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Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing at the library, plus more Summer Reading Programming this July

The Summer Reading program continues in July with more out-of-this-world programming. Throughout the month of July the downtown library will feature Unusual Frida-Art, a special art exhibit featuring local artwork inspired by the beloved artist Frida Kahlo. Join us on July 13 for Library After Hours: Unusual Frida-Art Reception where you can meet the artists, participate in a costume contest and enjoy live musical performances. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Put on your best space gear and visit the downtown library again on July 20 for One Giant Leap: A 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Moon Landing. We have partnered with WUCF and the Orange County Regional History Center to commemorate the anniversary of the moon landing with family activities, guest speakers and virtual reality. Visit ocls.info/moonlanding for more details.

Don't forget to track your summer reading and activities with [Beanstack](#) to earn badges for a chance to win some great prizes at the end of our Summer Reading program. If you have any questions about the information shared below, contact us as 407-835-7323. Check us out online at ocls.info for a complete listing of all library events.

Meetup: Yarnfiti Community Art Project

Orlando Public Library, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Wednesdays, July 3–31, 5–7:30 p.m.

It's time to start stitching your contribution to Yarnfiti 2019! Our Annual Yarnfiti Community Art Project combines the efforts of hundreds of fiber artists in Central Florida into one work of art. This year we're creating an undersea wonderland complete with a colorful coral reef, a sea brimming with life and a fantastic mermaid's grotto. So pick a watery pattern and crochet or knit your contribution today.

Discover patterns and connect to events at ocls.info/yarnfiti. The Yarnfiti Community Art Project will premiere on Sunday, September 29 at 1 p.m. during the Fall Fiber Fest.

Improve Your English Reading Workshop

Hiawassee Branch, 7391 W. Colonial Drive

Wednesdays, July 3–31, 6–8 p.m.

Improve your English conversational skills, vocabulary, pronunciation and comprehension by reading a book. This workshop is presented through a partnership between Orange County Library System and Adult Literacy League Inc. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, call 407.422.1540 or visit adulteracyleague.org.

Space Carnival

South Trail Branch, 4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail

Friday, July 5, 11 a.m.

Chickasaw Branch, 870 N. Chickasaw Trail

Friday, July 12, Noon

Alafaya Branch, 12000 E. Colonial Drive

Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch, 7255 Della Drive

Thursday, July 25, 6:30 p.m.

Reach for the stars! Challenge your family to all types of games and see how you measure up. Recommended for families.

Melrose in the Mix: The Pauses

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Saturday, July 6, 3:30 p.m.

Touring regularly in support of their acclaimed 2018 album *Unbuilding*, Orlando band The Pauses come home to perform at our July Melrose in the Mix. To reserve a seat, visit ocls.info/melroseinthemix.

DNA and Genealogy: An Introduction

West Oaks Branch, 1821 E. Silver Star Road., Ocoee

Thursday, July 11, 11 a.m.

Learn the basics of genetic genealogy and how DNA testing can supplement your traditional genealogical research. Explore the different types of tests that are available and determine how to target your testing to discover your desired connections.

Library After Hours: Unusual Frida-Art Reception

Orlando Public Library, Library Central, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Saturday, July 13, 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a magical evening inspired by artist Frida Kahlo's passion, love, courage, and pain. Features costumes, sculptures, paintings and musical performances from the "ALIVE" artists group.

Dive Into Worldbuilding with Arielle Haughee

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.

Create a fantastical world like none other! Learn to build realms including landmarks, technology, creatures, rules of magic and much more – a firm foundation for your fantasy, sci-fi or other fiction.

One Giant Leap: A 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Moon Landing

Orlando Public Library, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Imagine you are witnessing history-making events through virtual reality experiences, expert speakers, and hands-on family activities. Presented in partnership with WUCF and the Orange County Regional

History Center. Share your love for space exploration in our community, 60's or space-themed attire is encouraged. For more details visit, ocls.info/moonlanding.

Writing the Next Chapter: How Past Moon Missions are Shaping the Future of Exploration

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Saturday, July 20, 11 a.m.

Brendan Byrne, WMFE's award-winning space reporter and NPR national space coverage contributor, opens his reporter's notebook to share his reports on the 50th anniversary of the Apollo moon landing. Byrne takes a look at Kennedy Space Center's role in the historic mission and how hardware from that era is still being used for NASA's next moon shot.

Worlds Beyond Our Own: New Exoplanet Discoveries by NASA's TESS

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Saturday, July 20, 1 p.m.

What weird and wonderful planets orbit the stars that shine brightly in our night sky? NASA's TESS mission, launched in April 2018, is a space telescope finding the exoplanets that are our nearest neighbors. MIT researcher Natalia Guerrero manages the team that plucks potential planets out of the sea of stars in the TESS camera images. She will share TESS's latest and most exciting exoplanet discoveries and describe how getting to know our exoplanet neighbors helps us better understand where Earth belongs in the wide variety of possible worlds.

Art 101: The Art of Terry Gilliam

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Wednesday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.

And now for something completely different! Terry Gilliam is best known for his work with the British sketch comedy group Monty Python. His animated creations served as a visual counterpoint to the comedy of the group in both TV and film. Learn about his life and create your own art inspired by his work. Registration required. Ages 15 and up.

Out of this World Music Trivia

Southeast Branch, 5575 S. Semoran Blvd.

Thursday, July 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Ground control to music lovers! Is it a star? The moon? A planet? A *Rocket Man*? Blast off with us to discover the names of songs that are "universally" known to music lovers.

Cuisine Corner: Pasta Delight

Orlando Public Library, Cypress Room, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Wednesday, July 31, 6:30 p.m.

Join Chef Karen Ross of Karen's Creative Cuisines and learn how easy it is to make sausage and sundried tomato pasta in one pot. It is quick, easy and delicious. Also, see how to make mascarpone stuffed dates. Mascarpone is an Italian cream cheese that can be used in sweet or savory dishes.

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