Happy New Year!

NEW YEAR | NEW YOU
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Can you believe it's 2015? The library system sincerely wishes you a bright and beautiful year. This month's library programming theme is *New Year ... New You*. So whether your 2015 goal is to shape up, get organized or make healthy eating a priority, we have a program for you. Please turn to pages 12-13 to find a program near you.

Also new for 2015 is our *Cookbook Club* presented by the *Cuisine Corner* culinary series. This is your opportunity to get cooking inspiration and explore new recipes from just-published cookbooks.

As we begin a new year, it's also an opportune time to reflect on accomplishments from the past year—one of which for OCLS was the opening of the Melrose Center at the Orlando Public Library. If you haven't been to this cutting-edge tech hub, mark your calendar for Saturday, February 7. We'll be celebrating the center's first anniversary with a free, fun day of demos and hands-on activities. This is your chance to see 3D printers, try a flight simulator, check out an interactive media wall and more. Hope to see you there.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

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ORLANDO COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Orlando Public Library
Albertson Room  Saturday, January 10, 11 a.m.
Join Professor Don Harrell of Orisirisi African Folklore, the University of Central Florida's Africana Studies and the Valencia College African-American Humanities programs, for a celebration of the life and times of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Beginning with Dr. King's early years and ending with the establishment of the national holiday in his honor, the narration includes a festive sampling of negro spirituals, blues, gospel, jazz, R&B and freedom songs that were representative of the times and key to Dr. King's development.
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
WINTER BOOK SALE
Everything 50 Percent Off

Members-Only Preview Sale
Thursday, January 22, 5 - 7 p.m.

Friday & Saturday
January 23 and 24, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday
January 25, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

A great selection of fiction and non-fiction, recorded books, DVDs, CDs and more will be available for half price. A private preview sale for members of the Friends of the Orange County Library System will be held Thursday, January 22 from 5 to 7 p.m.

New members are welcome to join at the door for as low as $15 annually. Members receive an additional 10 percent off all purchases.

For more information, please visit oclsfriends.info.

10th Anniversary and Open House
Eatonville Branch
Saturday, January 24, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Enjoy a fun-filled day of storytelling, face painting, games, a book sale and more! Discover all the exciting things the library has to offer and register for a library card during your visit. Check out 10 items for a chance to win a prize. All ages welcome!

15th Birthday Bash
Alafaya Branch
Sunday, February 1, 2 p.m.
The Alafaya Branch is turning 15-years-old. Help us celebrate with games, crafts, demos and birthday fun. Don’t miss the dance party with our mascot Squirt!
The 8 Waves of Rock-n-Roll: Back to the 70s
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Saturday, January 10, 3 p.m.
This interactive multimedia journey explores the music, musicians and musical relationships that helped create the distinctive sounds of the 70s in America.

Hungrytown
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Saturday, January 24, 2 p.m.
Hungrytown is the married musical duo of Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson. They released two highly acclaimed CDs, Hungrytown (2008) and Any Forgotten Thing (2011), and have toured throughout the U.S., Canada, Europe and New Zealand.

Blakemore Piano Studio
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, January 25, 2:30 p.m.
Enjoy a live performance by the students of the Blakemore Piano Studio. Students of all ages will perform classical selections.

Art 101: Greek Pottery
Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room Wednesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.
Check out this new program series where we will discuss all things art including style, theme and history. Each Art 101 program will feature a hands-on activity. This month explore Greek pottery and painting by creating your own Greek-inspired terracotta pots to take home. Space is limited. Registration is required. Register online at ocls.info or call 407.835.7323.

Color and Life
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Through February
Belina Buisson-Wright is a self-taught artist. Her artwork captures the Haitian culture's vibrancy and is strongly influenced by her African-American heritage. She enjoys capturing the grace and beauty of her subjects in everyday settings.

Congratulations
TO THE WINNER OF THE LIBRARY ARCHITECTURE PHOTO FACEBOOK CONTEST!
The winning entry, featuring the concrete staircases at the Orlando Public Library was taken by library staff member Luigi Pizzola. The all-concrete building is one of the foremost examples of brutalism in Central Florida. You can check out his photo on our social media accounts through the month of January.
Citizenship Inspired
Alafaya Branch  Tuesdays, January 6, 13, 20 and 27, 5:30 p.m.
South Trail Branch  Saturdays, January 10, 17, 24 and 31, 12:30 p.m.

During this program, students meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview. To be eligible for U.S. Naturalization, you must be able to read, write and speak basic English. This program series is for adult learners and is free to Orange County district resident cardholders, fee cardholders and Orange County Property Owner cardholders.

Registration required. Register online at ocls.info, by phone at 407.835.7323 or stop by any of our 15 locations.

Practice Makes Perfect
Southeast Branch  Mondays and Wednesdays, 2 p.m.
South Creek Branch  Tuesdays, noon
Winter Garden Branch  Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.
South Trail Branch  Fridays, 10 a.m.

If English is your second language, you are invited to improve your conversational English-speaking skills and comfort level. Join us each week as an Adult Literacy League certified instructor helps you build confidence. This program is presented through a partnership between the Orange County Library System and the Adult Literacy League.

CITIZENSHIP & LANGUAGE LEARNING  ocls.info/citizenship

Registration is required for Cuisine Corner. Space is limited. Please call 407.835.7323 or register online at ocls.info.
**Saturday Morning Cartoons**
North Orange Branch  Saturdays, January 3, 10 and 31, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Bring the whole family and join us for some of your favorite Saturday morning cartoons!

**An Afternoon with Suzanna Leigh**
Orlando Public Library, Library Central  Saturday, January 3, 2 p.m.
Spend an afternoon with actress Suzanna Leigh. She will discuss her story from *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Touched by an Angel*. The event will also include a Q&A session where she will talk about her Hollywood career, and former co-stars including Jerry Lewis and Elvis Presley. Book sale and signing will follow the program.

**Interior Design Psychology: What Your Home Says About You**
Southwest Branch  Saturday, January 3, 2 p.m.
Your surroundings can affect you on a physical, emotional or psychological level. Join Lisa Matas, certified Feng Shui specialist and founder of Inside Out Designscapes, as she discusses the way floor plans, furniture and color can influence the look, feel and function of your rooms.

**What is the Paranormal?**
South Creek Branch  Sunday, January 4, 2 p.m.
Have you wanted to learn more about the paranormal but don’t know where to start? Join us for an interactive presentation by The Lost Paranormal Indicators team as they share their personal experiences with the paranormal.

**CareerSource Central Florida**
Alafaya Branch  Monday, January 5, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Reference Central  Monday, January 12, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch  Monday, January 26, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Spend some time with the experts from CareerSource Central Florida to explore the services they provide and get connected to employment opportunities using career counseling, skill development workshops and more.

**Tea and Talk**
Alafaya Branch  Wednesday, January 7, 7 p.m.
Herndon Branch  Thursday, January 8, 7 p.m.
Enjoy a ladies night out with a *Downton Abbey*-inspired tea and talk. Sip a spot of tea while enjoying crafts and trivia. It’s sure to be a jolly good time!

**Affordable Care Act Discussion and Enrollment Assistance**
Hiawassee Branch  Thursdays, January 8 and 22, 6:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch  Saturdays, January 10 and 24, 2 p.m.
West Oaks Branch  Sunday, January 11, 2 p.m. and Saturday, January 31, 2 p.m.
Edgewater Branch  Mondays, January 12 and 26, 6:30 p.m.
Affordable Care Act Navigators and representatives from Enroll America will assist with 2015 Open Enrollment and questions. For enrollment, you will need to provide applicable documents including a W-2, 2014 tax returns, proof of income and social security cards for all family members, or green card and naturalization certificate. To schedule an appointment, please call 407.340.0844. Walk-ins welcome. Language line available for non-English speakers.

**Car Basics 101: How to Change a Tire and Other Questions**
Alafaya Branch  Sunday, January 11, 2 p.m.
Can you change a tire? How about check your tire pressure? Two certified mechanics will show you how to handle common car problems and fix simple issues on your own.

**Counsel for Caregivers**
West Oaks Branch  Tuesday, January 13, 10:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library, Alberton Room  Thursday, January 15, 12:15 p.m.
Let us lend a helping hand with your caregiving responsibilities. This series is presented by OCLS and Orange County’s Commission on Aging. Registration required. Call 407.836.7446 to register or e-mail officeonaging@ocfl.net. Refreshments will be provided to the first 50 attendees.

**Are You Your Business’ Worst Enemy?**
Herndon Branch  Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 p.m.
Many small business owners forget the importance of tracking core business metrics and neglect analyzing their financial reports. Learn the basics about small business finance in this presentation by Sabrina Covington.

**Learn the FUNdamentals of Improv**
Orlando Public Library, Library Central  Wednesdays, January 14, 21 and 28, 6 p.m.
Whether you are new to improv or have previous performance experience, this eight-week class is about having fun while learning some of the essential skills of improv. Registration recommended. Ages 10 and up. To register, call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info.
The Cuban Revolution Reinterpreted
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Wednesday, January 14, 6:30 p.m.
The Cuban Revolution stands out as one of the most transcendental events in the history of the Americas. Dr. Luis Martinez-Fernandez, author of Revolutionary Cuba: A History, offers a comprehensive, fresh analysis of the revolution. Dr. Martinez-Fernandez will discuss a wide range of topics and share historical artifacts. A book signing will follow the program.

All About Modern Cloth Diapering
Alafaya Branch Thursday, January 15, noon
Southeast Branch Thursday, January 22, 11 a.m.
Herndon Branch Thursday, January 29, 11 a.m.
Jessica Long from The Rebecca Foundation Cloth Diaper Closet will cover all the options of modern cloth diapers. Stop by to see how far cloth diapering has come and what a great option it is for the environment. Plus, the savings mean you diaper your baby for little to nothing. For more information, visit clothforall.com.

Affordable Care Act Assistance
Alafaya Branch Thursdays, January 15, 22 and 29, 5 p.m.
Affordable Care Act Navigators will discuss 2015 Open Enrollment and the options available on the Federal Health Insurance Marketplace. Navigators will answer questions and assist with enrollment.

Introduction to Essential Oils
Windermere Branch Thursday, January 15, 6:30 p.m.
Hendron Branch Saturday, January 31, 2 p.m.
Not all essentials oils are created equal. In this hands-on class, experience a variety of essential oils with Vegan Lifestyle Coach and Natural Solutions Consultant Stephanie Jorian. She will explain the basics of essential oils, frequently used oils for home, and the uses and benefits of essential oils beyond aromatherapy.

Route 65: Cruising the Road to Medicare
North Orange Branch Thursday, January 21, 1 p.m.
If you are a baby boomer close to retirement, representatives from SHINE may have directions for a smooth ride. Get answers to questions and an overview of the options and benefits available to the soon-to-be-retired. Call 407.835.7323 to reserve a seat.

First Steps: Education and Support for Early Stage
Windermere Branch Thursdays, January 22 and 29, 1 p.m.
This interactive training is designed for people who are newly diagnosed and in the early stages of Alzheimer’s as well as their care partners. The topics covered will include understanding Alzheimer’s and dementia, effective communication, daily strategies, safety issues and additional resources. Space is limited. To register, call 800.272.3900.

Community Cinema: A Path Appears a Film by Maro Chermayeff
Hiawassee Branch Saturday, January 24, 1 p.m.
A Path Appears goes to the U.S., Colombia, Haiti and Kenya to reveal the incredible adversity faced every day by millions of women and girls while also presenting glimpses of hope and change. From the team that brought you the groundbreaking Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide.

Social Security Disability Seminar
Washington Park Branch Monday, January 26, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch Wednesday, January 28, 2 p.m.
This seminar will provide details on eligibility requirements, how to have a successful examination and how employment affects current standings. It will also cover the hearing process for adults and children, commonly asked questions and how to provide pertinent documentation.

Gaining Financial Control of Your Divorce
Windermere Branch Tuesday, January 27, 6:30 p.m.
Avoid some common financial mistakes made during the divorce process. Learn about the sources of money that may be available to you as a result of your divorce. Each attendee will receive a copy of the Institute for Divorce Financial Analyst’s Divorce Survival Guide. For more information, visit OrlandoAdvisors.com.

I-4 Ultimate Construction Project
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Wednesday, January 28, 12:15 p.m.
Construction on I-4 begins in early 2015 but now is the time to start preparing for how the project will affect you. The $2.3 billion project reconstructs 21 miles of the interstate from Kirkman Road to north of State Road 434. Have your questions and concerns addressed by project spokesman David Parks. Visit i4Ultimate.com to learn more and sign up for updates.

Tips on Paying for Home Care Services
North Orange Branch Wednesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.
Terri White, owner of Touching Hearts at Home, will discuss how seniors who are veterans and veteran’s spouses can receive aid and attendance. Aid and attendance helps veterans pay for in-home care services and assists veterans in keeping their independence for as long as possible. White will also discuss long-term care insurance, extended care insurance and life insurance benefits.

Peace Corps Story Slam
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Thursday, January 29, 6 p.m.
For more than 50 years, American citizens have volunteered overseas to assist communities. Join us for an evening of stories from returned Peace Corps volunteers in the Central Florida community and travel on their international journey by learning how the Peace Corps changed their worldview, and how the experience impacted their community and themselves.

Fashion Show: Virtue + Value
Washington Park Branch Thursday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.
Join us for a fashion show! Bring your gently used clothing and accessories to swap. Get beauty news, trends and tips to promote modest looks at modest prices. Ages 11 and older are welcome for refreshments and giveaways.

Paranormal Investigations: Breaking the Myths
West Oaks Branch Thursday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.
Journey into the unknown with the Beyond Investigators team for a closer look at the myths surrounding the paranormal. Experience a hands-on tour of the equipment used in the field.

Spark the Rainbow
Alafaya Branch Saturday, January 31, 11 a.m.
All ages are welcome to explore light, waves and electricity with several hands-on demonstrations and a special visit from time traveling physicists. Presented by the UCF Physics Department. Registration required. Call 407.835.7323 to register.
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Déjate llevar
Maya Banks
[traducción de Iolanda Rabascall]
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Joseph Polansky
[traducción de Clementina Vidal Díaz]
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Los lobos del invierno
Anne Rice
[traducción de Javier Guerrero]
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Nelson DeMille
[traducción de María Vinós]
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Kirsty McKay
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Luis Coronel
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Love and Sex
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Plan B
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FEATURED DATABASE OF THE MONTH – Career Cruising
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Career Cruising, available in English and Spanish, offers information, guidance, resume building tools and more for career development in a single integrated online resource. Job seekers can search recent job postings from the “Employment” tab or try the “Assessments” tab to match their skills with potential careers.

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH – FITNESS
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Find the latest information for a happy, healthy you! Discover nutrition and fitness advice, delicious recipes and new exercise routines courtesy of the Fitness Guide.

VIDEOS – Cookie Excavation!
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Learn about archaeology and archaeologists—and how they do their work—with Kevin Gidusko of the Florida Public Archaeology Network. Children participated in an “excavation” of their own after learning archaeological techniques and Cartesian coordinates.

EPOCH (Electronically Preserving Obituaries as Cultural Heritage) is a project created by the Orange County Library System for the community to save local history and memories. By engaging community members to memorialize the lives of those they have lost, the fullness of the legacies of the deceased can be preserved for family, researchers and genealogists. We invite you to take a look at this free resource!
Eatonville Branch Saturday, January 10, 2 p.m.
Virginia Lynn Moylan, author of *Zora Neale Hurston’s Final Decade*,
will discuss the life and work of African American writer
Zora Neale Hurston, proclaimed by Alice Walker as a
“Genius of the South.” Moylan is a founding member of the annual
Zora Fest in Fort Pierce and received the *Florida Book Award* Silver
Medal for nonfiction. A book signing will follow the discussion.

Local Authors Festival
Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, January 11, 2 p.m.
Meet and greet local authors at our Winter Local Authors Festival!
Authors from a variety of genres will share their experiences
and books. Each author will have books available for purchase
and signing.
Writers Group  
Orlando Public Library,  
Magnolia Room  Sunday, January 11, 4 p.m.  
Join fellow writers for critique, discussion and camaraderie. Writers of all genres and experience are welcome.

Article Writing Success:  
Get Published in Newspapers, Magazines and Blogs!  
Edgewater Branch  Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 p.m.  
Every writer was once a beginner. Get your writing career started by learning how to write strong articles. Focus on getting your thoughts and ideas down on paper in a manner that is interesting and informative. See your work published in newspapers, magazines and perhaps your own blog!

Infusing the Afterlife into Your Fiction  
Alafaya Branch  Saturday, January 17, 3 p.m.  
We’ve all heard campfire stories designed to deliver a collective shiver. We’ve all heard traditional ideas of heaven and hell. How can you use these concepts in fiction to enhance your writing? Author Heather Startup will analyze several novels and one short story to show commonalities among their portrayals of the afterlife. Also receive tips on improving the unique aspects of each story and techniques to strengthen characters, the narrator’s reliability and your story overall.

Writing Workshop: Using Imagery  
Herndon Branch  Tuesday, January 20, 7 p.m.  
Author and poet Leslie Salas will discuss different types of literary imagery and how to incorporate them into your writing. Bring a copy of a work in progress and a pen so you may put the lesson to work in one of your drafts.

Write a Love Poem  
Orlando Public Library,  
Albertson Room  Saturday, January 24, 11 a.m.  
Poet J. Bradley facilitates a workshop on how to tap your inner power ballad just in time for Valentine’s Day. All you need to bring is your favorite romantic poem or the lyrics to your favorite love song, paper, something to write with and an open heart.

Writing a Romance Novel  
Orlando Public Library,  
Albertson Room  Sunday, January 25, 4 p.m.  
Romance author Pamela Labud will discuss how to develop a sympathetic heroine or hero who readers will swoon over. Learn the basics of creating emotional tension and creating an interesting plot. A book signing will follow the workshop.

Writing Books for Fun, Fame and Fortune!  
Orlando Public Library,  
Albertson Room  Monday, January 26, 6 p.m.  
In these difficult economic times, it’s easier than ever to write and publish a book. If you have knowledge that could solve a problem or provide an advantage, then you are ready to write a book. Learn simple methods to establish your expertise and develop a steady income while doing what you love to do from author and book coach Rik Feeney.

Fiction Writing Basics:  
The First Step to Becoming a Bestseller  
South Creek Branch  Tuesday, January 27, 6:30 p.m.  
If your imagination runs wild at the possibilities of monsters, romance or adventure, you have the mindset of a fiction author. Embark upon the path of a bestselling author by learning how to build on your creative ideas.
THE START OF A NEW YEAR IS THE PERFECT TIME TO CREATE RESOLUTIONS, IMPROVE YOUR HEALTH, GET FIT AND LEARN SOMETHING NEW. MAKE YOUR RESOLUTIONS A REALITY WITH THE LIBRARY IN 2015 WITH FREE PROGRAMS AND CLASSES AT ALL OF OUR LIBRARY LOCATIONS.

YOGA FOR BEGINNERS
Herndon Branch  Tuesday, January 6, 6:30 p.m.
Looking to do more this year? Bring a mat or a towel, and join us for a Hatha I yoga class as we learn and enjoy the many benefits of yoga. Please dress in loose, comfortable clothing.
Shape Up 4 Seniors
Edgewater Branch  Saturday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.
North Orange Branch  Saturday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.
Join Shape Up 4 Seniors, LLC for an interactive health program, and take part in a demonstration of Zumba Gold, a modified lower intensity fitness class. Learn all about the local resources and activities available to seniors. For more information, visit shapeup4seniors.com.

Visioning and Goal Setting for the New Year:
Plan Your Tomorrow, Head There Today
Herndon Branch  Saturday, January 10, 2 p.m.
Alafaya Branch  Saturday, January 31, 2 p.m.
In this interactive workshop, you will learn to write a powerful vision for your life in 2015. Discover the tools you need to turn that vision into reality so you can stop living by default and start living by design. Presented by Life and Career Coach Marie Loeffer.

Get Organized
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  Monday, January 12, 6:30 p.m.
Herndon Branch  Saturday, January 17, 11 a.m.
Celebrate National Get Organized Month with Jane Cole, CPO of Happy Home Organizing Solutions. Learn the steps to tackle your organizing projects and reduce the clutter, chaos and stress in your life. For more information, please visit happyhomeorganizing.com.

Body and Books
Southwest Branch  Wednesday, January 14, 10:30 a.m.
Experience the health benefits and rejuvenation of yoga-based exercises and a healing dose of read-aloud literature. Please dress in loose, comfortable clothing. No prior yoga experience needed. Registration required. Call 407.835.7323 to register.

WELLTRAX Presents: Health and Wellness for the New Year
Winter Garden Branch  Saturday, January 17, 2 p.m.
Each new year brings new resolutions. Dr. Jacque Dunegan from WELLTRAX will teach you how to begin your journey to wellness. WELLTRAX is a local wellness center focused on overall physical and emotional health. WELLTRAX provides fitness evaluations, education, personal training and more.

Family Nutrition Program: Eating Smart, Being Active
Eatonville Branch  Monday, January 26, 6 p.m.
Groups meet for a series of eight easy lessons that are both fun and interactive. Prepare and taste new recipes at each lesson while you learn about eating healthy and being active. This program is intended for adults with children and who are eligible for assistance programs, such as SNAP, WIC or Head Start. Space is limited. To register, call 407.835.7323.
Downtown Book Club
Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room  Tuesday, January 6, 6 p.m.
This month’s selection is *The Girls of Atomic City* by Denise Kiernan. At the height of WWII, Oak Ridge, Tennessee was home to 75,000 residents, consuming more electricity than New York City. Thousands of civilians—many of them women—were recruited to this secret city. Few would ever guess the true nature of the tasks they performed each day in the hulking factories until the end of the war when Oak Ridge’s secret was revealed.

Hiawassee Book Club
Hiawassee Branch  Monday, January 12, 5 – 8:30 p.m.
Join us to celebrate the New Year with both a book and a movie! We will watch *The Help* and follow with a discussion about the book by Kathryn Stockett. Limited and persecuted by racial divides in 1962 Jackson, Mississippi, three women team up for a clandestine project against a backdrop of the budding Civil Rights era.

Southeast Book Club
Southeast Branch  Monday, January 12, 6:30 p.m.
Come for a conversation about *Love and Treasure* by Ayelet Waldman. This WWII-inspired tale of the Hungarian Gold Train follows the 1945 American capture of a locomotive filled with riches. At the center of the novel are the efforts of one Jewish-American lieutenant’s granddaughter to track down the owner of a dazzling jeweled peacock pendant 70 years later.

Stephen King Book Club
Alafaya Branch  Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m.
Discuss all things Stephen King including his newest book *Revival*. This dark story of addiction, fanaticism and the afterlife takes place in a small New England town after a new minister and his wife arrive to transform the local church.

Southwest Book Club
Southwest Branch  Tuesday, January 20, 7 p.m.
Join us to discuss *New York Times* bestseller *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin. This enchanting tale of transformation and second chances is a love letter to the world of books—an irresistible affirmation of why we read and why we love.

Alafaya Book Club
Alafaya Branch  Wednesday, January 21, 7 p.m.
Our January selection is *A Bookman’s Tale: A Novel of Obsession* by Charlie Lovett. A mysterious portrait ignites an antiquarian bookseller’s search through time for the works of Shakespeare and his lost love.

Cuatro Gatos Book Club
South Creek Branch  Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch  Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Palm Room  Thursdays, January 8 and 22, 6 p.m.
Edgewater Branch  Thursdays, January 8 and 22, 6:30 pm
Windermere Branch  Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 pm
Join this Spanish-language book club to discuss literature, art, music and more related to Latin America.
KIDS’ TALENT SHOW

Money As You Grow
- Windermere Branch: Saturday, January 10, 2 p.m.
- Eatonville Branch: Tuesday, January 13, 4 p.m.
- Alafaya Branch: Saturday, January 17, 11 a.m.
- Washington Park Branch: Wednesday, January 28, 3:30 p.m.

Join us for the what, who and how of financial intelligence for kids! This money smart program introduces financial literacy to youth with stories, activities and crafts.

Clowning Around at the Library

PAWS TO READ

Seating is limited for some events. Please call 407.835.7323 to register in advance.

Orlando Public Library, Library Central Saturday, January 31, 3 p.m.
Show off your skills at the Kids’ Talent Show! Watch talented kids dazzle the audience with skits, music, dance and everything in between. Call 407.835.7323 to register to perform. Ages 6-12. Sponsored by John E. Russo, D.M.D., Cosmetic and Family Dentistry.

Orlando Public Library, Library Central Wednesday, January 7, 10 a.m.
The magic of learning meets the thrill of the big top when clowns from the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey® circus take to the stage at the library with an animated reading session. The ambassadors of laughter will tickle funny bones with lighthearted antics that offer a sneak preview of The Greatest Show On Earth®. This event is free and the whole family is welcome. Registration required. Orange County library regular, property owner or fee cardholders will receive priority seating on a first-come basis. Ringling Bros and Barnum & Bailey Presents Circus Xtreme, the all-new edition of The Greatest Show On Earth® will be stopping at the Amway Center January 8-11.

Be An Angel Therapy Dogs Ministry presents this reading program for children with certified therapy dogs. Meet these pups at multiple locations. Visit ocls.info/paws for dates, times and locations.

For more information or to register for programs, please call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info.
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> PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

**Book Character Classics**
- South Creek Branch: Saturday, January 3, 11 a.m.
- Winter Garden Branch: Friday, January 9, 11:30 a.m.
- Orlando Public Library, Children's Library: Saturday, January 10, 3 p.m.
- Edgewater Branch: Wednesday, January 14, 3 p.m.
- North Orange Branch: Tuesday, January 20, 11 a.m.
- South Trail Branch: Wednesday, January 21, 10:15 a.m.
- Windermere Branch: Monday, January 26, 11 a.m.
- Eatonville Branch: Tuesday, January 27, 10:30 a.m.

Help us bring your favorite children's book characters to life with stories, games and crafts.

**CRUNCH MUNCH Dinosaur Lunch**
- Hiawassee Branch: Friday, January 9, 11 a.m.

We want to hear you stomp and roar! Go back in time with songs, stories and activities.

**Pigeon Wants a Party**
- Alafaya Branch: Saturday, January 10, 11 a.m.

We're throwing a party for the pigeon. Join us for crafts and stories but whatever you do, don't let the pigeon drive the bus!

**I Can Do That**
- North Orange Branch: Tuesday, January 27, 11 a.m.

Come for a fun-filled program about what you can do all by yourself. Enjoy stories and crafts.

> CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Seating is limited for some events. Please call 407.835.7323 to register in advance.

**Cuéntame un Cuento: Tell Me a Story Bilingual Stories and Fun**
- Orlando Public Library, Children's Library: Saturday, January 3, 11 a.m.

Enjoy bilingual stories and crafts for children. The library provides an interactive storytime in English and Spanish suitable for speakers of either or both languages. The whole family is welcome!

**Wishing for Winter**
- North Orange Branch: Saturday, January 3, 2 p.m.
- Orlando Public Library, Children's Library: Saturday, January 3, 3 p.m.
- Windermere Branch: Thursday, January 15, 3:30 p.m.
- Eatonville Branch: Wednesday, January 21, 3:45 p.m.
- Edgewater Branch: Saturday, January 24, 11 a.m.
- South Creek Branch: Saturday, January 24, 2:30 p.m.

Celebrate the season with cool activities at your library.

**Timeless Tales Family Storytime**
- North Orange Branch: Sundays, January 4, 11 and 25, 2:15 p.m.

These stories will delight and entertain the entire family. Coloring sheets, markers and crayons provided.

**Crafternoons**
- Hiawassee Branch: Tuesdays, January 6 and 20, 4 p.m.
- Herndon Branch: Wednesday, January 14, 3:30 p.m.

Stop by the library for an hour of crafting fun with friends.

**Toy Story Movie & Craft**
- Eatonville Branch: Thursday, January 8, 3:30 p.m.
- Edgewater Branch: Friday, January 16, 11 a.m.
- Orlando Public Library, Children's Library: Saturday, January 17, 3 p.m.
- West Oaks Branch: Tuesday, January 20, 3:30 p.m.
- North Orange Branch: Wednesday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.
- Washington Park Branch: Wednesday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.
- Windermere Branch: Saturday, January 24, 11 a.m.

We are going to infinity and beyond with a special 20th anniversary screening of Toy Story with a craft.

**Magformers: Create Magnetic Constructions**
- North Orange Branch: Friday, January 9, 3:30 p.m.

Let the magic of magnets attract you. Design creative structures with magformers construction sets.

**Construction Toys for Kids**
- Herndon Branch: Saturday, January 10, 11 a.m. and Wednesday, January 28, 3:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of building and learning with snap circuits K'nex and magformers.

**Family Storytime**
- Orlando Public Library, Children's Library: Saturdays, January 10 and 24, 11 a.m.

Join us for a fun-filled program for the little ones in your life! Our program gives caregivers and children the opportunity to share, listen and enjoy stories and other activities together. Recommended for ages 0-5.

**String Beans Live in Concert**
- Winter Garden Branch: Friday, January 9, 10:30 a.m.
- South Creek Branch: Monday, January 12, 4:30 p.m.
- North Orange Branch: Tuesday, January 13, 11 a.m.

Children's music group The String Beans is touring Florida and will stop at the library! Join us for a toe-tapping good time full of music, dancing and fun.
Music with Mar  
Alafaya Branch  Monday, January 12, 10:30 a.m.  
Sing, dance and have fun with Mar Harman. This program does not teach music but uses it to teach. Parents and children can participate in activities that aid in basic social, motor, language and cognitive skills. Recommended for ages 0-4.

Journey Down Under  
Washington Park Branch  Thursday, January 15, 10:15 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch  Saturday, January 17, 11 a.m.  
Eatonville Branch  Wednesday, January 28, 3:45 p.m.  
North Orange Branch  Thursday, January 29, 4 p.m.  
Hey mate! It’s time for some interactive Australian fun. Learn interesting facts about Australia’s culture and wildlife with stories, games and crafts.

Storybook Yoga  
Orlando Public Library, Children’s Library  Saturday, January 17, 11 a.m.  
Join us for an introduction to yoga with Maggie Mathwich. Learn poses inspired by your favorite picture books. Registration required.

Games Galore  
North Orange Branch  Saturdays, January 17 and 31, 2 p.m.  
Bring the whole family to the library for games galore!

Book Bingo  
Herndon Branch  Wednesday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.  
Celebrate back-to-school by playing bingo. You could win a book to take home.

Dewey’s Amazing Race  
Alafaya Branch  Saturday, January 24, 11 a.m.  
Race around the world and choose challenges inspired by the Dewey Decimal System.

Sunshine Storytime: For Children of All Abilities  
Orlando Public Library, Children’s Library  Saturday, January 31, 11 a.m.  
Join us for a storytime with songs, stories and interactive play. This program is designed for children who prefer small group activities or have sensory, social or developmental challenges. Ages 3-8. Registration required.

Hanging Out at the Porch  
Orlando Public Library, Children’s Library  Fridays, 3 p.m.  
Hang out and enjoy games, crafts, movies or other activities.

Sunshine State Book Club  
West Oaks Branch  Tuesday, January 27, 3:30 p.m.  
This month’s pick from the Sunshine State Readers List for 3rd-5th grade is ‘When Life Gives You O.J.’ by Erica S. Perl. Join the book club for crafts, prizes and fun.

Jump To It!  
Herndon Branch  Wednesday, January 7, 3:30 p.m.  
Join us for a program that will leave your heart jumping and your mind racing! Get fit while learning about nutrition, exercise and wellness with games and activities.

When Life Gives You O.J.  
Erica S. Perl
Tiny Tales - rhyme time for you and your baby (birth to 18 months)

Orlando Public Library  
Fridays 9:30 a.m.  
Saturdays 9:30 a.m.

Alafaya Branch  
Thursdays 10:15, 10:45, 11:15 a.m.

Herndon Branch  
Tuesdays 11:15 a.m.

North Orange Branch  
Wednesdays 11:15 a.m.

South Creek Branch  
Mondays 11:45 a.m.

Southeast Branch  
Wednesdays 11:45 a.m.

Southwest Branch  
Thursdays 11:45 a.m.

West Oaks Branch  
Mondays 11:15 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch  
Wednesdays 11:15 a.m.

Windermere Branch  
Thursdays 11:15 a.m.

Toddler Time - stories/activities (18 to 36 months)

Orlando Public Library  
Fridays 10 a.m.  
Saturdays 10 a.m.

Alafaya Branch  
Fridays 10:15, 11:15 a.m.

Herndon Branch  
Tuesdays 10:45 a.m.

North Orange Branch  
Wednesdays 10:45 a.m.

South Creek Branch  
Mondays 10:45, 11:15 a.m.

Southeast Branch  
Wednesdays 10:45, 11:15 a.m.

Southwest Branch  
Thursdays 10:45, 11:15 a.m.

West Oaks Branch  
Mondays 10:45 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch  
Wednesdays 10:45 a.m.

Windermere Branch  
Thursdays 10:45 a.m.

Storybook Fun - for your little ones (ages 3-5)

Orlando Public Library  
Fridays 10:30 a.m.  
Saturdays 10:30 a.m.

Alafaya Branch  
Fridays 10:45, 11:45 a.m.

Herndon Branch  
Tuesdays 10:15 a.m.

North Orange Branch  
Wednesdays 10:15 a.m.

South Creek Branch  
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West Oaks Branch  
Mondays 10:15 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch  
Wednesdays 10:15 a.m.

Windermere Branch  
Thursdays 10:15 a.m.

Smarty Pants! - Recommended for ages 0-5

Eatonville Branch  
Thursdays 10:15 a.m.

Edgewater Branch  
Mondays 10:15 a.m.

Hiawassee Branch  
Fridays 10:15 a.m.

South Trail Branch  
Fridays 10:15 a.m.

Washington Park Branch  
Tuesdays 10:15 a.m.

Enjoy a fun-filled story program with a learning twist that teaches, motivates, entertains and educates all the Smarty Pants in your life!

Children’s Group Programs

Orlando Public Library  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Every half hour, starting at 9:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.

(Groups, please call ahead 407.835.7323)

KEEP CALM: It’s a New Year ✡
Orlando Public Library,  
Club Central  
Wednesday, January 7, 3:30 p.m.
Start the New Year right! Learn tips for a better and healthier lifestyle, and challenge friends to mini-fitness contests.

ACT/SAT Practice Test
North Orange Branch  
Saturday, January 10, 12:30 p.m.
Kaplan will offer a full-length ACT/SAT combo practice test.
This four-hour test allows students to invest time in one test instead of two different exams, providing a projected score for future testing. Students must bring two pencils, a calculator and are permitted to bring a snack or drink to have during the breaks. Registration required by Thursday, January 8.
Mayor Buddy’s Book Club
Join Mayor Buddy’s Book Club to celebrate the completion of our latest book, win prizes and hear the announcement of our next book club title. Sign up online or see what we are reading at mayor.ocls.info.

Animanga
Orlando Public Library, Club Central
Thursday, January 15, 6 p.m.
Are you an anime and manga fan? If so, join us to interact with other teens who love Japanese entertainment. Chat about your favorite manga and watch anime while meeting new friends!

Teen Voices
Orlando Public Library, Club Central
Thursday, January 22, 6 p.m.
Join our Teen Advisory Board to meet new people and develop teen library programs and services while earning community service hours.

Teen Library Corps
All Locations
Volunteer with the Teen Library Corps and give back a little “TLC” to your library and your community. Plan programs, help out at events, give suggestions for teen services, meet new people and earn community service hours for school. If you are between the ages of 13-18 and love to have fun, join TLC today! For more information, please call 407.835.7323 or go online at ocls.info/TLC.

Gaming at the Library!
If you love gaming like we love gaming, get your game on at the library! Join us for action-packed fun at multiple locations. Visit ocls.info/GamingEvents for dates, times and locations.

Maleficent Movie & Craft
South Creek Branch   Saturday, January 10, 2:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Club Central   Wednesday, January 14, 3:30 p.m.
Washington Park Branch   Thursday, January 15, 6 p.m.
Windermere Branch   Friday, January 16, 11 a.m.
South Trail Branch   Saturday, January 17, 2 p.m.
Edgewater Branch   Wednesday, January 21, 6 p.m.
Herndon Branch   Saturday, January 24, 2 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch   Saturday, January 31, 2 p.m.
Watch the story of one of Disney’s most iconic villains, Maleficent, and make a magical craft.

“No Bake” Teen Movie & Snack
Eatonville Branch   Thursday, January 22, 3:30 p.m.
Edgewater Branch   Tuesday, January 27, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Club Central   Wednesday, January 28, 3:30 p.m.
South Creek Branch   Saturday, January 31, 2:30 p.m.
Start your culinary journey to becoming a “no bake” teen chef. Try out a recipe and snack while we screen The Hundred-Foot Journey.

Teen Art Adventures: Wrap It
South Creek Branch   Saturday, January 17, 2:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Club Central   Wednesday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.
Create beautiful wall art with recycled cardboard tubes, yarn, ribbon and string.

Teens Can!: A D.I.Y. Expo
Orlando Public Library, Library Central   Saturday, January 17, 2 p.m.
Whether you invented the next great gadget or just enjoy making stuff, we want you to show off your skills by exhibiting your finished product. Space is limited. Registration required. Visit ocls.info/teens for complete rules and entry form.

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South Creek Branch   Saturday, January 17, 2:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library, Club Central   Wednesday, January 21, 3:30 p.m.
Create beautiful wall art with recycled cardboard tubes, yarn, ribbon and string.

All Locations
January 2-29
Are you artistic? Enter the Youth Art Contest! All types of media are accepted including but not limited to paintings, drawings, sculpture, jewelry and graphic design. Entry forms are available at all Orange County Library System locations or print one from ocls.info/teens. Awards will be presented at the Youth Art Show on Thursday, February 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Orlando Public Library. See entry form for complete rules. Grades 6-12.
Improve your technology skills at the library by attending hands-on technology classes available at select locations. Our curriculum covers a variety of essential topics and software including:

- Wearable Electronic Fashion, Talking Picture Frame and Custom RGB Lighting for Makers.
- Video Control Room, Adobe After Effects: Green Screen Keying, and Adobe Premiere: Color Correction for budding filmmakers.

Our tech classes are designed to meet your needs and to help you achieve your goals through hands-on training and expert instruction.

Register for a class at any location, online at ocls.info/classes or call 407.835.7323.
Most classes are free to Orange County district resident cardholders, Fee cardholders, and Orange County Property Owner cardholders. Some classes are fee-based to cover the cost of the materials. Out-of-district individuals may attend by paying a $10 non-refundable fee at time of registration prior to class time. A $5 late cancellation fee will be charged unless reservations are canceled by 11:59 p.m. the day before the class is scheduled. Registration required. Classes at the Orlando Public Library are held in the Technology and Education Center on the second floor of the library.

> CLASS DISCOVERY WIZARD
ocls.info/classes
We have hundreds of classes! Let the Wizard help you discover the right classes for you based on your technology experience.

> SEE WHAT YOU’LL LEARN
Before you attend a class, get a sneak peek at the topics that will be taught and the recommended prerequisites. A full list of class descriptions can be found at ocls.info/classes.

> ON-DEMAND CLASSES
If you don’t have time to attend a class, brush up on your computer skills at your own pace at any time or any place. Find a list at ocls.info/ondemandclasses.

> NEED A PLACE FOR TRAINING?
Our classrooms at the Orlando Public Library offer modern, comfortable and attractive training centers for business and civic groups. Available for daily rental. For more information, please call 407.835.7323. ocls.info/classrentals.
> FEATURED CLASSES

For more information, call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info/classes.

IN THE
FAB
LAB

Check out the new offerings from the Melrose Center’s Fab Lab!

littleBits: Robotics for Kids (9-12)
Build simple robots that react to light, sound and movement with these simple kits of electronic components. Learn how power, sensors and output devices can be compared to human senses and actions.

Introduction to Electronics Prototyping with Arduino Level 2
Use the Arduino software to control custom circuits that you construct. Learn the steps to make sensors affect an action. Build a circuit and program it with Arduino to function as a working traffic light.

Check out the Melrose Center at Otronicon
The Melrose Center will exhibit at the Orlando Science Center’s Otronicon January 16-19. Otronicon is the most interactive technology expo in Central Florida. You can experience the worlds of video gaming and simulation. Join in on the action at Otronicon and stop by the Melrose Center booth while you’re there!
A number of meet-ups take place at the Melrose Center on a monthly basis. Take a look and stop by a meet-up to learn more. Please refer to the event calendar for further information.

**IndieNomicon**
IndieNomicon is a community banded together on a mission to bring awareness to the excitement, culture and incredible talent of the indie game developers of Central Florida.

**Orlando Podcasters**
This group discusses podcasting, podcasting technology, setups, software, services, techniques, and tips and tricks.

**Orlando Drupal**
Review the latest happenings in Drupal as well as connect with local Drupal colleagues.

**Orlando.NET User Group (ONETUG)**
Showcases speakers and content centered on the Microsoft .NET stack and developers from all platforms.

**Orlando Robotics & Makers Club**
Share knowledge of robotics, 3D Printing, radio-controlled airplanes, micro-controllers and other Maker projects.

**LAST CALL**
Submission Cutoff is Wednesday, January 7!

Come to the Melrose Center First Anniversary event on Saturday, February 7 to find out which submissions were chosen to win and who will take home the $1,000 Grand Prize! For more information, please visit ocls.info/melroseawards.
NEW SERIES

Money Talks for Women
Melrose Center, Tech Central  Tuesday, January 13, 6 p.m.
Join us for a new monthly program where women get together to engage comfortably in dialogue about money, investing and financial wellness. Learn about library services such as Morningstar Investment Research Center, goal-oriented tools for saving, investing and more. Discuss what works for achieving financial confidence for women and share money management best practices across the financial spectrum. Women of all ages and financial backgrounds are encouraged to join the conversation.

For more information, visit ocls.info/melrose or call 407.835.7323.

Web Development with the Iron Yard
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  Thursday, January 22, 6:30 p.m.
Have you heard about the exciting new careers in web development but don’t know what that means? Join David Rogers, a career web developer with more than 15 years experience, as he explores web development and explains some of the mysticism of the Internet.

The Storytelling Robot
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  Saturday, January 17 1:30 p.m.
Join the creators of TROBO, the plushy storytelling robot, as they share their innovative invention and discuss the development process. Learn about exciting advancements in science and engineering, and hear one of TROBO’s science stories.

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TECH TALKS: TECH CENTRAL

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CLOSURES

The Orange County Library System will be closed Sunday, January 18 and Monday, January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. All locations will resume normal hours on Tuesday, January 20.

YOU'RE INVITED!

If you still haven't checked out the newest and coolest thing in town, now is your chance! Join us on Saturday, February 7 for the Melrose Center First Anniversary event. The winners of the first annual Melrose Awards will receive their prizes and Open House events will take place throughout the day. The Dorothy Lumley Melrose Center for Technology, Innovation & Creativity is a 26,000-square-foot digital technology center located on the second floor of the Orlando Public Library. In addition to a large interactive media wall, it offers sound, video and photography studios along with flight simulators and a fab lab with 3D printers. There are also driving and construction simulators that allow workers to gain skills in the building trades. Demonstrations and festivities will take place throughout the day. Mark your calendars for this special event!