

Children's

Contests

Celebrate My Library: Children's Bookmark Contest

All Locations: October 1-24

Calling all artists to get creative and celebrate your library! Create a bookmark picturing what you love about the library, your favorite book or anything in between. The winning bookmark will be printed and distributed to all Orange County library locations. Pick up an entry form at any Orange County Library System location. Deadline for entries is October 24, 2016. Ages 6-12. The winners will be notified by phone no later than October 29, 2016. Orange County Library System juvenile regular, property owner, or fee card in good standing is required to win. OCLS staff and their families, including Board members, are ineligible.

Check It Out: Crayola Experience

All Locations: October 1-28

Check out five items with your library card at any Orange County Library System location and receive a Buy One Get One Free coupon to visit Crayola Experience at The Florida Mall! This promotion is only for OCLS juvenile cardholders (0-17 years) with a regular, property owner, or fee card in good standing. In-person check out only. While supplies last. Coupons will not be mailed. Not valid for previous checkouts, books by mail or electronic book downloads. Redeem coupon at the Crayola Experience by December 31, 2016.

Early Learning Events Ages 0-5

Texture Inspectors

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 1, 10:30 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Friday, October 7, 11:30 a.m.

Herndon Branch

Friday, October 14, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Monday, October 17, 10:30 a.m.

Soft or hard? Rough or smooth? Enhance your toddler's sensory development with hands-on discovery of a variety of textures. Ages 18 months–3 years. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Cuentame un Cuento: Tell Me a Story Bilingual Stories and Fun

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, October 1, 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.

Get Ready for K

Windermere Branch

Mondays, October 3 – November 7, 10:30 a.m.

Preschoolers will hear songs and stories to help them begin learning the skills that they will need to start kindergarten. The series of six programs will introduce reading, math, basic concepts, basic skills, health

and safety and art. Ages 3-5. Registration is required. Call 407.835.7323 to register. Get more ideas for how to prepare your child at ocls.info/kindergarten.

Toddler Peekaboo

Eatonville Branch

Monday, October 3, 10:15 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Monday, October 10, 10:30 a.m.

West Oaks Branch

Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m.

Fun surprises await toddlers with stories and activities inspired by our favorite game, Peekaboo! Ages 18 months- 3 years. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Artsy Toddler

Southwest Branch

Monday, October 3, 10:30 a.m.

Chickasaw Branch

Mondays, October 3-17, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, October 6, 10:30 a.m.

Alafaya Branch

Monday, October 10, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch

Mondays, October 10 & 24, 11 a.m.

Paint, paste, glue, stamp and create! Young children will enjoy stories, songs and exploring age-appropriate art experiences. Ages 1-3.

Baby Bash

Alafaya Branch

Monday, October 3, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your baby to our fun series where we will sing, play and work on developing motor skills. Ages 0-2.

SMART Start

North Orange Branch

Tuesdays, October 4-25, 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Wednesdays, October 5 & 19, 10 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, October 20, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for hands-on early learning adventures observing science, math and art in a sensory-rich environment. Dress for a mess. Ages 2-4. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Bubble Playtime

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, October 5, 10:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Friday, October 7, 10:30 a.m.

Hiawassee Branch

Friday, October 7, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursdays, October 13 & 27, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child with their motor development skills in this interactive bubble class. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers. Ages 1-3. Limited space available. Registration recommended.

Literacy & Locomotion

Chickasaw Branch

Thursday, October 6, 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Wednesdays, October 12 & 26, 10 a.m.

Help your child learn by playing as we weave early literacy practices into fun interactive stories, songs, rhythm and dance. Ages 0-3. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Peek-a-Whoo

North Orange Branch

Friday, October 7, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Monday, October 10, 3:30 p.m.

Let's hang out with owl and his night friends. Reading is a hoot with these songs, stories, activities and more! Ages 3-5.

I'm Not Scared

Chickasaw Branch

Thursday, October 13, 11 a.m.

West Oaks Branch

Thursday, October 13, 11 a.m.

North Orange Branch

Friday, October 21, 11 a.m.

Owl is absolutely, positively not scared of the dark, and you shouldn't be either! Calling all courageous preschoolers for a fun time filled with fearless stories, activities and crafts. Ages 3-5.

Storybook Yoga

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m.

Join us for an introduction to yoga with Maggie Mathwich. Learn poses inspired by your favorite picture books. Ages 3-6. Registration required.

Animals Around the World

Windermere Branch

Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Monday, October 17, 3:30 p.m.

Eatonville Branch

Monday, October 31, 10:15 a.m.

Discover animals from America and around the world through art and stories. Ages 3-5.

Tiny House

Orlando Public Library

Monday-Friday, October 17-21, 10 a.m.

Inviting little explorers to learn, grow and play with hands-on activities inspired by using objects in your kitchen, garden and more! Ages 2-4. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Children's Events Ages 6-12

Toy Story Movie and a Craft

Chickasaw Branch

Saturday, October 1, 11 a.m.

Hiwassee Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 6 p.m.

Edgewater Branch

Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Saturday, October 15, 2:30 p.m.

We are going to infinity and beyond with a special *Toy Story* movie screening and craft. Ages 6-12.

Up All Night!

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, October 1, 1 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.

Hoot! Growl! Screech! Chirp! Who is waking up as we go to sleep? Discover nocturnal animals and how they survive in a world of darkness. Ages 6-12.

Dragonology

Edgewater Branch

Saturday, October 1, 2 p.m.

Chickasaw Branch

Monday, October 10, 3:30 p.m.

Herndon Branch

Wednesday, October 26, 3:30 p.m.

Do you believe in dragons? If you are a true believer you don't want to miss this exciting adventure to discover the truth about these legendary creatures. Ages 6-12.

Afterschool Club

South Creek Branch

Mondays, October 3-31, 5 p.m.

Join us for a variety of projects - science, technology, crafts and music! Each week a different project will be offered. Ages 6-12.

Easy Work

West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 5 p.m.

The right tools can make complicated tasks easier. Learn about simple machines that can help make chores a breeze. Ages 6-12.

Science Tuesdays

Winter Garden Branch

Tuesdays, October 4-18, 6 p.m.

Join us to make, create and build with hands-on activities. Ages 6-12.

Drop In Chess

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, October 5, 2 p.m.

Drop in for a game of chess at the library on the first Wednesday of each month. Chess sets are available for play and rule sheets are provided. All ages.

Crafternoons

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesdays, October 5-26, 3:30 p.m.

Stop by the library for an hour of crafting fun with friends. Ages 6-12.

Destination Earth

Eatonville Branch

Thursday, October 6 & 20, 2:30 p.m.

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 3:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library

Thursday, October 20, 3 p.m.

Explore our planet and learn about the geography and culture of exciting places around the world. Ages 6-12.

The CREATE Space

Orlando Public Library

Fridays, October 7-28, 3 p.m.

What will you create today? Explore, experiment or be entertained. Ages 6-18.

Ozobots®

West Oaks Branch

Saturday, October 8 & 15, 11 a.m.

Learn the basics of coding and computer programming using a miniature Ozobot® robot. No prior coding knowledge needed. Registration required. Ages 9-12.

Super Science

Alafaya Branch

Saturday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.

Are you someone who likes to see things crash, bubble, spark and fly? If so, then Science Saturday at the Alafaya Library is the place to be! Each month we will conduct awesome new experiments, learning all about chemistry, physics, earth science and more. This program is intended for scientists ages 8-13. Registration is required.

Science of Harry Potter

Herndon Branch

Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m.

Windermere Branch

Thursday, October 20, 3:30 p.m.

Washington Park Branch

Saturday, October 22, 1 p.m.

Journey with us to the magical world of Harry Potter and discover the science behind magical potions, mysterious creatures and more. Ages 6-12.

Afternoon Art

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, October 12, 3 p.m.

Join us for an art adventure! Learn about a different artist and artistic style each time and then create your own masterpiece. Ages 6-12. Registration required.

Minecraft® Madness

Winter Garden Branch

Fridays, October 14 & 28, 2:30 p.m.

Blast, creep or dig your way to the library and celebrate the world of Minecraft® with games, crafts and activities. Bring your laptop or mobile device to play with friends. The whole family is welcome.

Cookies & Milk with a Cop

North Orange Branch

Saturday, October 15, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 15, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your kids to meet our local police officers for cookies and milk! This will be a great time to interact with officers in a fun and informative environment. Sponsored by the Winter Garden Police Department. Ages 6-12.

Treehouse Adventures

Edgewater Branch

Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, October 22, 1 p.m.

Join us for high adventure and interactive activities based on the popular *Magic Tree House* series. Ages 6-9.

Book Bingo!

Herndon Branch

Wednesday, October 26, 3:30 p.m.

Every last Wednesday of the month Book Bingo is the Game-O! You could win a book. Ages 6-12.

Paws to Read

Sign up to practice your reading skills by reading aloud to a lovable, furry listener. 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.

