

Library Events

Affordable Care Act Information and Assistance

Edgewater Branch

Tuesday, January 3, 4–8 p.m.

Herndon Branch

Saturday, January 7, 1–4:30 p.m.

Washington Park Branch

Tuesday, January 10, 4–8 p.m.

West Oaks Branch

Wednesday, January 18, 2–6 p.m.

Eatonville Branch

Thursday, January 19, 2–6 p.m.

South Trail Branch

Monday, January 23, 2–6 p.m.

Certified In-Person Assisters will answer your questions regarding the Affordable Care Act and assist with enrolling in the Health Insurance Marketplace. The Open Enrollment Period for 2017 will end January 31, 2017. For more information, please call 407.340.0844 or visit facebook.com/enrollorlando.

Minimalist Meetup

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesday, January 4, 6:30 p.m.

Meet local people inspired by *The Minimalists*, Joshua Fields Millburn and Ryan Nicodemus, and take part in a lively discussion.

Movies to Kick Start Your 2017

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Fridays, January 6–27, 11 a.m.

Start the new year off right with these uplifting and encouraging movies.

January 6: *The Pursuit of Happyness*

January 13: *Invictus*

January 20: *The Blind Side*

January 27: *Patch Adams*

Best Science Fiction & Fantasy Books of 2016

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Sunday, January 8, 1:30 p.m.

What were the standout science fiction & fantasy books of 2016? Join the Orlando Area Science Fiction Society (OASFiS) for their monthly meeting and a discussion of 2016's best books. OASFiS is a fan-run, not-for-profit corporation whose goal is the promotion of Science Fiction in all its forms.

Homegrown Business Fair

Alafaya Branch

Sunday, January 8, 2 p.m.

Join us for Alafaya's Homegrown Business Fair, where work-from-home business owners will show off their company and products.

CareerSource Central Florida Presents: Job Search Assistance

Orlando Public Library

Monday, January 9, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Chickasaw Branch

Monday, January 9, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Monday, January 23, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Work with a CareerSource Central Florida professional and learn how to connect with employment opportunities, take advantage of free career counseling, skill development, workshops and more. Learn more about our partner at careersourcecentralflorida.com.

Gaining Financial Control of Your Divorce

Herndon Branch

Monday, January 9, 6:30 p.m.

It is crucial you get the right information to successfully navigate your finances both pre and post-divorce. Before making any financial decisions regarding your divorce, become aware of potential pitfalls and learn the smart questions you should be asking.

Financial Workshops Presented by Florida CONSUMER

South Creek Branch

Tuesdays, Beginning January 10, 6:30 p.m.

CONSUMER is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to providing outstanding education and financial counseling services to consumers. Visit consumerpr.org for more information.

January 10: The Importance of Budgeting in Uncertain Times

January 17: The Differences Between Savings and Investing

January 24: Student Loans: Types/ Alternatives and Repayment Options

January 31: The Truth About Credit Repair and How To Increase Your Score

Affordable Care Act Assistance

Alafaya Branch

Wednesdays, January 11 & 25, 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Don't miss the 2017 Open Enrollment, when you can enroll in a health insurance plan. Affordable Care Act Navigators will be providing Enrollment Appointments. The Open Enrollment Period for 2017 ends January 31, 2017. Appointments can be made online by visiting CoveringCFL.net or calling 877-564-5031.

Stress Buster Coloring Hour

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, January 11, 10:30 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. womenintheartsinc.org.

Windermere in Stitches

Windermere Branch

Wednesday, January 11–25, 4–6 p.m.

Sewing classes for the absolute beginner. Learn how to use a sewing machine to design and create your own fashion. Ages 10–18. Registration required.

Introduction to Essential Oils

Alafaya Branch

Saturday, January 14, 11 a.m.

Have you heard all those discussions on essential oils & wondered what it was all about? Come learn the basics of essential oils for health, cleaning, regulating moods and more in this beginner's class. Handouts will be provided. Registration required.

How to Buy a Used Car

Chickasaw Branch

Saturday, January 14, 2 p.m.

Before considering the purchase of a used car, there are some general questions to consider and issues to keep in mind. Don't let a dealership take advantage of your lack of knowledge. Derwin Smalls of Enterprise Car Sales will show you how to save time and money to locate, price and negotiate the used car you want.

Legend Tripping in Florida

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Saturday, January 14, 2 p.m.

Join us as a team of paranormal research investigators from TnT Paranormal Investigators takes you through a virtual tour of some of the most haunted locations in Florida including haunted gems in Central Florida. For more information, visit tntparanormal.com.

Digital Downloading with Overdrive

Orlando Public Library

Saturday, January 14–28, 2 p.m.

Learn how to check out e-books and audiobooks to your tablet, phone or other electronic device with this informative Book a PRO session. Attendees must have their own device and be able to access the library's Wi-Fi. Due to the nature of this program each 30 minute session will be limited to 2 attendees. This event will be running on Jan 14, 21, 28 with one session at 2:00 pm and one at 2:30 pm each day.

Human Trafficking Awareness

Edgewater Branch

Tuesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m.

In observance of Human Trafficking Awareness Month, join us for an informative film and discuss ways we can keep our community safe from human trafficking. We will demonstrate how children become victims of this silent crime, methods used to recruit and keep children trapped in the sex trade.

Learn the FUNdamentals of Improv

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Wednesdays, Beginning January 18, 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. Ages 16 and up. To register, call 407.835.7323 or online at ocls.info.

Chinese New Year Celebration: Year of the Rooster

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Saturday, January 21, 11 a.m.

Come celebrate the Chinese New Year and enjoy a few Chinese traditions with a Dragon Dance, folk dances, a musical performance and a demonstration of Chinese calligraphy. Presented by the Chinese School of CAACF Inc. ocls.info/chinesenewyear.

Detox, Cleanse & Restore with Essential Oils

Edgewater Branch

Thursday, January 26, 6:30–8 p.m.

Take part in a discussion on the importance of cleansing and detoxifying our bodies for optimum health and vitality. A systematic plan for feeling and living better will be included in this presentation. Handouts will be provided to those who register in advance at indyLou@PureOilsAreEssential.com.

The Basics Of Training: How to Avoid or Recover from Common Pitfalls in Training Your Dog

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, January 26, 6:30 p.m.

In this presentation, Todd Campbell, owner of South Orlando Dog Training, will educate you on reward-based training methods that will make your furry friend love to be with you and obey you. A well-trained dog is a joy to be with and training is easier than you think. Pets are not permitted to attend.

Creative Coloring for Adults

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Saturday, January 28, 3 p.m.

Alafaya Branch

Monday, January 30, 7 p.m.

Have you heard about the latest craze? Adults are coloring again! 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.

Volunteer Fair

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Sunday, January 29, 2–4 p.m.

Curious about what year-round volunteering opportunities there are in the Central Florida area? Visit your local library to talk with various organizations that offer volunteer services to the community. Attendees can meet with representatives from A Gift for Teaching, Adult Literacy League Inc., Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando, Peace Corps, Pet Alliance of Greater Orlando, Orlando Cares and Orlando VAMC.