

Library Events

Orlando Public Library Pokémon League

Orlando Public Library, Magnolia Room

Sundays, July 2 & 16, 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 a Pokkén Tournament. Earn cool prizes, meet other trainers and have fun. Trainers of all ages and skill levels welcome. ocls.info/pokemon.

Fact Meets Fiction Film Festival

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Mondays, July 3–31, 11 a.m.

Enjoy these dramatized stories about the lives and accomplishments of scientists, engineers, and mathematicians.

7/3 – October Sky

7/10 – The Imitation Game

7/17 – The Theory of Everything

7/24 – Apollo 13

7/31 – A Beautiful Mind

CareerSource Central Florida

Alafaya Branch

Monday, June 3, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Orlando Public Library, Learning Central

Monday, June 10, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Chickasaw Branch

Monday, June 10, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, June 27, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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.

Craft Club

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, July 5, 7 p.m.

Arts and crafts aren't just for kids! Release your inner child and come to adult crafting. This month, join us to make felt coffee sleeves.

Plant Clinic

North Orange Branch

Thursday, July 6, 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.

Teacher Workshop: An Introduction to NanoScience

Alafaya Branch

Friday, July 7, 1–5 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of networking and activities to connect local school, library and museum educators with faculty members from UCF's NanoScience Technology Center. Seating is limited, registration is required.

Cooperative Gaming and Card House Building

Orlando Public Library, Learning Central

Friday, July 7, 2 p.m.

Build a better world by playing board games and building card houses! Not only is gaming fun, it's also good for you and your friends. Join us at the library as we learn and play together!

Paper Houses

Winter Garden Branch

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

West Oaks Branch

Saturday, July 8, 3 p.m.

Southeast Branch

Saturday, July 22, 2 p.m.

Let your creative side shine as you color and construct paper houses and buildings. We will create a community in the library by displaying your artwork for everyone to admire. All supplies will be provided.

Creative Coloring for Adults

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Sunday, July 9, 3 p.m.

Alafaya Branch

Monday, July 24, 7 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.

Potluck Social Meetup

South Creek Library

Sunday, July 9, 2–4 p.m.

Interested in meeting new people and building exciting relationships? Join us for a meet up that will help break the ice and expand your circle of friends. This monthly social is designed to bring individuals together through food, conversation, cooperative gameplay and interactive media. Registration is required and bringing food is highly encouraged by all attendees!

Food Truck Talks with Mark Baratelli

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Monday, July 10, 5–7 p.m.

Mark Baratelli, creator of *TheDailyCity.com*'s Food Truck Bazaar, kicks off a monthly gathering of Central Florida food truck owners. Topics related to the local scene and the industry in general will be discussed. Some months may be a free-flowing discussion, some months there may be a guest speaker. The goal is to share, learn and grow as food professionals.

Altered Books

Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.

Recycle your old books by turning them into works of art.

Career Academy: Job Smart USA

Orlando Public Library, Learning Central

Tuesdays, July 11–25, 2 p.m.

Friday, July 14, 2 p.m.

Join us in Learning Central for these recurring job and career-assistance events on the following topics:

7/11 – Resume Writing

7/18 – Cover and Thank You Letters

7/25 – Interviewing Skills

7/14 – Q&A session on general job and career topics

So You Think You Can Latin Dance?

Edgewater Branch

Wednesdays, July 12 & 26, 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. With free chips, salsa and agua. All ages welcome, children must be accompanied by adult! Registration required.

She Steps to the Mic

Southeast Branch

Thursday, July 13, 2 p.m.

Dr. Naima Johnston Bush examines the role of women in hip-hop and rap music from the 1970s through today. Learn about women who were able to break through the hip hop glass ceiling and find success.

Small Business Launch: From Idea to Implementation

Herndon Branch

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

Dr. Naima Johnston-Bush will show you how your ideas, passions and dreams can turn your talents or vision into a viable small business. Participants will share their ideas and will receive an action plan to bring your business to life! This workshop is great for those who just don't know where or how to start.

Fold It!: Origami Cranes

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Friday, July 14, 2 p.m.

Windermere Branch

Tuesday, July 25, 6 p.m.

The Japanese Senbazuru legend says that folding 1000 paper cranes will bring eternal luck, heal the injured or even grant one wish. Join us to learn the history of the legend, how to fold the origami crane and create your own origami mobile.

The Ghost Society

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Sunday, July 16, 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, discuss books and shows in a casual and fun atmosphere. Join us every third Sunday of the month as we explore this interesting field.

Homemade Healthy Sweet Stuff

Edgewater Branch

Monday, July 17, 7–8:30 p.m.

Celebrate National Ice Cream Month! Sugarbuzz Dezerz Company will demonstrate the techniques for making summer sauces to top all your favorite treats. Registration required.

Outsmart the Scammers

Southeast Branch

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

Herndon Branch

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

Edward Jones representatives will share information you need to outsmart the scammers. Learn to spot red flags that may indicate a fraudulent encounter, resources you can turn to in the event you or a loved one is targeted and steps to take now to help protect yourself and your loved ones.

Backyard Ecosystem

Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, July 18, 6:30 pm

Turn your backyard into a haven for birds, small mammals and helpful insects.

Vision Boarding

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Friday, July 21, 2 p.m.

Southeast Branch

Saturday, July 29, 2–4 p.m.

Learn about the law of attraction, manifesting your goals and have fun mapping out your future by creating a vision board. A vision board is a visual representation of your dreams, your desires, and your goals. Each participant will receive one poster board and magazines will be provided, however participants are welcome and encouraged to bring any extra materials they desire.

Florida Citrus Crate Labels: Florida's First Billboards

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Saturday, July 22, 11 a.m.

Join Brenda Eubanks Burnette, Executive Director of Florida Citrus Hall of Fame, as she explores the history of the Florida Citrus Crate Label and Florida's citrus industry. See a variety of citrus crate labels and learn about their purpose in the citrus industry.

Little Wonders: The Magic of William Zaballero

South Creek Branch

Saturday, July 22, 2:30 pm

A 30-minute performance that seeks out the impossible through a series of captivating and off-beat illusions. Featuring award-winning magician, William Zaballero.

First Time Home Buyer Workshop

Hiawassee Branch

Saturday, July 22, 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.

Bullet Journaling

Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.–Noon

Learn about this DIY planning system and create a planning system that will allow you to create to-do lists, sketchbooks, notebooks and a diary. All you need is a notebook and pen! Registration required.

Discussion of the Hugo Finalists presented by The Orlando Area Science Fiction Society

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Sunday, July 23, 1:30 p.m.

The Hugo Awards are annual awards given for excellence in the field of science fiction and fantasy. Join the Orlando Area Science Fiction Society (OASFIS) for a discussion of the Hugo finalists in the Novel, Novella, Novelette, Short Story, Graphic Story, Dramatic Presentation Long and Short Form, Professional and Fan Artist categories. The Orlando Area Science Fiction Society is a fan-run, not-for-profit corporation whose goal is the promotion of science fiction in all its forms.

Homemade Healthy Sweet Stuff

Edgewater Branch

Monday, July 24, 7–8:30 p.m.

Celebrate National Ice Cream Month! Heavens To Betsy of Winter Park will demonstrate the techniques for making spoonable fruit to add fruity flavor to all your favorite treats!

History Can't Be This Much Fun

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Friday, July 28, 2 p.m.

Learning from history can be fun and useful. Join library staff for a look at some interesting historical events that just may inspire you to take another look at the past with a better future in mind.

Learning to Knit for Fun

Southwest Library

Saturday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.–Noon

Make a bookmark in this fun-filled knitting experience! Learn knitting basics such as casting on, the knit stitch and binding off. We will supply the yarn and needles but you may bring your own if you like. We will be using 20 yards of bulky/size 5 yarn and size 10.5 needles. Seating is limited, registration required.

Passport to the World Seminar

Hiawassee Branch

Saturday, July 29, 11 a.m.

WellTraveled LLC is an organization that educates and empowers youth through cultural awareness. Co-founder, Charles Winslow, provides students, parents and educators with an engaging presentation on his travels abroad. It will include the lessons learned from his experience traveling to over 19 countries and over 40 cities in the past five years. Attendees will participate in fun activities related to world travel that they can bring back home or to their classroom.