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Technology Highlights

Learning Shouldn't Be Boring!

Think the library is just a storage facility for books? Visit ocls.info/melrosecamps to discover how you can learn something new! Spend your Spring Break in the Melrose Center learning how to build, program and create! Check out these fun and challenging Spring Break Camps!

Lego Mindstorm Camp

Design, build and program remarkable robots using LEGO MINDSTORMS® EV3. Learn to program robots to complete autonomous objectives with a simple to use computer interface in this five-day camp. See how programming translates into real-world action and work as a team to complete Mindstorm challenges. This camp is from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on March 21 to March 25 and is open to students ages 11-12.

Arduino Electronic Engineering Camp

Using a combination of electronics and software engineering, learn how to design, assemble and program with an Arduino™ microcontroller. Discover how to use controllers to operate sensors, lights, motors and more in this five-day camp. This camp is from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on March 21 through 25 and is open to students ages 14-17.

It's Sew Easy Camp - Tote Bags

Take the fashion world by storm! We will teach you everything you need to know to start sewing like a pro. Learn to sew your own tote bag from start to finish using professional patterns, fabric of your choice and professional sewing machines in this five-day camp. Each session will be two hours. Students are required to wear closed-toe shoes to this camp. Students ages 11-17 can join us from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on March 21 through 25 for this fun camp. This Camp is supported by the City of Orlando Mayor's Matching Grant.

Teen Tech Week

March 6-12

Teens are invited to visit the Melrose Center to create interesting electronics and coding projects that incorporate circuitry and electromagnets. Visit ocls.info/techkrew to learn more and register for a class.

Meetups and More!

Visit the Melrose Center on the second floor of the Orlando Public Library on the fourth Sunday of each month for the Orlando Audio Meetup. The Meetup is for audio professionals, amateurs and hobbyists interested in sound recording, theory and design. Join us to discuss trends in audio software and equipment, try out new gear and techniques and share your work with other audio enthusiasts.

Want to do more than listen to music? Register for these new classes to build your knowledge and skill.

Logic Pro Level 1: Fundamentals

Harness the power of Logic Pro X to create amazing music. Explore the interface and begin working with key preferences and controls in this popular application.

Logic Pro Level 2: Patches and the Channel Strip

Understand the routing and creation of patches, which is a crucial element in Logic Pro, for building your own instruments and sounds. Explore signal flow and routing of MIDI, virtual instruments and audio effects to master creating unique sounds

Congratulations

Melrose Award Overall Winner (\$1,000)

Kristina Alysse Ramos

Category Winners (\$250)

AUDIO

Jeffrey Brown

FILM

Ashaine Briscoe

PHOTO | WEB | GRAPHIC DESIGN

Cherokee Richardson

MAKER

Kristina Alysse Ramos

GAME & CODE

Aaron L. Griffin

Tech Talks

Building Your Music Career

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Thursday, March 24, 6:30 p.m.

What does it take to become a professional recording and performing musician? Learn about a professional musician's career path from Dayve Stewart, a saxophone player who has worked with major artists including Al Green.

Astrophotography

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Saturday, March 19, 1:30 p.m.

Once you've glimpsed distant nebulae through a pair of binoculars or a telescope, you might find yourself wanting to capture that same magic in photos. Derek Demeter, director of the Emil Buehler Planetarium at Seminole State College, will provide useful tips and tricks on how to start photographing the night sky.

Featured Classes

Make Your Spring Break!

Many library locations in Orange County offer a wide range of exciting classes during Spring Break so you can make it fun!

Whiz Kids

Join Whiz Kids, the tech club that creates comics, animates images, mixes music, makes movies, and much more. Whiz Kids classes are open to children ages 6-12. Check the calendar for more information on classes, dates and times. Register at ocls.info/whizkids or call 407.835.7323.

TechKrew

Do you know a techie teen or do you want to be one? Teens can join the Krew in a fun environment where you can unleash your creative genius. Learn about electromagnets, build apps and video games, mix music, design graphics, record, edit and add special effects to movies, create 3D models, explore electronics and much more! Register at ocls.info/techkrew or call 407.835.7323.

The Finishing Touches

Interested in restoring those old family photos or just want to give your photos a finishing touch? Why not register for a Photoshop class at a library location near you!

Photoshop Level 1

Learn about the functionality of Photoshop and explore the environment. Become familiar with using selection and editing tools.

Photoshop Level 2

Learn how to use layers, layer masks, free transform tools and text tools. Become familiar with adding basic effects to images.

Photoshop Level 3

Learn how to add layer styles, custom shapes, gradients and photo filters. Become familiar with adding advanced effects to images.

Photoshop Level 4

Learn how to apply common image editing techniques used to retouch and restore photographs.

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