Adult Summer Reading Gets Cooking
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From the Director

Every year, leading up to June, Orange County Library System makes a big push to let everyone know about our Summer Reading Program for children. There’s a good reason for that — we spend so much time and effort crafting educational, fun and engaging programs for kids of all ages that we want everyone in the community to take part. Even before we wrap up our kids’ Summer Reading Program, we’re already making plans for the next year.

There’s another part of our summer programming, though, that may not get as much attention but is just as important in our eyes. That’s our Adult Summer Reading Program, which invites our grown cardholders to embrace learning, literature and camaraderie through events, programs and reading challenges. This summer, all of our programs are virtual — that means it’s easier than ever for you to participate. From live Qigong classes to crafty meetups to author events, you can attend these events from the comfort of your own home. All you need is the ability to sign up on our website, then log into Zoom or Facebook, and you’ll have access to the same high-quality library programming you’re used to experiencing in person.

Browse this issue to find out when you can attend a Cuisine Corner that’ll teach you to make salt and pepper shrimp, or a photo composition class led by one of our Melrose Center instructors, or genealogy workshop that’ll show you how to use cemetery records to learn more about your ancestors. Of course, we still have plenty of programs for kids this month, too. But while you’re signing the kids up for that Pokemon Party or Super Science event, don’t forget to sign yourself up for something too. It’s free, it’s easy, and you can follow along from your sofa.

Flip through this book, or visit ocls.info/asr to find an event that’ll spark your imagination.

Chickasaw Branch
870 N. Chickasaw Trail,
Orlando, FL 32825
June 1–July 31,
11 a.m.–Noon

Fairview Shores Branch
902 Lee Rd, Suite 26,
Orlando, FL 32810
June 1–July 31,
11 a.m.–Noon

South Creek Branch
1702 Deerfield Blvd.,
Orlando, FL 32837
June 1–July 31,
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Hiawassee Branch
7391 W. Colonial Drive,
Orlando, FL 32818
June 1–July 31,
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

North Orange Branch
1211 E. Semoran Blvd.,
Apopka, FL 32703
June 1–July 31,
12:45–1:45 p.m.

South Trail Branch
4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail,
Orlando, FL 32839
June 1–July 31, 1–2 p.m.

OCPS Mobile Lunch Vehicles are part of the USDA Summer Food Service Program. Summer BreakSpot. Lunches will only be offered to children and young adults 18 and under. This is an equal opportunity institution. (No meals will be served on Friday, July 3).
Tom Jelneck is the CEO of On Target Digital Marketing, a Maitland-based national marketing agency specializing in content creation, with an intriguing side hustle as Chief Coffee Brewer for his company Pure Grind Coffee. Tom came on Shelf Centered, the library’s new podcast, to talk about podcasting. Here are some excerpts from that interview.

On the appeal of podcasts
Listening to a podcast and just immersing yourself in someone’s story and conversation is an amazing relaxer. I get enriched from it, I learn; I love to learn. Also, I run and I found myself when I listen to music, I know when that song’s going to be over and my pace will slow down. So I started listening to podcasts as I run because it takes my mind off the pain in my shins or that I’m getting tired.

On using podcasts for marketing
Audio is an amazing way of getting through to people. You can get that emotion out of voice. I think it adds an extra depth of personality, it adds an extra depth of feeling and humanity to a brand. I’ll work with companies that do real estate, I work with an amazing crisis communications person, I work with tech guys. We build fun, creative shows that capture people’s attention.

On your podcast standing out
I’m talking to a couple right now, just graduated college, who love ghost hunting. They want to do a show because he doesn’t believe in it and she does believe in it. You’ve got a skeptic and a believer in ghosts and paranormal activity. A show like that would grab my attention like nobody’s business.

For the full interview, visit ocls.info/podcast, click on Shelf Centered and listen to Ep. 006: Pure Podcasting with Tom Jelneck.

Podcast Clinic
Wednesday, July 1, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Thinking about starting a podcast? We’ll take you through gear and available software, followed by a Q&A session.

Podcasting: Getting Started
Thursday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.
Tell your story, build your platform, and have fun by starting a podcast. Nick Georgoudou, host of To a Certain Degree, will discuss what you need to launch your own podcast.

Podcasting: The Next Steps
Thursday, July 16, 6:30 p.m.
After you’ve learned the basics of podcasting, what are the next steps? Nick Georgoudou, host of To a Certain Degree, will show you how to take your podcast to the next level.

Our History Speaks Volumes: Children’s Library
by Mike Donohue, Community Outreach Coordinator

In July of 1998, work began on a project to relocate the Children’s Library from its original location in the basement of Orlando Public Library, to the east wing of the first floor. The move—which was overseen by then Library Director Dorothy Field—was part of a concerted effort to enhance Orange County Library System’s services for children and feature them prominently. In addition to positioning the Children’s Library in a more visible area of the building, other notable improvements were made including modular rooms and open seating areas for storytimes, events and casual reading.

To inspire enthusiasm for the collection, the entrance to the Children’s Library was adorned with floating pages of children’s book illustrations and suspended from the ceiling.

For nearly twenty years, the Children’s Library has kindled the imagination of young readers and engrained in families a love for reading together.

To learn more about the Children’s Library and other notable events in Orange County Library System’s history, visit orlandomemory.info
Virtual Events

Orange County Library System has reopened and is continuing to offer live virtual events through various platforms, like Zoom. Click on each event to find out how to register, or visit ocls.info to find more virtual events and classes!

Southwest Fiber Arts Meetup

Wednesday, July 1–29, 10:30 a.m. – Noon

Have a great time connecting with our community virtually while working on your fiber art. Be sure to bring your work in progress, yarn, and tools. All levels are welcome.

South Creek Social

Crafters Meetup

Wednesday, July 1, 11 a.m.

Explore your creativity in this virtual meetup. Whatever your hobby, let’s get together and craft while meeting new people! Be sure to bring your own work in progress.

Goal Getter

Affirmation Workshop

Thursday, July 2, 7 p.m.

Create your own personalized affirmations and learn ways to implement them into your everyday life.

Mars 2020 Perseverance

Thursday, July 2, 7 p.m.

NASA’s Mars Perseverance rover will launch on July 20 from Cape Canaveral. Learn about the rover and its mission from Derek Demeter, Planetarium Director at Seminole State College.

Tea & Conversation

Saturday, July 11, 11 a.m.

Want to create an awesome online game of Dungeons & Dragons for you and your friends? Join us to learn about the tools at your disposal and how to be the expert your group needs in no time flat! This monthly social is designed to bring adults together. Share food, tea and your stories. It is a celebration of everyday life and being in the moment.

Animanga Meetup

Tuesday, July 14, 6 p.m.

Come and meet other anime lovers online for trivia, games, discussion and viewing of some featured art form.

Jasmine Win shares with you how he and his team pick the perfect beans, carefully roast it to optimum color and select an ideal brewing method to bring you a delicious cup of coffee.

Mars 2020 Perseverance

Tuesday, July 27, 6:30 p.m.

Hufford and Jacob Pomrenke will discuss the book and their research. Writers Peter M. Gordon, Tom Hufford and Jacob Pomrenke will celebrate the historic team and players. Writers Peter M. Gordon, Tom Hufford and Jacob Pomrenke will discuss the book and their research.

Farm-to-Cup Coffee

Thursday, July 23, 6:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of Norse drawing and tools used to create different works. Recommended for adults.

Introduction to Tai Chi

Saturday, July 25, 11 a.m.

Involves movement, breathing and meditation. Qigong is a crucial tool in Chinese medicine which involves movement, breathing and meditation.

Lifelong Learning: How to Read Sheet Music

Thursday, July 16, 12:10 p.m.

Having trouble making sense of music notation? Learn how to read sheet music with professional music instructor Don Kruger. Registration required.

Writers Corner

OCULS Writer’s Group

Sunday, July 12, 4 p.m.

Writers of all genres and experience levels are welcome to join our writers for critique, discussion and camaraderie. Please attend an upcoming meeting before submitting a piece for critique.

How to Sell a Memoir

Sunday, July 26, 2 p.m.

Learn how to pitch a memoir to literary agents and publishers. This workshop is open only to those who have written a manuscript or have written a novel.

Walk the Wrap: Rock the Wrap

Sunday, July 26, 3 p.m.

Explore the fantastical world of anime lovers online for trivia, games, discussion and viewing of some featured art form.

Meditation

Wednesday, July 29, 7 p.m.

Join us in meditation. Meditation involves movement, breathing and meditation. Qigong is a crucial tool in Chinese medicine which involves movement, breathing and meditation.
Let’s Crochet Together

Break out your stash of fabric or yarn for virtual fiber arts events and classes. From getting together virtually with other fiber arts enthusiasts to learning a new skill, there is a virtual experience for you at the library. Visit ocls.info/fiber-arts to view the schedule and sign up for a class. Dates, times and class offerings vary.

Knit and Crochet Meetup
Wednesdays, July 7–29, 2–3:30 p.m.
Share your love of fiber arts with other enthusiasts. Everyone’s welcome, whether you’re new to your craft or have years of experience, to hang out and craft together.

Let’s Crochet: Corner to Corner
Friday, July 17, 2–3:30 p.m.
The sky’s the limit with corner to corner (C2C) crochet. Perfect for pillows and blankets, learn the technique to create textured fabrics in single colors and how to join multiple colors together for interesting patterns. Confident Beginner Level.

Let’s Crochet: Hogwarts House Scarf Bookmarks
Friday, July 31, 2–3:30 p.m.
Celebrate Harry’s birthday in style with a bookmark representing your Hogwarts house. This magical bookmark uses single crochets in your Hogwarts house colors to create a mini scarf. Confident Beginner Level.

Microsoft Excel Level 1
Tuesday, July 7, 10 a.m.
Monday, July 14, 10 a.m.
Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.
Thursdays, July 23, 10 a.m.
Start your journey using Excel today. Input, format and save data in simple spreadsheets, then calculate data with formulas.

Microsoft Excel Formulas and Functions
Saturday, July 11, 10 a.m.
Friday, July 24, 10 a.m.
Calculate your data with formulas and functions. Search the Function Library to find the perfect fit! Use date, financial, logical, lookup, math and text functions.

Create Basic Spreadsheets
Wednesday, July 8, Noon
Monday, July 13, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, July 29, 4 p.m.
Friday, July 31, Noon
Excel just for kids! Learn how to crunch numbers in Excel and use tools to give it the perfect look for your project. Ages 10–12.

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TIGEEN/TEEN CAMPS

Create and Animate a 3D Character
Thursdays, July 2–23, 2–6 p.m.
Learn to create and animate your own 3D character using Blender during these weekly sessions. This is not a series, but attending each session significantly benefits the designer. Blender software is required and free to download at blender.org.

Ages 13–17.

Mission to Mars
Tuesday–Thursday, July 7–9, 11 a.m.
During this three-day camp, design a mission patch on Tinkercad and develop a rocket to transport you and your communications satellite to the red planet! Tinkercad software is recommended but not required to attend, and is free to download at tinkercad.com.


Video Production Camp
Monday–Friday, July 20–24, 11 a.m.
During this five-day camp, become familiar with the principles and techniques of creating a video. Use everyday objects and skills to learn acting, lighting and camera techniques you can use wherever you go.

Ages 13–17.

Photo Composition
Friday, July 24, 2 p.m.
The rule of thirds is probably the most often referenced photography rule of composition. Learn more about the rule of thirds and how you can use it to produce more interesting and dynamic photos.

Melrose Center
**Cuisine Corner**

**Rainbow Seafood Stir Fry**
**Wednesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.**
Ha Roda comes to us with another fantastic cooking event! This time she makes a delicious stir fry from shrimp, calamari, peppers and more!

**Summer Pantry Snacks**
**Wednesday, July 15, 6 p.m.**
Watch live as Yamiya Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, shares her favorite go to snacks for me, the top ones include a lime and chia seed salad, mixed nuts, marinated cherry tomatoes. A nutritious meal prep solution.

**Let’s Do Lunch – Salt and Pepper Shrimp**
**Thursday, July 16, 12:15 p.m.**
Library staff cook a quick lunch for the family. We will be cooking salt and pepper shrimp.

**Roasted Mixed Nuts**
This easy recipe from Chef Yamiya promotes heart health, increases energy and is rich in antioxidants.

**Ingredients:**
3 cups of mixed nuts (pecans, walnuts, hazelnuts, cashews, Brazil nuts, etc.)
1 tsp honey
1 tsp lime juice
1 tsp chia seeds
sea salt and pepper

**Directions:**
1. Mix all ingredients and set to dry in the oven at 250 degrees for 15 minutes.
2. Let cool and pack in snack bags or containers.

**Q&A WITH CHEF YAMIRA**
by Marisana Vitala, Events & Programs Planner

Yamiya Lee Johnson is the head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira and a certified holistic life coach. Through a long standing partnership with Orange County Library System she has hosted several Cuisine Corner events. This month, join Chef Yamiya in her own kitchen via Instagram Live for a unique cooking experience.

**Books & Beyond: What inspired you to start Breaking Bread with Mira?**
Chef Yamiya: I was inspired to build Breaking Bread with Mira while working with community organizations that help underserved individuals, families and veterans enduring life challenges. My vision was to research, prepare and provide resources to help people overcome life challenges and achieve overall health.

**What makes you passionate about providing education on eating healthier?**
I love sharing content that promotes wellness. My passion is fueled by the thought of helping solve a problem that can open the door to make someone’s life better.

**Are you also a Holistic Life Coach. How does this impact the way you see the role of food in an overall healthy lifestyle?**
Since I became a certified holistic life coach to learn how to turn my health and life around, I am able to understand how challenging it can be to take necessary actions to thrive while adopting wholesome and healthier habits. I believe that as a holistic life coach, I am able to help others find the balance between their reality and their health and wellness goals.

**What is your favorite go to summer snack?**
There are plenty of favorite summer snacks for me, the top ones include a lime and chia seed salad, mixed nuts, marinated cherry tomatoes. A nutritious meal prep solution.

**Any tips on how to avoid unhealthy snacking?**
Anxiety, boredom and rushing through your day are all triggers that can lead to unhealthy snacking. In addition to not letting myself get so hungry I can’t think straight, here are some other steps I need to be intentional. These steps help to avoid falling for foods that might be pleasant to my palate, but not so good for my health and wellness goals and include:

- Drink 8 ounces of water before having a snack.
- Never go to the grocery store hungry.
- Don’t bring unhealthy snacks in the house.
- If you are having a treat while out and about, don’t bring leftovers home.
- Choose wholesome, healthier options like dark chocolate, mixed nuts, marinated cherry tomatoes.
- Meal prep your snacks once or twice a week, so they are ready when you get hungry.
- Choose baked or air fried snacks over fried with trans fats.
- Keep a checklist of your health and wellness goals, so tempting snacks are in check.
- Limit foods and snacks that might trigger inflammation. Reminders of the pain and discomfort endured, keeps me from giving into the temptation.

**Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing Study Group**
**Wednesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m.**
Join us for our genetic genealogy study group to learn how DNA testing results can help to confirm, extend and deepen your genealogical research. Registration required.

**Military Records**
**Thursday, July 23, 11:30 a.m.**
Many records have been created throughout our history regardless of whether or not there was a war being waged. Learn how these records can help you to uncover information on your ancestors.

**Tracing Scottish Ancestors**
**Monday, July 27, 7 p.m.**
Explore resources, tips and tricks for finding records in the home countries of your ancestors in this session focusing on Scotland. Learn types of documents available and research strategies to utilize.

**United States Genealogy: Pennsylvania**
**Tuesday, July 28, 7 p.m.**
Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in the Keystone State. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

**DNA Testing for Genealogy**
**Thursday, July 30, 10:30 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.
Book Clubs

Alafaya Book Club
Thursday, July 9, 7:15 p.m.
The Alafaya Book Club will virtually meet to discuss The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle by Stuart Turton. Doomed to repeat the same day over and over, Aiden Bishop must solve the murder of Evelyn Hardcastle in order to escape the curse in a world filled with enemies where nothing and no one are quite what they seem.

Southeast Book Club
Monday, July 13, 7 p.m.
Join the Southeast Book Club to discuss The Library Book by Susan Orlean which reveals the uncomfortable mystery of the most catastrophic library fire in American history, and delivers a dazzling love letter to a beloved institution—our libraries.

Job Seekers

Career Academy – Perfecting Your Resume
Tuesday, July 14, 1:30 p.m.
Get noticed! Elevate your job application with best practices in crafting a resume and cover letter.

Career Academy – Interview Like a Pro
Tuesday, July 28, 1:30 p.m.
You’ve landed an interview! Now what? Get tips that will help you to practice and prepare, and to write a memorable thank you letter.

Language Learning

ESOL CLASSES

English from Zero
Wednesdays, July 1–29, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Thursdays, July 2–23, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Fridays, July 10–24, 10:30 a.m.
Learn and talk about new basic English vocabulary associated with different topics. Please register!

Reading Clearly Intermediate
Wednesdays, July 1–15, 12:45 p.m.
Explore English grammar and vocabulary for comprehension and vocabulary development.

Ask an English Teacher
Wednesdays, July 1–29, 4 p.m.
Do you have questions about how to put language together to express yourself well? Do you need more help with topics in other English classes? Well, this is the class for you!

Writing Clearly for Beginners
Thursdays, July 2–30, Noon
Tuesdays, July 7–28, Noon
Review different grammar points in English and basic sentence writing.

Writing Clearly Intermediate
Mondays & Fridays, July 6–31, Noon
Writing Clearly is a grammar and writing course focusing on grammar complex ideas, including sentence structure, phrases and vocabulary building.

Speaking Clearly Beginners
Mondays, July 6–27, 1:30 p.m.
Speaking Clearly is a pronunciation class for beginners designed to introduce the basics of the sounds of English for pronunciation.

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Fridays, July 10–31, 1:30 p.m.
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English for Social Interactions
Mondays, July 6–27, 7 p.m.
Learn different English idioms and phrases that are used to communicate on a daily basis.

LANGUAGE CLASSES

Basic Spanish
Wednesdays, July 1–29, 6 p.m.
This beginners workshop for individuals who speak little to no Spanish will cover basic grammar and vocabulary.

“Hola Amigos” – Spanish from Zero for Kids
Mondays, July 6–20, 3 p.m.
This virtual Spanish class for children covers pronunciation, alphabet, sounds, syllables, the colors, the parts of the body, the numbers, the days of the week and more vocabulary.

American Sign Language 1: Basic Conversation
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Learn basic sign language skills, finger spelling, introduction to Deaf culture and vocabulary. Registration required.

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The BizKids Club has gone virtual! In this live online course, youths ages 9–14 are introduced to the worlds of business and entrepreneurship through fun interactive activities. Participants will share and explore what it takes to start a business, hear guest speakers from Orlando’s entrepreneurial community, and brainstorm, develop and pitch business ideas of their own!

The club meets twice a week for four weeks via Zoom and each session has a duration of 1 hour and 30 minutes. Young entrepreneurs can sign up for free with their Orange County Library card.

For details, visit ocls.info/bizkids.

BizKids Club
Mondays & Wednesdays, July 6–29, 1:30–3 p.m.
Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 7–30, 10:30–11:30 a.m.—Noon

Ready to become an entrepreneur? BizKids Club is an instructor-led virtual program that introduces participants to the world of business and entrepreneurship. Ages 9–12.

1. ArtMazing
   Thursday, July 2, 11 a.m.
   Unleash your inner artist and discover your creative side in this all-ages art exploration. Inspiration is a must!

2. Central Florida Zoo Presents Happy Habitats
   Monday, July 6, 10 a.m.
   Discover how different animals have adapted to their habitats and meet exotic species from all over the planet.

3. Pajama Party
   Monday, July 6, 7 p.m.
   Put on your pajamas and join us virtually for stories, songs and a craft.

4. I Love Manatees
   Thursday, July 9, 11 a.m.
   Show some love for Florida’s state marine animal with stories, crafts and activities.

5. The Glen Foster Show
   Monday, July 13, 10 a.m.
   It’s time for mayhem with award-winning comedy magician Glen Foster!

6. Dragonology
   Wednesday, July 15, 3 p.m.
   Do you believe in dragons? If you are a true believer, you don’t want to miss this exciting virtual adventure to discover the truth about these legendary creatures.

7. Hansel and Gretel’s New House
   Wednesday, July 22, 3 p.m.
   The witch went in the oven and the kids are moving in! Satisfy your sweet tooth with a story and a pop-up paper gingerbread house craft.

8. Pajama Tales with Ms. Katy
   Wednesday, July 22, 6 p.m.
   Get comfy and cozy! Wear your jammies, bring your favorite stuffed animal and join us for an evening of stories, rhymes and songs.

9. I Wish I May
   Thursday, July 23, 11 a.m.
   Design your own magical bottle and complete it with a single wish! Inspired by Kelly Link’s short story The Surfer.

10. Hair Styling 101
    Sunday, July 26, 2 p.m.
    Learn how to easily braid and twist your child’s natural hair into a protective style. Explore healthy braiding technique and get advice on the best hair tools for textured hair.

11. JiggleMan
    Monday, July 27, 10 a.m.
    Get ready to laugh out loud and be amazed by the jumping, joking and juggling, JiggleMan!

12. Pokemon Party!
    Monday, July 27, 4 p.m.
    Calling all trainers big and small: we choose you to party like a Pikachu with virtual fun and a craft!

13. Summer Snacks: Puppy Chow
    Tuesday, July 28, 1 p.m.
    Want an easy treat for a summer snack? Learn how to make this salty and sweet snack!

14. Star Wars Galactic Games
    Thursday, July 30, 11 a.m.
    Believe in the force, do you? Take the oath, construct your lightsaber craft and get into gear with stories inspired by a galaxy far, far away.

15. Virtual Event: End of Summer Celebration
    Saturday, August 1, 2 p.m.
    Log on and tune in for our live End of Summer Celebration. Join the virtual party on Facebook or YouTube as we celebrate all the new things we’ve learned and stories we’ve read this summer. The whole family will enjoy new activities and lots of fun with our special mystery guests. We’ll also be announcing the winners of our grand prize giveaway!
Youth Events

We have virtual events for kids of all ages. Click one of the events listed here for more information, or to register.
You can also visit ocls.info to find more great virtual events and programs!

**BABIES**

**Tiny Tales**
The rhythm and repetition of nursery rhymes are used to introduce very young children to literature. Hold your child in your lap and enjoy this special time together.

**Mother Goose on the Loose**
Wednesday, July 1–29, 10 a.m.
Using rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and more, we will be interacting together to help develop important pre-literacy skills in our tiniest ones.

**Caregiver Connect – Stay and Play**
Wednesday, July 1–29, 10:30 a.m.
Connect with other caregivers to meet and mingle. Encourage your little one to say hello to new and old friends as we explore creativity through songs and an activity.

**TODDLER**

**Toddler Time**
The use of picture books, finger plays, songs and flannel board stories will encourage the development of verbal and listening skills for this active age group.

**Zero to Five Storytime**
From the rhythm and repetition of nursery rhymes to the use of picture books, songs and flannel board stories, your child will be encouraged to develop early literacy skills.

**You Are My Sunshine**
Tuesday, July 7, 11 a.m.
Celebrate a positive mindset and sunny moments by singing songs, reading stories and learning crafts and activities sure to make your little one smile! Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Stories & Stretches**
Wednesday, July 8, 4 p.m.
Calling all little yogis and wigglers! A special storytime focusing on motor development that is filled with stories, songs and fun! Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Now I’m Big**
Thursday, July 9, 10 a.m.
Let’s come together to explore our surroundings. Enhance your gross motor skills through activities that will get your large muscles moving!

**Artsy Toddler**
Tuesday, July 14 & 28, 11 a.m.
Paint, paste, glue, stamp and create! Young children will enjoy stories, songs and exploring age-appropriate art experiences.

**Hungry for Concepts**
Thursday, July 16, 10 a.m.
Wiggle through interactive stations inspired by The Very Hungry Caterpillar creator, Eric Carle! Soar through basic concepts that will make your wings fly through this virtual storytime.

**Pirates and Princesses**
Wednesday, July 29, 2 p.m.
Ahoy, matey! Come to our royal romp full of swashbuckling stories, side-splitting sea shanties and other fantastic fun. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Good Morning, Farm!**
Thursday, July 30, 10 a.m.
Say hello to all your farm friends with stories and fun hands-on learning.

**PRESCHOOL**

**Hear Me Roar!**
Wednesday, July 1, 4 p.m.
Calling all little yogis and wigglers! A special dino-mite adventure as you learn about dinosaurs with a variety of activities. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Little Picasso**
Wednesday, July 1, 2 p.m.
Calling all preschoolers to freely and creatively explore and express themselves! Let your imagination run wild with color, texture and more! Recommended for preschoolers.

**Super Storytime & Craft!**
Thursday, July 2, 10 a.m.
Mighty virtual stories and a craft for the youngest of heroes. Dress up is welcomed! Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

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**Imagine You’re Casting a Spell**
Tuesday, July 14, 10 a.m.
Creating magic is as easy as abracadabra or alakazam! Explore spells with mesmerizing stories, magical crafts and enchanting activities.

**Snail Tales**
Wednesday, July 15, 4 p.m.
Follow the slippery and slimy snail trail to stories, activities and crafts. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Monsters Read Too!**
Monday, July 13, 2 p.m.
Did you know that monsters love to read? Join us for not-so-scary stories and crafts featuring our favorite monsters.

**Imagine You’re a Villain**
Tuesday, July 21, 10 a.m.
Crown yourself a baddie as we explore the characters on the other side of our favorite stories.

**Little Chef: Strawberry Yogurt Parfaits**
Thursday, July 23, 1 p.m.
You’ve never heard a story told like this before! Shake up your favorite healthy recipe.

**Build a Story with Goldilocks**
Friday, July 24, 11 a.m.
Investigate size through a beloved fairy tale with this storytime and a craft. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

**Imagine You’re in a Tale with a Twist**
Tuesday, July 28, 10 a.m.
You’ve never heard a story told like this before! Shake up your favorite fairy tales with stories, activities and a craft.

**Peter Rabbit’s Garden Party**
Friday, July 31, 11 a.m.
Peter Rabbit loves Mr. McGregor’s garden and you will too at this wonderful garden party. Hop with us for stories, crafts and a bunny good time!
Solar Engineer – Hot Dog Roaster
Wednesday, July 1, 11 a.m.
It’s hot dog roasting time. In this program, you will build your own roaster just in time for lunch. This program is for kids with an adult. Only one child in the family needs to be registered.

All Aboard to Explore
Thursday, July 2–23, 3 p.m.
All aboard for stories, science and more as we sail off to explore literary adventures.

Sparkle Like a Unicorn
Tuesday, July 7, 2 p.m.
Fantastical fun awaits with stories and a craft. Celebrate the unique, magical and mystical unicorn!

Super Science
Wednesday, July 8 & 22, 11 a.m.
Conduct awesome new experiments, learning all about chemistry, physics, earth science and more. Recommended for upper elementary and tweens.

Mythological Moana and Maui
Wednesday, July 8, 2 p.m.
Set sail and become a hero like Moana and Maui!

Imagine You’re an Artist
Thursday, July 9, 2 p.m.
You can create art from anything, anytime! Learn the techniques to create two styles of art: mandala dot art and stained glass style chalk art.

Jack Needs a Parachute
Friday, July 10, 10 a.m.
Jack is back up the beanstalk and needs your STEAM skills to construct the fastest parachute for him to escape. Recommended for lower and upper elementary.

Hola Biblioteca
Friday, July 10, 11 a.m.
Take a virtual trip to the library and enjoy stories, crafts and activities.

Imagery You’re a Monster
Tuesday, July 14, 2 p.m.
Monsters are everywhere in mythology. Celebrate these great Greek beasts with mythical crafts and activities.

Mayor Buddy’s Book Club End of Book Party
Tuesday, July 14, 3 p.m.
Join Orlando Mayor Buddy’s Book Club virtual event and celebrate the completion of our latest book, Overboard! by Terry Lynn Johnson. The author will be live and answering questions. Recommended for ages 8–12.

Quick Minute Science
Wednesday, July 15 & 29, 11 a.m.
Easy and safe science activities for the entire family. Follow along through topics like space, chemistry, physical science and more.

Afternoon Art
Thursday, July 16, 2 p.m.
Discover an art adventure! Learn about a different artist and artist style and then create your own masterpiece.

The Science of Harry Potter
Friday, July 17, 10 a.m.
Enter the magical world of Harry Potter and discover the science behind powerful potions, mysterious creatures and magical spells.

The Fairy Tales of Grimm
Monday, July 20, 10 a.m.
Explore fun-filled classical 19th century melodramas loaded with laughs and audience participation as the Atlantic Coast Theatre performs tales from Rapunzel, Snow White, Hansel & Gretel and more!

Do You Believe in Fantastic Beasts?
Friday, July 24, 10 a.m.
Show us what you know about fantastic beasts and the magic of Harry Potter with trivia and magical challenges.

A World of Color
Tuesday, July 28, 2 p.m.
Create abstract art using vivid colors inspired by the work of Disney artist, Mary Blair.

Moon Myths
Thursday, July 30, 2 p.m.
Do you feel different when there’s a full moon? Do you think it could be made of cheese? Find out what else people across the world believe about the moon.

Red Needs a Zipline
Friday, July 31, 10 a.m.
Help Little Red find the quickest way through the woods and out of wolf’s reach by creating a push or pull zipline using STEAM.

Mythological Mermaids
Thursday, July 23, 10 a.m.
Discover more about mermaids and their magical history with stories and a craft.

Marvel YOU-niversity
Wednesday, July 29, 3 p.m.
Discover the powers of your favorite Marvel Superheroes. Then help engineer a stronger mask for Iron Man.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Wizard Treats!
Friday, July 24, 3 p.m.
Learn to make wizard inspired treats that even muggles can enjoy!

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TWEENS & TEENS

Are You Smarter Than Mother Goose? Wednesday, July 1, 6 p.m.
Put your knowledge to the test! Use your facts about folktale, fairytales and nursery rhymes to unscramble the elements of these twisted tales through trivia.

Drawing Club Monday, July 6, 2 p.m.
Try out new drawing techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists! Recommended for upper elementary, tweens and teens.

Animal Crossing Club Monday, July 6, 4 p.m.
Calling all Animal Crossing fans! Connect with other fans of this popular game and learn tips and tricks to grow your island.

A Grimm Escape Tuesday, July 7, 4 p.m.
Channel the cleverness of Rumpelstiltskin, the kindness of Snow White and the determination of the Evil Queen to puzzle your way out of a fairytale-themed escape room.

Cuisine Corner Junior: Pizza Planet Dip Thursday, July 23, 2 p.m.
Tickle your taste buds with a unique twist on a family favorite as we turn pizza into a delicious dip! Recommended for upper elementary, tweens and teens.

Meremania Wednesday, July 29, 6 p.m.
Have you ever wanted to become a mermaid? Construct crafts and join for virtual activities all about these underwater wonders.

Fashion Forward Thursday, July 30, 3 p.m.
What will you wear this season? Find new ideas and create your own inspiration board.

LOCATIONS & HOURS

Orlando Public Library
101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Hiawassee Branch
7391 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32818
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

North Orange Branch
1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

South Creek Branch
1702 Deerfield Blvd, Orlando, FL 32837
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

South Trail Branch
4600 S. Orange Blossom Tr., Orlando, FL 32839
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Southeast Branch
5375 S. Semoran Blvd., Orlando, FL 32822
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Southwest Branch
725 S. Donnelly St., Orlando, FL 32819
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Washington Park Branch
5151 Raleigh St., Suite A, Orlando, FL 32811
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center
1821 E. Silver Star Rd., Ocoee, FL 34761
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Windermere Branch
520 E. Main St., Windermere, FL 34786
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch
805 N. Plant St., Winter Garden, FL 34787
Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

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