIFs

Learn the frame animation capabilities of Adobe Photoshop. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 15 • 5 p.m.

Code with Minecraft: Designer

Make your own Minecraft world! Program the environment, animals and mobs. Ages 10–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Thu., Oct. 16* • 4 p.m.

Code with CodeCombat

Use JavaScript or Python to complete challenges in CodeCombat. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Mon., Oct. 20 • 4 p.m.

Code with Osmo

Computer

Basics

Introduce children to basic computer skills early

and set them on a path for success Ages 3–5.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 2 • 10:30 a.m.

Help Awbie find his animal friends with the use of tangible Osmo coding blocks. Ages 6–12. **Orlando Public Library •** *Tue., Oct. 21* • 10:30 a.m.

Code with Sphero

Code Sphero to roll along paths and through mazes. Ages 10–12.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., Oct. 21 • 4 p.m.

Bring Your Art to Life with AR

Fill in a magic coloring page and watch your picture come to life. Ages 6–12.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 22 • 2:30 p.m.

Code with ScratchJr

Write programs to bring your stories to life with motion and sound. Ages 6–12. **Orlando Public Library** • *Thu., Oct. 23* • 4 p.m.

LEGO Spike Adventures

Apply physical science concepts and the engineering design process through hands-on learning. Ages 13–18. **Hiawassee • Sat., Oct. 25 • 2 p.m.**

LEGO WEDO Build a Race Car

Build and program LEGO Race Car with a simple to use computer interface. Ages 10–12. **Orlando Public Library** • *Sun.*, *Oct. 26* • 1:30 p.m.

Code with Swift Playgrounds

Discover programming through interactive puzzles. Ages 13–18. **Orlando Public Library • Mon., Oct. 27 • 4** p.m.

Code with Sphero indi Cars

Learn the basics of coding and help indi cars drive through mazes you design. Ages 6–12. **Orlando Public Library** • *Tue., Oct. 28* • 4 p.m.

3D Design Minecraft Characters

Learn to design and draw Minecraft character using 3D modeling software. Ages 13–18.

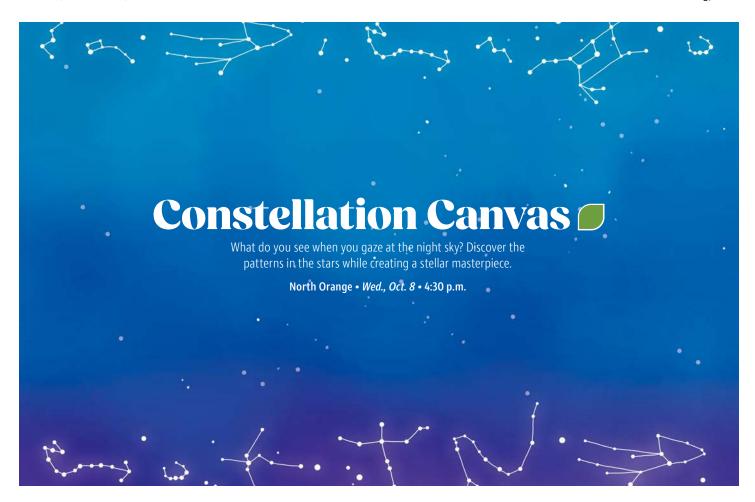
Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 29 • 5 p.m.

Coding Unplugged

Explore sequencing and debugging while helping find the lost books. Ages 5–6.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., Oct. 30 • 4 p.m.

TEENS (AGES 13–18) ocls.org/teen



Improve Your Interview Skills

Learn about the interview process and what you can do to better prepare yourself for the big day. **Orlando Public Library •** *Wed., Oct. 1 •* 5 p.m.

Teen Takeover

High school students earn up to two hours of community service by assembling craft kits and performing other tasks as needed. South Creek • Sat., Oct. 4 • 10:30 a.m. South Trail • Sat., Oct. 4 • 11 a.m.

Teen Volunteering

High school students will earn two hours of community service by completing volunteer tasks at the library.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 4 • 2 p.m.
Hiawassee • Sat., Oct. 11 • 2 p.m.
Eatonville • Sat., Oct. 18 • 11 a.m.

Teen Volunteering: Literary & Creative Arts Magazines Earn community service hours by

getting involved in our teen literary and creative arts magazine.

Southeast • Sat., Oct. 4 • 2 p.m.

Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 4 • 3 p.m.

West Oaks • Sat., Oct. 18 • 11 a.m.

Hiawassee • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2 p.m.

Washington Park • Tue., Oct. 21 • 5 p.m.

Once Upon a Canvas

Explore the elements of art from color theory to perspective with interactive activities and discussions on theory and design.

Virtual • Mon., Oct. 6 • 6 p.m.

High School Advisory Board Meeting

Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new programs, brainstorm new services and more. Grades 9–12.

Virtual • Tue., Oct. 7 • 4 p.m.

Middle School Advisory Board Meeting

Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new programs, brainstorm new services and more. Grades 6–8.

Virtual • Wed., Oct. 8 • 4 p.m.

Let's Play D&D: Andor Board Game

In this game, complete missions, overcome obstacles and reunite a mother wolf and her cubs.

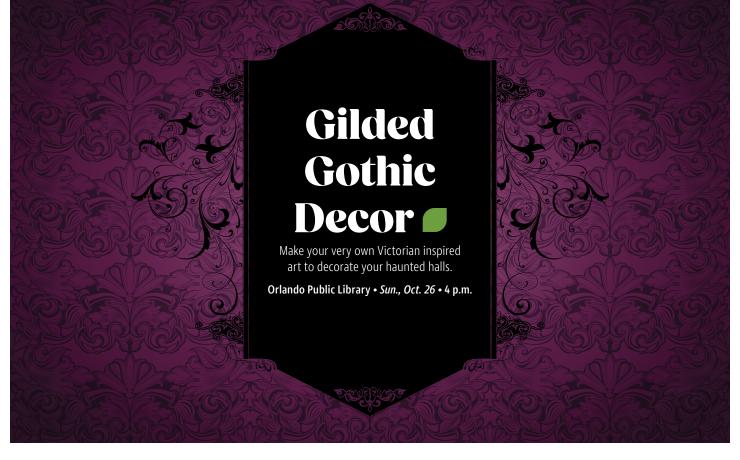
Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 8 • 5 p.m.

Homeschool Teen: Home Ec

Learn a life skill during this teenreserved library class. **Windermere •** *Wed.*, *Oct.* 15 • 2 p.m.

Spooky Paper Circuits

Create a spooky work of art using paper circuits to give it that extra shine. **South Trail •** *Wed.*, *Oct. 15 •* 4 p.m.



Dungeons & Dragons

A one-shot adventure for teens and adults. Players of all experience welcome. Ages 13 and up.

Windermere • Sat., Oct. 18 • Noon

Animanga Club

Share your love of anime and manga at the library, complete with snacks and activities curated for the theme of the month.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 18 • 2 p.m.

High School Advisory Board: Book Club ■

Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to review books and contribute ideas for book lists and literary programs. Grades 9–12.

Virtual • Tue., Oct. 21 • 4 p.m.

Homeschool Teen Technology Class

Explore the fundamentals of technology and hone your computer literacy skills through hands-on activities with robotics, coding, STEM and computer software.

Windermere • Wed., Oct. 22 • 2 p.m.

GarageBand Basics

Use GarageBand to edit, arrange, mix, add effects and share a project. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 22 • 5 p.m.

Crochet Amigurumi Pumpkin

Practice in the round crochet with this adorable amigurumi pumpkin to keep or gift to a friend. All materials provided. **Windermere** • *Sat.*, *Oct. 25* • 10 a.m.

E-Reader Glow-Up

Add a little seasonal flair to your e-reader, just in time for fall. Bring in your e-reader and case to add provided accessories like stickers, charms and more.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., Oct. 25 • 2 p.m.

Rock Art

No two rocks are alike and that makes them a perfect canvas for unique art. **South Creek •** *Sat., Oct. 25 •* 2:30 p.m.

Teen Upcycling

Learn different ways to upcycle daily used items to create less trash for our planet and wisely use our resources. Alafaya • Sat., Oct. 25 • 4 p.m.

Fabric Button Earrings

Use up those scraps of fabric you have laying around. Make fun and fashionable earrings. They make a quick and easy gift for friends and family.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., Oct. 29 • 2:30 p.m.

Library Locations

All library locations are open Monday-Saturday

Monday–Thursday • 10 a.m.–7 p.m. | Friday–Saturday • 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Locations with Sunday Hours • 1–6 p.m. ✓

Alafaya Branch 🥒

12000 E. Colonial Drive Orlando, FL 32826

Chickasaw Branch

870 N. Chickasaw Trail Orlando, FL 32825

Eatonville Branch

200 E. Kennedy Blvd. Eatonville, FL 32751

Fairview Shores Branch

902 Lee Road, Suite 26 Orlando, FL 32810

Hiawassee Branch

7391 W. Colonial Drive Orlando, FL 32818

North Orange Branch

1211 E. Semoran Blvd. Apopka, FL 32703

Orlando Public Library

101 E. Central Blvd. Orlando, FL 32801

South Creek Branch

1702 Deerfield Blvd. Orlando, FL 32827

South Trail Branch

4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail Orlando, FL 32839

Southeast Branch

5575 S. Semoran Blvd. Orlando, FL 32822

Southwest Branch

7255 Della Drive Orlando, FL 32819

Washington Park Branch

5151 Raleigh St., Suite A Orlando, FL 32811

West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center

1821 E. Silver Star Road Ocoee, FL 34761

Windermere Branch

530 Main St. Windermere, FL 34786

Winter Garden Branch

805 E. Plant St. Winter Garden, FL 34787

Book Drop Locations

Fashion Square Book Drop

Fashion Square Mall 3505 E. Colonial Drive Orlando, FL 32803

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

Closures

Renovations

South Trail • Monday, October 27-Sunday, November 9

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South Trail • Lunes, 27 de octubre-Domingo, 9 de noviembre



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