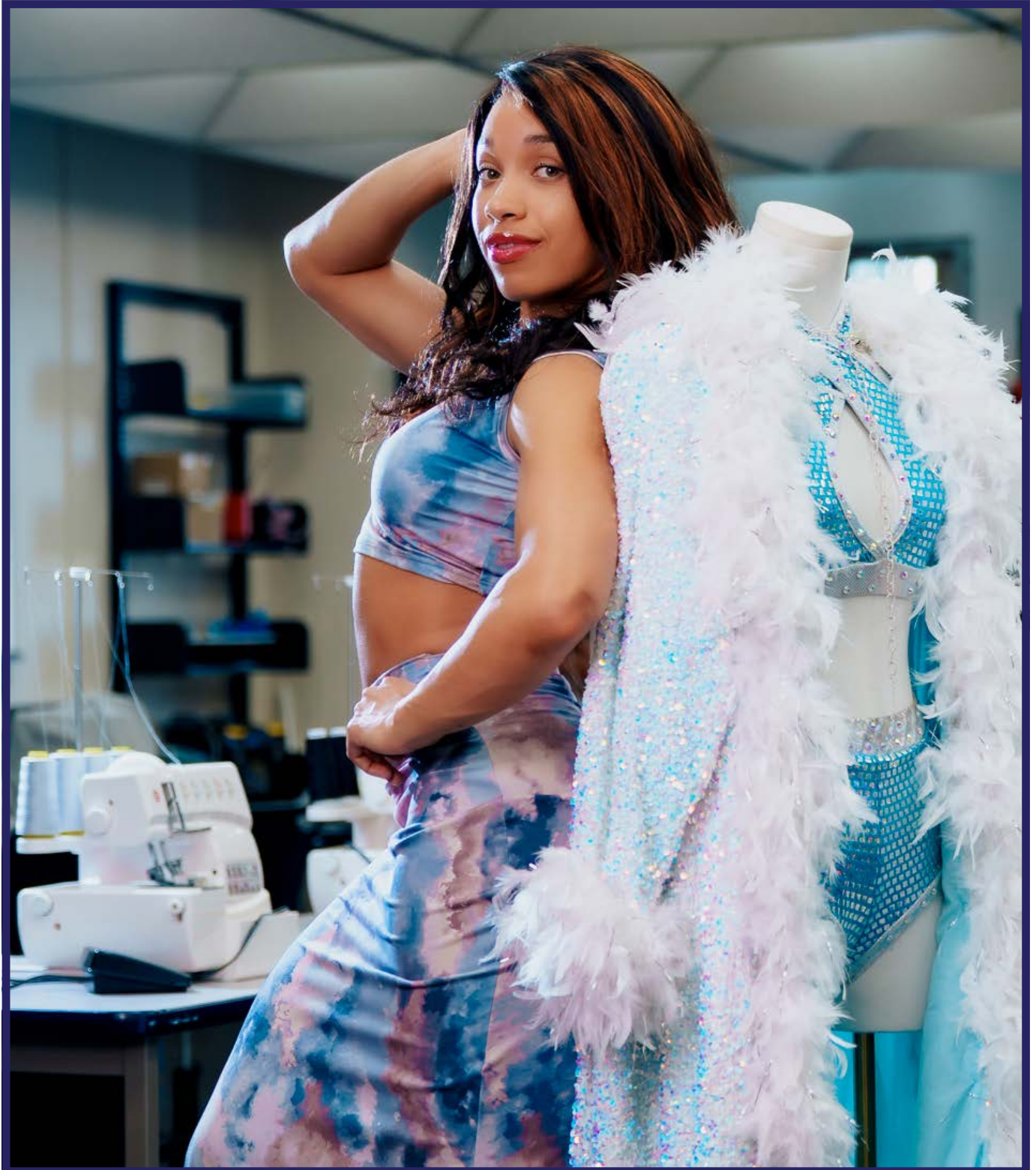


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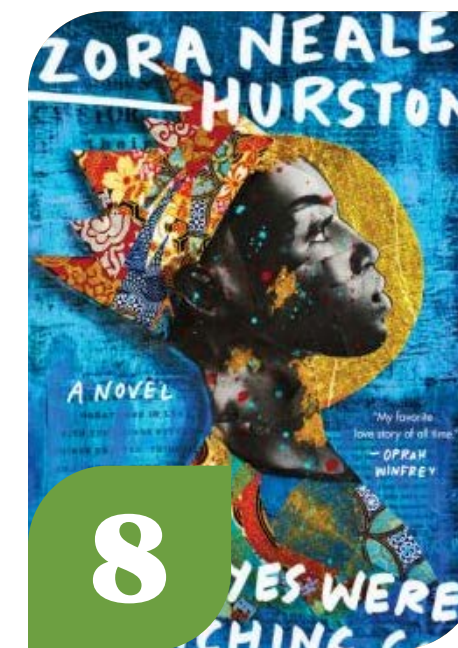


Whether you're an established small business owner or just getting started, the Orange County Library System has resources for you during National Small Business Month. Meet three local library users that take advantage our free resources to take their work to the next level.

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Featured Events



Join us at Eatonville Branch for a panel discussion on Hurston's best-known work, featuring guest panelists who will explore key themes of this Harlem Renaissance classic.



A diverse team of professional performers from the Wah Lum Kung Fu Temple will present a lion dance, kung fu and tai chi performance demonstration.

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Those needing special accommodations due to a disability may arrange for assistance by contacting the location at least 7 days prior to the event.



Build Your Business Expertise at Your Library

May is Small Business Month, and your library offers classes, events and resources to help grow your business ideas. Whether you're an established owner or just getting started, the Orange County Library System has tools to support you. Check out the business feature on pages 18–19 to see how local entrepreneurs are using the library to amplify their success.

Your library card unlocks essential skill-building opportunities both in-person and online. Sharpen your accounting skills with QuickBooks Level 1 & 2 classes, offered in English and Spanish throughout the month. Financial literacy is key to future success, and branches are offering programs for preschoolers (page 29), kids (page 30) and teens (page 34) focused on money management. For creative entrepreneurs, the Melrose Center hosts a virtual Creative Skills Bootcamp on May 3 and Creative Resources for Self-Starters on May 7.

With your library card, you also get free access to more than 25,000 LinkedIn Learning courses, including "Entrepreneurship Foundations" and "Purpose-Driven Personal Branding." Visit ocls.org/business to explore the Start Your Own Business Guide, a librarian-curated hub for business owners and visionaries.

Aspiring writers can connect with local experts at the Local Author Festival. Meet writers across genres, hear their experiences and purchase books on Sunday, May 3, at Orlando Public Library. On May 16, join us at Eatonville Branch for *Their Eyes Were Watching God: The Legacy of Zora Neale Hurston*, a panel discussion presented in partnership with Orlando Shakespeare Theater and UCF. Registered participants will receive a copy of the classic novel.

Bring your mom to Orlando Public Library on May 9 to celebrate Mother's Day early with Second Saturday in the Melrose Center, a rollercoaster of laughs featuring improv actors from across Orlando. Then, keep the family fun going on May 16 with the Kung Fu Show performed by Wah Lum, featuring a vibrant lion dance, kung fu demonstrations and more.

No matter your goals this May – whether you're building a business, developing new skills or simply looking for meaningful ways to connect with family – your library is here to support and inspire you. Explore new opportunities, learn from experts and discover the many ways the Orange County Library System can help you grow. Visit your local branch or go online to get started – your next big idea could begin at the library.



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Open Lab: Job Seekers

Learn more about the resources available with your library card. Ages 18 and up.
Fairview Shores • Tue., May 5–19 • 3:30 p.m.
South Trail • Fri., May 16 • 11:15 a.m.

Prepare for Your Job Search

Hands-on worksheets and strategies to help you succeed. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 7 • 11:30 a.m.
Hiwassee • Wed., May 13 • 1 p.m.
Washington Park • Wed., May 13 • 4 p.m.

Resume Resources

Discover library resources and tips to create a professional, polished resume. Ages 18 and up.
North Orange • Mon., May 11 • 4:30 p.m.

Improve Your Job Interview Skills

Get tips that will help you to practice and prepare. Ages 18 and up.
Fairview Shores • Mon., May 11 • 5 p.m.
Southeast • Fri., May 15 • 10:15 a.m.
Windermere • Fri., May 15 • 10:30 a.m.
North Orange • Mon., May 18 • 11:30 a.m.
South Creek • Tue., May 26 • 5:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 28 • 11:30 a.m.

Search & Apply for Jobs

Learn about best practices for finding and applying for jobs. Ages 18 and up.
Eatonville • Tue., May 12 • 11:30 a.m.
Washington Park • Wed., May 20 • 4 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 21 • 11:30 a.m.
West Oaks • Thu., May 21 • 5:30 p.m.
Hiwassee • Wed., May 27 • 1 p.m.

Build & Perfect Your Resume

Transform your experience into a career-launching masterpiece. Ages 18 and up.
Eatonville • Wed., May 13 • 11:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 14 • 11:30 a.m.
West Oaks • Thu., May 14 • 5:30 p.m.
Hiwassee • Wed., May 20 • 1 p.m.
Alafaya • Thu., May 21 • 11 a.m.
Washington Park • Wed., May 27 • 4 p.m.
Chickasaw • Thu., May 28 • 11 a.m.

Protect What Matters: Estate Planning & Disaster Preparedness

Join Florida Legal Services to learn about essential estate planning tools and key disaster preparedness strategies.

South Trail • Mon., May 4 • 11:30 a.m.

DIY Patches

Learn how old denim can be transformed into iron-on patches. Ages 18 and up.
South Trail • Fri., May 1 • 4:30 p.m.

Chess Club Meetup

Players of all experience levels are welcome. Chess sets are available for play.
Winter Garden • Sat., May 2–30 • 10:15 a.m.

Acrylic Painting: Sunset on the Harbor

Learn how to paint a sunset with local artist Kerry Ezzo. Materials provided. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.

AFOL Build Session

Bring your set or use our bricks to build with other adult fans of LEGO. Ages 18 and up.
Washington Park • Sat., May 2 • 2 p.m.

Serious Builders & Gamers

Celebrate May the Fourth by playing board games with fast-paced battles. Ages 18 and up.
South Creek • Sat., May 2 • 2 p.m.

Adult Game Time

Join us for an introduction to the featured game of the month. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 2, 16 • 2:30 p.m.

Mahjong Club

Discover strategies, practice hands-on play and enjoy a fun, social atmosphere. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 2 • 3 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons at the Library

Embark on an epic journey into the grim world of D&D. Ages 18 and up.
Fairview Shores • Sat., May 2, 16, 30 • 4 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 2:30 p.m.

Weird & Wonderful Florida: Summer Travel with a Twist

Get an introduction to hidden gems, quirky landmarks and lesser-known destinations.
Orlando Public Library • Sun., May 3 • 3:30 p.m.

Star Wars Bookmarks

Create an intergalactic bookmark for out of this world reads. Ages 18 and up.
Hiwassee • Mon., May 4 • 4 p.m.

Mocktails & Music Through the Decades: 1990s

Listen to legendary artists of the '90s, while enjoying a popular drink from the decade "mocktail" style. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 4 • 5:30 p.m.

Beginner's Chinese Calligraphy

Join artist Jojo Liu as she teaches the art of traditional Chinese calligraphy, in honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Virtual • Tue., May 12 • 6:30 p.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., May 5 • 3 p.m.

Tea Social Hour for Adults and Seniors

Listen to music, enjoy a sweet treat with your cup of tea, relax and chat. Ages 18 and up.
North Orange • Wed., May 6, 20 • 5 p.m.

All-Levels Yoga

Virtual • Wed., May 6 • 7 p.m.
Windermere • Sat., May 30 • 11:15 a.m.

Junk Journal

Create your own junk journal using recycled books and embellishments. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Thu., May 7 • 5 p.m.
Fairview Shores • Sat., May 16 • 11 a.m.

Tea Time

Celebrate the history and impact of tea in Asian culture. Ages of 18 and up.
South Trail • Thu., May 7 • 5:30 p.m.

Yoga for Anxiety

Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 7 p.m.

Plant Clinic

Bring your plants and get answers to your questions from Master Gardener Volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office.

South Creek • Fri., May 8 • 10:15 a.m.
West Oaks • Sat., May 9 • 10:15 a.m.
Chickasaw • Thu., May 14 • 11:30 a.m.

Let's Make a Lei

May Day is "Lei Day," a time to celebrate Hawai'i culture. Learn the art of lei making and create your own. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Fri., May 8 • 11 a.m.

Intro to Foundation Center & Grant Resources

Use this comprehensive directory to win grants and make a difference. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 11:30 a.m.

Watercolor Painting Meetup

Explore a variety of watercolor painting methods. Ages 18 and up.
South Trail • Sat., May 9 • 2 p.m.

Henna: An Introduction

Have fun exploring and discovering the ancient and captivating art of henna. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 9 • 3 p.m.

Line Dancing

Learn steps, terms and how to stylize your dance to different music. Ages 18 and up.
Alafaya • Sun., May 10 • 2 p.m.

Florida Stargazing

Venus and Jupiter – the two brightest planets in the sky – will be hanging out this summer.
Orlando Public Library • Sun., May 10 • 3:30 p.m.

Comrades and Coffee

Local veterans and their families can connect, share stories and experiences.
Chickasaw • Mon., May 11 • 10:30 a.m.

Container Gardening

Fleet Farming offers tips for those with limited space or a love of creative planting.
Hiwassee • Mon., May 11 • 4 p.m.

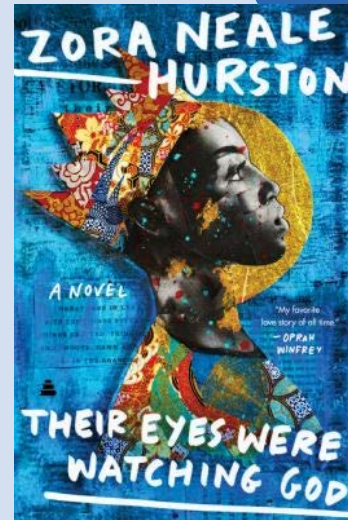
Star & Moon Earrings

Create beautiful star and moon earrings out of jewelry wire. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Mon., May 11 • 5 p.m.

Their Eyes Were Watching God: The Legacy of Zora Neale Hurston

Join us for a panel discussion on Hurston's best-known work, featuring guest panelists Rae Chesney, Aòyfèmi Demps and Dr. N.Y. Nathiri as they explore key themes of this Harlem Renaissance classic. Free book available for registrants at Eatonville Branch. Presented in partnership with Orlando Shakespeare Theater and UCF. Supported in part by the National Endowment of the Arts.

Eatonville • Sat., May 16 • 1 p.m.



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Art 101: Watercolor May Flowers

Learn to use basic watercolor techniques to create a flower painting. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 12 • 4:30 p.m.

Decoding the Nutrition Facts Label

Join Hillary MacMichael with UF/IFAS Extension Orange County as she discusses how to read food labels.
Virtual • Wed., May 13 • 11 a.m.

Art 101: Medieval Manuscripts

Each Art 101 event will feature a hands-on activity. Ages 18 and up.
Hiawassee • Wed., May 13 • 4 p.m.

Vinyl Record Meet Up

Bring your own vinyl and enjoy some music with a professional turntable.
Washington Park • Wed., May 13 • 5:30 p.m.

DIY Wall Décor: Adult Craft Time

Create a piece of wall art using cardboard, hot glue and aluminium foil. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 14 • 5:30 p.m.

Book to Film Series: The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (2013) (PG-13)

Orlando Public Library • Fri., May 15 • 2 p.m.

Adult Spelling Bee

Test your spelling skills at this afternoon of friendly competition. Ages 18 and up.
West Oaks • Sat., May 16 • 2 p.m.

Line Dancing for Fun and Fitness

Learn line dance steps to all types of music. Ages 18 and up.
Southwest • Sat., May 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Art 101: Post-Impressionism

Each Art 101 event will feature a hands-on activity. Ages 18 and up.
Hiawassee • Mon., May 18 • 4 p.m.

A World of Color & Shape: Artist Showcase Celebration

This event highlights the inspiring work of novice artists who have participated in our monthly art class.
Washington Park • Mon., May 18 • 4 p.m.

Rock Photo Holders

Let's get those photos off our phones and displayed in our homes in a fun, creative way. Ages 18 and up.
North Orange • Mon., May 18 • 4:30 p.m.

A World of Color & Shape

Leave stress behind and join us for an evening of jazz and contemporary art. Ages 18 and up.
Washington Park • Mon., May 18 • 5:30 p.m.

Podcast Listening Club: Reality TV

Dig into how reality TV shapes identity, politics, class and fame. Ages 18 and up.
Virtual • Mon., May 18 • 6:30 p.m.

Passport to Art: Brazil

Enjoy a cultural presentation, create a painting and sample a sweet treat. Ages 18 and up.
West Oaks • Tue., May 19 • 5 p.m.

Writer's Studio

Bring your laptops or journals and enjoy a quiet writing space. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Wed., May 20 • 11 a.m.

Cuisine Corner: Agua Fresca and Puerto Rican Snacks

Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make refreshing agua fresca and tasty snacks to pair with it.
Virtual • Wed., May 20 • 6 p.m.



Improving Your Mental Health

Join Jessica Daly, health literacy coordinator with AdventHealth University, as she discusses the connection between mental and physical health.

Virtual • Mon., May 18 • 6:30 p.m.

Paint Your Story on a Rock

Paint a piece of your story on a rock based on cave paintings of the past. Ages 18 and up.
South Trail • Thu., May 21 • 5 p.m.

Anime Foodies

Try snacks from some of your favorite anime. Ages 18 and up.
Alafaya • Thu., May 21 • 5:30 p.m.

Acrylic Painting: Countryside Impressionist Landscape

Follow artist Kerry Ezzo as she demonstrates new techniques for painting. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 23 • 11 a.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Newbie Campaign

Start your D&D journey with our campaign tailored for beginners. Ages 18 and up.
North Orange • Sat., May 23 • 2 p.m.

Collage Manga Buttons

Transform recycled manga into collage buttons. Ages 18 and up.
Alafaya • Sat., May 23 • 3 p.m.

Shrinky Dink Earrings

Use Shrinky Dinks to make a pair of earrings unique to you. Ages 18 and up.
South Trail • Sat., May 23 • 4:30 p.m.

Car Seat Safety

Certified technicians from Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children and Orange County Safe Kids will be available to check your car seat on a first come, first served basis.
West Oaks • Tue., May 26 • 10:30 a.m.

Cuisine Corner: Chicken Pho

Join culinary expert Dianne Morin as she demonstrates how to make a quick and delicious pot of chicken pho.
Virtual • Tue., May 26 • 6:30 p.m.

No Cook Food: Quick & Easy Appetizers

Learn to prepare delicious dishes with no cooking required. Ages 18 and up.
Hiawassee • Wed., May 27 • 4 p.m.

Snacks Around the World: France

Learn about food from around the world. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 27 • 5:30 p.m.

Legal Aid's Law for Real Life: Real Estate Basics

Learn the basics of real estate law and an overview of real estate financing to help you make informed housing decisions.
Fairview Shores • Thu., May 28 • 5 p.m.

Music in the Library: Musical Traditions Incorporated

Talented young musicians from Musical Traditions Incorporated perform a range of music.
Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 30 • 11 a.m.

Adult Craft & Chat: Tiny Library Tins

Create a charming mini library inside a tiny tin. Ages 18 and up.
Hiawassee • Sat., May 30 • 4 p.m.

Brush It Off: Paint by Numbers

Let the paint flow and the stress go with an hour of no-pressure painting. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Sun., May 31 • 2:30 p.m.

Book Bingo For Adults

Join us for bingo and a chance to win free books. Ages 18 and up.
South Creek • Sun., May 31 • 3:30 p.m.



Market of Lights

See culture, nature and the human spirit through the eyes of Haitian artist Mansour E. Masse. The acrylics on canvas celebrate everyday street vendors and honor their dignity, strength and grace. Masse's work evokes the story of perseverance shaped by social and economic disparities.

Orlando Public Library • On Display Through June



SeniorsFirst

Meals on Wheels, in-home care and more.

Seniors First: "The Art of a Long Life"

Celebrate Seniors First's 60th birthday with artwork created by senior clients part of Project Connect. Featured acrylic paintings prove you're never too old to learn a new skill and create.

South Trail • On Display Through May

Seniors First: "The Art of a Long Life" Art Reception

Join Seniors First for a celebration of their 60th birthday and exhibition of artwork created by senior clients as part of the virtual program, Project Connect.

South Trail • Thu., May 14 • 11 a.m.



Use Family Search to Its Fullest

Maximize this incredible website and learn how to use its records and databases for your genealogical business. Ages 18 and up.

West Oaks • Sat., May 30 • 1 p.m.



Time Management for Writers

Writing time often suffers when other responsibilities demand our attention. Author and editor Alli Martin will discuss making the most of your writing time and managing your productivity.

Virtual • Thu., May 28 • 7 p.m.

The American Revolution: Seven Facts That Will Amaze You

Beyond familiar stories lies a world of surprising truths and twists. Ages 18 and up.

West Oaks • Sat., May 2 • 1 p.m.

Sunday Afternoon Ancestors

Our genealogy open house is your chance to get help from Genealogy Specialist Lisa.

West Oaks • Sun., May 3, 31 • 2 p.m.

What Did They Do? A Genealogical Look at Occupations

Discover the working lives and jobs our ancestors held. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Wed., May 6 • 1 p.m.

Read All About It! The importance of Newspaper Research

Newspapers confirm identities and transform names into living stories. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 1 p.m.

Ancestry.com: Let's Explore

Discover hidden records, master smart search strategies and build a family tree step-by-step.

West Oaks • Mon., May 11 • 1 p.m.

Genealogy: Discover America

Explore the history, culture and genealogical resources unique to each state. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Wed., May 13, 27 • 1 p.m.

Master Those Photos

Learn photo organization, scanning, digital file tips and how to date old photographs using visual clues and history. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Thu., May 14 • 1 p.m.

Cemeteries: What They Reveal

Learn to read gravestones, symbols and burial records to uncover ancestors. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Wed., May 20 • 1 p.m.

Understanding Death Records

Learn to use death records and obituaries to uncover ancestors. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Thu., May 21 • 1 p.m.

Land Grants of the American Revolution

Explore land grants and the move westward that was fueled by the end of the American Revolution. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual • Thu., May 28 • 1 p.m.

Time Blocking Tactics for Writers

Are you interested in finding a more effective method of planning and using your writing time? Author Jennie Jarvis will discuss how Time Blocking could bring your writing routine to the next level.

Virtual • Sat., May 2 • 4 p.m.

Professional Networking for Early Career Writers

Paula Weiman will discuss how early career writers can network effectively and without crossing boundaries to boost their professional writing career.

Virtual • Mon., May 4 • 7 p.m.

Pre-Publication Book Marketing

Marketing starts before publication. From building an author brand to leveraging social media, literary agent Vicky Weber will discuss how to grow an audience eager to buy your books.

Virtual • Mon., May 11 • 7 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., May 17 • 4 p.m.

Writing Realistic Dialogue

Dialogue should not only drive the story but also reveal the characters' personalities, goals and conflicts. Author and editor Kristen Stieffel will discuss how to craft realistic dialogue.

Virtual • Tue., May 19 • 7 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., May 30 • 4:30 p.m.

Writing Timeless Work

Author and editor Lorin Oberweger will discuss techniques for pushing ourselves out of our creative comfort zones and developing the skills that make for timeless fiction.

Virtual • Sun., May 31 • 4 p.m.

Seniors Kick Back: Financial Ways to Survive

Smarter Senior Seminar Series

Financial planning is a significant key to your retirement. Discuss ways to have a clear plan in place before you retire.

South Trail • Mon., May 11 • 10:30 a.m.



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Line Dancing for Seniors

Learn line dancing to exercise mental and physical health. Wear comfortable shoes.
Fairview Shores • Fri., May 1 • 3 p.m.

Qigong Movement and Breathing

Embark on a transformative journey with Jasmine Win, a modern qigong instructor. Learn at your own pace and ability in this joyful and relaxing class.
Windermere • Sat., May 2 • 10:30 a.m.
Southwest • Fri., May 22 • 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast Barista Overnight Oats: Golden Hour Senior Series

Learn to make easy overnight oats inspired by your favorite drinks for a customizable no-fuss breakfast.
Eatonville • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.
Washington Park • Mon., May 4 • 11 a.m.

Fruitful Endeavors: For Vibrant Seniors and Adults!

Learn about productive perennials who are creating new standards of living well.
Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 2 • 1 p.m.

Seniors Kick Back

Join us for a vibrant series of programs especially for older adults! Each session offers a welcoming space to explore new interests, connect with others and enjoy a variety of enriching activities.
South Trail • Mon., May 4, 18 • 10:30 a.m.

Beginner Line Dancing for Seniors

Great for memory, coordination and balance. Wear comfortable shoes.
Chickasaw • Mon., May 4, 18 • 11 a.m.

Knit and Crochet Meetup with Alafaya

Connect with other fiber artists while working on your craft. Bring your work in progress, yarn and tools. All levels are welcome.
Virtual • Mon., May 4-18 • 4 p.m.

A World of Color and Shape Seniors

Leave the stress of everyday life behind and join us for an evening of jazz and contemporary art.
Washington Park • Mon., May 4 • 5:30 p.m.

Seniors Celebrate Cinco de Mayo

Celebrate Mexican culture and heritage with music, games and activities.
Hiawassee • Tue., May 5 • 11 a.m.

Yoga for Adults and Seniors

A gentle, beginner-friendly yoga class designed to improve flexibility, balance and mobility.
North Orange • Thu., May 7-28 • 1 & 2:15 p.m.

Genealogy for Seniors: Master Those Old Photos

Learn photo organization, scanning, digital file tips and how to date old photographs using visual clues and history.
West Oaks • Fri., May 8 • 1 p.m.

Canvas Creations for Seniors

Unleash your creativity in this relaxing painting program. Enjoy step-by-step guidance while creating a masterpiece to take home.
West Oaks • Mon., May 11 • 3 p.m.

Dancing for Joy: Stay Fit & Sharp at Any Age

LIFE Information for Elders

Join Cindie Marino from Marino Dance Club for a lively and interactive dance seminar. Cindie will demonstrate how smooth dances and sassy rhythms can help your mind and body stay fit and sharp. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 21 • 12:10 p.m.

Cuisine Corner:

Berry Good Breakfast Parfait

Create and enjoy a healthy and tasty breakfast parfait. Ingredients will be provided. Ages 18 and up.
South Creek • Tue., May 12 • 10:30 a.m.

Maximize Your Retirement

Learn how to maximize your time and resources during your retirement.
Hiawassee • Tue., May 12 • 11 a.m.

Bingo for Seniors

Do you love bingo? Come play with us! Meet new people and play for your chance to win a fun prize.
Chickasaw • Fri., May 15 • 11 a.m.
Alafaya • Mon., May 18 • 11 a.m.

Senior Art Expressions

Explore your artistic side in this guided visual art class.
Windermere • Sat., May 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Senior Snacks: Asian Market

Ever wanted to try snacks from your local Asian market? Learn about Asian American, Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage month while sampling a variety of treats.
Hiawassee • Tue., May 19 • 11 a.m.

Bilingual Bingo for Seniors

Be part of our bingo afternoon. Connect with others, relax with music and try your luck at winning a prize. Ages 18 and up.
Southeast • Tue., May 19 • 4 p.m.

Senior Poetry Workshop

Learn to express yourself by exploring different poetic techniques, forms and themes.
Washington Park • Wed., May 20 • 2 p.m.

Senior Brain Stretch: Stories Worth Saving

Join in with a group of autobiographers to create the story of your life in your own way. Learn ways to start a journal, scrapbook or sketchpad that captures your journey.
Hiawassee • Tue., May 26 • 11 a.m.

Senior Brain Stretch

Stop by the brain stations to enjoy time to learn, create and fuel your brain power. Ages 18 and up.
North Orange • Wed., May 27 • 3 p.m.

LIFE on the Big Screen: Book Club (2018) (PG-13)

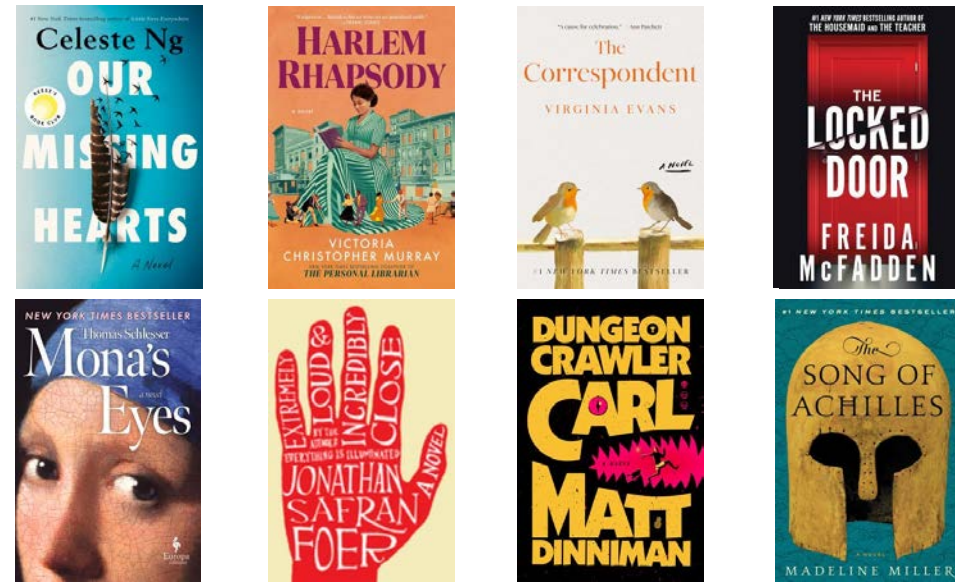
Discover what's happening at your library as Vanessa Neblett from OCLS showcases upcoming book clubs and craft events. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 28 • 1:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga for Seniors

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence for all levels.
Windermere • Sat., May 30 • 10 a.m.

Your Story: Senior Scrapbook

Discover a variety of techniques to design and personalize your own scrapbook. Materials and light refreshments will be provided.
Fairview Shores • Sat., May 30 • 11 a.m.



Read Aloud Book Club

Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller. Ages 18 and up.
Southwest • Fri., May 1–29 • 3:30 p.m.

Y Read: Book Read Aloud

Experience the joy and camaraderie of reading great literature aloud. Ages 18 and up.
Dr. P. Phillips YMCA, 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando, FL 32819 • Sat., May 2–30 • 1:30 p.m.

Spanish Book Club / Club de Lectura

Las Madres by Esmeralda Santiago. Ages 18 and up.
Southeast • Tue., May 5 • 3:30 p.m.

Alafaya Book Club

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close by Jonathan Safran Foer.
Alafaya • Thu., May 7 • 5 p.m.

Southeast Book Club

The Griffin Sisters' Greatest Hits by Jennifer Weiner.
Southeast • Mon., May 11 • 3 p.m.

Romantasy Book Club

Her Soul for a Crown by Alysha Rameera. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 11 • 5 p.m.

Joy of Reading Romance

No assigned book. Ages 18 and up.
Washington Park • Mon., May 11 • 5:30 p.m.
Eatonville • Sat., May 30 • 2 p.m.

Central Florida Book Club

The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. Ages 18 and up.
Fairview Shores • Tue., May 12 • 10:15 a.m.

South Creek Book Club

Our Missing Hearts by Celeste Ng. Ages 18 and up.
South Creek • Tue., May 12 • 5:30 p.m.

Winter Garden Book Club

Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng.
Winter Garden • Thu., May 14 • 6 p.m.
Virtual • Thu., May 28 • 6 p.m.

Chickasaw Book Club

Harlem Rhapsody by Victoria Christopher Murray. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 16 • 11 a.m.

The Bleak Circle Horror Book Club

No assigned reading.
West Oaks • Sun., May 17 • 3 p.m.

Hiawassee Book Club

Locked Door by Freida McFadden.
Virtual • Mon., May 18 • 7 p.m.

Waterleigh Adult Book Club

Mona's Eyes by Thomas Schlessler. Ages 18 and up.
Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop, Winter Garden, FL 34787
• Wed., May 20 • 12:30 p.m.

Downtown Book Club

Dungeon Crawler Carl by Matt Dinniman. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 20 • 5:30 p.m.

Joy of Reading: A No-Pressure Book Club

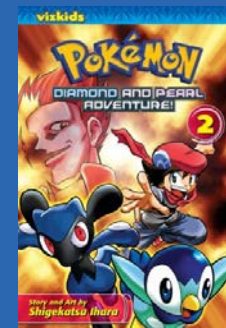
No assigned book. Ages 18 and up.
Virtual • Tue., May 26 • 7 p.m.
Southwest • Thu., May 28 • 2 p.m.

Youth Book Club Reads



Kids Comic Club

Star Wars Young Jedi Adventures: The Training Sessions by Dave Scheidt.
Winter Garden • Tue., May 12 • 4:30 p.m.



Comic Club Junior: Pokémon Adventures

Explore graphic novels with fun discussions, crafts and activities.
Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 21 • 4 p.m.

Waterleigh Kids Book Club

There is a book club for kids to talk all things books in Horizon West! Ages 6–12.
Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop, Winter Garden, FL 34787
• Mon., May 4 • 6 p.m.

Southeast Teen Book Club

Stop by to discuss books with your peers, grab some snacks and participate in other fun activities. Ages 13–18.
Southeast • Wed., May 27 • 2 p.m.



Local Author Festival

Meet and greet local authors at our Local Author Festival. Authors from a variety of genres will share their experiences and books. Each author will have books available for purchase and signing.

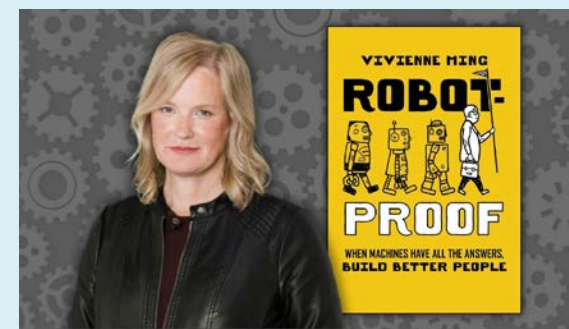
Orlando Public Library • Sun., May 3 • 2 p.m.



Author Talk: Marjan Kamali

Join us for an exciting conversation with internationally acclaimed author Marjan Kamali as we delve into the timeless wonder of her *New York Times* bestselling novel, *The Lion Women of Tehran*.

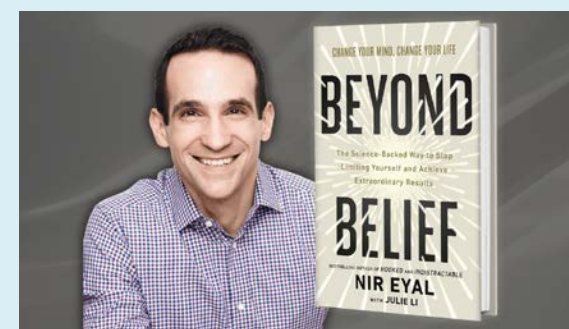
Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 7 p.m.



Author Talk: Dr. Vivienne Ming

Join us for a timely conversation on AI, humanity and the next steps towards building a better future with self-proclaimed “mad scientist” Dr. Vivienne Ming as we discuss her new book, *Robot-Proof*.

Virtual • Tue., May 12 • 2 p.m.



Author Talk: Nir Eyal

What if the only thing standing between you and the seemingly impossible ... was belief? This is the question posed by bestselling author Nir Eyal in his new work, *Beyond Belief*.

Virtual • Tue., May 19 • 2 p.m.

OCLS Helps Businesses Shine

by Ada Huff, Leigh Andrus and Wayne Middleton

This Small Business Month, OCLS is highlighting the unlimited value and unexpected resources a library card offers for small businesses and entrepreneurs. Filmmakers, a writer and a professional wrestler spent time with the OCLS marketing team to share their stories of success with other library patrons.

Breanna Covington wrestles for WWE NXT as dancing diva Layla Diggs (@layladiggsww on Instagram). When she began her wrestling career in 2023, she struggled to find gear that fit her body and her character. Breanna bought a sewing machine when she moved to Florida, but got frustrated teaching herself to use it and put it back in the box for a year. After spending hundreds of dollars on gear that didn't fit and botched alterations, Breanna decided to get serious about learning how to sew. She began calling



Michael S., Fiber Arts Specialist (left), Breanna Covington aka Layla Diggs (right)

"When I started going to the library, it gave me something to look forward to and now sewing is the highlight of my day," she said. "I was able to find a new passion and a new love and the library has helped me to cultivate it. Sewing is really difficult, and I've given up a lot of times on it, and so it just helps to come in here and if I have a question, I can ask [OCLS sewing instructor] Michael. Or I can get clarity, or I can learn a new skill. When I was by myself and I couldn't figure it out, I just gave up but having that help makes such a big difference. The library has changed my life; sewing has helped me be able to pull back a new layer of who I am and show a new confidence."

"The value of the library is incredible. For me personally, it has saved me thousands and thousands of dollars. Like I said, gear is expensive. The robes like I've made can go for thousands of dollars. I've saved so much money but the library has also given me a new passion and a new love – and it's free."



around looking for sewing classes and tutors but realized it would quickly get expensive. She remembered seeing a social media video about sewing classes at the library and looked up the schedule. She signed up for an Open Lab and has been hooked ever since. She's made several sets of gear for herself and colleagues as well two fantastic sequined, feather-trimmed robes (check out the one pictured of the cover of this issue!) that ordinarily would have cost at least \$1,200 each.

She talked with OCLS about how using the Sewing Studio and taking sewing classes at the library has helped her build confidence, develop her character's stage presence and save thousands of dollars.

Charlie Batista and Sabian Orazi are lifelong friends who started making movies together in middle school. Starting with short films for their friends, they now create feature length films under their production company Bad Eggs (@badeggs.official on Instagram). Charlie started taking film production classes at the library when he was 12 and has continued to take classes at the Melrose Center, most recently learning Davinci Resolve color and editing classes with video production instructor Anthony T.; skills that allowed him to color grade their newest movie, *Sorry Our Film Broke the Universe*. When Charlie and Sabian decided to release a Blu-ray disc for the film, they quickly realized the technology and experts in the Makerspace at the Melrose Center could help give their product a professional-quality finish.



Charlie Batista (left), Sabian Orazi (right)

"When it came to the Blu-ray, it was a whole trial and error process," Batista said. "We know nothing about the technical details of printing. We had folks over in the Makerspace, Sky most notably, right by our side making these. We were able to use the printers in the Makerspace to print out the art for the discs and the quality came out great."



"It's nice seeing people take an interest in what we're doing and being so willing to help," said Orazi. "I felt very much like they were on our team."

Creative Skills Bootcamp

Designed to empower you with the resources and knowledge to meet your basic creative needs, followed by a Q&A. Virtual • Sun., May 3 • 1 p.m.

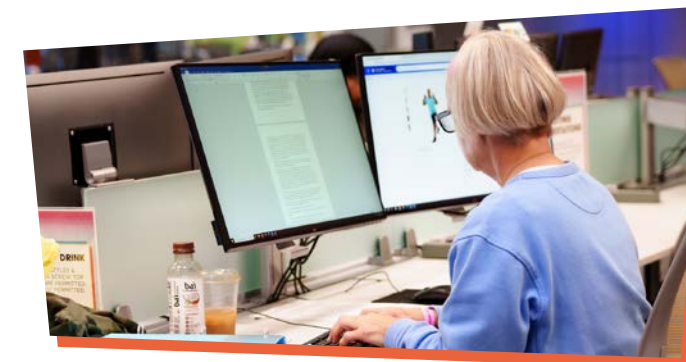
Creative Resources for Self-Starters

Learn about library and Melrose Center resources, focusing on graphic design, web design, video editing and more. Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 10 a.m.



Jane T., Reference Librarian (left), Melanie DeWitt (right)

Melanie DeWitt has a keenly developed love for in-depth research, formed during her 25-year career as a teacher. So it comes as no surprise that she has made it part of her entrepreneurial process to use library resources to support her latest project: Authoring a series of books focused on the emergent field of neuro-safety, the intersection of language and psychology. When complete, her guidebooks will aim to help people better understand language in conversations and interactions to increase personal safety.



DeWitt uses a wide variety of resources at OCLS, including newspaper archives, databases and technology in the Melrose Center. Having access to experts and their know-how helps her make the connection between archival material and technology as she develops her book series.

"The real resource at the library is the staff and their vast knowledge," she said. "So many people don't realize the power of the library."

And that's not all. Discover even more library resources to learn new skills and support your career goals at ocls.org/business. From one-on-one help to in-depth guides and toolkits, there is something for every field of interest.

You can learn even more about Charlie, Sabian, Melanie and Breanna and how they use the library in their full interviews and video highlights at ocls.org/blog.

Second Saturday Improv

Join us the second Saturday of each month at the Melrose Center for this fun filled rollercoaster of laughs featuring improv actors from the Orlando improv community. In this live comedy show, performers will make up scenes and stories right in front of your very eyes. Join our live studio audience for a fun evening out.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 4 p.m.



Intro to Audio Recording: Start Making Sound

The Melrose audio team is on tour! Learn the basics of recording including microphones, interfaces and Digital Audio Workstations and make your first track in this fun, beginner-friendly session.

- Chickasaw • Mon., May 4 • 4 p.m.
- Southeast • Thu., May 7 • 5:30 p.m.
- Washington Park • Tue., May 12 • 5 p.m.
- Southwest • Mon., May 18 • 5:30 p.m.
- Hiawasee • Thu., May 21 • 4 p.m.



AI at the Library

Understanding AI: What Everyone Should Know

In this beginner-friendly session, explore what artificial intelligence really is, what it isn't, how it works, how it is used across different fields and its effects in everyday life.

- Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 11 • 1 p.m.
- Sun., May 17 • 1 p.m.
- Thu., May 28 • 10 a.m.

AI Applications and Effective Prompt Writing

Learn how to put AI to work with practical demonstrations across multiple models. In this interactive session, we'll explore how AI can streamline everyday tasks, spark creative ideas, enhance workflows and solve real-world problems.

- Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 11 • 2 p.m.
- Sun., May 17 • 2 p.m.
- Thu., May 28 • 11 a.m.

Generative AI with Adobe Firefly

Learn about Adobe's Powerful AI engine and how it integrates into their apps. We will showcase image generation with Adobe's powerful Firefly model, and how it integrates with Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and Express for saving time with menial tasks and for amazing creative results.

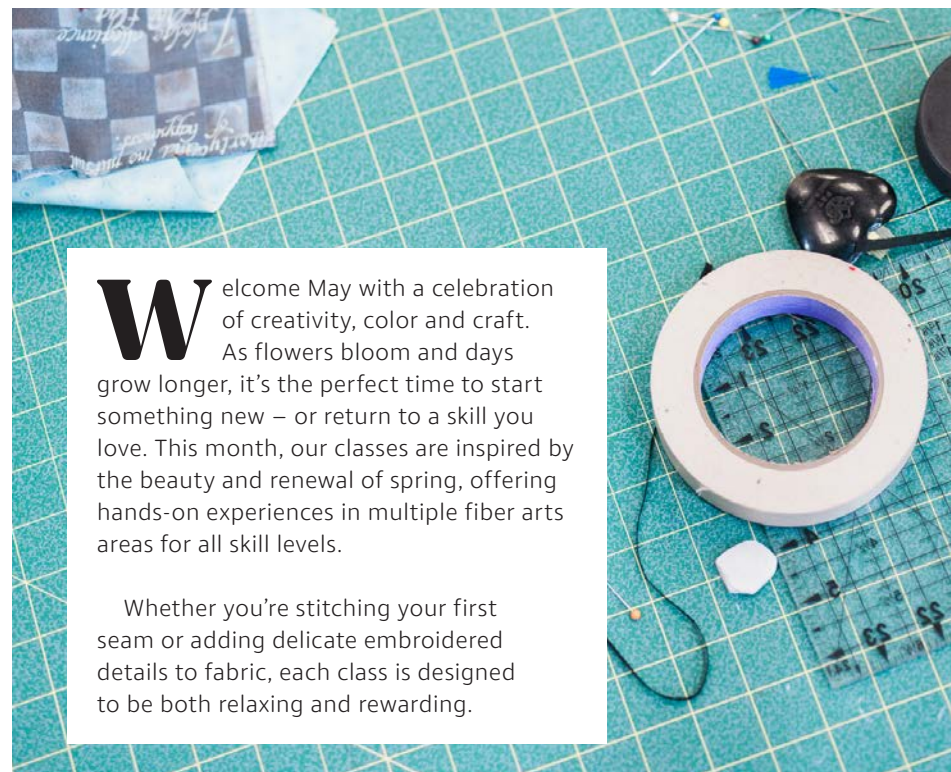
- Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 11 • 2:45 p.m.
- Sun., May 17 • 2:45 p.m.
- Wed., May 20 • 10 a.m.



Melrose Film Festival

Calling all filmmakers and video creators! Driven by innovation and creativity, the Melrose Film Festival highlights the work of imaginative filmmakers across the globe. Submissions will be accepted from March 1 to May 15 and select films will be showcased at our September 2026 screening event. For more information and a complete list of rules, visit filmfreeway.com/melrosefilmfestival. Come share your stories at the Melrose Film Festival!





Welcome May with a celebration of creativity, color and craft. As flowers bloom and days grow longer, it's the perfect time to start something new – or return to a skill you love. This month, our classes are inspired by the beauty and renewal of spring, offering hands-on experiences in multiple fiber arts areas for all skill levels.

Whether you're stitching your first seam or adding delicate embroidered details to fabric, each class is designed to be both relaxing and rewarding.

Meetups

Fiber Arts Meetup

Connect with other fiber artists while sharing your creations and ideas. Ages 18 and up.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 5–26 • 4:30 p.m.
Fairview Shores • Fri., May 15 • 11 a.m.
Alafaya • Fri., May 15 • 4 p.m.

Meet and Make Knitting Group

Have a great time while working on your craft. Bring your work in progress, yarn and tools. All levels are welcome.
Windermere • Tue., May 12 • 10:30 a.m.

Seniors Crochet Meetup

Seniors come together to create lap blankets and beanies for the elderly and patients battling chemotherapy.
Chickasaw • Fri., May 1, 15, 29 • 3 p.m.
 • Sat., May 2, 16, 30 • 3 p.m.

Knit & Crochet

Knitting Level 1

Learn basic techniques while creating your first project, a bookmark for your favorite read.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 5 • 10:30 a.m.
Washington Park • Thu., May 21 • 4 p.m.

Crochet Level 1

Learn basic techniques while creating your first project, a bookmark for your favorite read.
Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 5 • 2 p.m.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 5 • 3 p.m.
Washington Park • Thu., May 14 • 4 p.m.
Eatonville • Sat., May 23 • 2:30 p.m.

Crochet Squares: Shell Stitch

The shell stitch creates a fan or shell motif that can be used in pattern or as an increase.
Chickasaw • Thu., May 7 • 11 a.m.

Knitting Level 2

Level up your knitting. Learn how to combine knit and purl stitches to create smooth fabric.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 12 • 10:30 a.m.

Crochet Level 2

Level up your crocheting. Learn how to create more open fabric with new stitches.
Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 12 • 2 p.m.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 12 • 3 p.m.

Knitting Squares: Rib Stitch

This vertical stitch stripe pattern is used to create a wonderful stretchy fabric perfect for cuffs and hems.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 19 • 10:30 a.m.

FEATURED BOOK



DIY Thrift Flip by April Yang

Also Available as an eBook.
DIY Thrift Flip teaches how to shop and sew sustainably by providing how-to's for finding, upcycling and customizing secondhand clothing with basic sewing instructions.

Crochet in the Round

Create amigurumi, hats, bowls and more. Learn how to create circles with increase stitches and use stitch markers to track your work.
Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 19 • 2 p.m.

Crochet Amigurumi Part 1

Learn the basics of amigurumi, including crocheting 3D shapes in the round and embroidering facial features.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 19 • 3 p.m.

Shrinky Dink Stitch Markers

Learn how to create your own custom stitch markers for your knitting and crochet projects using Shrinky Dink film. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 20 • 2:30 p.m.

Crochet Squares: Alpine Stitch

The alpine stitch is a texture-rich stitch using repeating pairs of double and front post double crochet stitches separated by rows/rounds of single crochet.
Chickasaw • Thu., May 21 • 11 a.m.

Knitting Squares: Seed Stitch

The seed stitch which creates a cool, bumpy looking fabric by alternating back and forth between knit and purl stitches.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 26 • 10:30 a.m.

Yarn Spinning Basics: Introduction to Drop Spindles

Have you ever wondered how yarn is made? In this hands-on two-part series, you can learn how drop spindles can be used to create your own custom yarns. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 6, 13 • 4 p.m.

Crochet Amigurumi Part 2

Crochet cute amigurumi stuffed toys. Learn the basics of amigurumi, including crocheting 3D shapes in the round and embroidering facial features.
Chickasaw • Tue., May 26 • 3 p.m.

Sewing & Embroidery

Embroidery Mer-May Jewelry Holder

Practice a satin stitch to create a magical jewelry holder in a real shell. Ages 18 and up.
West Oaks • Sun., May 3 • 2 p.m.

Sewing: Introduction to the Sewing Machine

Learn about sewing safety, basic sewing machine skills and stitching seams.
South Trail • Mon., May 4 • 4 p.m.
Washington Park • Fri., May 8, 22 • 10 a.m.

Sewing: Log Cabin Quilted Potholder

Use log cabin quilting techniques to create a cute and functional potholder in this four-part series.
West Oaks • Tue., May 5–26 • 10 a.m.

Seniors Embroidery Level 1

Learn the basics of using a hoop and needles to create running, back and cross stitches to create a beautiful sampler.
West Oaks • Tue., May 5, 12 • 2 p.m.

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.
Washington Park • Fri., May 8–29 • 3 p.m.
Chickasaw • Sat., May 23 • 2 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • Sun., May 3, 10, 17, 31 • 1:30 p.m.
 • Mon., May 4–18 • 2 p.m.
 • Thu., May 7–28 • 10:30 a.m.

Embroidery Sampler

Create a fun embroidery project. Learn how to use the stem stitch, the fishbone stitch and others while stitching a sampler.
Eatonville • Sat., May 9 • 2:30 p.m.

Sewing: Soup Bowl Cozy

Protect hands and furniture from hot soup with this easy sewing project.
Hiawassee • Thu., May 14 • 3:30 p.m.

Sewing: Simple Hemming

Learn how to complete simple hems on everything from dress pants to skirts.
Washington Park • Fri., May 15 • 10 a.m.

Sewing: Infinity Scarf

Turn a simple rectangle of fabric into a stylish accessory. Must bring thread and fabric.
South Trail • Mon., May 18 • 4 p.m.

Embroidery Text and Script

Learn stitches to personalize projects with text and script.
West Oaks • Tue., May 19 • 4 p.m.

Embroidery Seashell Magnet

Use beginner embroidery and hand sewing stitches to make a seashell magnet.
West Oaks • Tue., May 26 • 4 p.m.

Sewing: Pillowcase

Create a classic pillowcase with a contrasting cuff. Professionally finish your project with French seams, while practicing straight fabric stitches. Students are required to bring fabric.
Hiawassee • Thu., May 28 • 3:30 p.m.
Washington Park • Fri., May 29 • 10 a.m.

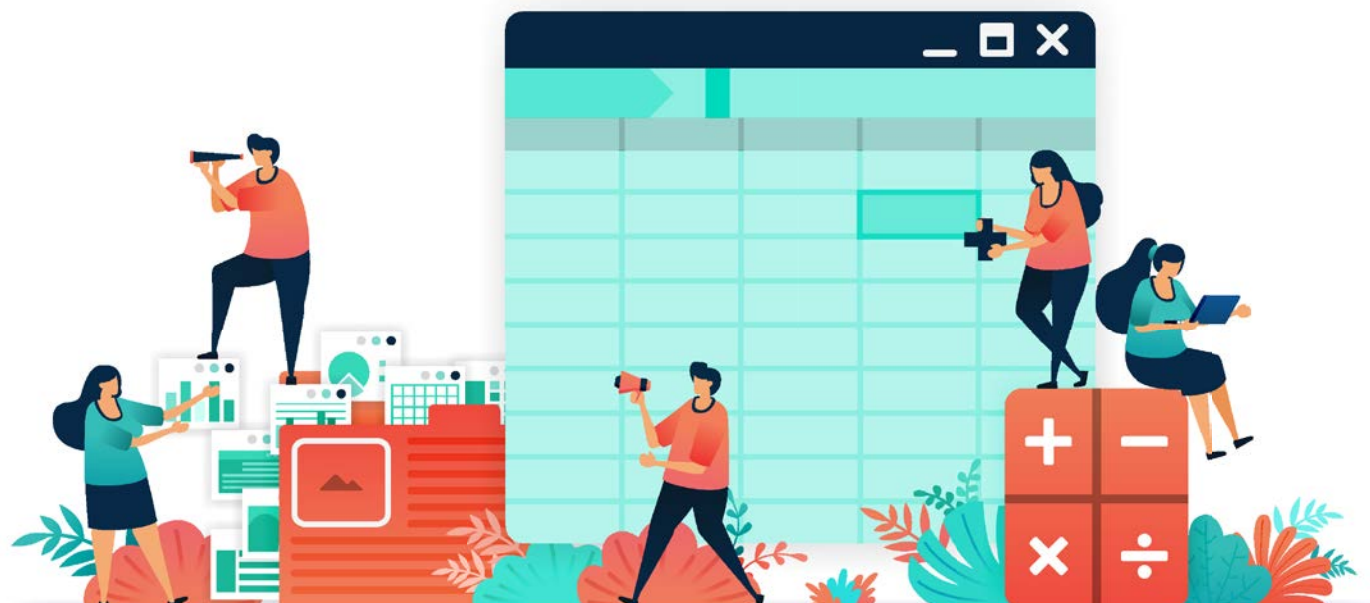
Balloon Art

Balloon Flower / Flor de Globos

In this fun, hands-on class, you'll learn step by step how to twist a stunning balloon flower that's perfect for decorating or gifting. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 4 • 11:30 a.m.

Balloon Fairy / Hada de Globos

Learn how to create a beautiful balloon fairy in this fun class. Ages 18 and up.
Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 11 • 11:30 a.m.



Microsoft Excel: Data Management Level 1

Use advanced sort and filter options and other data tools to organize your data.

North Orange • Fri., May 1 • 2:30 p.m.

South Creek • Sat., May 2 • 10:15 a.m.

West Oaks • Sat., May 2 • 3 p.m.

Fairview Shores • Thu., May 7, 21 • 10:30 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., May 14 • 10:30 a.m.

• Sat., May 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Alafaya • Fri., May 15 • 1 p.m.

Chickasaw • Wed., May 20 • 10:30 a.m.

South Trail • Tue., May 26 • 10:15 a.m.

Eatonville • Tue., May 26 • 11:30 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Data Management Level 2

Apply data subtotals, outlines, data consolidation and conditional formatting to organize your data.

South Creek • Sat., May 2 • 11:45 a.m.

West Oaks • Sat., May 2 • 4:15 p.m.

Fairview Shores • Thu., May 7, 21 • 11:45 a.m.

North Orange • Fri., May 8 • 2:30 p.m.

Virtual • Thu., May 14 • 11:45 a.m.

• Sat., May 16 • 11:45 a.m.

Alafaya • Fri., May 22 • 1 p.m.

South Trail • Tue., May 26 • 11:30 a.m.

Chickasaw • Wed., May 27 • 10:30 a.m.

Eatonville • Wed., May 27 • 11:30 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Formulas & Functions

Calculate your data with formulas and functions. Use the Function Library to find the best fit for your project.

Chickasaw • Wed., May 13 • 10:30 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Administración de Datos 1

Aprenda a utilizar opciones avanzadas para organizar, filtrar y aplicar validación a datos en Microsoft Excel.

South Creek • Lun., 4 de mayo • 10:15 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Administración de Datos 2

Aprenda a aplicar subtotales de datos, esquemas, consolidación de datos y formato condicional para organizar su data.

South Creek • Lun., 4 de mayo • 11:45 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Formulas y Funciones

Aprenda a crear formulas y a insertar funciones avanzadas. Familiarícese con la Librería de Funciones la cual le ayudara a encontrar e insertar argumentos de funciones.

Chickasaw • Lun., 4 de mayo • 10:30 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Gestión de Datos Nivel 1

Aprenda a utilizar opciones avanzadas de clasificación y filtrado; aplique la validación de datos y otras herramientas de datos para organizar sus datos.

Chickasaw • Lun., 11 de mayo • 10:30 a.m.

Microsoft Excel: Gestión de Datos Nivel 2

Aprenda a aplicar subtotales de datos, esquemas, consolidación de datos y formato condicional para organizar sus datos.

Chickasaw • Lun., 18 de mayo • 10:30 a.m.

Microsoft OneNote Fundamentals

Boost your productivity with Microsoft's powerful note-taking app.

South Trail • Sat., May 2 • 11:15 a.m.

Fairview Shores • Thu., May 14, 28 • 10:30 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., May 21 • 2:30 p.m.

• Sat., May 23 • 10:30 a.m.

North Orange • Fri., May 22 • 2 p.m.

Microsoft OneNote: Fundamentos Básicos

Aumente su productividad con la potente aplicación para tomar notas de Microsoft. Aprenda a organizar tus páginas, revisar tus notas y colaborar con tu equipo.

North Orange • Vie., 29 de mayo • 2 p.m.

QuickBooks Level 1

Learn the basic features and explore the environment of QuickBooks Online. Get started in efficiently organizing your business finances.

Southwest • Wed., May 6 • 10:15 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 3:30 p.m.

South Creek • Sat., May 9 • 10:15 a.m.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 10:30 a.m.

South Trail • Tue., May 12 • 10:15 a.m.

QuickBooks Level 2

Learn about simple transactions workflow and other quick tricks. Set up records for your vendors, customers and inventory.

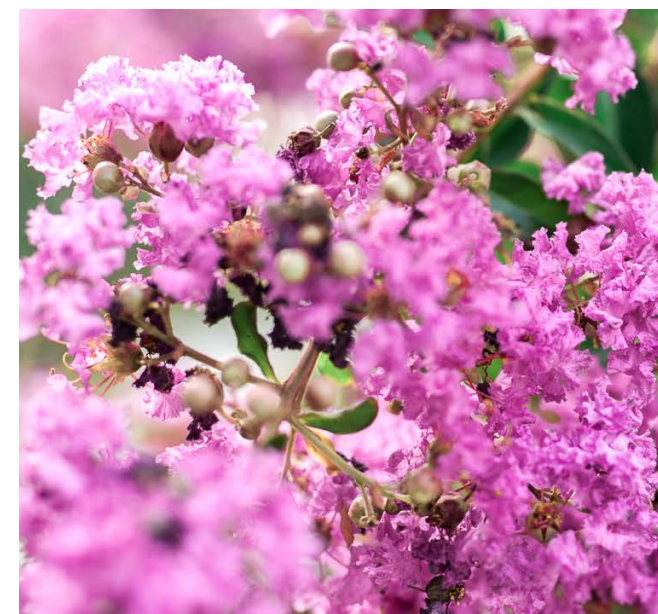
Southwest • Wed., May 6 • 11:30 a.m.

Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 4:45 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 11:45 a.m.

South Creek • Sat., May 9 • 11:45 a.m.

South Trail • Tue., May 12 • 12:30 p.m.



Pop-Up Library at Neighbors at East End Market

Join OCLS at Neighbors at East End Market for our monthly pop-up library. This month, we're celebrating Mother's Day with a special collection of books and Mother's Day bookmarks.

East End Market, 3201 Corrine Drive,
Orlando, FL 32803 • Fri., May 8 • Noon

Storytime at Bill Frederick Park

Join us for an outdoor nature storytime hosted at Bill Frederick Park's Education Pavilion, located near the park's fishing dock. Small fee required to enter the park. Ages 3–5.

Bill Frederick Park, 3401 S. Hiwassee Road,
Orlando, FL 32835 • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.

Book Bike at Lake Eola

The book bike will be near the Lake Eola playground with a collection of books available for checkout and a storytime at 10:30 a.m.

Lake Eola, 512 E. Washington St.,
Orlando, FL 32801 • Sun., May 3 • 10 a.m.

Farmer's Market Storytime at Lake Eola

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

Lake Eola, 512 E. Washington St.,
Orlando, FL 32801 • Sun., May 3 • 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Tales at Harry P. Leu Gardens

Through movement, storytelling and songs, toddlers build early literacy, listening and verbal skills while developing motor coordination and discovering the joy of books. Ages 18–36 months.

Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave.,
Orlando, FL 32803 • Mon., May 4 • 10:20 a.m.

Baby Tales at Harry P. Leu Gardens

Featuring rhythm, rhymes, and repetition, this lap-time program supports early literacy, motor skills, language development and a love of books for babies. Ages 0–18 months.

Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave.,
Orlando, FL 32803 • Mon., May 4 • 10 a.m.

Preschool Tales at Harry P. Leu Gardens

Through picture books, songs and stories, preschoolers build early literacy skills and prepare for reading and writing by talking, singing, reading and playing. Ages 3–5.

Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave.,
Orlando, FL 32803 • Mon., May 4 • 10:40 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. Storytime lasts approximately 30 minutes. Ages 0–5.

Orlando Executive Airport, 365 Rickenbacker Drive, Orlando, FL 32803 • Tue., May 5 • 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime at the Waterleigh Community Clubhouse

Listen to stories for all ages that bring families together to bond, learn and share the joy of reading.

Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop, Winter Garden, FL 34787
• Wed., May 6–27 • 10:30 a.m.

Waterleigh Adult Craft Club

Try something new or hone a familiar skill in this crafts club. All supplies provided. Ages 18 and up.

Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop, Winter Garden, FL 34787
• Thu., May 14 • 11 a.m.

Bilingual Baby to Five Storytime

From the rhythm and repetition of nursery rhymes to the use of picture books, songs and flannel board stories, your child will be encouraged to develop early literacy skills. Ages 0–5.

Englewood Community Center, 6123 La Costa Drive, Orlando, FL 32807 • Tue., May 19 • 10 a.m.



Kung Fu Show Presented by Wah Lum Kung Fu Temple

A diverse team of professional performers from the Wah Lum Kung Fu Temple will present a lion dance, kung fu and tai chi performance demonstration. Explore Chinese culture through this demonstration.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 16 • 1 p.m.

Family Play & Connect

Connect with other caregivers while your little ones explore imaginary play.

South Trail • Fri., May 1–29 • 10:45 a.m.

Hiawassee • Mon., May 4–18 • 10:45 a.m.

• Fri., May 29 • 11:30 a.m.

Fairview Shores • Mon., May 4–18 • 11 a.m.

Chickasaw • Tue., May 5–26 • 10:30 a.m.

Eatonville • Tue., May 5–26 • 10:45 a.m.

West Oaks • Tue., May 5–26 • 11:30 a.m.

Southeast • Tue., May 5–26 • 5:15 p.m.

• Wed., May 6–27 • 11:15 a.m.

Winter Garden • Wed., May 6–27 • 11 a.m.

Family Fun: Ballet

Learn introductory and foundational movements and steps of ballet for any age.

Alafaya • Sat., May 2, 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Family Fun: Game Time

Come play board games and card games with family and friends.

Alafaya • Sun., May 3 • 2 p.m.

Mindful Start Family Yoga

Silly and fun yoga poses designed for kids.

Winter Garden • Mon., May 4–18 • 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.

Southwest • Tue., May 5–26 • 1 p.m.

West Oaks • Wed., May 6–27 • 10 a.m.

Windermere • Fri., May 29 • 2 p.m.

Family Fun: Chess

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

Fairview Shores • Tue., May 5–26 • 3:30 p.m.

Winter Garden • Wed., May 6, 20 • 4:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9, 23 • 2:30 p.m.

North Orange • Thu., May 14, 28 • 5 p.m.

Prime Time Family Reading Time

Join us for fun, stories and conversation designed for families with children ages 6–12.

Hiawassee • Tue., May 5, 12 • 6 p.m.

All About Skunks

Learn about the diet, habitat and behavior of one of the world's most misunderstood animals and meet a de-scented pet skunk.

Windermere • Wed., May 6 • 10:30 a.m.

Family Fun: Storytime Crafts

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

North Orange • Wed., May 6–27 • 10:30 a.m.

Southwest • Thu., May 7–28 • 10 a.m.

Family Fun: Chalk Art

Alafaya • Sat., May 9 • 10:15 a.m.

Catch 'Em All Club

Meet Pokémon enthusiasts to battle and trade cards with.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 9 • 10:30 a.m.

Dungeons & Dragons

Join us for dungeons and dragons inspired by your favorite fantasy lands.

Washington Park • Tue., May 12, 26 • 4:30 p.m.

Reboot Boutique

Add to your closet with new-to-you pieces with this free shopping experience with gently used clothing.

Eatonville • Thu., May 14 • 4:30 p.m.



Family Fun: Summer Ready Creations!

Get ready for summer with fun, hands-on crafting. Join us to create creative and useful projects perfect for sunny days and outdoor adventures.

Eatonville • Tue., May 26 • 4 p.m.

Bunny Care 101

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

Southeast • Sat., May 16 • 10:30 a.m.

Family Fun: Summer Scrapbook

Get ready for summer by making a scrapbook as a family.

Alafaya • Sat., May 16 • 2 p.m.

Family Sensory Storytime

Promote literacy and learning in a welcoming storytime designed for kids with sensory integration challenges.

Chickasaw • Mon., May 18 • 11 a.m.

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., May 20 • 3:15 p.m.

Movie and Craft

Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (2022) (PG).

Fairview Shores • Wed., May 20 • 3:30 p.m.

Family Fun: Crafternoons

Get ready for an hour of crafting fun.

South Trail • Fri., May 22 • 4:30 p.m.

Petals & Parlor: A Springtime Tea Party

Wear your best tea party outfit and step into a world of springtime magic.

Eatonville • Sat., May 23 • 2 p.m.

Baby to Five Storytime: 1, 2, 3

Enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes as a family while growing early literacy skills.

Hiawassee • Fri., May 29 • 11 a.m.

STORYTELLER TALES

Presented by Orange County Library System's Professional Storytelling Troupe

Baby Tales (Ages 0–18 Months)

South Creek • Mon. • 11:15 a.m.

Chickasaw • Tue. • 11:15 a.m.

West Oaks • Tue. • 11:15 a.m.

North Orange • Wed. • 11:15 a.m.

Southeast • Wed. • 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 Tales (Ages 18–36 Months)

South Creek • Mon. • 10:45 a.m.

Chickasaw • Tue. • 10:45 a.m.

West Oaks • Tue. • 10:45 a.m.

North Orange • Wed. • 10:45 a.m.

Southeast • Wed. • 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.

Preschool Tales (Ages 3–5)

South Creek • Mon. • 10:15 a.m.

Chickasaw • Tue. • 10:15 a.m.

West Oaks • Tue. • 10:15 a.m.

North Orange • Wed. • 10:15 a.m.

Southeast • Wed. • 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.

Baby to Five Tales (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.

Baby Storytime: Numbers

Build baby's first literacy skills with songs, rhymes and stories.

Southeast • *Mon., May 4* • 10:15 a.m.
Southwest • *Mon., May 4–18* • 11 a.m.
Windermere • *Tue., May 12* • 10:30 a.m.
Washington Park • *Thu., May 14* • 10:30 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Tue., May 12, 26* • 10:45 a.m.

Bilingual Baby Storytime: Numbers / Números

Introduce babies to bilingual literacy in English and Spanish through songs, rhymes and stories.

Winter Garden • *Tue., May 5* • 10:45 a.m.



Baby

Baby Play & Connect

Connect with other caregivers while your babies wiggle, giggle and explore early play together.

Winter Garden • *Fri., May 1–29* • 11:35 a.m.
• *Tue., May 5, 12, 26* • 11 a.m.

Alafaya • *Fri., May 1–29* • 11:45 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Mon., May 4–18* • 11 a.m.
Southeast • *Mon., May 4* • 11 a.m.
South Creek • *Mon., May 4–18* • 11:30 a.m.
Southwest • *Mon., May 4–18* • 11:30 a.m.
Windermere • *Thu., May 7–28* • 11:35 a.m.

Baby Storytime

Build baby's first literacy skills with songs, rhymes and stories.

Orlando Public Library • *Sat., May 2–30* • 11:30 a.m.
• *Mon., May 4–18* • 10:30 a.m.
North Orange • *Mon., May 4, 18* • 10:30 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Tue., May 26* • 10:45 a.m.

Toddler

Toddler Storytime

The use of picture books, finger plays, songs and flannel board stories encourages the development of verbal and listening skills.

Hiawassee • *Fri., May 1* • 11 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Sat., May 2–30* • 11 a.m.
• *Tue., May 12–26* • 10:30 a.m.

Fairview Shores • *Tue., May 5–26* • 10:30 a.m.
Southwest • *Wed., May 6–20* • 11 a.m.
North Orange • *Tue., May 19* • 10:30 a.m.
South Trail • *Tue., May 19* • 3 p.m.
Chickasaw • *Wed., May 20* • 11 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Thu., May 21, 28* • 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Play & Connect

Connect with other caregivers while your little ones explore imaginary play.

Hiawassee • *Fri., May 1* • 11:30 a.m.
Fairview Shores • *Tue., May 5–26* • 11 a.m.
Alafaya • *Wed., May 6* • 10:30 a.m.
Southwest • *Wed., May 6–27* • 11:30 a.m.
Southeast • *Mon., May 11, 18* • 11 a.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Tue., May 12–26* • 11 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Thu., May 14–28* • 11 a.m.
South Trail • *Tue., May 19* • 3:30 p.m.

Artsy Toddler

Discover colors, textures and materials through stories, songs and creative art activities.

Orlando Public Library • *Tue., May 5* • 10:30 a.m.
Chickasaw • *Wed., May 6* • 11 a.m.
Eatonville • *Fri., May 8* • 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya • *Wed., May 13* • 10:30 a.m.
Hiawassee • *Fri., May 15* • 11 a.m.
Southeast • *Mon., May 11, 18* • 10:15 a.m.
North Orange • *Tue., May 26* • 10:30 a.m.

Trap Baby & Me

Brings early childhood development to life with beats and activities little ones can't resist.

Washington Park • *Wed., May 6* • 10:30 a.m.
Eatonville • *Wed., May 13* • 10:15 a.m.
Windermere • *Tue., May 19* • 10:15 a.m.

Toddler Sensory Playtime

Encourage your child to explore their curiosity and creativity in this unstructured playtime.

Southeast • *Thu., May 7–28* • 10:30 a.m.

Bilingual Toddler Storytime

Explore stories, songs and rhymes in English and Spanish.

Winter Garden • *Thu., May 14* • 10:30 a.m.

Ready, Set, Preschool! Piggy Bank Pals

Preschoolers will engage in hands-on activities that build early literacy skills, creativity and kindergarten readiness.

Eatonville • *Wed., May 6* • 10:15 a.m.
Southwest • *Tue., May 19* • 11 a.m.
West Oaks • *Thu., May 28* • 11 a.m.

Ready, Set, Preschool! Let's Go Shopping

What should we buy? Help your child learn about needs and wants while improving their decision-making skills through stories, songs and activities.

Chickasaw • *Wed., May 13* • 11 a.m.
West Oaks • *Thu., May 21* • 11 a.m.



Preschool

Preschool Storytime

Enjoy interactive stories, songs and rhymes build early literacy skills.
Orlando Public Library • *Sat., May 2–30* • 10:30 a.m.
Virtual • *Mon., May 4–18* • 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Southwest • *Tue., May 5, 12, 26* • 11 a.m.
Fairview Shores • *Thu., May 7–28* • 11 a.m.
Alafaya • *Tue., May 12* • 11 a.m.
Southeast • *Tue., May 12* • 4:30 p.m.
North Orange • *Thu., May 14* • 10:30 a.m.
Windermere • *Tue., May 19* • 4 p.m.
Winter Garden • *Wed., May 20, 27* • 10:30 a.m.

Florida Children's Museum: Mobile Museum Library Program

Hear stories, explore art, use your senses and play through hands-on fun. Sponsored by Orlando Health.
Alafaya • *Mon., May 4* • 10:15 a.m.
North Orange • *Tue., May 5* • 10:30 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Thu., May 7* • 10:30 a.m.
Southwest • *Fri., May 8* • 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Chef

Caregivers and little chefs will mix, measure and create a tasty masterpiece together.

Eatonville • *Tue., May 5* • 4 p.m.
Southeast • *Tue., May 5* • 4:30 p.m.
Washington Park • *Fri., May 8* • 4 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 13* • 10:30 a.m.
Hiawassee • *Fri., May 22* • 11 a.m.
North Orange • *Thu., May 28* • 10:30 a.m.

Preschool STEAM

Exploration meets early learning in this hands-on STEAM program for curious preschoolers.

Winter Garden • *Wed., May 6* • 10:30 a.m.
North Orange • *Thu., May 21* • 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya • *Tue., May 26* • 11 a.m.
South Trail • *Tue., May 26* • 3 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 27* • 10:30 a.m.
Chickasaw • *Wed., May 27* • 11 a.m.

Preschool Stories & Stretches

Wiggle and stretch to stories, songs and rhymes, focusing on motor development.
Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 6* • 10:30 a.m.
Winter Garden • *Wed., May 13* • 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya • *Wed., May 27* • 10:30 a.m.

May Flowers

Engage in hands-on science activities to learn about flowers and plants.

Washington Park • *Thu., May 7* • 3 p.m.

Mindful Play Learning: Yoga for Preschoolers

Uses yoga to teach social-emotional skills and support cognitive development.

Eatonville • *Tue., May 12–26* • 10:15 a.m.
Chickasaw • *Thu., May 14–28* • 11 a.m.

Preschool Artists

Create a masterpiece inspired by artists throughout history.

Alafaya • *Tue., May 19* • 11 a.m.
Southeast • *Tue., May 19* • 4:30 p.m.

Bilingual Preschool Storytime

Explore stories in English and Spanish.
Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 20* • 10:30 a.m.
Southeast • *Tue., May 26* • 4:30 p.m.

What's Bugging You?

Learn all about creepy, crawly critters with stories, games and activities.

Washington Park • *Thu., May 21* • 3 p.m.



STEAM Junior: Money Science

Junior scientists will explore STEAM concepts to expand their minds and explore the world around them.

Hiawassee • *Fri., May 1* • 4:30 p.m.
Winter Garden • *Tue., May 19* • 4:30 p.m. ■
South Trail • *Wed., May 20* • 4:30 p.m. ■

Homeschool Junior: Money Science ■

Explore the world through crafts, experiments, and hands-on activities.

West Oaks • *Mon., May 4* • 11 a.m.
Southwest • *Mon., May 4* • 1 p.m.
South Trail • *Wed., May 13* • 11:30 a.m.
North Orange • *Fri., May 15* • 10:30 a.m.

LEGO Club ■

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

Orlando Public Library • *Sat., May 2, 16, 30* • 2:30 p.m.
North Orange • *Mon., May 4* • 4 p.m. ■
Alafaya • *Tue., May 5–26* • 4:30 p.m. ■
Windermere • *Tue., May 5, 12, 26* • 4:30 p.m. ■
Fairview Shores • *Wed., May 6* • 3:30 p.m. ■
Southwest • *Wed., May 6–27* • 4 p.m. ■
Washington Park • *Thu., May 7–28* • 5 p.m. ■
Chickasaw • *Sat., May 9* • 11 a.m.
Eatonville • *Tue., May 12* • 4 p.m. ■
South Trail • *Wed., May 13, 27* • 4:30 p.m. ■
Winter Garden • *Wed., May 13, 27* • 4:30 p.m. ■
Hiawassee • *Wed., May 20* • 4:30 p.m. ■
Southeast • *Thu., May 21* • 4:30 p.m.
South Trail • *Wed., May 27* • 4:30 p.m. ■

Homeschool Junior ■

Explore the world through crafts, experiments and hands-on activities.

North Orange • *Fri., May 1* • 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya • *Thu., May 7, 21* • 2 p.m.
Southwest • *Mon., May 11, 18* • 1 p.m.
Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 13* • 1 p.m.
Windermere • *Thu., May 14, 28* • 1 p.m.
Eatonville • *Thu., May 21* • 11:30 a.m.

The Art of Hieroglyphs

Join us to learn about this beautiful ancient Egyptian writing.

Southeast • *Fri., May 1* • 4 p.m.
• *Sat., May 9* • 10:30 a.m.

Chess Club

Discover the game of chess while having fun and making friends.

West Oaks • *Mon., May 4* • 3:30 p.m. ■
Southwest • *Tue., May 12, 26* • 4:30 p.m.
Windermere • *Mon., May 18* • 4:30 p.m. ■

Read to a Therapy Dog ■

Winter Garden • *Mon., May 4* • 4:30 p.m.

Let's Play Dungeons & Dragons: Adventure Begins Board Game ■

Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 6* • 2:30 p.m.

Career Quest ■

Learn how income is earned while exploring your personal interests as they relate to potential careers.

West Oaks • *Wed., May 6* • 4 p.m.
South Trail • *Wed., May 6* • 4:30 p.m.
Winter Garden • *Mon., May 11* • 4:30 p.m.

Exceptional Artists: Keith Haring

Come learn about artist Keith Haring and make an art piece inspired by his work.

Washington Park • *Wed., May 6* • 4 p.m.

Homeschool Junior: Touring Asia ■

Explore the world through crafts, experiments, and hands-on activities.

Eatonville • *Thu., May 7* • 11:30 a.m.

Homeschool Junior: Mandarin ■

Learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and other basic concepts.

Chickasaw • *Thu., May 7, 21* • 2 p.m.

Aquatic Wild: Florida Springs

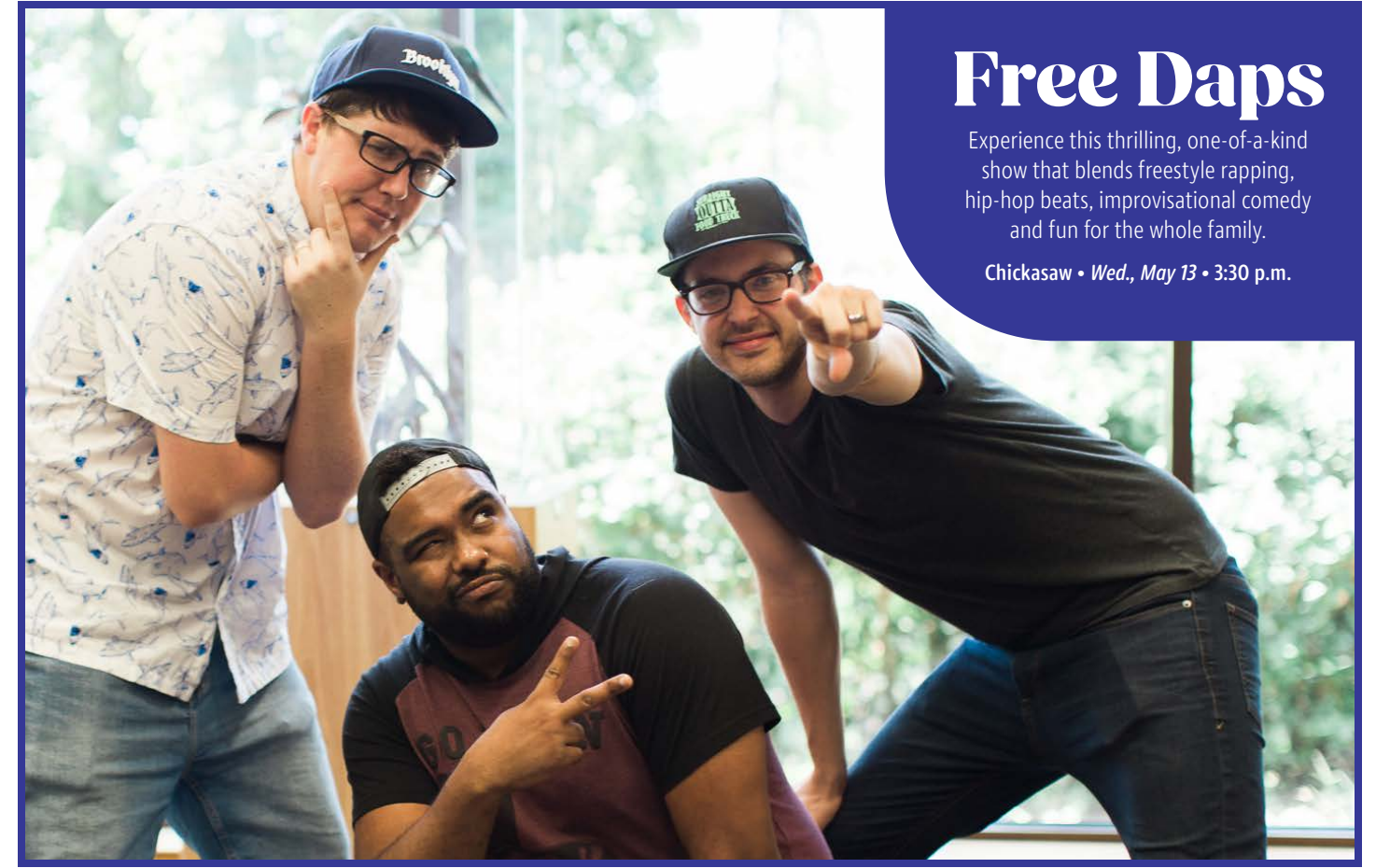
Hands-on activities designed to teach awareness and appreciation for the outdoors.

Orlando Public Library • *Thu., May 7* • 4 p.m.

Catch 'Em All Camp ■

Learn the rules and test your skill in Pokémon battles in this three-day series. Ages 6–12.

Alafaya • *Thu., May 7–21* • 4:30 p.m.
• *Fri., May 8–22* • 4 p.m.



Free Daps

Experience this thrilling, one-of-a-kind show that blends freestyle rapping, hip-hop beats, improvisational comedy and fun for the whole family.

Chickasaw • *Wed., May 13* • 3:30 p.m.

Masterpiece Junior ■

Together, we'll learn something new, get inspired and create a masterpiece.

South Trail • *Thu., May 7* • 4:30 p.m.
Windermere • *Fri., May 8* • 2 p.m.
Hiawassee • *Fri., May 8* • 4:30 p.m.
Windermere • *Mon., May 18* • 4:30 p.m.
North Orange • *Thu., May 21* • 4 p.m.
South Creek • *Sat., May 23* • 2:30 p.m.

Butterfly Gardening ■

Dig into fascinating butterfly facts and learn how to attract them to your own backyard.

South Creek • *Sat., May 9* • 11 a.m.

Gamers Club

Love video games? Join the fun, challenge your friends and enjoy exciting activities.

Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 13, 27* • 2:30 p.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Korean Soy Sauce Noodles ■

Junior chefs will follow a recipe and demonstration to whip up something delicious.

Hiawassee • *Wed., May 13* • 3 p.m.

STEAM Junior ■

Explore STEAM concepts to expand your mind and explore the world around you.

West Oaks • *Wed., May 13* • 4 p.m.
Southwest • *Thu., May 21* • 4:30 p.m.
South Trail • *Sat., May 30* • 3 p.m.

Cuisine Corner Junior ■

Junior chefs will follow a recipe and demonstration to whip up something delicious.

Orlando Public Library • *Thu., May 14* • 4 p.m.
West Oaks • *Wed., May 20* • 4 p.m.

Hue Knew: A Color Mystery

Hone your hue awareness to investigate a crime of rainbow proportions.

Southeast • *Fri., May 15* • 4 p.m.
• *Sat., May 23* • 10:30 a.m.

Fantastic Fossils

Learn how to find and identify fossils.

Washington Park • *Sat., May 16* • 4:30 p.m.

The Joy of Failure

Create your own failure turned masterpiece.

Winter Garden • *Mon., May 18* • 4:30 p.m.
Southeast • *Fri., May 29* • 4 p.m.

Colors of the Solar System ■

Create art inspired by the cosmos.

Washington Park • *Wed., May 20* • 4 p.m.

School's Out!

Celebrate the end of the school year with fun games, crafts and after-school snacks.

Hiawassee • *Wed., May 27* • 3 p.m.

Fiber Arts Junior ■

Learn the basics of crocheting and make your very own cool bookmark.

Washington Park • *Wed., May 27* • 4 p.m.

Snack Around the World: Brazil ■

West Oaks • *Wed., May 27* • 4 p.m.

Homeschool Junior: Celebrating the Pacific Islands ■

Explore the world through crafts, experiments, and hands-on activities.

North Orange • *Fri., May 29* • 10:30 a.m.

Escape Room Junior: Space ■

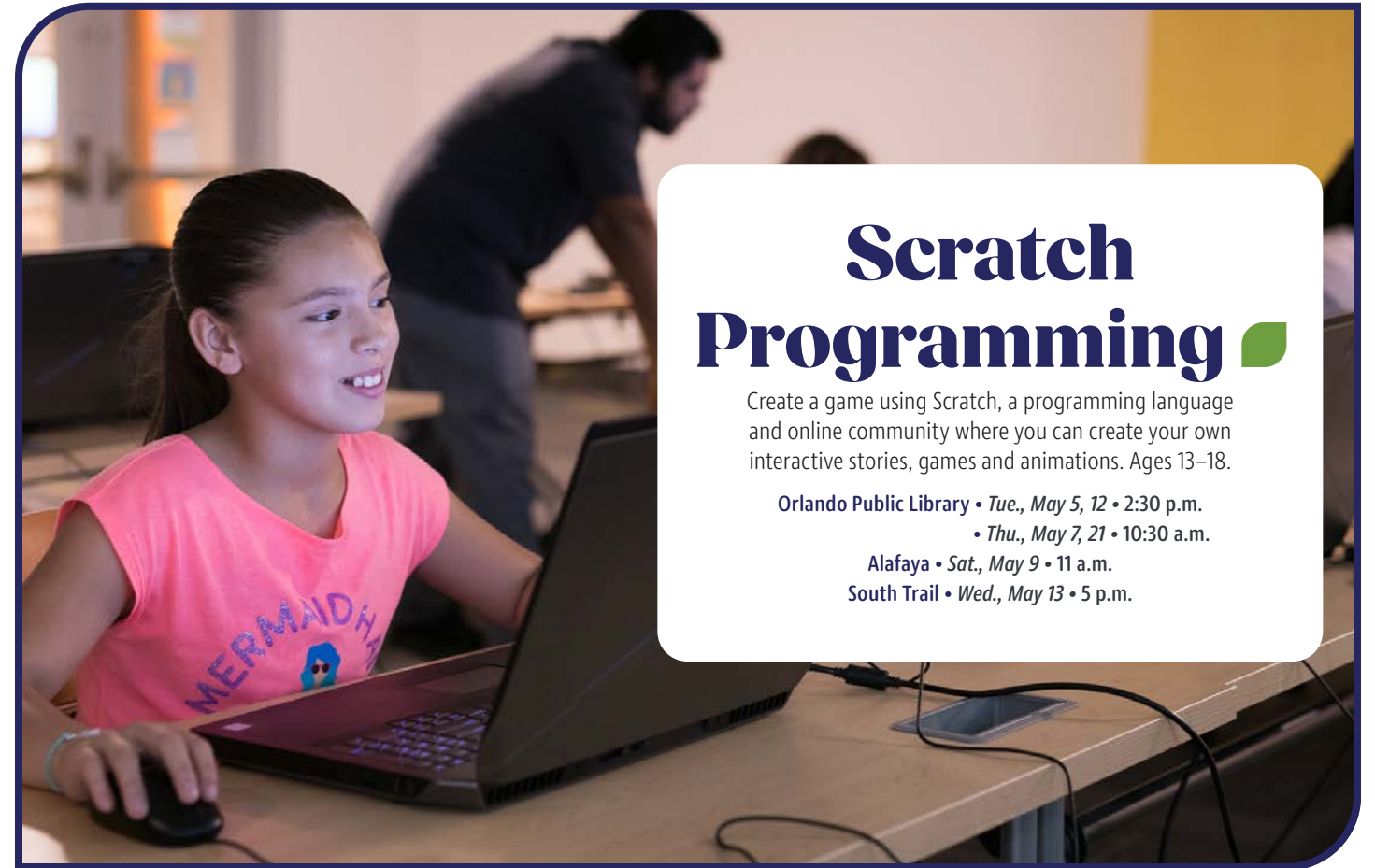
Hunt for clues, crack puzzles and join forces to figure out the mystery.

Fairview Shores • *Fri., May 29* • 3 p.m.

Bring Your Art to Life with AR

Color a magic page, then use the Quiver app to bring it to life with games and augmented reality. Ages 6–12.

- Eatonville • *Fri., May 1* • 3 p.m.
- Alafaya • *Tue., May 5* • 2 p.m.
- South Trail • *Wed., May 6* • 3:30 p.m.
- Washington Park • *Thu., May 7* • 4 p.m.
- Chickasaw • *Sat., May 9* • 10 a.m.
- North Orange • *Sat., May 9* • 3 p.m.
- Fairview Shores • *Wed., May 13, 27* • 4:30 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library • *Thu., May 14, 28* • 10:30 a.m.
- *Tue., May 19* • 2:30 p.m.
- Southeast • *Sat., May 23* • 4:30 p.m.



Scratch Programming

Create a game using Scratch, a programming language and online community where you can create your own interactive stories, games and animations. Ages 13–18.

- Orlando Public Library • *Tue., May 5, 12* • 2:30 p.m.
- *Thu., May 7, 21* • 10:30 a.m.
- Alafaya • *Sat., May 9* • 11 a.m.
- South Trail • *Wed., May 13* • 5 p.m.

Digital Sculpting

Learn to use ZbrushCoreMini to create amazing artwork. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Fri., May 1* • 4 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 6* • 1 p.m.

World Design using Roblox

Build your world from scratch with Roblox Studio. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Sat., May 2* • 2:30 p.m.

LEGO Education Spike Prime: Science & Engineering

Build and program machines with LEGO Education SPIKE Prime. Ages 6–12.

- North Orange • *Sat., May 2, 16* • 3 p.m.
- South Trail • *Sat., May 2, 16* • 3:30 p.m.
- *Wed., May 13* • 3:30 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library • *Sun., May 3, 17* • 3:30 p.m.
- *Wed., May 13, 27* • 10:30 a.m.
- Hiawassee • *Wed., May 6* • 11 a.m.
- *Fri., May 15* • 4:30 p.m.
- Chickasaw • *Thu., May 14, 28* • 1 p.m.
- Washington Park • *Tue., May 19, 26* • 4 p.m.

Code with Minecraft: Adventurer

Solve code challenges to explore, gather resources, and defeat mobs. Ages 6–12.

- Fairview Shores • *Tue., May 5* • 4:45 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library • *Thu., May 7* • 4 p.m.
- Southeast • *Fri., May 29* • 4:30 p.m.

LEGO Education Spike Essentials: Great Adventures

Build and program machines with LEGO Education SPIKE Essentials. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 6, 20* • 10:30 a.m.
- *Sun., May 10* • 3:30 p.m.
- Fairview Shores • *Thu., May 7–28* • 4 p.m.
- Southeast • *Sat., May 9* • 4:30 p.m.
- *Fri., May 15* • 4:30 p.m.
- Alafaya • *Sun., May 10, 17* • 1:30 & 4 p.m.
- Eatonville • *Fri., May 15* • 3 p.m.
- *Thu., May 28* • 11:30 a.m.
- Southwest • *Tue., May 19* • 4 p.m.
- Windermere • *Wed., May 27* • 2 p.m.
- *Fri., May 29* • Noon
- West Oaks • *Thu., May 28* • 3:30 & 4:45 p.m.

Design Characters Using Tynker

Design characters, items, blocks and mobs for Minecraft using Tynker. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Wed., May 6* • 2:30 p.m.

Code with SpriteBox

Play a unique platforming game that combines exploration and coding puzzles. Ages 6–12.

- Hiawassee • *Wed., May 6* • 4:30 p.m.

Logical Quest with the Zoombinis

Exercise your brains by completing a series of logic-based puzzles. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 6* • 5 p.m.
- *Fri., May 15* • 4 p.m.

Code with Sphero Indi Cars

Learn the basics of coding and computational thinking with Sphero indi. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Thu., May 7* • 10:30 a.m.
- *Sun., May 10* • 1:30 p.m.

MakeCode Arcade: Code a Game

Learn how to code a game with Microsoft MakeCode Arcade. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Sat., May 9* • 2:30 p.m.

Budgeting With Excel

Learn how to crunch numbers in Excel and discover the tools to build your own budget like a pro. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Mon., May 11* • 4 p.m.

Make Custom Paper Airplanes

Design your own paper airplane with graphics and text using Microsoft Publisher. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Mon., May 11* • 4:30 p.m.

Be Safe Online

Learn safety tips and good practices when using the internet. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Tue., May 12* • 10:30 a.m.
- Alafaya • *Wed., May 13* • 2:30 p.m.
- North Orange • *Sat., May 30* • 3 p.m.

Code with Minecraft: Voyage Aquatic

Use code to help Alex and Steve explore the high seas. Ages 6–12.

- Fairview Shores • *Tue., May 12* • 4:45 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 13* • 5 p.m.
- Alafaya • *Fri., May 29* • 4 p.m.

Typing Games

Have fun playing games that can help you speed up your typing skills. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 13* • 2:30 p.m.
- *Fri., May 29* • 4 p.m.

Code with Minecraft: Hero's Journey

Use code to program an agent to help Alex and Steve on their journey. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Tue., May 19* • 2 p.m.

LEGO Digital Builds

Create custom LEGO builds with this easy-to-use free software. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Tue., May 19* • 4 p.m.
- Alafaya • *Wed., May 20* • 2:30 p.m.

MakeCode Arcade: Pixel Art

Create the pixel art for a game with Microsoft MakeCode Arcade. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 20* • 1 p.m.

Chess Basics with lichess.org

Learn the rules of the game and use lichess.org to play chess at any time. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 20* • 4 p.m.

Code with Minecraft: Designer

Program the environment and complete code challenges. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Wed., May 20* • 5 p.m.

Make a Stop Motion Movie

Bring objects to life, add titles, credits, sound and more. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Fri., May 22* • 4 p.m.

Code with Lightbot

Program Lightbot to light up its world. Ages 6–12.

- Alafaya • *Sat., May 23* • 2:30 p.m.

Video Game Design: Role-Playing Games

Use Tynker to create a classic top-down role-playing. Ages 6–12.

- Orlando Public Library • *Sat., May 30* • 10:30 a.m.

Next Steps for Teens: Personal Finance

Learn the basics of money management skills, along with practical tips and resources to support your goals.

South Trail • Sat., May 2 • 3 p.m.



Let's Play Dungeons & Dragons: Create Your Character

Learn to create a Dungeons & Dragons character with D&D Beyond!

Orlando Public Library • Fri., May 1 • 4 p.m.

Teen Volunteering

Earn two hours of community service by completing volunteer tasks at the library.

Eatonville • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.

South Trail • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.

Hiwassee • Sat., May 23 • 2 p.m.

Teen Volunteering: Teen Literary & Creative Arts Magazine

Earn community service hours by getting involved in the library's teen literary and creative arts magazine.

West Oaks • Sat., May 2 • 11 a.m.

Southeast • Sat., May 2 • 2 p.m.

Alafaya • Sat., May 2 • 3 p.m.

Washington Park • Tue., May 19 • 5 p.m.

Animanga Club

Share your love of anime and manga, complete with snacks and activities.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 2 • 2 p.m.

Be Safe Online Teens

Learn safety tips and good practices when using the Internet. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Mon., May 4 • 4 p.m.

Teen Chess League

Hang out, make new friends and play games of chess in a laid-back setting.

Chickasaw • Mon., May 4, 18 • 4 p.m.

Middle School Advisory Board Meeting

Earn community service hours by testing out new programs, brainstorming new library services and more. Grades 6–8.

Virtual • Wed., May 6 • 4 p.m.

High School Advisory Board Meeting

Earn community service hours by testing out new programs, brainstorming new library services and more. Grades 9–12.

Virtual • Thu., May 7 • 4 p.m.

Teen Pause & Play

Inviting all teen to play games, socialize and enjoy a craft or two.

West Oaks • Fri., May 8, 22 • 3:30 p.m.

Teen Fiber Arts: Kumihimo

Explore kumihimo, the Japanese art of braiding unique cords.

Hiwassee • Sat., May 9 • 2 p.m.

Let's Play Dungeons & Dragons: Forge Your Hero

Bring your Dungeons & Dragons character to life in 3D with Hero Forge.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 12 • 5 p.m.

Teen Art Adventures

Explore the world of art, experiment with new techniques and create a masterpiece of your own.

Southwest • Thu., May 7 • 4:30 p.m.

Windermere • Wed., May 13 • 2 p.m.

South Trail • Sat., May 16 • 3 p.m.

Orlando Public Library • Sat., May 30 • 2 p.m.

South Creek • Sat., May 30 • 2:30 p.m.



Teen Homeschool:

Anatomy of Your Smartphone

Meet other teens and learn something new through hands-on activities.

Hiwassee • Thu., May 14 • 2 p.m.

Design Graphics Using Photoshop

Use this professional-grade software to design and edit graphics and images. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 14 • 4 p.m.

• Wed., May 27 • 2:30 p.m.

Virtual • Tue., May 19 • 4 p.m.

Chess Basics with lichess.org

Learn the rules of the game and use lichess.org to play chess at any time. Ages 13–18.

Alafaya • Sat., May 16 • 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library • Tue., May 19 • 5 p.m.

Gamers Guild: D&D The Legend of Drizzt

Learn this fast-paced cooperative game set in the world of Dungeons & Dragons.

South Creek • Sat., May 16 • 2 p.m.

Teen Movie & Snacks

Join us for a chill afternoon to relax, laugh and recharge after a long week of testing.

Hiwassee • Sat., May 16 • 2 p.m.

Create Animated GIFs

Create animated GIFs using Photoshop. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 20 • 2:30 p.m.

High School Advisory Board: Book Club

Earn community service hours by reviewing books and contributing ideas for booklists and literary programs. Grades 9–12.

Virtual • Tue., May 19 • 4 p.m.

Coding Electronics with LEDs

Explore the basics of coding electronics with Snapino. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 21 • 4 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons

A one-shot adventure for teens. Players of all experience levels welcome.

Windermere • Sat., May 23 • Noon

Teen Cuisine: Boba Tea!

Prep for the real world with cooking tips and tricks that lead to tasty results.

Fairview Shores • Sat., May 23 • 3 p.m.

Let's Play Dungeons & Dragons: Adventure Begins TTRPG

Learn to play Dungeons & Dragons with the Adventure Begins TTRPG. Choose a character and work together to face obstacles and defeat monsters.

Orlando Public Library • Wed., May 27 • 5 p.m.

Coding Electronics with Sensors

Explore the basics of coding electronics with Snapino. Ages 13–18.

Orlando Public Library • Thu., May 28 • 4 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

Hiawasse 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 32837

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

Avalon Park

Tanja King Park
13001 Tanja King Blvd.
Orlando, FL 32828

Fashion Square

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

Horizon West

Hamlin Town Center
14416 Shoreside Way
Winter Garden, FL 34787

Lake Nona

Valencia College
12350 Narcoossee Rd.
Orlando, FL 32832

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Memorial Day

All Locations • Sun. & Mon., May 24 & 25

Todos las localidades • Dom. y lun., 24 y 25 de mayo



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