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**Follow the yellow brick road into the library for Booktoberfest**

**ORLANDO, Fla. (September 23, 2019)** – Join Dorothy, Toto and their friends in the Land of Oz during this year's Booktoberfest, which takes place on October 4 at Orlando Public Library. This is the seventh year for the Friends of the Orange County Library System's annual fundraising event, which features a silent auction, raffles and entertainment, as well as beer from local brewers and light bites from local restaurants.

As you journey down the yellow brick road, sample beer from Der Bungalower Biergarten, sponsored by Bungalower, which will feature brews from local craft breweries, including Rockpit Brewing, Ivanhoe Park Brewing, Ravenous Pig Brewing, Hop Life Brewing, Hourglass Brewing, Motorworks Brewing, and Sideward Brewing. Enjoy German-inspired food from Roque Pub, taste delicious samples from the Florida Technical College Culinary Arts Program, and refreshing ice cream from The Greenery Creamery. Dress up as your favorite Wizard of Oz character and participate in a costume contest. As part of the event, silent and live auctions will be held featuring tickets to local attractions, restaurants and one-of-a-kind experiences. To preview auction items and bid early online, visit [32auctions.com/booktoberfest2019](http://32auctions.com/booktoberfest2019).

Booktoberfest will be held on Friday, October 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Orlando Public Library, 101 E. Central Blvd. Tickets are available to purchase online and at the door for \$35 general admission and \$50 for an upgraded experience, which includes a chance to pick your seating, an engraved glass, library swag and more. Ages 21 and up. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Orange County Library System, which helps fund important library programs and initiatives.

Booktoberfest is supported by our featured sponsors Bungalower, Roque Pub, Florida Technical College, The Greenery Creamery, Vestal & Wiler Certified Public CPAs, and the Friends of the Orange County Library System. For more information about Booktoberfest and to buy tickets, visit [ocls.info/booktoberfest](https://ocls.info/booktoberfest).

The Friends of the Orange County Library System, a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization, was organized in 1949 to support and cooperate with the Library in enhancing resources, innovations and services for the public. The Friends work to increase public awareness and use of the Library. The Friends sponsor library programs, and also work to encourage gifts, endowments and bequests for the benefit of the Library.

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