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Celebrate family with fun food events, attend a National Novel Writing Month write-in and more things you can do this month at the library

The library celebrates family this month with a host of events. Visit the Alafaya Branch on November 29 for Cooking with the Family as Chef Yamira Lee Johnson shares her tips on how to prepare a delicious meal you can fit into a busy family holiday schedule. Learn how to get the whole family involved during the planning and preparation of any meal.

November is National Novel Writing Month, also known as NaNoWriMo, takes place every November and encourages aspiring writers to try to write 50,000 words in a month. Join fellow writers at the Orlando Public Library, Alafaya Branch and Southwest Branch throughout the month for a write-in. See below for dates and times.

Mark your calendars as the Orlando Children's Business Fair returns for its second year on November 11 at the downtown Orlando library. Here young entrepreneurs will share their creations and inventions to the public while also building marketing strategies. Judges will pick winners for several categories, including best presentation/creativity, for a chance to win cash prizes.

If you have any questions about the events or information shared below, feel free to contact us as 407-835-7323. Check us out online at www.ocls.info for a complete listing of library events.

Life is 3D

Orlando Public Library, Second Floor Traveling Exhibit Space, 101 E. Central Blvd.

On Display Through February

Explore a selection of stereoscopic images printed on archival materials and enjoyed with traditional red/blue 3D glasses. For more information about this exhibit, visit lifeis3d.com.

Write-In With NaNoWriMo

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

Thursdays, November 1, 15, 29, 5:30–7:45 p.m.

Saturday, November 3, 1–5 p.m.

Alafaya Branch, 12000 E. Colonial Drive

Tuesdays, November 6–27, 6–8:45 p.m.

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

Thursday, November 8, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Southwest Branch, 7255 Della Drive

Monday, November 12, 6–8:30 p.m.

Join us for quiet writing time at your library. Bring a laptop or notebook and write alongside other local writers. National Novel Writing Month, or NaNoWriMo, is an event that encourages authors to write 50,000 words in November. Learn more at nanowrimo.org. All writers are welcome. You don't have to be participating in NaNoWriMo to attend.

AAHC Scholastic Award Ceremony

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

Saturday, November 3, 10 a.m.

The Asian American Heritage Council (AAHC) will recognize Asian-American students for their excellence in academia, community service, preservation of culture and language during this ceremony. Celebrate Asian-American Heritage with special performances.

JiggleMan

Herndon Branch, 4324 E. Colonial Drive

Saturday, November 3, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch, 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka

Sunday, November 4, 2 p.m.

Eatonville Branch, 200 E. Kennedy Blvd., Eatonville

Monday, November 5, 10:30 a.m.

Windermere Branch, 530 Main St., Windermere

Saturday, November 10, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch, 805 E. Plant St., Winter Garden

Monday, November 19, 2:30 p.m.

South Trail Branch, 4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail

Tuesday, November 20, 11 a.m.

Washington Park Branch, 5151 Raleigh St., Suite A.

Friday, November 30, 10:15 a.m.

Get ready to laugh out loud and be amazed by the jumping, joking and juggling, JiggleMan! Recommended for lower and upper elementary.

Central Florida Ballet Presents: *The Nutcracker*

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

Sunday, November 4, 2 p.m.

Enjoy a live performance of scenes from the classic ballet *The Nutcracker*. Presented by the Central Florida Ballet. To learn more about the Central Florida Ballet, visit centralfloridaballet.com.

Script Orlando: Benoit Glazer, Bruce Hensal

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

Wednesday, November 7, 6 p.m.

Our Script Orlando speaker series continues in November with a musical theme. Benoit Glazer, Founder and Chairman of Timucua Arts Foundation, will share his family's story and how they are dedicated to improving the quality of life in Orlando, as exemplified by the intimate concerts they host at their unique living room venue, Timucua White House. Grammy Award-winning audio engineer Bruce Hensal has worked with a virtual who's who of musical royalty throughout his career. He'll be sharing his experiences and talking about the November workshop he'll be leading in the Melrose Audio Studio, *Reel to Real*.

Orlando Children's Business Fair

Orlando Public Library, 101 E. Central Blvd.

Sunday, November 11, 2–5 p.m.

What do Elon Musk, Mark Zuckerberg, Bill Gates and an Orange County third grader have in common? They are all entrepreneurs who innovate and serve their communities. Join us for the Orlando Children's Business Fair and together we can invest in the success of the next generation of entrepreneurs. The Fair is a one-day marketplace where children will debut their inventions, market their services or products and build marketing strategies. Businesses featured in the marketplace are all owned by young people, ages 6–17, who applied to participate in the business fair and competition. Booths will be judged by fellow entrepreneurs on a variety of criteria, including: most original business idea, highest business potential, and best presentation/creativity. Prizes in each category will be awarded at the conclusion of the fair. Visit ocls.info/bizkids for more information.

Della's Roses: The Dr. Phillips Legacy

Southwest Branch, 7255 Della Drive

Wednesday, November 14, 6–8 p.m.

Join authors and Dr. Phillips Foundation staff members Wendy Oliver and Shane Taylor as they discuss their book, *Della's Roses: The Dr. Phillips Legacy*. Their discussion will include a history of the development of the Dr. Phillips area, Della Phillips' passion for and care of her roses and the history of the Phillips family's settling in Florida, as well as their continued legacy in Central Florida. Registration recommended.

Cuisine Corner: Healthy Holiday Meals

South Trail Branch, 4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail

Saturday, November 17, 11 a.m.

Discover healthy holiday recipes that everyone will enjoy this season. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira and certified holistic life coach, will demonstrate

how to create healthy holiday dishes. For more information about Breaking Bread with Mira, visit breakingbreadwithmira.com. Space is limited. Registration required.

Small Business Development Workshop

Southeast Branch, 5575 S. Semoran Blvd.

Monday, November 26, 5–8 p.m.

Discover how to develop your own business in this workshop presented by Operation HOPE. Attendees will learn to clarify their business concepts, understand the steps to setup a business and identify areas of funding. To learn more about your local Operation HOPE, visit operationhope.org. Registration required. To register, visit bit.ly/2QAqWWF.

Make Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Edgewater Branch, 5049 Edgewater Drive

Wednesday, November 28, 6–8:30 p.m.

Making cards for Cards for Hospitalized Kids (CFHK) is a simple, yet meaningful, way to make a difference in the lives of hospitalized kids. CFHK distributes cards to children's hospitals across the United States in all 50 states as well as Ronald McDonald Houses. While a card may seem simple, it truly can make an impact on hospitalized kids and their families. Join us to hand-craft general and holiday cards for hospitalized kids all over the country. We'll provide all supplies, but feel free to bring your own. Learn more at cardsforhospitalizedkids.com.

Meet the Author: Ben Clanton

Alafaya Branch, 12000 E. Colonial Drive

Wednesday, November 28, 6:30 p.m.

Meet author and illustrator Ben Clanton who will read from and discuss his book *Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea* which tells the story of Jelly, a no-nonsense jellyfish and Narwhal, a happy-go-lucky narwhal, who discover the whole wide ocean together. Winner of the Sunshine State Young Readers Award, Ben Clanton showcases the joys of friendship, the benefits of working together and the power of imagination in the delightful *Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea*. His other books include *Mo's Mustache*, *Rex Wrecks It!* and *Something Extraordinary*. Registration recommended. Register at ocls.info/sunshineseries.

Cuisine Corner: Cooking with the Family

Alafaya Branch, 12000 E. Colonial Drive

Thursday, November 29, 4:30 p.m.

Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira and certified holistic life coach, will make an easy recipe that you can fit into your family's busy schedule by preparing ahead of time. Yamira will share tips on how to involve the family in the planning and making this delicious meals. For more information about Breaking Bread with Mira, visit breakingbreadwithmira.com. Space is limited. Registration required.

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