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Library University is an opportunity to learn about Library resources and show how they can be used in schools.

Library University is open to all full-time, 3rd through 12th grade educators in the Orange County, Florida School District for the 2018 school year. Application deadline April 15, 2018. Space is limited. Email LibraryU@ocls.info with any questions.

OCPS Educators may earn in-service points and a $75 honorarium for participating. Applicants must have an Orange County Library Card in good standing and receive approval from their administrators prior to submitting an application for the event.

To apply visit ocls.info/LibraryU

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Thursday, June 14, 8:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

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January is a month when everybody looks to the future. If you’re like most people, you’re probably making resolutions and setting goals that will help you live a healthier, more productive and less stressful life. Maybe you’re even filling up your 2018 planner so you’re prepared to take advantage of all of the possibilities the new year has to offer. While you’re at it, I hope that making more visits to the library is at the top of your list. Not only does the library offer you the opportunity to enrich your mind with reading and learning opportunities – we can also help you make good on some of those other New Year’s resolutions that are notoriously difficult to keep.

If healthier eating is one of your goals for the new year, you can register for one of our Cuisine Corner cooking demonstrations, which feature local chefs who share recipes, cooking techniques and new ideas for deliciously healthy meals. This month, you can learn to make a vegan pasta dish with zucchini noodles, find out what foods will help you age well and learn what it means to go Paleo. Our cooking demonstrations are proof that healthy doesn’t have to mean boring!

If you’re hoping to declutter and organize this year, we’re hosting several events this month that will offer tips and tricks to help you tackle daunting projects and take control of the chaos before it takes over your life.

For those who’ve always wanted to trace their ancestry, we always offer a wide range of genealogy events and classes that will show you how to use DNA, property records and other resources to dig deep into your family history.

Most people say that spending more time with family is one of the things they’d like to do more of in the new year, and there are few better places to reconnect with your loved ones than at the library. Whether it’s at a storytime for the little ones, a Pilates class with mom or a Latin dance class with your significant other, our branches offer plenty of opportunities to unplug and spend quality time with the people who mean the most to you.

As you flip through this issue, think about what you hope to accomplish this year – I bet you’ll find a library event, class or program that can help you.

Happy New Year!
Call for Artists: Celebrating the Genius of Women

Women in the Arts Inc. and the Orange County Library System invite professional female artists to submit their work to be featured in the upcoming annual exhibition Celebrating the Genius of Women, at the Orlando Public Library in March and April 2018. Finalists chosen from the entries submitted will be eligible for $2,000 in cash prizes and gallery representation at Baterby’s Art Gallery. Apply online at womeninthearts.org/art-competition. Submissions must be received by 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 24.

Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive
Orlando Public Library, 1st Floor
On Display Through January

The Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive is a one-way, 11-mile journey through an extraordinary wildlife habitat and restoration project gaining national attention as a destination for birders, wildlife enthusiasts and nature lovers. The Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive exhibition features a collection of over 40 photographs displaying some of the resident bird, alligator, cat, turtle and snake species that call Lake Apopka home.

A Tribute to Nature: A Florida Backyard
Southwest Branch
On Display Through March

Artist Marie L. Carrasquillo creates vibrant works that celebrate the beauty of nature found in her backyard. Her exhibit features photography, watercolors, colored pencils and silk painting. Carrasquillo’s love for nature and her concern for it has been the constant theme of her life and art. A trained biologist, Carrasquillo extends her career into her art as a tool to share her love and concern for the natural world with others.

ART 101: JEWELS OF THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.

The ornate jewelry created in the Russian Empire is known for its exquisite gemstones and precious metals. This month, learn the FACETnating history of these jewels and create your own piece of art inspired by the famous Fabergé eggs. Register online at ocls.info or call 407.835.7323. Ages 15 and up.

ART & DISPLAY

Duo Beaux Arts - Featuring Dr. Catherine Lan and Professor Tao Lin
Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Saturday, January 6, 2 p.m.

Classical pianists Dr. Catherine Lan and Professor Tao Lin have toured nationally and internationally as recitalists, concert soloists, piano duo/duet and chamber musicians.

Hungrytown
Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Sunday, January 7, 2 p.m.

Hungrytown is the musical and married duo of Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson. They have released two highly acclaimed albums, Hungrytown (2008) and Any Forgotten Thing (2011) and have toured throughout the US, Canada, Europe and New Zealand. Rebecca has a reputation for crafting classic, instantly memorable songs, weaving modern themes into traditional song structures and Ken is an accomplished multi-instrumentalist as well as a talented producer and arranger. Their latest album, Further West, was released in 2015. For more information about Hungrytown, please visit hungrytown.net.

MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY

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Storytime for Grownups!
Chickasaw Branch
Mondays, January 8 & 29, 2 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesdays, January 10 & 24, 2 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesdays, January 16 & 30, 2 p.m.
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, January 17, 10:30 a.m.

Why should kids have all the fun? Come to the library and enjoy a story or activity as our talented library storytellers entertain ages 18 and up! Each branch will have a unique storytime. Be sure to check out your local branch for unique event details. For more information, visit ocls.info/grownupstorytime.

Understanding Your Social Security Benefits
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 2 p.m.
Edgewater Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 2 p.m.

Social Security touches the lives of every American, both directly and indirectly. Social Security helps older Americans, workers who become disabled, and families in which a spouse or parent dies — improving quality of life for millions. Achieving the dream of a secure, comfortable retirement is much easier when you plan your finances. Topics covered in this seminar include retirement benefits, survivor benefits, disability benefits and Medicare. Discover your benefits at SocialSecurity.gov.

Smarter Senior Series: What You Need to Know About Home Services
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Looking for a home services professional you can trust? Mike Flahaven, a Certified Senior Housing Professional (CSHP), knows what it takes to find a trusted plumber, roofer, handyman, electrician or cooling/heating professional. Learn how to create a list of trusted resources to get your home service job done right the first time with less stress! Light refreshments will be served. This event is part of the ongoing Smarter Senior Seminar Series presented by Mike Flahaven, E-Pro, SFR, CSHP. To learn more, visit yourfloridahaven.com. To register, contact Mike Flahaven at 407.340.5291. Registration required.

A Nutritional Approach to Bone Health
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Thursday, January 18, 12:10 p.m.

Healthy bones are crucial to a healthy body and nutrition is an essential part of strong bones. This practical class will show you what foods are “bone healthy,” provide tips on meal planning and explore other ways you can maximize your bone health! This seminar is part of the LIFE Information for Elders series presented by the Orange County’s Commission on Aging. Call 407.836.7446 or email officeonaging@ocfl.net to register.

A small lunch is provided to the first 50 people to RSVP.

INTRODUCTION TO PILATES FOR ADULTS
Southeast Branch
Tuesdays, January 9 & 23, 2 p.m.

Exercise your way to fitness in this introduction to Pilates class. Learn simple moves that will work your muscles, help alignment and encourage flexibility. Comfortable exercise or loose fitting clothing required, yoga mats encouraged. Registration recommended. Register online at ocls.info/nextchapter or call 407.835.7323. You are welcome to attend multiple classes.
Goal Getter Visioning Workshop  
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
**Sunday, January 7, 2–5 p.m.**  
Join Sara Brown, Success & Beyond Life Coach, as she kicks off the Goal Getter event series with an inspiring vision board workshop. Learn the secret to activating your aspirations and manifesting your ideal life through goal setting and intentional visualization. Seating is limited. Registration required. To register visit ocls.info or call 407.835.7323.

Conquer Your Clutter  
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
**Thursday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.**  
Address areas of your home organization in a relaxed and open environment to develop change in this six-workshop series. For more details about each workshop visit ocls.info/back2basics. Attendees are encouraged to bring a pen and notebook.

1/18: Develop a Plan, Kitchen & Dining areas  
2/1: Master Bedroom  
2/15: Closet & Bathroom  
3/1: Financials  
3/15: Common Areas  
3/29: Storage Areas

Starting Your Own Non-Profit  
Herndon Branch  
**Thursday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.**  
Have you ever wanted to start your own non-profit but aren’t sure where to start? Get your questions answered by De Lisa Bonaparte, founder of the non-profit organization, Patricia’s Rock. Learn tips and tricks for navigating the process and where to find local resources to assist you.

Divorce & Money: How to Make the Best Financial Decisions During Divorce  
By Violet Woodhouse  
346.7301 WOO  
This book provides the tools and advice to navigate the financial burdens of a divorce and move towards a new fresh start full of financial stability.

The Joy of Less: A Minimalist Guide to Declutter, Organize, and Simplify  
By Francine Jay  
648.8 JAY  
The founder of Missminimalist.com, provides expert advice towards a clutter-free home. From completely downsizing or just cleaning out a few areas, readers will find useful tools for success.

Growing the Perfect Vegetables: A Visual Guide to Raising and Harvesting Prime Garden Produce  
By Mel Bartholomew Foundation  
635 GRO  
A guide full of photographs and advice for growing vegetables year round that will be beneficial for traditional gardening plots, growing in containers, or even raised bed gardening.

Dog Training 101: Step-By-Step Instructions for Raising a Happy, Well-Behaved Dog  
By Kyra Sundance  
636.7088 SUN  
New and seasoned dog owners will find the tools and advice to make your dog the best dog in the neighborhood. Tricks and tips are accompanied by detailed step-by-step instructions and photographs.
CURBING YOUR DOG’S UNWANTED BEHAVIOR
Windermere Branch
Thursday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.
Does your pet have a problem with jumping, barking, counter surfing, puppy nipping, potty training or leash pulling? Todd Campbell CPDT-KA, owner and operator of South Orlando Dog Training, will share practical solutions to common canine issues. Get advice on how physically or verbally punishing these common issues can actually make them worse. These tips and tricks are scientifically based techniques that use no force, pain or fear. Pets are not permitted to attend.
LIBRARY EVENTS

Career Academy: Job Smart USA
Orlando Public Library
**Tuesdays, January 2–30, 2 p.m.**
**Friday, January 12, 2 p.m.**
Join us in Learning Central for these recurring job and career-assistance events on the following topics:
1/2 – Searching for Jobs
1/9 – Resume Writing
1/12 – Q&A Session
1/16 – Cover and Thank You Letters
1/23 – Interviewing Skills
1/30 – Q&A Session

Stress Buster Coloring
Southwest Branch
**Wednesday, January 3, 10:15–11:30 a.m.**
Life got you stressed? Unwind at the Library. Turn off your phone, unplug your computer and join us for an hour of stress-busting coloring for adults. All supplies provided. Ages 18 and up. Some supplies provided by Community School of the Arts program sponsored by Women in the Arts Inc., in partnership with the Orange County Library System.

Craft Club
Alafaya Branch
**Wednesday, January 3, 7 p.m.**
Arts and crafts aren’t just for kids! Release your inner child and come to adult crafting. This month, join us for relaxing meditative painting. Registration recommended.

Plant Clinic
Edgewater Branch
**Thursday, January 4, 2–4 p.m.**
Bring your plants, get your soil pH tested and ask questions! Master Gardener Volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office will be available to answer your gardening questions and to assess any plant issues.

Creative Coloring for Adults
Orlando Public Library,
Cypress Room
**Sunday, January 7, 3 p.m.**
Coloring is a great way to relax and unwind while channeling your inner child. Join us for a fun time of creating and coloring. All supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite colored pencils or markers. Ages 18 and up.

Orlando Public Library
Pokémon League
**Sundays, January 7 & 21, 3 p.m.**
Calling all trainers! Join the official Orlando Public Library Pokémon League. Battle for fun or for glory with the Pokémon Trading Card Game, Pokémon video games and even Pokkén Tournament. Earn cool prizes, meet other trainers and have fun. Trainers of all ages and skill levels welcome. [ocls.info/pokemon](http://ocls.info/pokemon).

CareerSource Central Florida
Chickasaw Branch
**Monday, January 8, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Orlando Public Library
**Monday, January 8, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Hiawassee Branch
**Monday, January 22, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Come spend 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.

Trapped In The Trade:
Film Viewing and Discussion
Alafaya Branch
**Wednesday, January 10, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**
Edgewater Branch
**Wednesday, January 24, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**
North Orange Branch
**Thursday, January 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**
Paving The Way Foundation will be hosting a screening of *Trapped in the Trade*, a docudrama that shines a light on the world of human trafficking. The film is compelling, engaging and deeply human; showing the reality of unknown dangers in relationships and the allure of being a part of the “in” crowd. It also offers hope by encouraging and empowering you to take action. Following the film a Mission Ambassador with Paving the Way Foundation will be leading a conversation designed to empower you to take actions that can prevent our children from being trafficked. Recommended for children 12 and up with parent supervision. Sensitive topics will be discussed.
So You Think You Can Latin Dance?
Edgewater Branch
Thursdays, January 11 & 25, 6:30 p.m.
Join us for a beginners look at popular Latin dances like salsa, merengue and bachata. Both chicos y chicas will have a great time learning new ways to move to the music.

Savvy Savers
West Oaks Branch
Saturday, January 13, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Join in the savings! Become a savvy saver by sharing coupons and savings tips at this monthly meeting.

Craft Club for Adults:
Paper Bead Jewelry
West Oaks Branch
Saturday, January 13, 2–4 p.m.
Come make beautiful handcrafted jewelry using paper beads.

GET ORGANIZED
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Saturday, January 6, 11 a.m.
Herndon Branch
Saturday, January 13, 11 a.m.
Celebrate National Get Organized (GO) 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 on Jane Cole and Happy Home Organizing Solutions, visit happyhomeorganizing.com.

Prisioneros de la trata: Película y discusión
South Creek Branch
Martes, 16 de enero, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Paving the Way Foundation presentará el docudrama Prisioneros de la Trata, que trae a la luz el mundo de la trata de personas. El docudrama es convincente, persuasivo y sumamente humano. Muestra la realidad de los peligros desconocidos en las relaciones y el encanto de formar parte del grupo. También ofrece esperanzas, dándote el ánimo y la fuerza para actuar. Se recomienda para niños de 12 años o más con supervisión de los padres. Se tocarán temas delicados.

Learn the FUNdamentals of Improv
Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Wednesdays, starting January 17, 6 p.m.
Whether you are new to Improv or have some previous performance experience, this eight-week class is about having fun while learning some of the essential skills of Improv including: the basics of agreement and support, getting over shyness and being “in the moment,” always present and connected to your partners. Ages 16 and older. To register, call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info.

Bullet Journaling
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 18, 6 p.m.
Love to make lists, use colorful pens, scrapbook and stay organized? Then Bullet Journaling is for you. Learn how to create your own customized bullet journal at this fun and creative program.
Voices from Beyond the Grave
Windermere Branch
Thursday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.
Join TnT Paranormal for a virtual tour of some of the most haunted locations throughout the US, including Florida. Are these voices from beyond the grave or simply unexplainable? For more information visit TnTParanormal.com.

First Time Home Buyer Workshop
Hiawassee Branch
Saturday, January 20, 10:15 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
Learn about the home-buying process from start to finish in this first-time home buyer class presented by Operation HOPE Inc. Attendees will receive a certificate that meets the requirements for both Orange County and State of Florida Down Payment Assistance Programs. Operation HOPE Inc. is a nonprofit HUD Certified Housing Counseling Agency. To learn more about Operation HOPE Inc., visit operationhope.org. Call or text Porsha Porter at 407.446.1931 or email Porsha.Porter@OperationHOPE.org to register.

BEST SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY BOOKS OF 2017
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Sunday, January 21, 1:30 p.m.
What were the standout Science Fiction & Fantasy books of 2017? Join the Orlando Area Science Fiction Society (OASFiS) for their monthly meeting and a discussion of 2017’s best books. OASFiS is a fan-run, not-for-profit corporation whose goal is the promotion of Science Fiction in all its forms.

The Ghost Society
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
Sunday, January 21, 2 p.m.
The Ghost Society is an open forum hosted by The Beyond Investigators paranormal team. Come share your personal experiences, learn what’s new in the field and discuss books and shows in a casual and fun atmosphere. Join us every third Sunday of the month as we explore this interesting field.

PUZZLE PARTY
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 6–8:45 p.m.
Herndon Branch
Tuesday, January 16, 6–8:45 p.m.
Hiawassee Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 6–8:45 p.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, January 30, 6–7:45 p.m.
Studies have shown that when we work on a jigsaw puzzle we use both sides of the brain. Spending time working on puzzles improves memory, cognitive function and problem solving skills. Join us to put together a jigsaw puzzle with library staff and patrons.
Knit It Level 1: The Knit Stitch
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, January 24, 6:30–8 P.M.
Start knitting today! Create a unique bookmark in your choice of color. Learn casting on, the knit stitch and binding off. Ages 13 and up. Registration Required.

Paint Like Pollock
Winter Garden Branch
Monday, January 29, 6:30 P.M.
Learn about the fascinating life of Jackson Pollock and create your own art inspired by his works. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.

Minimalist Meetup
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, January 30, 6:30–8 p.m.
Join us for a Minimalist meet-up where we will watch The Minimalists’ movie Minimalism: A Documentary About the Important Things. Registration recommended.

Knit It Level 2: Increases and Decreases
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, January 31, 6:30–8 p.m.
Increase your knitting skills. Use increases and decreases to add a delicate edge to your work. Learn yarn overs, the knit two together stitch and pattern reading to create work on the bias. Ages 13 and over. Registration required.

GEORGE BURNS ALIVE AGAIN AND IN CONCERT
Orlando Public Library, Library Central
Saturday, January 20, 11 a.m.
Everyone loves George Burns! Join Broadway and film actor Duffy Hudson as he takes you on a stroll along nostalgia lane. George Burns sings, dances and tells stories like only George Burns can. This one-man, musical and comedy performance of the beloved George Burns is sure to delight the entire family. To learn more about Duffy Hudson, visit duffyhudson.com.
Tranquil Moments  
Windermere Branch  
**Thursday, January 4, 6:30 p.m.**  
Orlando Public Library, Cypress Room  
**Thursday, January 11, 6:30 p.m.**  
Eatonville Branch  
**Tuesday, January 16, 6:30 p.m.**  
Winter Garden Branch  
**Tuesday, January 23, 6:30 p.m.**  
Relax after the holidays and celebrate Hot Tea Month with a cup of stress relief tea. Karon Cannon of Tea Craze shares tips on blending teas to get the perfect cup for your needs, and each participant will blend their own tea to take home. Enjoy a sampling of Karon’s stress relief tea called Tranquil Moments. Registration required.

Basic Cooking Skills  
South Creek Branch  
**Saturdays, January 6 & 20, 1 p.m.**  
**Saturday, February 3, 1 p.m.**  
Every other week, local chef Farah Davids, will show you how to conquer basic cooking skills from boiling or poaching an egg and getting chicken just right, to boiling rice and getting pasta al dente. Registration required.  
1/6 – Pasta and rice with tips and tricks for herbs and spices.  
1/20 – One chicken, three ways with food-prep tips.  
2/3 – All about eggs!

Food is Fuel: Live and Age Well  
Hiawassee Branch  
**Saturday, January 13, 11 a.m.**  
Washington Park Branch  
**Saturday, January 20, 11 a.m.**  
Food is not only fuel for your body it is one of the keys to aging well. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira and certified holistic life coach, will demonstrate how to create delicious food that is also good for you. For more information about Breaking Bread with Mira, visit facebook.com/breakingbreadwithmira. Space is limited. Registration required.

Dig In to Paleo  
Orlando Public Library, Cypress Room  
**Wednesdays, January 17 & 31, 6:30 p.m.**  
Eating paleo can help you avoid additives, decrease inflammation, ditch processed foods and lose weight. Library staff will demonstrate delicious paleo dishes in this two-week series. Registration required.

Registration is required for Cuisine Corner. Space is limited. Register online at ocls.info/cuisinecorner or call 407.835.7323.
Do It Yourself DNA Research
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, January 10, 6:30 p.m.
Spend an evening analyzing your DNA test results. Our Genealogy Specialist will be available to help guide you through roadblocks and assist with answering questions as you conduct your own DNA analysis. You will need to bring your own laptop or mobile device to access your results online.

Genealogy, The Very Basics
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 11, 11 a.m.
Want to learn more about your family history but don’t know where to begin? This program will introduce you to genealogical terms and techniques. Gain the skills to complete an ancestor chart and garner information from living relatives and household sources. Sources that can be used for family-history research will be discussed.

NGSQ Study Group
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m.
Interested in furthering your genealogical research skills? Then the NGSQ Study Group is for you! Each month we will study and discuss one article from the National Genealogical Society Quarterly, focusing on the genealogical techniques presented. January’s article will be David S. Ouimette, “Proving the Parentage of John Bettis: Immigrant Ancestor of Bettis Families in Vermont.” National Genealogical Society Quarterly 98 (September 2010): 189–210.

Discovering U.S. Census Records
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 18, 11 a.m.
The United States Federal Census has been conducted every 10 years beginning in 1790. Learn about what information is contained in each of the censuses and discover how to use all of the various bits of information from the census as clues to further your research.

Genealogical Evidence Analysis
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.
Discover how to analyze genealogical records and evidence. We will discuss the difference between an original record, a derivative record and an authored work and learn to classify information items as primary, secondary or undetermined. In addition, learn to develop a solid research question and how to determine if each piece of information item provides direct, indirect or negative evidence.

Using Vital Records
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 25, 11 a.m.
Births, marriages and deaths are important pieces of information for your family history. Become familiar with the key sources for locating your ancestors’ vital records and discover a few workarounds when the records you need aren’t available.

Recovering Your Revolutionary War Patriot
West Oaks Branch
Saturday, January 27, 10:30 a.m.–Noon
Have you ever wondered if a Revolutionary War patriot ancestor could be hidden in your family tree? Perhaps you are eligible to join the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and you don’t even realize it. If you would like to find out, this workshop is for you! Presented by the Orlando Chapter NSDAR.

Genetic Genealogy in Practice Study Group
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, January 31, 6:30 p.m.
Join us for our genetic genealogy study group and learn how DNA test results can help to confirm, extend and deepen your genealogical research. Each session will focus on specific chapters from the book Genetic Genealogy in Practice by Blaine T. Bettinger and Debbie Parker Wayne, and will consist of a discussion of the chapter’s content, topics and ideas along with a review of the chapter’s study questions.

Digging Up Land Records
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, February 1, 11 a.m.
Land records are often an underutilized resource for genealogy. Come learn about deeds, mortgages, platting and surveys. Discover the difference between metes and bounds, states and public land record states. Uncover how land records can help you jumpstart your research.
WRITERS WORKSHOPS

**Screenwriting 101**
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
**Saturday, January 6, 3 p.m.**
How many times have you thought, “I have a great idea for a movie!” Join Jennie Jarvis, award-winning screenwriter and educator, as she walks you through the basics of what it takes to write a feature film. Learn motion picture formatting, structuring a film and tips on how to sell an idea to Hollywood!

**Writers Group**
Orlando Public Library, Cypress Room
**Sunday, January 21, 4 p.m.**
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.

**OCLS WRITERS CONFERENCE**
Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room
**Saturday, January 27, 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.**
Make 2018 the year you finish and publish a novel. The OCLS Writers Conference will provide the tools and knowledge you need to reach your writing and publishing goals this year. Authors and publishing professionals will teach workshops on both craft and business topics. Registration required. Visit [ocls.info/writersconference](http://ocls.info/writersconference) for more information and to register.
Central Florida Book Club
Edgewater Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 10:15 a.m.–Noon
Join us on the second Tuesday of each month as we discuss a wide range of books. This month’s title is *Sweet By and By* by Todd Johnson.

Alafaya Book Club
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, January 17, 7 p.m.
The Alafaya Book Club’s January selection is *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury. This classic dystopian novel presents a future American society where books are outlawed and firemen burn any that are found.

Hiwassee Book Club
Hiwassee Branch
Monday, January 22, 6:30–8 p.m.
Join us for coffee and conversation as we discuss *The Child* by Fiona Barton. Investigating the discovery of a baby’s skeleton in a redeveloped section of London, journalist Kate Waters discovers links to the kidnapping of a baby from a hospital decades earlier before she is targeted by someone who wants to keep their secrets hidden.

Southwest Book Club
Southwest Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 7–8:45 p.m.
Join the Southwest Book Club to discuss this month’s selection, *The Rainbow Comes and Goes: A Mother and Son on Life, Love, and Loss* by Anderson Cooper and Gloria Vanderbilt. A charming and intimate collection of correspondence between the CNN journalist and his celebrated mother, Gloria Vanderbilt. Both a son’s love letter to his mother in her final years and an unconventional mother’s life lessons for her grown son.

Tertulia Cuatro Gatos / Spanish Book Club
South Creek Branch
*Viernes,* 6:30 p.m.
Southeast Branch
*Jueves,* 6:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
*Martes, 9 de enero,* 6:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
*Martes, 18 de enero,* 6:30 p.m.
Edgewater Branch
*Jueves, 18 de enero,* 6:30 p.m.
Ven y asiste a la sucursal más cercana a ti para que compartas y discutas poesías, literatura, arte o historia! Todos son bienvenidos.

Tertulia Cuatro Gatos / Spanish Book Club
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Windermere Branch
*Martes, 9 de enero,* 6:30 p.m.
Edgewater Branch
*Jueves, 18 de enero,* 6:30 p.m.
Join this Spanish-language book club to discuss literature, art, music and more. All are welcome.
DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN TAKE FREE LANGUAGE-LEARNING CLASSES AT THE LIBRARY?

Attend an ESOL workshop or practice learning a new language at one of our Open Language Labs. To view dates, locations and times, visit ocls.info/events, explore online learning opportunities at ocls.info/language or view our learning English workshops at ocls.info/ESOL.

Open Language Lab Including ESOL Various Locations
Explore and learn English or another language of your choice via computer-based learning in an Open Language Lab. Choose from ELLIS, Mango Languages or Rocket Languages. Please check the calendar for language-learning opportunities, dates and times at your local branch.

Learn English at the Library libguides.ocls.info/englishocls
Explore and learn English in a classroom-based learning environment with an ESOL instructor.

ESL Professional Series
Southeast Branch
Several courses focusing on interview skills, resume and cover letter writing.

Practice Makes Perfect Various Locations
Join us each week as an Adult Literacy League certified instructor helps you build your confidence. This program is presented through partnerships between the Orange County Library System and the Adult Literacy League Inc.

Speaking Clearly:
Beginner and Intermediate
Southeast Branch & South Creek Branch
ESOL series focusing on listening comprehension, pronunciation and spoken English.

Writing Clearly:
Beginner and Intermediate
Southeast Branch & South Creek Branch
ESOL series focusing on grammar and written English.

Reading Clearly:
Beginner and Intermediate
Southeast Branch & South Creek Branch
An English class designed to work on reading skills and strategies to increase reading comprehension. Participants must have a basic understanding of English. Even if participants do not speak English well, they can participate if they understand some English.

English from Zero
Southeast Branch, South Trail Branch, Chickasaw Branch, Hiawassee Branch, North Orange Branch & Washington Park Branch
ESOL workshops, vocabulary and basic grammar for English learners with no English language skills.

English Conversation Hour
Southeast Branch, Chickasaw Branch & South Creek Branch
Practice your English speaking skills and chat with us.

Improve Your English Reading Workshop
Hiawassee Branch
Wednesdays, January 3–31, 6–8 p.m.
Southwest Branch
Thursdays, January 4–25, 1–3 p.m.
Improve your English conversational skills, vocabulary, pronunciation and comprehension by reading a book. This event is presented through a partnership between the Orange County Library System and the Adult Literacy League Inc. Walk-ins welcome. For more information, call 407.422.1540 or visit adultliteracyleague.org.

NEW! Explore and learn English using our new language learning resource in our databases. Only available at your local branch.
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LIBROS

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Ednita Nazario con Leila Cobo
SP B NAZARIO

Origen
Dan Brown
traducción de Aleix Montoto y Claudia Conde
SP 863 BRO

La mujer del camarote 10
Ruth Ware
traducción de Gemma Rovira Ortega
SP 863 WAR

Paternidad consciente
Susan Stiffelman
SP 306.874 STI

Diccionario de sueños y pesadillas
Max Sussol
traducción de Manuel Manzano
SP 154.63 SUS

Por trece razones
Jay Asher
traducción de Jeannine Emery
SP 863 ASH

Pasión escondida
Sarah M. Anderson
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Mindfulness to Help Teens De-stress
Alafaya Branch
Saturday, January 6, 11 a.m.
Being a teenager can be stressful! Learn how mindfulness, a simple but powerful tool, can help you handle stressful situations and transform difficult relationships. This event is recommended for teens and parents.

Move and Play
Alafaya Branch
Monday, January 8, 10:30 a.m.
Join us for a musical morning where we’ll shake and shimmy, move and groove and play along with our favorite songs! Ages 2–5.

Stories & Stretches
Southwest Branch
Monday, January 8, 10:30 a.m.
Calling all little yogis and wiggleworms! Join us for a special movement storytime focusing on motor development that is filled with stories, songs and fun! Ages 2–5.

Kidney Smart
North Orange Branch
Monday, January 8, 2–4 p.m.
Certified educators with Kidney Smart will teach you how your kidneys function. Learn how medications, diet and nutrition work together to help keep you healthy and how to manage other related conditions, including diabetes and hypertension.

Good Morning Yoga
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 13, 11 a.m.
Wake up with us! Children and caregivers will engage in the art of yoga. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or towel. Ages 4–10.

Community Hatha Yoga
Edgewater Branch
Tuesdays, January 16 & 30, 6:30 p.m.
Community Hatha Yoga is a balanced experience of energetic movement and gentle relaxation. This class is appropriate for practitioners of all levels focusing on the importance of mindfulness and body awareness. Each class ends in savasana – a resting posture allowing the body to fully integrate our practice. Comfortable clothing is recommended. Bring a yoga mat. Registration recommended.

Restorative Yoga for Everyone
North Orange Branch
Thursday, January 18, 2 p.m.
Join Michelle from Soul-Ga Yoga for this restorative session to improve patience, increase relaxation, and create awareness along with many other positive life enhancements. Learn breathing techniques designed to ease stress as well as deep stretching movements to release all tensions. All levels welcome. Attendees are encouraged to dress in comfortable clothing and bring your own mat.

Family Health & Wellness Fair
West Oaks Branch
Saturday, January 27, 1–3 p.m.
Celebrate the New Year with a new you! Families are invited to join us for a day of health and wellness. Discover some health and wellness tips, nutritional information and how to start a new workout routine.

Healthy Habits
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 27, 11 a.m.
Good habits start early! Join us as we encourage preschoolers to develop healthy habits for life by teaching them about fitness and nutrition. Ages 3–5.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Holy Guacamole!
North Orange Branch
Wednesday, January 10, 5:30 p.m.
Eatonville Branch
Thursday, January 18, 3:15 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 4 p.m.
Discover some health and wellness tips, nutritional information and how to start a new workout routine. Space is limited. Registration required. Ages 8–18.

Wellness Fair
Family Health & Wellness Fair
Saturday, January 27, 1–3 p.m.
Celebrate the New Year with a new you! Families are invited to join us for a day of health and wellness. Discover some health and wellness tips, nutritional information and how to start a new workout routine. We have all you will need to jump start a new you for the New Year!

SELF-COMPASSION AND MINUTE RELAXATION TECHNIQUES FOR NEW PARENTS
Herndon Branch
Saturday, January 27, 11 a.m.
Having a baby can throw lives into chaos with the new family dynamic. Stress levels rise dramatically with less sleep, assessing baby wants and needs and the new responsibilities and expectations from others. Join Romina Papadopulos and Kathleen Hawkins for an informative session on how to communicate effectively with children; the importance of self-compassion, and the ability for implementing self-compassion including effective relaxation techniques that can help reduce this stress. Walk away with new ideas on parenting and self-care, new practical relaxation skills, and a small gift to use for relaxation purposes, while supplies last.
FEATURED CAMPS AND CLASSES FOR KIDS AND TEENS

WINTER BREAK CAMPS

It’s Sew Easy: Sewing Camp for Teens
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday–Thursday, January 2–4, 10 a.m.–Noon
Washington Park Branch
Tuesday–Thursday, January 2–4, 3–5 p.m.
Use a simple pattern and your imaginations to create a custom pillow for yourself or as a gift. We will teach you everything you need to know to start sewing like a pro. Ages 11–17.

LEGO WeDo Beginner Robotics Camp
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday–Thursday, January 2–4, 2–3:30 p.m.
Build and program LEGO projects with a simple to use computer interface in this three-day camp. Learn how technology plays an active role in our everyday life. Ages 7–10.

BizKids Camp: Developing Your Business Idea
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday–Thursday, January 2–5, 2 p.m.
Do you have an idea but don’t know where to start? In this four-day camp, you will develop a business idea, create a business plan, design marketing materials and pitch your concept to an audience. Ages 9–12.

Space Explorer’s Camp
Orlando Public Library
Wednesday–Friday, January 3–5, 10:30 a.m.
Take a virtual journey into space. This three-day camp is geared toward learning about our solar system, identifying the differences between planets and engaging in fun interactive activities. Ages 7–9.

FEATURED CLASSES

WhizKids: Animated Stories with PowerPoint
Alafaya Branch
Wednesday, January 3, 4:30 p.m.
Let’s huff and puff and make storytelling more exciting! Use PowerPoint to animate The Three Little Pigs as an interactive story. Ages 6–8.

WhizKids: Write a Thank You Letter
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, January 2, 10:30 a.m.
Alafaya Branch
Thursday, January 4, 4:30 p.m.
Students will type text and insert graphics into a thank you letter, while recognizing the parts of a letter and using editing tools in Microsoft Word. Ages 6–8.

WhizKids: Create Thank You Cards Using Publisher
Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, January 3, 3:15 p.m.
Custom design a thank you card with graphics and text. Become familiar with the Publisher environment, explore pre-defined templates and formatting options. Ages 9–12.

READY, SET, CODE! CLUB

Mobile Apps
Edgewater Branch
Mondays, January 22–March 19, 5–6:30 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Wednesdays, January 24–March 21, 3–4:30 p.m.
Alafaya Branch
Wednesdays, January 24–March 21, 4–5:30 p.m.
Join the Ready, Set, Code! Club to design your own mobile apps from scratch. Create an app to solve a problem in your community from wireframing your idea to presenting your prototype app. Ages 9–12.

Video Games
Edgewater Branch
Wednesdays, January 24–March 21, 4–5:30 p.m.
Windermere Branch
Wednesdays, January 24–March 21, 4:30–6 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Saturdays, January 27–March 24, 3–4:30 p.m.
Join the Ready, Set, Code! Club to design your own multi-level video game from scratch. Create a storyboard to outline your game, then use real code to bring it to life.
FIBER ARTS CLASSES & MEETUPS

Knitting and Crochet Nook
South Creek Branch
Thursdays, January 4–25, 2 p.m.
Join us for our weekly knitting and crochet club. All ages and levels are welcome. Please bring your own yarn and needles.

Meetup: Knit and Crochet Night
Orlando Public Library
Thursdays, January 4–25, 5:30 p.m.
Socialize with other fiber artists in a relaxed environment. All ages and levels are welcome.

Let's Knit Dishcloths to Afghans
Orlando Public Library
Monday, January 8, 10 a.m.
Knit a unique design that can be used individually as dishcloths or joined together to create an afghan. Classes are held on the second Monday of each month. Attendees are welcome to join one or all classes. At the end of the year, participants have the option to combine the squares into an afghan with a knitted border.

Meetup: Let's Arm Knit
Orlando Public Library
Friday, January 12, 10 a.m.
Sunday, January 28, 2 p.m.
Arm knit beautiful accessories, blankets and home décor easily and quickly. Learn how to create yarn perfect for arm knitting and knit a classic infinity scarf. No prior experience necessary.

Meetup: Craft It Forward
Orlando Public Library
Monday, January 22, 10 a.m.
Sew, knit or crochet to benefit your community. Select a charity of your choice or contribute to one of our projects.

Meetup: Create Night
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, January 30, 6:30 p.m.
Create a fun, fiber arts project on the last Tuesday of every month. This month create wool dryer balls that shorten drying time, while reducing wrinkles and decreasing static.

NEW YEAR, FRESH START

Get your household budget or small business finances off to a fresh start by becoming a QuickBooks pro!

QuickBooks Pro 2015
Orlando Public Library
Level 1 – Saturday, January 6, 10–11:30 a.m.
Level 2 – Saturday, January 6, Noon–1:30 p.m.
Level 3 – Saturday, January 6, 2–3:30 p.m.
Level 4 – Saturday, January 6, 4–5:30 p.m.

Alafaya Branch
Level 1 – Saturday, January 20, 1–2:30 p.m.
Level 2 – Saturday, January 20, 3–4:30 p.m.
Level 3 – Sunday, January 21, 1:30–3 p.m.
Level 4 – Sunday, January 21, 3:30–5 p.m.
For additional times and locations, see ocls.info/classes...

The Orlando Children's Business Fair (OCBF) was a one-day marketplace, where children debuted their innovative products and inventions and built marketing strategies at the Orlando Public Library. Learn more about the category winners, their businesses and experiences at the OCBF by visiting ocls.info/ocls-blog.
Audio Recording Techniques: Drums
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Saturday, January 20, 10 a.m.
Explore the art of recording drums with this new class. Record it right the first time. Identify the parts and popular arrangements of drum kits while troubleshooting issues with equipment. Record drums in mono, stereo and with spot miking.

MAKERSPACE OPEN LAB
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Saturdays, January 6 & 20, 1–5 p.m.
Do you need a space and tools to build your maker projects? We have the equipment and tools, you bring your materials and projects! Come to our makerspace for help with circuits, soldering, 3D design, woodworking or programming. A specialized instructor will be available to assist you. Use of the equipment requires basic proficiency and safety standards. Tools and equipment available include PC Laptops with Arduino, 3D Design and CNC software, a Makerbot Replicator 3D Printer, a DeltaMaker 3D Printer and a Shapeoko Desktop CNC machine.

Lightroom for Photographers
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Level 1 – Friday, January 26, 9:30 a.m.
Level 2 – Friday, January 26, 11:30 a.m.
Level 3 – Friday, January 26, 1:30 p.m.
Get better control over managing and organizing large collections of photographs. Once your photos are imported, find out how to categorize, tag and rank them. Discover how easy it is to adjust one or multiple photos with just a few simple clicks.

Introduction to Virtual Reality
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Wednesdays, January 17 & 24, 4 p.m.
Explore a world of possibilities with the latest in virtual reality equipment and software. Learn about the principles of VR technology and major platforms. Discover how you can use the resources available at the Melrose Center to develop your own virtual reality experiences.

Melrose Meetups: Say It Paint So!
Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center
Thursday, January 11, 5:45 p.m.
Sit and relax while painting on a canvas with instructor assistance, and walk away with your very own masterpiece!
Come join us for the Melrose Awards ceremony as we honor the best projects completed using Melrose Center resources during the past year. Tag along for tours of the audio, video and photo studios, take a spin on one of our simulators, or try on a VR headset and step into another reality. Enjoy live music from Beth McKee, E-Turn and Marc With a C, and visit with a number of community exhibitors including representatives from the Orlando Science Center, Apple Florida Mall, Tourist City Ghostbusters and many more.

Since opening in February 2014, the Dorothy Lumley Melrose Center for Technology, Innovation and Creativity has allowed the Orange County Library System to expand its role as a provider of technology education. Occupying 26,000 square feet on the second floor of the Orlando Public Library, the Melrose Center allows users to gain the understanding required to be a contributor to and consumer of emerging technologies. We offer state of the art audio, video and photo studios, fabrication and simulation labs, an interactive media wall, editing bays, sound booths, collaborative work spaces and the means to pursue virtual reality and video game development. Over 9,000 OCLS patrons have become Melrose Members by taking the Center’s general orientation. Last year, Melrose instructors taught nearly 4,500 classes, guiding patrons toward self-sufficiency with an array of equipment and software. During that same period, Melrose Members reserved over 2,200 sessions in studios, editing bays and sound booths.

The Melrose Center is about fostering an atmosphere of collaboration and community engagement. It is a monthly meetup venue for numerous groups with interests including robotics, podcasts, web development and game design. Additionally, staff have created monthly meetup groups pertaining audio and video production, photography and digital media design, with combined group membership over 3,700. Our Family STEM Saturdays and Makerspace Open Lab introduce electronic engineering, 3-D printing and basic robotic concepts to enthusiasts of all ages. Regularly scheduled events such as Open Mic: The Voice of Melrose, Script Orlando, and Melrose in the Mix: Live Recording Sessions further define the Center as a venue for emerging and established performers as well as inspirational and informative speakers from the community.

Come see for yourself all the amazing resources and activities the available at the Melrose Center, and help us kick off year five in style at the Melrose Creative Expo.
Sarah Bates: When did you first start writing?

Sharon Robinson: As a child, I regularly wrote in my diaries. I also created stories for my dolls. My mother encouraged me to research everything. For example, before we selected a dog, we had to go to the encyclopedia and to the library to study breeds. My college professors praised my story telling. I did not think about publishing until I became a professor. Research and publishing was a requirement of the job. My first publication was for a midwifery research journal. The second was a chapter in a women’s health textbook.

SB: *The Hero Two Doors Down* is based on the true story of your family’s friendship with the Satlow family in the late 1940s. What was your favorite scene to write in the book?

SR: My favorite scene in *The Hero Two Doors Down* is really a series of scenes that led up to the moment when Steve finally meets Jackie. I had fun imagining Steve’s anticipation which left him speechless when it finally happened. Through my work with Major League Baseball, I’ve observed many kids meeting their sports hero for the first time. It’s so cool and I had fun writing Steve’s special moment.

SB: What advice do you have for the young writers reading this interview?

SR: My most important advice to young writers is to be curious and open to new experiences; stay involved in the world around you; and be persistent in your recordings of your own life, thoughts, fears and dreams. Keep journals, learn from your mistakes, write and rewrite, then rewrite some more. Have fun writing and dig deep for details to bring your story to life. Read everything you can get your hands on.

Read more of this interview on our blog at: ocls.info/ocls-blog
Check It Out:
Art with LEGO Bricks at Leu Gardens!

All Locations: January 1–31

Check out five items with your juvenile library card at any Orange County Library System location, January 1–31, and receive a voucher to admit one child for free with one paying adult for daytime garden admission. From January 6–April 22, 2018, Nature Connects: Art with LEGO Bricks will be on display at Leu Gardens. Nature Connects is an award-winning, record-breaking exhibition touring North America. Created with over 450,000 LEGO bricks, this show features sculptures of nature built with LEGO bricks by New York artist Sean Kenney.

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, home delivery or electronic book downloads. Coupons are not valid for classes, tours or special events at Leu Gardens. Redeem coupon at Leu Gardens by March 31, 2018.
Join our professional storytellers for storytime designed to help your child develop early literacy skills through picture books, songs, finger plays, movement activities and more.

**TINY TALES** (ages birth–18 months)
- South Creek Branch: Mondays & Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.
- West Oaks Branch: Mondays, 11:15 a.m.
- Chickasaw Branch: Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.
- Herndon Branch: Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.
- North Orange Branch: Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.
- Southeast Branch: Wednesdays, 11:45 a.m.
- Winter Garden Branch: Wednesdays & Fridays, 11:15 a.m.
- Alafaya Branch: Thursdays, 10:15, 10:45 & 11:15 a.m.
- Southwest Branch: Thursdays, 11:45 a.m.
- Windermere Branch: Thursdays & Fridays, 11:15 a.m.
- Orlando Public Library: Fridays & Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

**TODDLER TIME** (ages 18 months–3 years)
- South Creek Branch: Mondays & Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m.
- West Oaks Branch: Mondays, 10:45 a.m.
- Chickasaw Branch: Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m.
- Herndon Branch: Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m.
- North Orange Branch: Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.
- Southeast Branch: Wednesdays, 10:45 & 11:15 a.m.
- Winter Garden Branch: Wednesdays & Fridays, 10:45 a.m.
- Southwest Branch: Thursdays, 10:45 & 11:15 a.m.
- Windermere Branch: Thursdays & Fridays, 10:45 a.m.
- Alafaya Branch: Fridays, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.
- Orlando Public Library: Fridays & Saturdays, 10 a.m.

**STORYBOOK FUN** (ages 3–5 years)
- South Creek Branch: Mondays & Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- West Oaks Branch: Mondays, 10:15 a.m.
- Chickasaw Branch: Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Herndon Branch: Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- North Orange Branch: Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Southeast Branch: Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Winter Garden Branch: Wednesdays & Fridays, 10:15 a.m.
- Southwest Branch: Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Windermere Branch: Thursdays & Fridays, 10:15 a.m.
- Alafaya Branch: Fridays, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.
- Orlando Public Library: Fridays & Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

**SMARTY PANTS** (ages birth–5 years)
- Edgewater Branch: Mondays, 10:15 a.m.
- Washington Park Branch: Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Eatonville Branch: Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Hiawassee Branch: Fridays, 10:15 a.m.
- South Trail Branch: Fridays, 10:15 a.m.

**EARLY LEARNING**

**BABY & TODDLER**

**Bubble Playtime**
- Winter Garden Branch: Thursday, January 4, 10:30 a.m.
- Alafaya Branch: Wednesday, January 3, 10:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
- Hiawassee Branch: Friday, January 12, 11 a.m.
- Chickasaw Branch: Thursday, January 18, 11 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
- Southwest Branch: Friday, January 19, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child with their motor development skills in this interactive bubble class. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

**Happy New Year!**
- Orlando Public Library: Wednesday, January 3, 10 a.m.

Make some noise and celebrate the New Year with your little ones! Join us for fun, games and an exciting countdown. Ages 2–4.

**The Enormous Turnip**
- Edgewater Branch: Thursday, January 4, 10:30 a.m.

Explore the magical world of your favorite fairy tales and build your imagination with stories and activities. Ages 3–5.

**Toddler Playground**
- Southwest Branch: Friday, January 5, 10:30 a.m.

Toddlers use unstructured play to advance their physical and cognitive development and to have FUN! This drop-in event will feature age appropriate toys for children and their caregivers to use for play. Ages 1–3.

**Storytime Crafts**
- Winter Garden Branch: Fridays, January 5–26, 10:30 a.m.

Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft. Ages 2–4.
Artsy Toddler
North Orange Branch
*Fridays, January 5–26, 11 a.m.*
Chickasaw Branch
*Fridays, January 12 & 26, 11 a.m.*
Alafaya Branch
*Monday, January 22, 10:30 a.m.*
Southwest Branch
*Monday, January 29, 10:30 a.m.*

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

Busy Builders
Herndon Branch
*Saturday, January 6 & 20, 11 a.m.*
Come in and join us for some fun independent play and building activities! Ages 1–6.

Baby Bash
Winter Garden Branch
*Saturday, January 6, 2:30 p.m.*
Southwest Branch
*Friday, January 26, 10:30 a.m.*
Alafaya Branch
*Monday, January 29, 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.

Make Believe: Dress & Play
Southeast Branch
*Saturday, January 6, 3 p.m.*
Edgewater Branch
*Saturday, January 13, 11 a.m.*
Orlando Public Library
*Wednesday, January 17, 10 a.m.*
Chickasaw Branch
*Thursday, January 25, 11 a.m.*
North Orange Branch
*Thursday, January 25, 11 a.m.*
West Oaks Branch
*Sunday, January 28, 2:30 p.m.*

**Turn on your imaginations and learn why pretend play is more than just fun! Dress up is welcome. Ages 2–6.**

Sleepy Bear
Herndon Branch
*Thursday, January 11, 10:30 a.m.*
Eatonville Branch
*Tuesday, January 23, 10:15 a.m.*

**Let’s have a fun-filled time learning about bear and his hibernating friends. Interact and explore animal patterns as we snuggle into dreamland. Ages 2–4.**

SMART Start
Edgewater Branch
*Thursday, January 11 & 25, 10:30 a.m.*
Southwest Branch
*Wednesday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.*
Winter Garden Branch
*Tuesday, January 30, 10:30 a.m.*


Parachute Play
Winter Garden Branch
*Tuesday, January 16, 10:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.*
Chickasaw Branch
*Monday, January 29, 11 a.m.*
North Orange Branch
*Tuesday, January 30, 11 a.m.*

Join us with your toddlers for a special parachute playtime. Enjoy rhymes, songs and tons of parachute fun. Ages 18 months–3 years. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

You’re a Big Kid Now!
Alafaya Branch
*Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 a.m.*

Being a big kid means doing new things! This month we’ll learn about going potty. Ages 1–4.
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Traffic JAM!
Chickasaw Branch
Monday, January 8, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch
Thursday, January 11, 11 a.m.

Southwest Branch
Monday, January 22, 10:30 a.m.

Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, January 24, 10 a.m.

West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 25, 2 p.m.

Enjoy a celebration of things that go, go, go! It’s a tough truck party for toddlers and preschoolers. Ages 2–6.

PRESCHOOL

Penguin Party
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, January 2, 11 a.m.

Herndon Branch
Thursday, January 4, 10:30 a.m.

Edgewater Branch
Saturday, January 6, 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, January 10, 10 a.m.

Chickasaw Branch
Thursday, January 11, 11 a.m.

Southwest Branch
Friday, January 12, 10:30 a.m.

Windermere Branch
Tuesday, January 30, 10:30 a.m.

Brrr! It’s cold out there! Warm up with stories, math, science activities and a craft featuring some icy friends. Ages 3–5.

Color Your World
Southeast Branch
Wednesdays, January 3–31, 10 a.m.

Create art with crayons at this weekly event! Ages 3–5. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

K Ready!
Chickasaw Branch
Wednesdays, January 3–February 21, 11 a.m.

Windermere Branch
Mondays, January 22–March 12, 10:30 a.m.

This eight-part series readies preschool children to excel in kindergarten through creative play, cooperative learning and activities that stimulate the imagination! Ages 4–5. This series introduces important concepts and skills that align with the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for Four-Year-Olds. In order to fully experience this series, register and attend all eight sessions. Call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info/kready for more information.

Kids’ Corner Crafts
North Orange Branch
Wednesdays, January 3–31, 10:30 a.m.

Come to storytime and stay to create a craft to take home! Crafts will relate to the weekly themes presented by the storytellers. Ages 3–5. Seating is limited. Registration recommended.

Get Active with Science
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 4, 2 p.m.

North Orange Branch
Tuesday, January 16, 11 a.m.

Windermere Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 a.m.

Explore movement and literature while we walk through a series of basic concepts using science! Ages 3–5.

Cuentame un Cuento: Tell Me a Story Bilingual Stories and Fun
Chickasaw Branch
Friday, January 5, 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.

Toddler Playtime
Winter Garden Branch
Thursday, January 25, 4:30 p.m.

Caregivers and toddlers join us for a fun-filled event with a story and crafts. Ages 2–4.

Boom, Zoom, Blastoff!
Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, January 27, 2:30 p.m.

Discover with us on a journey to outer space! Dress for a mess to explore the amazing world of stars and more. Ages 2–4.
Chilly Critters
Hiawassee Branch
Friday, January 5, 11 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Saturday, January 13, 3 p.m.
Brrr! Who is brrrave enough to live in the cold? Discover chilly animal friends and their snowy homes with fun stories, crafts and activities. Ages 2–4.

All Aboard!
Orlando Public Library
Monday, January 8, 10 a.m.
Chugga-chugga choo-choo, all aboard! Become a conductor and join us for trainloads of stories and crafts. Ages 3–5.

On the Farm with The Little Red Hen
Windermere Branch
Monday, January 8, 10:30 a.m.
North Orange Branch
Thursday, January 18, 11 a.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Monday, January 22, 11 a.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, January 30, 10:15 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, January 31, 10 a.m.
Explore the farm with stories, activities, a craft and a book giveaway, while supplies last. Ages 3–5.

So, You Want to Learn a New Language – French
Herndon Branch
Fridays, January 12–26, 10:30 a.m.
Join us for a fun-filled language learning experience with hands-on activities, songs and interactive technology using our Little Pim Database powered by Mango Languages. Ages 3–5. Registration Required.

PBS Kids Time!
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, January 16, 10:30 a.m.
Every month we learn and explore with our favorite PBS characters! Enjoy a story, craft and episode. This month we’ll celebrate Daniel Tiger Day! Created in partnership with WUCF, Central Florida’s PBS Station.

Measure It!
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 20, 11 a.m.
How many? How long? How heavy? Preschoolers will learn how to find the answers to these questions through stories and fun activities measuring common household items. Ages 3–5.

Wrecking Ball: Block Play
North Orange Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 11 a.m.
Explore your favorite building and construction activities! Swing through stories and a variety of stations to discover the fun of pendulum play. Ages 4–7.

LITTLE CHEF: ICE, ICE IGLOO
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 6, 11 a.m.
Southwest Branch
Wednesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Thursday, January 18, 2 p.m.
Orlando Public Library
Monday, January 22, 10:30 a.m.
Herndon Branch
Thursday, January 25, 10:30 a.m.
You’re never too young to get your start in the kitchen! Can apples and marshmallows turn into ice and igloos? Join us in the kitchen to find out! Bring your little one to learn cooking skills such as kitchen safety, layering, measuring, smearing, tasting and presentation as you interact with a delicious recipe. This class is a “Mommy or Daddy and me” event. Space is limited. Registration required. Ages 3–5.
Winter Movieland  
Orlando Public Library  
**Tuesday–Thursday,**  
**January 2–4, 10:30 a.m.**  
South Trail Branch  
**Tuesday–Thursday, January 2–4, 2-4 p.m.**  
Enjoy a kid friendly film fest that celebrates families of all shapes and sizes. All ages.

Tissue Paper Monet  
West Oaks Branch  
**Tuesday, January 2, 5 p.m.**  
Washington Park Branch  
**Monday, January 8, 4:30 p.m.**  
Windermere Branch  
**Saturday, January 20, 2:30 p.m.**  
Herndon Branch  
**Monday, January 22, 4 p.m.**  
Chickasaw Branch  
**Tuesday, January 23, 3:30 p.m.**  
South Trail Branch  
**Tuesday, January 30, 4:30 p.m.**  
Learn about famous artist Claude Monet and make a tissue paper painting to take home. Ages 6–12.

Color Yourself Heroic  
Herndon Branch  
**Wednesday, January 3, 3:30 p.m.**  
South Creek Branch  
**Saturday, January 20, 2:30 p.m.**  
West Oaks Branch  
**Tuesday, January 30, 5 p.m.**  
What superhero would you be? Choose a hero name, a super power and more as we create our very own heroes! Ages 6–12.

Shakespeare for Kids  
Washington Park Branch  
**Wednesday, January 3, 4:30 p.m.**  
Windermere Branch  
**Thursday, January 11, 4 p.m.**  
Southwest Branch  
**Wednesday, January 17, 3:30 p.m.**  
South Trail Branch  
**Thursday, January 25, 4:30 p.m.**  
Herndon Branch  
**Wednesday, January 31, 3:30 p.m.**  
Have some fun and learn a lot as we introduce the “cool” side of Shakespeare. Ages 8–12.

Knowledge of Board-om  
Alafaya Branch  
**Thursday, January 4, 6:30 p.m.**  
Come one, come all and join the Kingdom of Board-om as we explore both classic board games and the cutting edge of current gaming! All ages.

The CREATE Space  
Orlando Public Library  
**Fridays, January 5 & 19, 3 p.m.**  
What will you create today? Explore, experiment or be entertained. Ages 6–18.

LEGO Block Party  
Winter Garden Branch  
**Saturday, January 6, 10:30 a.m.**  
Is there anything you can’t build with LEGO? Let’s find out! Join us for lots of building fun. We provide the LEGO, you provide the creativity. Ages 6–12.

Marshmallow Games  
North Orange Branch  
**Thursday, January 4, 11 a.m.**  
On your mark, get set … GO! Learn about marshmallows and compete in a variety of games featuring this ooey, gooey sweet treat. Ages 6–12.
Quick & Easy Braided Hairstyles
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 6, 2:30 p.m.
Let’s explore fun and fast ways to braid and style your hair! We will have two models available for the different styles. Please bring your personal brush and hair ties if you want to try out the techniques on your own hair. Ages 5 and up.

Weird, Wacky and Wild
Windermere Branch
Saturday, January 6, 2:30 p.m.
Edgewater Branch
Monday, January 8, 5 p.m.
Winter Garden Branch
Saturday, January 13, 10:30 p.m.
Chickasaw Branch
Thursday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.
Ordinary? Not these animals. Come to the library to encounter some of the world’s most unusual creatures like the naked mole rat through stories, activities and more! Ages 6–12.

Celebrate the New Year!
North Orange Branch
Sunday, January 7, 2 p.m.
Create your own calendar for the New Year and a timeline to help you remember important holidays! All ages.

Southwest Homeschool Club: Exploring Simple Machines
Southwest Branch
Monday, January 8, 1 p.m.
What do levers, wheels, pulleys, ramps, wedges and screws have in common? Find out as we explore simple machines with fun interactive experiments and observations. Ages 6–12.

Maker Monday
Alafaya Branch
Mondays, January 8, 22 & 29, 4:30 p.m.
Maker spaces foster learning through hands-on tinkering and play. Discover the maker in you as we complete challenges, STEM projects and experiments. Registration required. Ages 8–15.

What’s On the Inside?
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 4 p.m.
North Orange Branch
Saturday, January 27, 11 a.m.
How many hairs are on your head? What happens when you eat pizza? By exploring the human body with hands-on activities & stories we can find out the answers to these questions and more! Ages 6–12.

Cool to Do – Wii R Fit
Edgewater Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 5 p.m.
Challenge a friend to an afternoon of mini-fitness contests and video game exercises. Build up your strength and learn tips to live a healthier lifestyle. Ages 6–18.

Have Your DNA and Eat It Too!
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, January 9, 5 p.m.
Learn basic DNA structure and the rules of base pairing, and build an edible model of DNA out of candy!

Drop In Chess
Orlando Public Library
Wednesday, January 10, 2 p.m.
Drop in for a game of chess at the library on the third Tuesday of every month! Chess sets are available for play and rule sheets are provided. All ages.

Afternoon Art
Herndon Branch
Wednesday, January 10, 3:30 p.m.
Join us for an art adventure! Learn about a different artist and artistic style each month, then create your own masterpiece. Ages 6–12.
Mayor Buddy’s Book Club Discussion Group
Orlando Public Library
*Thursdays, January 11–25, 4:30 p.m.*
Join the Mayor Buddy’s Book Club discussion group to talk, meet other book club members, share experiences and have fun. Ages 9–14. This month we are reading *The Hero Two Doors Down* by Sharon Robinson, who will be visiting the library as part of the Sunshine State Author Series. See what we are reading and sign up for the club at mayor.ocls.info. For more information about Sharon Robinson and the Sunshine State Author Series, visit ocls.info/sunshineseries.

Chemistry Capers
South Trail Branch
*Thursday, January 11, 4:30 p.m.*
Observe chemistry in action and make your own bouncing polymer ball. Ages 6–12.

Super Science
Alafaya Branch
*Saturday, January 27, 11 a.m.*
Each month we will conduct awesome new experiments, learning all about chemistry, physics, earth science and more. Registration recommended. Ages 8–13.

Construction Toys for Kids
Herndon Branch
*Saturdays, January 13 & 27, 2 p.m.*
Learn the basics of building and learning with Snap Circuits, K’NEX and Magformers. Ages 6–12.

Knowledge Chasers
Alafaya Branch
*Saturday, January 13, 3 p.m.*
Ever wanted to be a part of a life-size board game? Join us for a trivia game where YOU are the game piece! Winner takes all! Trivia subjects will include history, science, math, the arts, sports and pop culture. Ages 8–12.

The Octopus’s Garden
Hiawassee Branch
*Saturday, January 13, 2 p.m.*
Welcome to the wonderful world of the octopus. Travel under the sea and learn how these amazing creatures use unique adaptations to survive. Ages 4–8.

Despicable Me 3 Movie Screening
South Creek Branch
*Saturday, January 13, 2:30 p.m.*
Gather your minions for a free screening and a snack! In this third chapter of the series, Gru meets his long-lost, charming, cheerful and more successful twin brother. Dru wants to team up with him for one last criminal heist. All ages.

I Have a Dream
Hiawassee Branch
*Saturday, January 6, 3 p.m.*
Washington Park Branch
*Wednesday, January 10, 4:30 p.m.*
Eatonville Branch
*Thursday, January 11, 4 p.m.*
West Oaks Branch
*Tuesday, January 16, 5 p.m.*
Celebrate the life and dream of Martin Luther King Jr. by making crafts inspired by your own dreams, the importance of peace and togetherness. Ages 6–12.
Appreciate A Dragon Day!
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, January 16, 6 p.m.
We’re celebrating Appreciate A Dragon Day! Join us to make a dragon craft and learn about these fascinating creatures. Ages 6–12. Registration required.

Icy Science
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, January 17, 4:30 p.m.
Herndon Branch
Wednesday, January 24, 3:30 p.m.
Embrace the cold and have some fun while exploring cool experiments with ice. Ages 6–12.

STEM Club
Herndon Branch
Wednesday, January 17, 6 p.m.
Come and join us as we have fun with science experiments and building technology with K’NEX, Snap Circuits, littleBits and so much more! Ages 6–12.

Book Bingo
Chickasaw Branch
Friday, January 19, 3 p.m.

Cookies & Milk with a Cop
North Orange Branch
Saturday, January 20, 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 in part by the Apopka Police Department and Oerther McDonald’s. Ages 6–12.

Family Game Night
North Orange Branch
Mondays, January 22 & 29, 5:30 p.m.
Bring the whole family for a night of “unplugged” fun and a chance to play together! Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Homeschool Field Trip
Alafaya Branch
Tuesday, January 23, 2 p.m.
Inviting all homeschoolers to join us for a learning adventure! Registration required. Ages 8–15.

Pop Art for Kids
South Creek Branch
Saturday, January 27, 2:30 p.m.
Come explore the colorful art style of Andy Warhol and create your own unique Pop Art piece. All supplies provided. Ages 6–12.

LEGO Club!
North Orange Branch
Sunday, January 28, 2 p.m.
Stop by for an afternoon of LEGO building fun! Each month will focus on a different LEGO challenge. Ages 5–12.

Small World: Scotland!
Washington Park Branch
Monday, January 29, 4:30 p.m.
Travel with us as we explore our planet and discover unique cultures through activities, food, language and music. This month, discover Scotland! Ages 5–14.

Ozobots
Orlando Public Library
Tuesday, January 30, 3:15 p.m.
Learn the basics of coding and computer programming using a miniature Ozobot robot. No prior coding knowledge needed. Registration Required. Ages 6–12.

Angel 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.
New Year, New You
Southeast Branch
**Tuesday, January 9, 5 p.m.**
It’s a new year and there’s a new you. It’s a little like the old you, only better! Learn tips and tricks to getting the New Year started right. Ages 11–18.

Game Changer Afterschool Adventures
Orlando Public Library
**Mondays–Thursdays, January 8–25, 4–6 p.m.**
South Trail Branch
**Mondays–Thursdays, January 8–25, 4–6 p.m.**
Gaming and homework help collide at the library. Complete your homework with the help of a tutor and then join your peers for an awesome adventure playing Dungeons and Dragons. Sharpen your pencils and swords, because you’ve never had homework and writing help like this before! Please note that this event will not take place on Monday, January 15.

Teen Throwback
Orlando Public Library
**Tuesday, January 9, 3:15 p.m.**
Being a kid was so easy! Let’s take it back with crafts and activities. Ages 11–18.

Happiness Rocks!
Chickasaw Branch
**Friday, January 12, 3 p.m.**
Winter Garden Branch
**Saturday, January 20, 2:30 p.m.**
Washington Park Branch
**Wednesday, January 24, 4:30 p.m.**
Spread happiness by painting a rock and adding a positive message on the back. You can keep your rock or share it by hiding it for someone else to find. Ages 11–18.

Wii “R” Fit
Chickasaw Branch
**Monday, January 22, 3 p.m.**
Washington Park Branch
**Monday, January 22, 4:30 p.m.**
Challenge a friend to an afternoon of mini-fitness contests and video game exercises. Build up your strength and learn tips to live a healthier lifestyle. Ages 11–18.

Step Off
Orlando Public Library
**Saturday, February 3, 2:30 p.m.**
Break the Stage! Step up your game for the 13th Annual Step Off competition! Local teams will put their best foot forward in a battle to be crowned the top step team around. Cash prizes sponsored by McCoy Federal Credit Union. Seating is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis.
Mayor Buddy’s Book Club Discussion Group
Orlando Public Library
Thursdays, January 11–25, 4:30 p.m.
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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, call 407.835.7323 or visit ocls.info/TLC.

Gaming at the Library!
If you love gaming like we love gaming, come 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.

YOUTH ART CONTEST
Get creative! Show off your work and be entered for a chance to win the Youth Art Contest. Entry forms with complete rules and guidelines will be available January 2 at all Orange County Library System locations or can be printed from teens.ocls.info. Submissions should be turned in at the Orlando Public Library by Friday, January 26.

Awards will be presented to the top artists at the Youth Art Show held Thursday, February 15, 6:30 p.m. at the Orlando Public Library. All submissions will be on display February 1–28. Grades 6–12.
LOCATIONS

Orlando Public Library
101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801
Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 9 am - 6 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 6 pm

Alafaya Branch
12000 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32826
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 6 pm

Chickasaw Branch
870 N. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando, FL 32825
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Eatonville Branch
200 E. Kennedy Blvd., Eatonville, FL 32751
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
Friday and Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Edgewater Branch
5049 Edgewater Dr., Orlando, FL 32810
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Herndon Branch
4324 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32803
Hours: Monday - Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Hiwassee Branch
7391 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32818
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

North Orange Branch
1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

South Creek Branch
1702 Deerfield Blvd., Orlando, FL 32837
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 6 pm

South Trail Branch
4600 S. Orange Blossom Trl., Orlando, FL 32839
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Southeast Branch
5575 S. Semoran Blvd., Orlando, FL 32822
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Southwest Branch
7255 Della Dr., Orlando, FL 32819
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Washington Park Branch
5151 Raleigh St., Suite A., Orlando, FL 32811
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center
1821 E. Silver Star Rd., Ocoee, FL 34761
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 6 pm

Windermere Branch
530 Main St., Windermere, FL 34786
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Winter Garden Branch
805 E. Plant St., Winter Garden, FL 34787
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday Hours:

OCLS Renewal Line
Take advantage of renewing your items and checking your account information via the 24/7 Renewal Line at 407.316.0021. Using your bar code number on your library card and on checked out items you can renew all items, or check on holds and fines.

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*Any person requiring special accommodations to participate in any class or program due to a disability may arrange for accommodations by contacting the location where the event is held at least seven days prior to the program.

CLOSURES

New Year’s
The Orange County Library System will closed Sunday, December 31 and Monday, January 1. All locations will resume normal hours on Tuesday, January 2. Happy New Year!

Año Nuevo
El sistema de bibliotecas del condado de Orange estará cerrado el domingo 31, de diciembre y el lunes 1, de enero debido a la conmemoración del Año Nuevo. El sistema de bibliotecas abrirá en sus horas regulares el lunes, 2 de enero. ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!

Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday
The Orange County Library System will be closed Sunday, January 14 and Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday. The library system will resume normal hours on Tuesday, January 16.

Cumpleaños de Martin Luther King Jr.
El sistema de bibliotecas del condado de Orange estará cerrado el domingo, 14 de enero y el lunes, 15 de enero debido a la conmemoración del Cumpleaños de Martin Luther King Jr. El sistema de bibliotecas abrirá en sus horas regulares el martes, 16 de enero.

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