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**Teen/Tween Programs**

Programs marked with a ☆ are also appropriate for ages 11 and 12.

**Knitting Club**

North Orange Branch

Wednesdays, April 1, 8 and 22, 3:30 p.m.

Knitting Whole Hearts is a knitting club for teens in partnership with New Journey Youth Center and Jerri Knits. Teens will learn how to knit a basic hat and will have the option of donating hats to a local hospital to support cancer survivors.

**You've Been Prank'd ☆**

South Trail Branch

Wednesday, April 1, 5 p.m.

Orlando Public Library, Club Central

Wednesday, April 15, 3:30 p.m.

Washington Park Branch

Thursday, April 30, 6:30 p.m.

Want to go viral? Learn some post-worthy practical jokes and memorable pranks. Be ready and watch your back as the unexpected is bound to happen.

**Stump the Librarian ☆**

North Orange Branch

Monday, April 6, 4 p.m.

Eatonville Branch

Wednesday, April 15, 3:30 p.m.

South Trail Branch

Thursday, April 30, 5 p.m.

How often do you get the chance to stump your librarian? Come test our skills but don't feel too embarrassed when you get schooled by a librarian.

**Robotics & Raspberry Pi ☆**

Orlando Public Library, Club Central

Wednesday, April 8, 3:30 p.m.

Learn how Raspberry Pi is used to program robots. Teens can experiment with robots provided by SimRobotics. No previous Raspberry Pi or other software knowledge necessary.

**Twitter Verse ☆**

Herndon Branch

Wednesday, April 8, 3:30 p.m.

Words matter in poetry but on Twitter it's all about the characters. Tap into your inner poet and tweet your final creation to all your followers. Bring your phone or device for this interactive poetry experience. All ages.

**Have a Magical Day! ☆**

South Trail Branch

Thursday, April 9, 5 p.m.

Windermere Branch

Friday, April 10, 3:30 p.m.

North Orange Branch

Monday, April 13, 4 p.m.

Edgewater Branch

Tuesday, April 14, 6 p.m.

Eatonville Branch

Thursday, April 16, 3:30 p.m.

South Creek Branch

Saturday, April 25, 2:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library, Club Central  
Wednesday, April 29, 3:30 p.m.  
What is the fastest ride at Walt Disney World? Who lives at 17 Cherry Tree Lane? Put your knowledge to the test with trivia, games and quizzes about all things Disney!

### **Terrariums**

Orlando Public Library, Club Central  
Wednesday, April 22, 3:30 p.m.  
A terrarium is nothing less than a miniature world—one that you can create yourself. Join us as we design cool landscapes inside a jar.

### **Homeschool Field Trip: Forensics ☆**

Alafaya Branch  
Monday, April 27, 11 a.m.  
Take a trip to the library to explore forensic science and use the skills you learn to solve a mystery. Registration required. Ages 11-13.

### **Teen Open Mic Night**

Orlando Public Library, Library Central  
Thursday, April 30, 6 p.m.  
Take the stage and express yourself! Teens ages 13-18 are invited to share poetry, music, raps, comedy and more at our annual *Open Mic Night*. We provide the mic and you provide the entertainment. The winners of our Teen Poetry Contest will be announced at this event. If you are interested in performing, please call 407.835.7323. Sponsored in part by Stardust Video & Coffee.

### **Teen Poetry Contest**

All Locations  
April 1-21  
Do you write poetry, raps, limericks or lyrics? If so, enter the Teen Poetry Contest! Ages 13-18 are invited to participate in this battle of the poets. The winners will be announced during the *Teen Open Mic Night*. Please pick up the Official Entry Form at your local branch or from [ocls.info/teens](http://ocls.info/teens). Deadline for entries is April 21. Sponsored in part by Stardust Video & Coffee.

### **Music Acts Needed!**

We are looking for DJs as well as rock, hip-hop, EDM and pop bands to play at our annual Teen Summer Kickoff—an after-hours event held Saturday, June 20 at 7 p.m. Visit [ocls.info/bands](http://ocls.info/bands) for more information and to sign-up to perform.

## **Teen Clubs**

### **Mayor Buddy's Book Club ☆**

Orlando Public Library, Library Central  
Wednesday, April 1, 3:30 p.m.  
Join Mayor Buddy's Book Club to celebrate our completion of the latest book, win prizes and hear the announcement of the next book club title. Sign up online or see what we are reading at [mayor.ocls.info](http://mayor.ocls.info).

### **Teen Space**

Orlando Public Library, Club Central  
Thursday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.  
Join us for friendship and fun the second Thursday of every month. Meet with like-minded teens and let your voice be heard!

### **Animanga**

Orlando Public Library, Club Central

Thursday, April 16, 6 p.m.

Are you an anime and manga fan? If so, join us to interact with other teens who love Japanese entertainment. Chat about your favorite manga and watch anime while meeting new friends! The club meets the third Thursday of every month.

### **Teen Voices**

Orlando Public Library, Club Central

Thursday, April 23, 6 p.m.

Join our Teen Advisory Board to meet new people and develop teen library programs and services while earning community service hours.

### **Teen Library Corps**

All Locations

Volunteer with the Teen Library Corps and give back a little "TLC" to your library and your community. Plan programs, help out at events, give suggestions for teen services, meet new people and earn community service hours for school. If you are between the ages of 13-18 and love to have fun, join TLC today! For more information, please call 407.835.7323 or go online at [ocls.info/TLC](http://ocls.info/TLC).

### **Gaming at the Library!**

If you love gaming like we love gaming, get your game on at the library! Join us for action-packed fun at multiple locations. Visit [ocls.info/GamingEvents](http://ocls.info/GamingEvents) for dates, times and locations.

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