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# SUMMER LUNCH

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This summer, Orange County Public Schools Food & Nutrition Services is touring your city to offer meals at no charge to children and young adults under 18.

The 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. Lunch is served Monday-Friday (no meals will be served on Monday, June 20 and Monday, July 4). Meals must be consumed on the premises. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



## LUNCH SERVED MONDAY-FRIDAY

**June 6–July 29, 2022** (no meals will be served on Monday, June 20 and Monday, July 4)

**11 a.m.–Noon**  
**Chickasaw Branch**  
870 N. Chickasaw Trail  
Orlando, FL 32825

**11 a.m.–Noon**  
**Fairview Shores Branch**  
902 Lee Road, Suite 26  
Orlando, FL 32810

**11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**  
**Hiawasse Branch**  
7391 W. Colonial Drive  
Orlando, FL 32818

**11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**  
**South Creek Branch**  
1702 Deerfield Blvd.  
Orlando, FL 32837

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

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



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### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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### Next Board Of Trustees Meeting:

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
*Thursday, June 9, 6 p.m.*

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### Next Friends Of The Library Board Of Directors Meeting:

Virtual  
*Wednesday, June 15, Noon*

## FROM THE INTERIM DIRECTOR

One of the most important relationships Orange County Library System has is with Orange County Public Schools. We strive to ensure that every school in the county has a library staff liaison who provides them with information about library events and services, and we collaborate with OCPS on a variety of initiatives, like virtual field trips, virtual library services and providing library card sign-up applications to students.

To help teachers make the most of our relationship with schools, we host a special event for educators every summer to help them learn how the library can aid them in the classroom and beyond. We call it Library U, and it offers presentations, experiences and demonstrations that shed light on what the library has to offer educators and students. Some teachers who visit for the event are amazed by all of the things the library has to offer that they don't know about, like live online tutoring for students, language learning and databases that can help kids do research or write papers.

This year's Library U takes place on Thursday, June 9 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Elementary, middle and high school teachers and media specialists can participate. Topics that will be covered this year include a hands-on experience in the library's Melrose Center; virtual library cards and the tools they unlock for students who have access to them; and virtual field trips and how they enhance the classroom experience. Just like all of our events, Library U is free. Registration is required and closes June 7. Sign up at [ocls.info/libraryu](https://ocls.info/libraryu).

Another thing we do every summer is host our annual Summer Reading Program. This year's program launches on June 4, and after two years of virtual-only events and programs, we're looking forward to bringing back in-person experiences at all locations. We'll host some of our most popular performers, like OrisiRisi African Folklore, Gatorland's gator wranglers, Yehaa Bob and Jiggleman, as well as some newer experiences, like Curbside Circus, which wowed audiences with outdoor performances at select branch locations last year.

We've also got a challenge for you – help us reach our Summer Reading Program community reading goal of 2 million minutes. If we had 3,334 people read at least 600 minutes this summer, we could easily reach that goal. To participate, sign up for the Beanstack app and create an account with your library card so you can log your reading time online. Last year, we set a community reading goal of 1 million minutes, and we far exceeded it with more than 1.8 million minutes read and logged by the community. Let's make sure we get to 2 million in 2022!



A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink that reads "St Powell".

**Steve Powell**  
*Interim Director/CEO & COO*  
*Orange County Library System*

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# ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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## DIY: DECORATIVE LIGHTHOUSES

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Friday, June 10, 11 a.m.

Hiawassee Branch

Thursday, June 16, 4:30 p.m.

Southeast Branch

Saturday, June 18, 3 p.m.

South Creek Branch

Thursday, June 23, 5 p.m.

Explore endless possibilities as you create your own decorated lighthouse.

All materials provided.



## Adult Summer Reading Program

### 2022 Beanstack Challenge

ocls.beanstack.org

June 4–July 23

Explore oceans of possibilities this summer with the library! Log the books you read, book reviews you write and challenges you participate in to earn digital badges with a chance to win prizes. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

## IN-PERSON

### Ocean Animal Coffee Filter Suncatchers

Southeast Branch

Saturday, June 4, 3 p.m.

Hiawassee Branch

Thursday, June 9, 4:30–5:35 p.m.

Southwest Branch

Friday, June 24, 1:30–2:45 p.m.

You'll be happy as a clam while creating this ocean-themed craft. Create a suncatcher you will turtly love.

### Jigsaw Jamboree: Shark Edition

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Wednesday, June 8, 5 p.m.

Ready, set, go! In teams of two, race against the clock to finish a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle. Winners get their completed project displayed in the library for a limited time for all to see!

### Ocean Animal Felties

South Creek Branch

Thursday, June 9, 5 p.m.

Join us on a wild adventure this summer and learn how to create your own ocean animal felties! Explore how to hand sew or use glue for assembly. No skills are required. All materials provided.

### Beach Painting

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Monday, June 13, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Bring a beachy vibe into your home by learning to paint a simple coastal scene with acrylic paints.

### Avast ye! Pirates: Fact or Fiction?

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.

Ahoy, scallywags! Is the pirates' life for ye? Join the crew and test your knowledge with a trivia game and practical pirate challenges to see if you have what it takes to make it on the high seas!

### Ocean Resin Pendant

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, June 23, 4:30 p.m.

North Orange Branch

Saturday, June 25, 2 p.m.

Create a one-of-a-kind resin pendant that looks like a beach scene. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

### Drawing Waves

Chickasaw Branch

Saturday, June 25, 2 p.m.

Come discover how fun it is to draw from original works of art! Sharpen your artistic skills with this one-hour exercise.

### Diving with a Purpose

Southeast Branch

Saturday, June 25, 3 p.m.

Master Scuba Diver Trainer Kramer Wimberley will discuss the work of Diving with a Purpose (DWP) to document and preserve historic slave shipwreck sites. Also, explore DWP's efforts to monitor coral reefs.





**IN-PERSON**

**Altered Books Workshop**

West Oaks Branch

*Saturday, June 4, 2:30–4:30 p.m.*

Junk journal, scrapbook, diary? Bring your imagination and join us to discover the possibilities of altered books at this monthly workshop. Recommended for ages 13 and up.

**Bridge Club**

Windermere Branch

*Saturdays, June 4–25, 3–4:30 p.m.*

Ever wanted to learn bridge? Or have you just been looking to play a few hands? Get a tip to enhance your skills. All levels welcome. Recommended for ages 13 and up. Registration required.

**Plant Clinic**

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 9, 2–4 p.m.*

Bring your plants, get your soil pH tested and ask questions! Master Gardener Volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office will be available to answer your gardening questions.

**Moments of Being: Telling Your Story**

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

*Saturdays, June 11 & 25, 2 p.m.*

Participants will identify moments in their lives where they've felt most alive and tell the story of those moments by writing short vignettes. Stories will be woven together into one narrative.

**Introduction to Calligraphy**

Southeast Branch

*Saturday, June 11, 3 p.m.*

Explore the basics of the beautiful art form, calligraphy. Students will be introduced to a variety of pens and materials used to create different lettering styles. Registration required.

**West Oaks Wildflower Club**

West Oaks Branch

*Sunday, June 12, 2–4 p.m.*

Meet up with other nature lovers to celebrate wildflowers. Each month, we'll spotlight a different wildflower and host discussions and crafts that promote native Florida plants. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

**The Benefits of Tai Chi Easy with**

**Kevin Merrigan**

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

*Tuesday, June 14, Noon*

Learn and experience the health benefits of Tai Chi Easy, a program that focuses on mindful movements, breathing, self-massage and meditation. Then use these tools throughout the day to de-stress and reset.

**Snack & Learn: Brain Boot Camp**

Fairview Shores Branch

*Friday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.*

Find out how to protect your brain health and help reduce your risk of dementia. This event is part of the ongoing Snack & Learn series presented by Casman Mosby, CarePlus Health Plans.

**EXPLORING OUR NATURAL LANDS**

Alafaya Branch

*Friday, June 10, 3 p.m.*

Orange County's Green PLACE has 18,839 acres of environmentally sensitive lands to explore. Learn how the program protects local ecosystems and provides social and economic value. Part of the Sustainability Series sponsored by the Friends of the Orange County Library System.

**Tea & Conversation**

South Creek Branch

*Saturday, June 25, 2:30 p.m.*

This monthly social is designed to bring adults together in a celebration of everyday life.

**Health Insurance Marketplace Education**

Alafaya Branch

*Sunday, June 26, 2 p.m.*

Meet with certified Marketplace Navigators to learn about the Health Insurance Marketplace. Navigators will discuss coverage options and assist with enrollment. Presented by Covering Central Florida.

**The Story of the Blues: Finding Your Voice**

West Oaks Branch

*Tuesday, June 28, 5:30 p.m.*

The blues is a unique style of music with a rich history. This 60-minute workshop features the history of the blues and will teach participants how to write their own blues style song.

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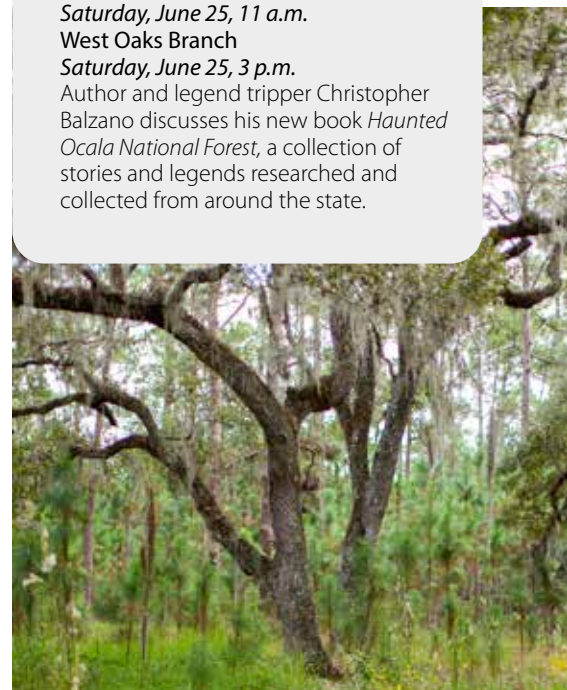
South Trail Branch

*Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.*

West Oaks Branch

*Saturday, June 25, 3 p.m.*

Author and legend tripper Christopher Balzano discusses his new book *Haunted Ocala National Forest*, a collection of stories and legends researched and collected from around the state.



## VIRTUAL

### Altered Books Workshop

*Saturday, June 4, 2:45–4 p.m.*

Junk journal, scrapbook, diary? Bring your imagination and join us to discover the possibilities of altered books at this monthly workshop. Recommended for ages 13 and up.

### Yoga

*Tuesday, June 7, 9 a.m.*

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing yoga sequence for all levels. Tap into the strength, balance, flexibility and relaxation that your body can provide you. Registration required.

### Southwest Film Club

*Tuesday, June 7, 7–8:30 p.m.*

The Southwest Film Club discusses the themes and importance of a movie each month.

### Men's Health

*Wednesday, June 15, 11 a.m.*

Join Jessica Daly, Faculty Librarian and Assistant Professor with AdventHealth University, as she discusses the importance of yearly checkups and taking part in preventative care for men.

### Let's Talk: Podcast Discussions

*Tuesday, June 21, 7 p.m.–8:30 p.m.*

Just like a book club, but for podcasts! Join a community of podcast listeners as we explore a human interest topic by way of three to five podcast episode selections. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

### Food 101: BBQ

*Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.*

The Food 101 series introduces you to a new topic every month, examining the historical and social significance of what we eat.

### Chair Yoga

*Monday, June 27, 11 a.m.*

Get moving with this energizing and relaxing chair yoga sequence for all levels. Tap into the strength, balance, flexibility and relaxation that your body can provide you. Requires use of a chair.



## ART & DISPLAY

[ocls.info/art](https://ocls.info/art)

## IN-PERSON

### MEET THE ARTIST: ANGIE VAZQUEZ

Southwest Branch

*Saturday, June 18, 2–4 p.m.*

Join us to meet artist Angie Vazquez and view her *Reflections from the Heart* collection of graphite and white chalk drawings and oil paintings on display through June.

## CUISINE CORNER

[ocls.info/cuisinecorner](https://ocls.info/cuisinecorner)

## IN-PERSON

### Cuisine Corner with Pattie Lou's Donuts

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

*Friday, June 17, 12:30 p.m.*

Pattie Lou's Donuts is bringing their custom, made to order donuts to the library! Learn about the process of making donuts, how they got started and customize your own with dips and toppings.

## VIRTUAL

### Salsa and Smoothies

*Wednesday, June 15, 6 p.m.*

Enjoy the cool tastes of summer. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make satisfying salsa and smoothies.

### JAMAICAN ITAL STEW

*Tuesday, June 28, 6:30 p.m.*

Join culinary expert Dianne Morin as she demonstrates how to make Jamaican ital stew and Jamaican coconut drops in honor of Caribbean American Heritage Month.





# JUNETEENTH

[ocls.info/juneteenth](https://ocls.info/juneteenth)

This month we recognize the significance of Juneteenth, the day in 1865 that emancipated slaves living in Galveston, Texas learned they were free. First celebrated by African Americans in 1866, the holiday was originally known as Freedom Day. Juneteenth officially became a federal holiday on June 17, 2021. Join Orange County Library System in commemorating the day through programs, events and recommended readings highlighting Black history, love and joy.

## IN-PERSON

### Celebrate Juneteenth!

Southwest Branch

*Wednesday, June 8, 1 p.m.*

South Creek Branch

*Saturday, June 18, 10:30 a.m.*

Gather your family to celebrate the freedom of African Americans from slavery in the U.S. We will celebrate by making our own confetti poppers! Recommended for children ages 6–8.

### Zora Neale Hurston:

#### Roots & Cultural Heritage

Eatonville Branch

*Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.*

Join the conversation on the life of Zora Neale Hurston with scholar Rae Chesny. She will share how the daughter of an enslaved person and prolific storyteller worked to preserve cultural heritage. Recommended for families.

### Zora Neale Hurston:

#### The Storyteller and Her Town Tour

Eatonville Branch

*Saturday, June 18, 12:30 p.m.*

Eatonville comes to life from the pages of Zora Neale Hurston's *Their Eyes Were Watching God*. Explore the town during this walking tour while learning about Zora alongside scholar Rae Chesny.

## VIRTUAL

### Afrofuturism

*Tuesday, June 14, 7 p.m.*

For African Americans navigating a racist society, imagining a better world is a powerful tool. Dr. Julian Chambliss will discuss the visions of Afrofuturism that have re-shaped the American experience.



## FREEDOM AND JUNETEENTH

South Trail Branch

*Tuesday, June 14, 2 p.m.*

West Oaks Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 11 a.m.*

Winter Garden Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 3:30 p.m.*

Hiawassee Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 4:30 p.m.*

Fairview Shores Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 1:30 p.m.*

South Creek Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 2 p.m.*

Eatonville Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 2:45 p.m.*

Windermere Branch

*Friday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.*

Southeast Branch

*Friday, June 17, 4 p.m.*

Washington Park Branch

*Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.*

What does it mean to be free? Learn about Juneteenth through stories and activities that celebrate freedom. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### ZORA'S GARDEN

Eatonville Branch

*Friday, June 17, 1 p.m.*

Celebrate Juneteenth with a fun storytime with Rae Chesny, author of *Zora's Garden*. Learn about Zora Neale Hurston's love of gardening and her life as a child in Eatonville. Recommended for ages 6–12.



### A BLACK GIRL'S REFLECTIONS OF LOVE AND RESILIENCE

Eatonville Branch

*Tuesday, June 14, 5 p.m.*

Actress and songstress Patrece Bloomfield takes you on an artistic journey through the history of Juneteenth.





## Q&A with Dr. Trenessa Williams, Owner of Kizzy's Books & More

by Andrea Jackson, Marketing Specialist

**W**e spoke with Black entrepreneur, Dr. Trenessa Williams, owner of the online bookstore Kizzy's Books & More, to discuss African American literature and her upcoming library event as we honor Juneteenth.

### **What ignited your passion for African American literature?**

What really got me to enjoy African American literature was poetry. That's how I learned about Langston Hughes, Paul Laurence Dunbar and other authors who wrote about the African American experience. Poems that ignited my passion for Black literature were: *We Wear the Mask* by Paul Laurence Dunbar and *Ego Tripping* by Nikki Giovanni. When I was younger, I remember sneaking and reading *For Colored Girls* by Ntozake Shange. By reading books, especially books that dealt with the African American experience, I was able to relate because it told our story and it brought light to our experience.

### **What is Juneteenth? What does Juneteenth represent to you?**

Even though Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation

Proclamation stating they were free on January 1, 1863, it took 2.5 years for word to get to the African American slaves in Galveston, Texas. They didn't know they were free. Juneteenth is the celebration for those African Americans finally getting the word they were free. They celebrated, they prayed and they danced.

When I think about what Juneteenth is, it's a celebration of our experience as African Americans and the history of where we were, what we've been through and where we're going in the future. It's a promotion of our culture: past, present and future.

### **Why is your goal of opening a brick-and-mortar bookstore in Parramore significant to this neighborhood?**

In 2008 when the concept of Kizzy's Books & More came to be, I was looking at what areas I wanted to have that bookstore. I knew about Parramore, but as I was doing research, I found out the richness of the history, and how it was one of the oldest Black neighborhoods in Orlando. I knew that part of Parramore was going to be gentrified and redeveloped. I knew I wanted to have a location in that area because

it was an influential, prominent neighborhood back in the day. We don't have a place where we can go and connect with African American culture and literature. When Montsho Books died, there wasn't another place that could fill that void.

### **As a Black-owned bookstore, what do you hope to bring to the community?**

I hope to bring a safe place where lovers of African American literature and culture, and those who love to read can come together and have a place where they can read and connect over a book. Reading is the most amazing thing and books can connect people that never have really connected before. I hope to bring to the community a space to promote literacy, especially for those who love to read or those who are trying to rediscover reading.

### **How can bookstores and libraries help serve the Black community?**

Bookstores and libraries can provide resources that can help students who lack reading proficiency. Reading is the gateway to everything you know. You need to be able to read to be able to work. You need to be able to read to do anything.

### **What are you looking forward to discussing in your virtual event, Working with Bookstores as an Author, on June 16?**

I'm excited about the whole event! I'm excited about really connecting with authors to provide them with insight on what they need to do to get their books on shelves. I want to provide them with the do's and don'ts so they are prepared and have an understanding of the process.

Read the full interview with Dr. Trenessa Williams online at [ocls.info/blog](https://ocls.info/blog).

#### **VIRTUAL**

### **Working with Bookstores as an Author**

*Thursday, June 16, 7 p.m.*

Learn how to get your books into bookstores and how to approach them about hosting an author event. Dr. Trenessa Williams of Kizzy's Books & More will also answer authors' questions about bookstores.

IN-PERSON

**Overcoming Frustration in Job Searches**

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 2, 5–6:30 p.m.*

Searching for a new job can be stressful. In this workshop, Polly Smith, an employment specialist with Goodwill Industries of Central Florida, will show attendees valuable tools to help reduce frustration.

VIRTUAL

**Career Academy: Perfecting Your Resume**

*Tuesday, June 14, 2:30 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, June 28, 2:30 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.



MUSIC

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IN-PERSON

**MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY: RAVON RHODEN**

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

*Sunday, June 12, 2 p.m.*

In honor of National Caribbean American Heritage Month, enjoy a live performance by steel pan musician Ravon Rhoden. Ravon is an energetic pannist with an extensive musical repertoire.

**Music in the Library: Nathi Gcabashe**

Chickasaw Branch

*Thursday, June 30, Noon*

Hear Grammy-nominated musician Nathi Gcabashe. Nathi is a singer, songwriter, guitarist and record producer from Durban, South Africa.



NEXT CHAPTER

ocls.info/nextchapter

IN-PERSON

**Qigong Movement and Breathing**

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 1 p.m.*

Jasmine Win shows basic qigong techniques and how using them in your daily life can benefit your health. Qigong is a crucial tool in Chinese medicine which involves movement, breathing and meditation.

**Snack & Learn: Talking to Your Aging Relatives**

Hiawassee Branch

*Wednesday, June 8, 1 p.m.*

Explore ways to turn important and uncomfortable conversations with your aging loved ones into easy and productive ones. Presented by Casman Mosby, CarePlus Health Plans.

**Envejeciendo en su hogar**

Chickasaw Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 2:30 p.m.*

Hable sobre envejeciendo en su lugar con un profesional local. Aprende información valiosa sobre cómo mantener la independencia. Este evento se presentado en español.

**ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SENIOR PROGRAMS – LIFE INFORMATION FOR ELDER**

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room

*Thursday, June 16, 12:10 p.m.*

Join the Orange County Sheriff's Office as they share the senior programs offered at OCSO and Senior Academies, Project Lifesaver International, Special Needs Alert Program and Combat Auto Theft. This seminar is part of the monthly LIFE Information for Elders series. To register, contact [OfficeonAging@ocfl.net](mailto:OfficeonAging@ocfl.net).



## BOOK CLUBS

[ocls.info/bookclubs](http://ocls.info/bookclubs)

### VIRTUAL

#### Alafaya Book Club

Thursday, June 9, 7 p.m.

The Alafaya Book Club reads a new book every month.

#### Hiawasse Book Club

Monday, June 27, 7 p.m.

In June, the Hiawasse Book Club will discuss *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See. While working as divers with the all-female diving collective on a small Korean island, Mi-ja and Young-sook find their friendship challenged by their differences and forces outside their control.

#### Southwest Book Club

Tuesday, June 28, 7–8:45 p.m.

What have you been reading? Join the Southwest Book Club for BYOB Month! Bring your own book to share with other readers. Recommended for ages 18 and up.



## WRITERS CORNER

[ocls.info/writerscorner](http://ocls.info/writerscorner)

### VIRTUAL

#### Writing Workshop: So Close

Tuesday, June 7, 7 p.m.

Are you getting compliments on your writing, but still no book contract? Rebecca Petruck will offer practical advice to help those who are so close take that final leap across the finish line.

#### Writing Compelling Characters

Thursday, June 9, 7 p.m.

Great stories start with great characters. Novelist Kathleen Barber will discuss why fully developed characters are vital to your fiction and share techniques for creating authentic, original characters.

#### OCLS Writer's Group

Sunday, June 12, 4 p.m.

Join your fellow writers for critique, discussion and camaraderie. Writers of all genres and experience are welcome. Please attend one meeting before submitting a piece for critique.

### FROM SUB TO PUB

Sunday, June 26, 2 p.m.

Literary agent Kaitlyn Johnson will explain the process from submitting to agents through publication, including the ins and outs of querying agents, getting the call and going on submission.

## MEET THE AUTHOR

[ocls.info/meettheauthor](http://ocls.info/meettheauthor)

### IN-PERSON

#### LOCAL AUTHOR FESTIVAL

Orlando Public Library, Library Central

Sunday, June 5, 2–4 p.m.

Meet and greet local authors at our Local Authors Festival. Authors from a variety of genres will share their experiences and books. Each author will have books available for purchase and signing.

### VIRTUAL

#### Meet the Star Wars Author Mike Chen

Friday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Mike Chen is a critically acclaimed science fiction author. He will discuss his new book, *Star Wars: Brotherhood*, and more with librarian and author Lauren Gibaldi.

# LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

[ocls.info/pride](https://ocls.info/pride)

Join Orange County Library System for Pride Month and envelop yourself in a celebration of culture. We amplify voices and recognize the vast contributions courageous people of the LGBTQIA+ community have made all over the world since the Stonewall Riots of 1969 and beyond.



## IN-PERSON

**ArtMazing: Keith Haring**  
Washington Park Branch  
*Wednesday, June 1, 4 p.m.*  
Unleash your inner artist and discover your creative side in this all-ages art exploration. Inspiration is a must! Learn about pop artist Keith Haring, read a story about his life and create fun doodles based on his art. Recommended for families with children ages 6 and up.

**Love Makes a Family**  
South Trail Branch  
*Tuesday, June 7, 11 a.m.*  
South Creek Branch  
*Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.*  
West Oaks Branch  
*Tuesday, June 14, 11 a.m.*  
Windermere Branch  
*Monday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.*  
Family may look different to everyone but most importantly – it's where the heart is. Celebrate diverse families with reading, songs and a craft! Recommended for ages 3–5.

**Pride Celebration**  
North Orange Branch  
*Saturday, June 11, 11 a.m.–5 p.m.*  
Explore our open room at your own pace for an all-day event filled with crafts and activities to celebrate Pride. Recommended for families.

## VIRTUAL

**Love Makes a Family**  
*Thursdays, June 2 & 23, 11 a.m.*  
*Tuesday, June 21, 11 a.m.*  
Family may look different to everyone but most importantly – it's where the heart is. Celebrate diverse families with reading, songs and a craft! Recommended for ages 3–5.

**Little Chef: Rainbow Fruit Pizza**  
*Tuesday, June 7, 11 a.m.*  
You're never too young to start cooking! Bring your child to learn about kitchen safety, pouring, measuring, smearing, tasting and presentation skills as you make a recipe. Recommended for ages 2–5.







## I AM A QUEER MAN

Eatonville Branch  
*Saturday, June 11, 2 p.m.*  
 Living life in the LGBTQ+ community can be difficult and challenging. Learn about the unique experiences of discrimination of gay men in the Black community. Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

# I am a Queer Man

**R**icardo Burney, a circulation clerk for Orange County Library System, will lead guests through a thought-provoking event in celebration of Pride Month. He will discuss why intersectionality is important as a Black man in the LGBTQ+ community. "It shows us that identities work on multiple levels and that oppression cannot be reduced to only one part of an identity," he says. "Each oppression is dependent on and shapes the other."

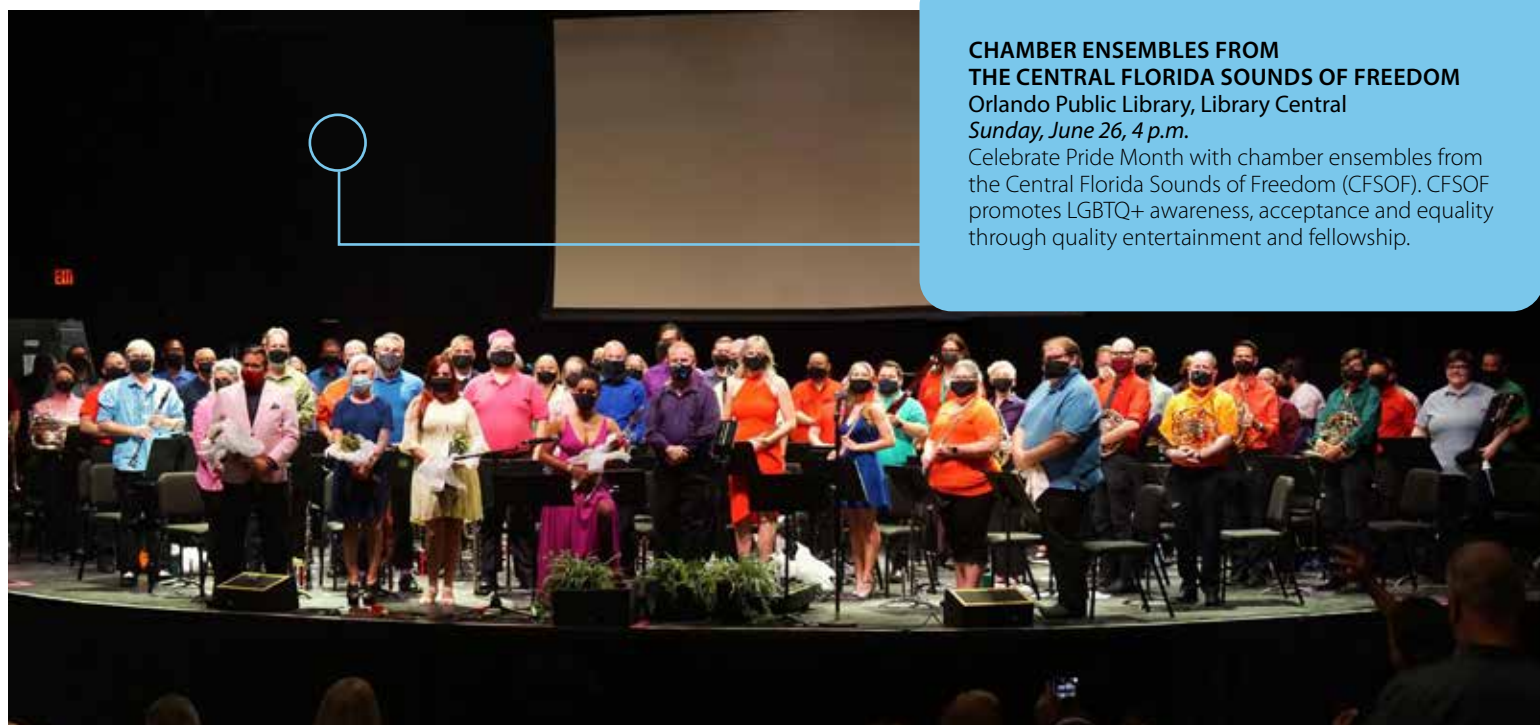
Together with staff from Peer Support Space, Burney will tackle the mental health effects of discrimination. Drawing upon the experiences that have shaped him, he will present on the lives of other Black gay men who were prominent historical or political figures. "I hope to create conversation around these topics, and that this gives all of us an opportunity to better understand each other."

Burney served in the military during the controversial "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" era – a risk which could have cost him, and many other LGBTQ+ military personnel, their careers. When not in uniform, Burney reveled in the spotlight as he transformed into his drag persona, Bernice Labelle.

His significant contributions and involvement in the community has led to many awards, including Miss Gay Monterey (1995) and Dual Empress (1997). "In the beginning, there was a contingency of embarrassment associated with being a drag queen," Burney said. "I wasn't proud, and I certainly didn't understand the platform that was afforded to me. It is now later in life that I realize the incredible power of drag, and I see that part of my life as a badge of honor."

Today, Burney volunteers with Turn About, an Orlando organization that helps make HIV and hepatitis testing available at no cost. Reflecting on his work in the LGBTQ+ community, his lived experiences and the research he's done, Burney shares that it's had a positive impact on his life. "True authenticity is achieved by embracing both my blackness and queerness. They are the sum of who I am."

*Story by Andrea Jackson,  
 Marketing Specialist*



## CHAMBER ENSEMBLES FROM THE CENTRAL FLORIDA SOUNDS OF FREEDOM

Orlando Public Library, Library Central  
*Sunday, June 26, 4 p.m.*  
 Celebrate Pride Month with chamber ensembles from the Central Florida Sounds of Freedom (CFSOF). CFSOF promotes LGBTQ+ awareness, acceptance and equality through quality entertainment and fellowship.

## ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

### IN-PERSON

#### English from Zero

West Oaks Branch

Thursdays, June 2–30, 4:30–6 p.m.

Alafaya Branch

Saturdays, June 4–25, 10:30 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Tuesdays, June 14 & 21, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays, June 15, 2:30 p.m.

Designed for beginning

English learners, each workshop

targets specific vocabulary,

grammar structure and

conversation practices.

#### English Conversation Hour

Windermere Branch

Fridays, June 3–24, 3:30 p.m.

Alafaya Branch

Saturdays, June 4–25, Noon

Come practice your English

speaking skills during English

Conversation Hour. All proficiency

levels are welcome.

#### An-Pèsòn: Creole Connect

South Trail Branch

Mondays, June 6, 13 & 27, 4:15 p.m.

Vin aprann pale e pratike anglè w

nan kou sa.

#### Open Language Lab

West Oaks Branch

Mondays, June 6–27, 4–5:30 p.m.

Explore and learn English (ESOL)

or the language of your choice in

an open lab environment. Learn

and practice using one of the

available programs.

#### Speaking Clearly for Beginners

Southeast Branch

Tuesday, June 14, 12:30 p.m.

A pronunciation class for

beginners designed to introduce

learners to the basic sounds of

English for pronunciation.

#### Reading Clearly Intermediate

Southeast Branch

Wednesday, June 15, 1 p.m.

Learn, practice and discuss

reading strategies and complex

English vocabulary.

#### Speaking Clearly Intermediate

Southeast Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 12:30 p.m.

A pronunciation class for

intermediate speakers designed

to introduce learners to spelling

and pronunciation rules of English

words and phrases.

### VIRTUAL

#### English from Zero

Wednesdays, June 1–29, 6:45 p.m.

Monday, June 6, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7, 3:30 p.m.

Fridays, June 17 & 24, 10:30 a.m.

Join us to learn and talk about new

basic English vocabulary associated

with different topics.

#### Speaking Clearly for Beginners

Monday, June 13, Noon

A pronunciation class for

beginners designed to introduce

learners to the basic sounds of

English for pronunciation.

#### Writing Clearly Intermediate

Monday, June 13, 1:30 p.m.

Writing Clearly is a grammar

and writing course for

intermediate learners that focuses

on grammatically complex ideas

including sentence structure,

phrases and vocabulary building.

#### Reading Clearly Intermediate

Thursdays, June 16 & 23, 12:30 p.m.

Learn, practice and discuss reading

strategies and complex English

vocabulary.

#### Speaking Clearly Intermediate

Fridays, June 17 & 24, Noon

A pronunciation class for intermediate

speakers designed to introduce

learners to spelling and pronunciation

rules of English words and phrases.



## LEARN A LANGUAGE

### IN-PERSON

#### American Sign Language 1

Winter Garden Branch

Saturdays, June 4–25, 3 p.m.

Learn basic skills used to

communicate with the deaf

or hard of hearing. Learn

basic communication skills,

fingerspelling, introduction to

Deaf culture and vocabulary.

Registration required.

### VIRTUAL

#### Intermediate Spanish

Wednesdays, June 1–15, 10:30 a.m.

Get an introduction to Spanish

grammar by focusing on the

parts of speech, verb conjugations,

sentence structure and

vocabulary building.

#### “Hola Amigos” –

Spanish from Zero for Kids

Wednesdays, June 1–29, 6 p.m.

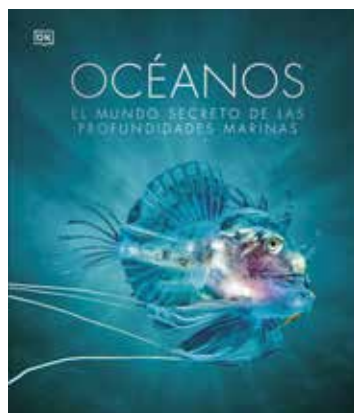
This basic introduction to Spanish

for kids includes pronunciation,

greetings, short sentences,

descriptions and vocabulary.





## NUEVO EN LA BIBLIOTECA

**Skyhunter**  
(Spanish Edition)  
por Marie Lu  
traducción de  
Estibaliz Montero

La autora número uno en ventas del *New York Times*, Marie Lu, está de regreso con *Skyhunter*, una novela llena de adrenalina sobre los extremos a los que un guerrero llegará para luchar por la libertad y sus seres queridos.

**El código del cáncer:**  
*una aproximación nueva y revolucionaria a un misterio médico*  
por Jason Fung  
traducción de  
Francesc Terradas

Autor de los bestsellers internacionales *The Diabetes Code* y *The Obesity Code*, el Dr. Jason Fung regresa con una reveladora biografía sobre el cáncer en la que ofrece un nuevo paradigma radical para entender el cáncer.

**Océanos: el mundo secreto de las profundidades marinas**

Con asombrosas fotografías muestra la abundante vida en los mares, desde plancton microscópico hasta enormes ballenas, algas marinas y estrellas de mar. Este asombroso libro explora todos los rincones de los océanos, desde los arrecifes de coral y los manglares hasta las fosas marinas profundas.

**El ingrediente secreto de Emoni Santiago**  
por Elizabeth Acevedo  
traducción de Silvina Poch

De la autora del bestseller del *New York Times* *The Poet X*, llega una deslumbrante novela en prosa sobre una chica con talento, orgullo y un impulso por alimentar el alma que mantiene su fuego encendido.

**Perdono pero no olvido:**  
*haz que la paz interior sea tu prioridad*  
por Papá Jaime  
(Jaime Jaramillo)

Un libro necesario donde la pandemia ha exacerbado, en el mundo entero, los conflictos familiares y conyugales y donde un mensaje contundente de perdón llega de la mano de un experto en conciliación y relaciones humanas.

## CITIZENSHIP INSPIRED

[ocls.info/citizenship](https://ocls.info/citizenship)

VIRTUAL

**Citizenship Inspired**

Thursdays, June 2–30, 3–4:30 p.m.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, June 7, 8, 14 & 15, 3–5 p.m.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, June 21, 22, 28 & 29, 3–5 p.m.

During this program, students will meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.





# FIBER ARTS

[ocls.info/fiberarts](http://ocls.info/fiberarts)

## IN-PERSON

### It's Sew Easy – Pillowcase

Orlando Public Library,  
Sewing Studio

*Monday–Wednesday,  
June 6–8, 10 a.m.–Noon*

Create a classic pillowcase with a contrasting cuff. Professionally finish your project with French seams, while practicing straight stitches. Fabric and notions provided.

### It's Sew Easy – Pull On Shorts

Orlando Public Library,  
Sewing Studio

*Monday–Thursday,  
June 13–16, 12:30–2:30 p.m.*

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 lounge shorts. Fabric and notions provided.

### It's Sew Easy – Scrunchies

Southwest Branch

*Tuesday & Wednesday,  
June 21 & 22, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.*

Take the fashion world by storm! We will teach you everything you need to know to start sewing like a pro. Learn how to sew your own stylish scrunchies.

### Let's Embroider Camp

Southwest Branch

*Monday–Wednesday,*

*June 27–29, 10:15–11:15 a.m.*

Color with thread! Learn embroidery stitches and techniques to create beautiful designs. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### IT'S SEW EASY – TOTE BAGS

Orlando Public Library,  
Sewing Studio

*Monday–Thursday,*

*June 27–30, 12:30–2:30 p.m.*

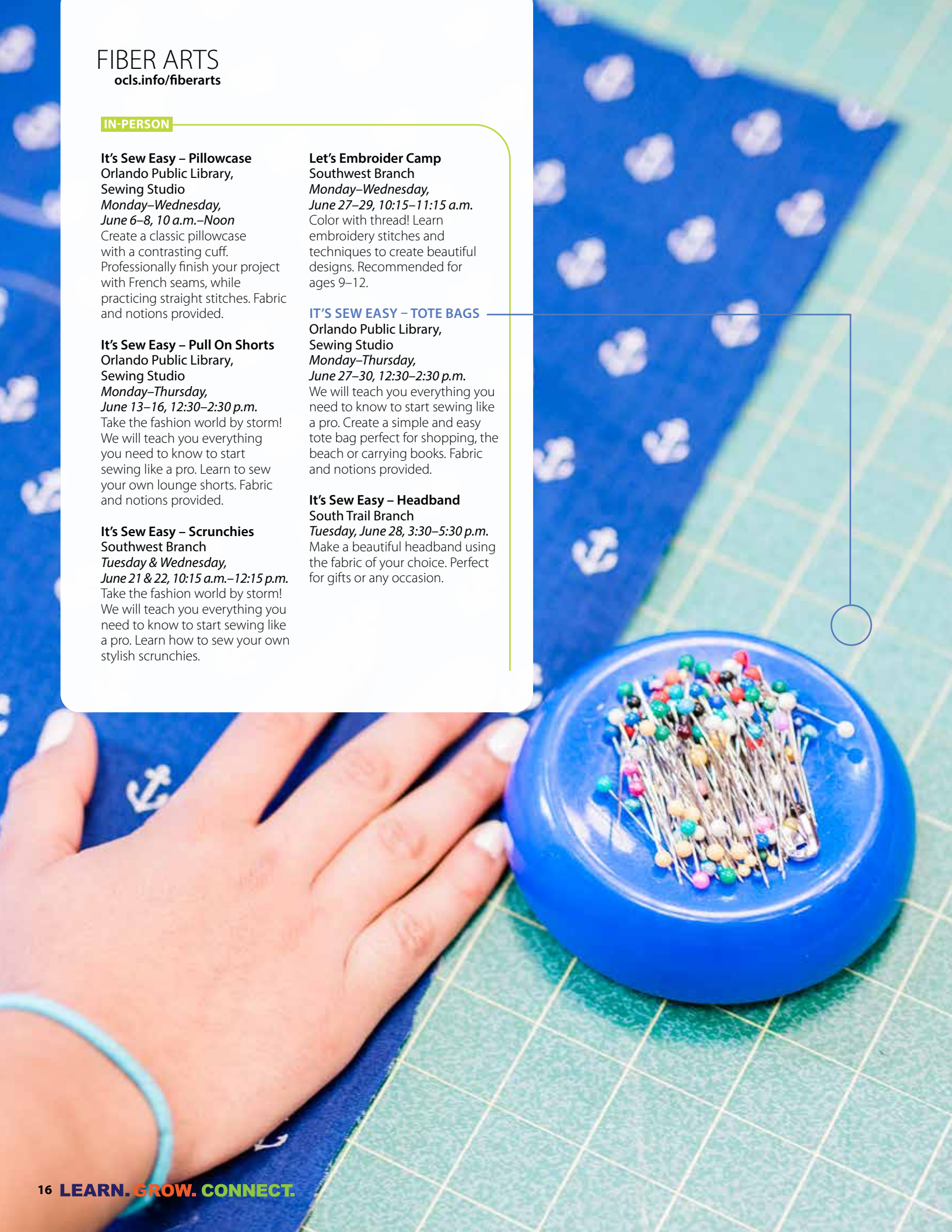
We will teach you everything you need to know to start sewing like a pro. Create a simple and easy tote bag perfect for shopping, the beach or carrying books. Fabric and notions provided.

### It's Sew Easy – Headband

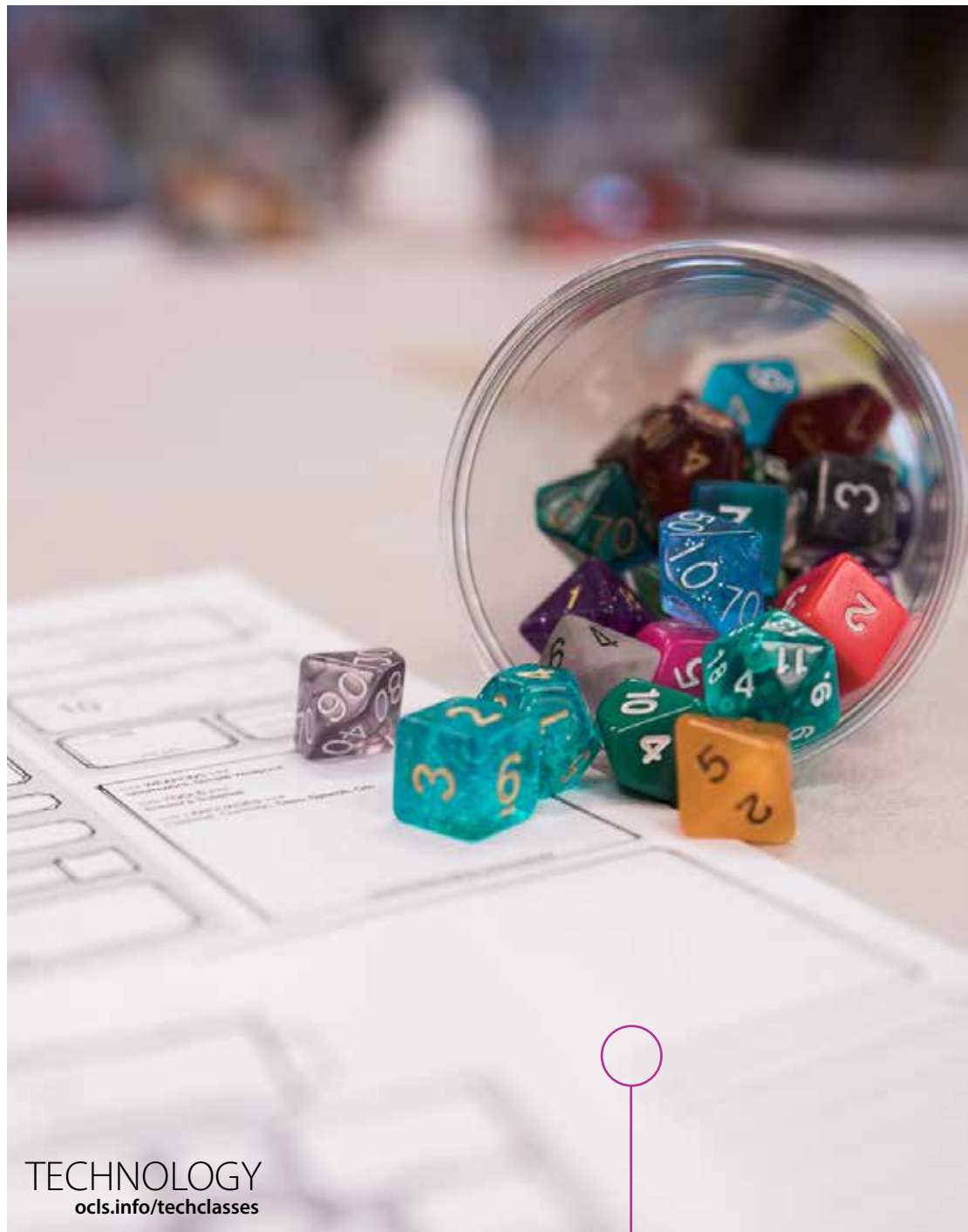
South Trail Branch

*Tuesday, June 28, 3:30–5:30 p.m.*

Make a beautiful headband using the fabric of your choice. Perfect for gifts or any occasion.







TECHNOLOGY  
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## IN-PERSON

### CODING CAMPS

#### Coding Electronics with LEDs

Orlando Public Library  
*Saturday, June 11, 1:30 p.m.*  
*Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.*

Explore the basics of coding electronics while you build exciting projects with Snapino. Program an Arduino to control LED lights. Recommended for ages 10–12.

#### Coding Electronics with Sensors

Orlando Public Library  
*Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.*  
*Saturday, June 25, 1:30 p.m.*

Explore the basics of coding electronics while you build exciting projects with Snapino. Program an Arduino to control sensors. Recommended for ages 10–12.

#### Coding Electronics with Switches

Orlando Public Library  
*Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.*  
*Saturday, June 25, 10:30 a.m.*

Explore the basics of coding electronics while you build exciting projects with Snapino. Program an Arduino to use switches. Recommended for ages 10–12.

## IN-PERSON

### LET'S PLAY CAMPS

#### Let's Play Pokémon TCG Camp

Orlando Public Library  
*Tuesday–Thursday, June 7–9, 2:30–4 p.m. (Ages 7–9)*  
Fairview Shores Branch  
*Monday–Wednesday, June 13–15, 1:30–3 p.m. (Ages 10–12)*  
You can be the very best Pokémon trainer. Learn the rules of the game and winning strategies. Then test your skill in battles against your fellow trainers.

#### LET'S PLAY D&D CAMP

Alafaya Branch  
*Saturdays, June 11–25, 1–3 p.m. (Ages 10–12)*  
Orlando Public Library  
*Tuesday–Thursday, June 21–23, 2:30–4:30 p.m. (Ages 13–17)*  
Orlando Public Library  
*Tuesday–Thursday, June 28–30, 2:30–4:30 p.m. (Ages 10–12)*  
Learn to play Dungeons & Dragons! Start with the game basics in the Adventure Begins board game, then choose a character and play a real campaign with monsters, adventure and treasure.

#### Let's Play Dungeons & Dragons

Orlando Public Library  
*Friday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.–Noon*  
Go on a Dungeons & Dragons Adventure! Choose a character then go on a D&D Adventure Club campaign to right wrongs and find treasure. Recommended for ages 7–9.

#### Let's Play Chess Camp

Orlando Public Library  
*Tuesday–Thursday, June 14–16, 2:30–4 p.m.*  
Become a chess master. Play real chess while learning the rules of the game and strategies to win against your opponent. Recommended for ages 7–9.

## **Mastering Genealogical Proof Study Group**

*Wednesday, June 1, 6:30 p.m.*

Join us for our Mastering Genealogical Proof study group focusing on genealogical methods and reasoning.

## **Uncovering Family Secrets: DNA Surprise**

*Thursday, June 2, Noon*

What happens when you do a DNA test, and the results don't turn out quite the way you expected? This case study will walk you through one person's experience with an unexpected discovery.

## **Global Genealogy: England and Wales**

*Tuesday, June 7, 1 p.m.*

Explore resources, tips and tricks for finding records in the home countries of your ancestors. This session focuses on England and Wales.

## **Genealogy in the States: New Mexico**

*Wednesday, June 8, 6:30 p.m.*

Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in New Mexico. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

## **Social Security Records for Genealogy**

*Thursday, June 9, Noon*

The Social Security Act was passed in 1935 and helped to create records for genealogists. Learn how this act impacted your ancestors and what records were created as a result.

## **Facts vs. Stories Writing for Genealogy**

*Tuesday, June 14, 1 p.m.*

Learn how to turn your family history facts into engaging stories that your relatives will want to read.

## **Genealogy in the States: Florida**

*Wednesday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.*

Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in Florida. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

## **Global Genealogy: Germany**

*Thursday, June 16, Noon*

Explore resources, tips, and tricks for finding records in the home countries of your ancestors. This session focuses on Germany.

## **20 Unique Websites For Genealogy Research**

*Tuesday, June 21, 1 p.m.*

New websites and features appear on the internet almost daily. Come and explore these 20 unique websites that are indispensable for both beginning and experienced researchers.

## **Genealogy in the States: New York**

*Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.*

Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in New York. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

## **Utilizing the General Register Office Records**

*Thursday, June 23, Noon*

The General Register Office oversees civil registration in England and Wales maintaining records of all births, marriages and deaths dating back to 1837. Learn how to utilize this resource in your genealogical research.

## **More Unique Websites for Genealogy Research**

*Tuesday, June 28, 1 p.m.*

We found more unique websites that can enhance your genealogy research! Join us as we explore these hidden gems.

## **Genealogy in the States: Massachusetts**

*Wednesday, June 29, 6:30 p.m.*

Explore the rich research resources and collections that are held in a variety of archives and repositories in Massachusetts. Discover what records are available and how to use them.

## **West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center Overview**

*Thursday, June 30, Noon*

Learn about the services and resources that are offered by the library to help you with your genealogical research.







## MELROSE

[ocls.info/melrose](https://ocls.info/melrose)

### IN-PERSON

#### **Build a Talking Picture Frame**

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  
*Wednesday, June 8, 2–4:30 p.m.*

Make your pictures say even more with a talking picture frame! This workshop is taught by Melrose Fab Lab instructors. Recommended for ages 13–17.

#### **Make an Ocean-Themed Sticker Set**

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center  
*Wednesday, June 29, 11 a.m.*

You'll be happy as a clam learning how to cut your own stickers using sticker paper and the Silhouette Cameo! This class is taught by Melrose Fab Lab instructors. Recommended for ages 10–12.

### VIRTUAL

#### **Melrose Meetups: Audio – Optimizing Your Home Studio** *Wednesday, June 15, 6–7:30 p.m.*

In this meetup we'll talk everything home studio to get you up and running and to get a better environment for you and your clients.

#### **MELROSE IN THE MIX: MUGS & POCKETS** WUCF-TV

*Thursday, June 30, 8:30 p.m.*

Vocalist Scarlet Monk and hip-hop MC/producer Swamburger have teamed up to form Mugs & Pockets. They'll appear on one another's solo projects this year, while also releasing the premiere Mugs & Pockets album. Catch their first ever appearance as Mugs & Pockets on the Season 3 finale of *Melrose in the Mix*.



# Q&A with WINDOW WORLD



Brian Tillman, owner of Window World of Central Florida, spoke with us about his love for the library. Window World is a generous sponsor of the annual Summer Reading Program, donating \$50,000 in 2021 and again in 2022.

## Do you have any memories of visiting the library with your family?

My first library memory is being in the basket of my mom's tricycle as a 3-year-old (we didn't have a car). We arrived at the front of the library and walked through the entrance into a wonderland of books and ideas. As a college student, I remember looking for a quiet place to focus and to get academic resources. As a parent, it was special walking my kids into the same library building I visited as a kid. I remember walking them through and explaining where everything is.

## Why do you think the library is important to our community?

It's the center point of our community gathering. It honors our collective imagination and is a symbol of openness and acceptance of our ideal American culture. A place where everyone is welcome, and no subject or idea is excluded. Its contents challenge us to look and go beyond ourselves, to see and understand more.

## What do you hope kids will gain from participating in the Summer Reading Program?

I hope that it inspires them to explore the world we share. To love the ideas of our country's founding. That they feel part of a community and that there's a place where dreams are born and nurtured.

20 **LEARN. GROW. CONNECT.**

# SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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## IN-PERSON

### Curbside Circus

Horizon West Pop-up  
16150 Pebble Bluff Loop  
Saturday, June 4, 10:30 a.m.  
West Oaks Branch  
Monday, June 6, 11 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch  
Tuesday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch  
Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.  
Southwest Branch  
Friday, June 10, 11 a.m.  
Orlando Public Library  
Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

A single acrobat delivers a jaw-dropping experience filled with out-of-this-world skills and daring stunts! Watch the acrobat flip, balance and spin at new heights.

### Central Florida Zoo presents Animals in Action!

West Oaks Branch  
Saturday, June 4, 11 a.m.  
Animals move in many ways. How many can you list? How many can you imagine? Discover all the right moves and get moving during this lively presentation with live animals.

### Mr. Harley's Kids Concert

Lake Nona Pop-up  
13623 Sachs Ave.  
Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.  
Dance along to rockin' tunes. From classic children's songs to original songs, you'll be sure to have a toe-tapping good time.

### OrisiRisi African Folklore

South Trail Branch  
Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.  
Eatonville Branch  
Friday, June 10, 10:30 a.m.  
South Creek Branch  
Friday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.  
Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.  
Share the beauty of African life and culture through a unique folkloric performance filled with drumming, dance and storytelling.

### Sing Along with Yehaa Bob

Orlando Public Library  
Tuesday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.  
Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.  
Sing along, clap along and laugh along with one of America's funniest entertainers. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### JiggleMan

Windermere Branch  
Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.  
Get ready to laugh out loud and be amazed by jumping, joking and juggling. Enjoy this unique comedy show.

### Bilingual Comedy Magic Show

Southeast Branch  
Thursday, June 9, 11 a.m.  
Learn new tricks and a few new vocabulary words in Spanish in this dynamic and educational magic show.

### Amazing Animals

Lake Nona Pop-up  
1326 Sachs Ave.  
Monday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.  
Southeast Branch  
Thursday, June 16, 11 a.m.  
Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.  
Fairview Shores Branch  
Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.  
Alafaya Branch  
Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.  
Winter Garden Branch  
Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.  
Chickasaw Branch  
Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.  
Dive in and meet rare, threatened and endangered species. Learn about animal conservation and interesting animals that can be found throughout different lands.

### Mark Alan's Magic Show

Washington Park Branch  
Monday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.  
Be amazed and amused with magical fun for kids of all ages! Comedy and magical entertainer for over 25 years across the United States and internationally.

### Meet a Gatorland Wrangler

West Oaks Branch  
Monday, June 13, 11 a.m.  
South Creek Branch  
Friday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.  
South Trail Branch  
Monday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.  
Gatorland brings the wild to the library! Get up close and personal with snakes and gators and learn all about these swimming creatures.





### Magical Mr. Tim

Fairview Shores Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.*

It's crazy, zany and chaotic magic.

Can you help make the magic happen? Watch a hilarious, comical and hugely entertaining children's magician.

### Patty Shukla's Super Music & Movement

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 10:30 a.m.*

Southwest Branch

*Friday, June 17, 11 a.m.*

Horizon West Pop-up

16150 Pebble Bluff Loop

*Saturday, June 18, 10:30 a.m.*

Move and shake along with award-winning performer and YouTube sensation, Miss Patty!

### Mr. Keith's Magic Show

Winter Garden Branch

*Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.*

Chickasaw Branch

*Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.*

Magicians, Keith and Julie specialize in making children laugh! There will be plenty of magic fun, surprises and of course, laughter!

### Diving into the Past and Future

Horizon West Pop-up

16150 Pebble Bluff Loop

*Saturday, June 25, 10:30 a.m.*

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.*

Scuba diver Derek will explore some of the amazing, prehistoric marine animals uncovered while exploring various rivers and oceans around Florida.

### SNAKE Education with a Twist

Washington Park Branch

*Monday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.*

South Trail Branch

*Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.*

Enjoy a snake show with professional snake handler, Chief Rowley, and his reptile friends. It's guaranteed to both entertain and educate!



### Spheres Bubble Show

Washington Park Branch

*Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.*

Hiawasse Branch

*Tuesday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.*

Fairview Shores Branch

*Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.*

Alafaya Branch

*Thursday, June 9, 10:30 a.m.*

South Creek Branch

*Friday, June 10, 10:30 a.m.*

Horizon West Pop-up

16150 Pebble Bluff Loop

*Saturday, June 11, 10:30 a.m.*

Winter Garden Branch

*Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.*

Chickasaw Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.*

Eatonville Branch

*Friday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.*

Orlando Public Library

*Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.*

Windermere Branch

*Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.*

Southeast Branch

*Thursday, June 23, 11 a.m.*

Southwest Branch

*Friday, June 24, 11 a.m.*

West Oaks Branch

*Monday, June 27, 11 a.m.*

Watch Blaise Ryndes, master bubble performer, blow gigantic bubbles and create "liquid fireworks."

## VIRTUAL

### SUMMER LIVESTREAMS

Tune in on Youtube and Facebook for special guests every Thursday at 4 p.m.

### FREE DAPS!

*Thursday, June 2, 4 p.m.*

Celebrate summer with FREE DAPS, a local group of freestyle rappers and improvisers who use hip-hop to create a thrilling, one-of-a-kind musical comedy show every time they perform!

### Emily's Wonder Lab

*Thursday, June 9, 4 p.m.*

Emily is an MIT-engineer turned Emmy-nominated science TV host. She's the host and co-executive producer of *Emily's Wonder Lab* on Netflix. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### The Everglades Foundation

*Thursday, June 16, 4 p.m.*

Go with the flow from Kissimmee to Monroe and learn all about the Everglades ecosystem. Discover the amazing plants, animals and habitats of the Everglades. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### THE TURTLE HOSPITAL

*Thursday, June 30, 4 p.m.*

Learn about a fully functioning veterinary hospital for sick and injured sea turtles. Dedicated team members rescue, rehabilitate and release sea turtles in the Florida Keys. Recommended for ages 6–8.



## FAMILY

[ocls.info/family](https://ocls.info/family)

### IN-PERSON

**Prime Time Family Reading Time**  
Alafaya Branch  
*Wednesdays, June 1 & 8, 6–7:30 p.m.*  
Join us for a six-week reading and discussion program that inspires thought and conversation between children and families. Meals will be provided.

**Galápagos Girl**  
Southeast Branch  
*Friday, June 3, 4 p.m.*  
Explore the Galápagos Islands and learn about Valentina Cruz, a girl born on the Galápagos Islands who became a biologist to protect her homeland. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

**Family Art Adventures:  
Hooray for Fish!**  
South Creek Branch  
*Saturday, June 4, 2 p.m.*  
Hiawassee Branch  
*Tuesday, June 14, 4:30 p.m.*  
Families are invited to listen to the story *Hooray for Fish* by Lucy Cousins while learning techniques on how to paint like the featured illustrator. Recommended for families with children ages 3–12.

**Mindful Start Family Yoga**  
Winter Garden Branch  
*Mondays, June 6, 13 & 27, 10:30 a.m.*  
West Oaks Branch  
*Wednesdays, June 8–29, 10 a.m.*  
Silly and fun yoga poses designed for kids! Flow-through an imaginative journey filled with puppets, parachute games and relaxing rest time. Recommended for families with children ages 0–7.

**Yoga with PLAYologist Yolonda**  
Eatonville Branch  
*Tuesdays, June 7–28, 10:15 a.m.*  
Orlando Public Library  
*Sunday, June 26, 3 p.m.*  
Fun-filled yoga, meditation and mindfulness sessions with a twist that uses a PLAY-based yoga curriculum that is trauma-informed conscious. Recommended for families with children of all ages.

**I Love Manatees**  
South Creek Branch  
*Thursday, June 9, 2 p.m.*  
Show some love for Florida's state marine animal with stories, crafts and activities.

**Life of a Firefighter**  
Windermere Branch  
*Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.*  
Fairview Shores Branch  
*Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.*  
Meet real firefighters and find out what it takes to fight the heat. Presented by Orange County Fire Department.

**Women on the High Seas –  
Family Pirateship Game**  
Winter Garden Branch  
*Thursday, June 16, 4:30 p.m.*  
Southeast Branch  
*Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.*  
Did you know that female pirates once terrorized the seas? Find out about these notorious women and compete in a life-size game of "Pirateship." Recommended for families with children ages 6–12.





# HOMESCHOOL

[ocls.info/homeschool](http://ocls.info/homeschool)

## IN-PERSON

## Homeschool

## Windermere Branch

Thursdays, June 2–30, 1 p.m.

Explore the deepest reaches of the ocean in search of monsters and legends, visit the Carribean Islands and celebrate dads in this month's homeschool events. Recommended for ages 6-17.

## Homeschool Spanish

## Windermere Branch

*Tuesdays, June 7 & 21, 2 p.m.*

Develop your Spanish skills with us! In this class you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Recommended for ages 6-17.

## Homeschool Art Expressions

### Windermere Branch

*Fridays, June 10 & 24, 2 p.m.*

Join us for a fun afternoon where you will learn to be more creative by developing and expressing your art skill. This art class is designed to help children improve their motor skills. Recommended for ages 6-17.

## Homeschool French

## Windermere Branch

*Tuesdays, June 14 & 28, 2 p.m.*

Develop your French skills with us! In this class you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Recommended for ages 6-17.

**VIRTUAL**

## Homeschool French

*Tuesdays, June 7 & 21, 3:15 p.m.*

Develop your French skills with us! In this class you will learn basic vocabulary, numbers, colors and much more. Recommended for ages 6–17.

## Daddy and Me!

Orlando Public Library

Friday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your favorite guy to read, sing and craft! Dress for a mess with dads, grandpas and other extraordinary caregivers. Recommended families with children ages 2-5.

## Family Crest Art

Chickasaw Branch

Friday, June 24, Noon

Have you ever wondered what your family crest would look like? Work together to create a unique representation of your ancestry.

## Family Deserted Island Survival Challenge

Hiawassee Branch

Thursday, June 30, 4:30 p.m.

Your ship is sinking! Choose your supplies wisely. Row your lifeboat to shore. See if your family can survive long enough to signal for help. Recommended for families with children ages 6–14.

**VIRTUAL**

## Community School of the Arts

### Summer Session: Art on the Water

*Saturdays, June 25–July 23*

The Community School of the Arts (CSA) invites you to a summer art experience with a set of curated art projects for students in grades PK–12. Explore artists' interpretations of the ocean and the human relationship to water, while learning drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, mixed media and art-science. Art instruction and art kits provided by Women in the Arts.



## BABY (Ages 0–18 Months)

### IN-PERSON

#### Mother Goose on the Loose

Fairview Shores Branch

Thursdays, June 2–30, 10:30 a.m.

Using rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and more, we will be interacting together to help develop important pre-literacy skills in our littlest ones!

#### Colors en la Playa / Colors at the Beach

Orlando Public Library

Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, June 7, 3 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

Nos vamos para la playa y exploremos colores y animales! Let's go to the beach to explore colors and animals!

#### Stay and Play

Hiawasse Branch

Mondays, June 6, 13 & 27, 10:45 a.m.

Stay and play with us after storytime for a different fun activity each week. Recommended for ages 0–5.

#### Bilingual Baby Shark / Tiburón Bebé Bilingüe

Southeast Branch

Monday, June 6, 11 a.m.

Fairview Shores Branch

Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

Dance and move to Baby Shark, the catchiest tune under the sea! ¡Baila y muévete con Tiburón Bebé, la melodía más pegada bajo el mar!

#### Caribbean Snorkel Babies

Windermere Branch

Tuesday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Monday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.

South Trail Branch

Thursday, June 16, 11 a.m.

Hiawasse Branch

Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

Discover a Caribbean coral reef with soothing songs and rhymes. Songs slow down language and encourage phonological awareness, developing early literacy skills.

#### Hello, Ocean Friends

Fairview Shores Branch

Wednesday, June 8, 2:30 p.m.

Discover ocean animals with high contrast books perfect for promoting early eye development and helping babies make connections between images on a page and the real world.

#### HAPPY CLAMS

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.

South Trail Branch

Wednesday, June 22, 10:15 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.

Dig in the mud to explore the world of clams. Learn how to be as happy as a clam through talking and singing. Talking and singing develop early narrative skills.



## TODDLER (Ages 18–36 Months)

### IN-PERSON

#### Storytime Crafts

North Orange Branch

Wednesdays, June 1–29, 10:30 a.m.

Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft. Recommended for ages 2–5.

#### Artsy Toddler

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, June 1, 11 a.m.

South Trail Branch

Wednesday, June 8, 10:15 a.m.

Fairview Shores Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.

West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, June 28, 11 a.m.

Learn new fine-motor skills using paint, paste, glue and stamps to create! Toddlers will enjoy stories and songs about the ocean, then create an ocean animal.

#### Parachute Play

North Orange Branch

Thursday, June 2, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 & 11 a.m.

Play, explore and learn about the world. Put thoughts into words by talking about what your child is doing and building positive social interactions with others.

#### Where Does a Pirate Go Potty?

Windermere Branch

Monday, June 6, 10:30 a.m.

West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, June 7, 11 a.m.

Fairview Shores Branch

Sunday, June 26, 10:30 a.m.

Learn where a pirate can go potty as we read a hilarious book written by author Dawn Prochovnic. This storytime will support your child's early literacy development.

#### Sea Life Rescue

North Orange Branch

Tuesday, June 7, 11 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Monday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.

The sea creatures need your help! Learn about animals in the ocean and explore with interactive stories, songs and activities.





## STORYTIME

[ocls.info/storytime](https://ocls.info/storytime)

### IN-PERSON

#### TINY TALES (ages birth–18 months)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 11:15 a.m.  
 Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
 Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.  
 Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 11:15 a.m.  
 Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.

#### TODDLER TIME (ages 18 months–3 years)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 10:45 a.m.  
 Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
 North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
 Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.  
 Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m.  
 West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11 a.m.  
 Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m.  
 Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m.

#### STORYBOOK FUN (ages 3–5 years)

South Creek Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Chickasaw Branch, Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
 North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.  
 Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 a.m.  
 West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 a.m.  
 Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
 Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 11:15 a.m.

#### ZERO TO FIVE STORYTIME (ages 0–5 years)

Fairview Shores Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Hiawassee Branch, Mondays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Washington Park Branch, Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Eatonville Branch, Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.  
 South Trail Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m.  
 Orlando Public Library, Saturdays, 11 a.m.

#### SUNDAY FAMILY STORYTIMES

Alafaya Branch, Every First Sunday, 2 p.m.  
 North Orange Branch, Every Second Sunday, 2 p.m.  
 South Creek Branch, Every Third Sunday, 2 p.m.  
 West Oaks Branch, Every Fourth Sunday, 2 p.m.

#### Counting Crustaceans

Southwest Branch  
*Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.*  
 Winter Garden Branch  
*Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.*  
 Fairview Shores Branch  
*Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.*  
 Alafaya Branch  
*Wednesday, June 29, 11 a.m.*  
 Lobsters and king crab and krill, oh my!  
 Help your child practice the literacy-building skill of counting with this crustacean-themed storytime.

#### I SEA Sharks

Chickasaw Branch  
*Monday, June 13, Noon*  
 Dive into stories and interactive activities inspired by our ocean friends and learn more about Eugenie Clark's journey in becoming the ocean's most fearless scientist.

#### Aquanuts

North Orange Branch  
*Tuesday, June 14, 11 a.m.*  
 Dive deep into the depths with Jacques Cousteau to explore what lives in an ocean abyss. Recommended for ages 2–5.

#### Daddy and Me!

Chickasaw Branch  
*Thursday, June 16, Noon*  
 Southeast Branch  
*Friday, June 17, 11 a.m.*  
 Bring your favorite guy to read, sing and craft! Dress for a mess with dads, grandpas and other extraordinary caregivers.

#### Big Fish, Little Fish

Eatonville Branch  
*Monday, June 20, 10:15 a.m.*  
 Southwest Branch  
*Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m.*

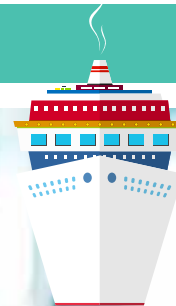
Splash, splash, splosh! Fish and his friends are ready to play. Swim into stories, activities and crafts.

#### Sesame Street Storytime

Southwest Branch  
*Tuesday, June 21, 10:30 a.m.*  
 Learn your ABC's the *Sesame Street* way via storytime and crafts inspired by Elmo and his friends.

#### B is for Bailar

South Creek Branch  
*Tuesday, June 28, 3 p.m.*  
 ¡Azúcar! Celebrate Hispanic musical artists with a musical storytime.



**IN-PERSON**

**CARIBBEAN CRUISIN'**

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, June 9, 10:30 a.m.

Eatonville Branch

Wednesday, June 15, 10:15 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Thursday, June 23, 2 p.m.

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.

South Trail Branch

Thursday, June 30, 11 a.m.

Welcome onboard! Preschoolers will set sail for a cruise around the Caribbean. We will share multicultural stories and songs from each port of call.

**PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5)**

**IN-PERSON**

**Love and Light Yoga**

Windermere Branch

Fridays, June 3, 10 & 24, 10 a.m.

Through music and activities, preschool-age children will experience the benefits of yoga and meditation as they learn to focus their minds and stretch their bodies.

**Tide Pool Tales**

Chickasaw Branch

Monday, June 6, Noon

South Trail Branch

Thursday, June 9, 11 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Monday, June 13, 11 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

Have a big adventure in a tiny world! In this STEAM storytime, attendees will familiarize themselves with the one of the world's tiniest ecosystems – the tide pool.

**Cuentame un Cuento**

South Trail Branch

Tuesdays, June 7 & 21, 10:15 a.m.

Orlando Public Library

Monday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch

Friday, June 17, 11 a.m.

Southeast Branch

Monday, June 27, 11 a.m.

Come enjoy bilingual stories and crafts for children. The library provides an interactive storytime in English and Spanish suitable for speakers of either languages. The whole family is welcome!

**Explore the World!**

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, June 7, 11 a.m.

Learn about a different country each month through games, activities, and crafts. Don't forget your passport! This month we're learning about Australia.

**Countdown to Kindergarten**

South Creek Branch

Tuesdays, June 7–28, 11 a.m.

Learn about pets through stories, rhymes and activities designed to help preschoolers develop the necessary skills to become readers and succeed in kindergarten. Recommended for ages 4–5.

**Crafters of the Caribbean**

Winter Garden Branch

Tuesdays, June 7–28, 11:30 a.m.

Fridays, June 10–24, 10:30 a.m.

Calling all mermaids, pirates and explorers, of the ocean deep! Dive into a world of imagination and join us for fin-tastic crafts! Recommended for families with children ages 3–8.

**Bubble Playtime**

Winter Garden Branch

Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch

Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.

Help your child with their motor-development skills in this interactive bubble class.

**Imagine You're a Pirate!**

Chickasaw Branch

Thursday, June 9, Noon

Set off on an imaginary adventure at sea. Explore the land through pirate theme stories, songs and activities.

**Little Mermaid Storytime**

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, June 14, 11 a.m.

Dive under the sea and enjoy stories and activities inspired by *The Little Mermaid*. Registration for each participant required.

**Llama Llama Cuentos y Mas**

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, June 14, 3 p.m.

Vamos amigos! Let's make our way through the Andes Mountains with a bilingual storytime and craft.

**Pirate's Perfect Pet**

Orlando Public Library

Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.

South Creek Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 3 p.m.

South Trail Branch

Thursday, June 23, 11 a.m.

Ahoy Mates, hola amigos! Jump aboard our imaginary pirate ship. In this bilingual storytime for preschoolers, children will learn the letter of the day – P for Pirate!

**Narwhal and Jelly Reader's Theater**

Alafaya Branch

Wednesday, June 15, 11 a.m.

Enjoy an interactive reenactment of the Narwhal and Jelly graphic novels, followed by crafts and fun!

**Pirate's Ahoy!**

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 11 a.m.

Jump aboard for swashbuckling tales and thrilling crafts that'll make any pirate pleased. Registration for each child required.

**Water Savers**

South Trail Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 11 a.m.

The earth is made of water, and so are you! This event will explore one of earth's most valuable resources and show attendees how they can play their part in protecting it.

**Listen, Move & Play Under the Sea**

Chickasaw Branch

Monday, June 27, Noon

Dive in and discover the music of our friends under the sea. Don't forget your flippers!

**Little Artist: Oceans**

North Orange Branch

Tuesday, June 28, 11 a.m.

Get creative with arts and crafts! Preschoolers will enjoy age-appropriate stories and crafts.

**Narwhals and Unicorns**

Alafaya Branch

Tuesday, June 28, 11 a.m.

Celebrate our horned friends on land and under the sea with stories, songs and games. Registration for each child required.



## VIRTUAL

### **Sesame Street Storytime**

*Mondays, June 6, 13 & 27, 11 a.m.*

Can you tell me how to get, how to get to *Sesame Street*? Let's make it a sunny day with a storytime and craft celebrating our favorite friends.

### **Pajama Party**

*Mondays, June 6, 13 & 27, 7 p.m.*

Put on your pajamas and join us virtually for stories, songs and a craft.

### **Countdown to Kindergarten**

*Tuesdays, June 7 & 14, 10:30 a.m.*

Count and quack your way to becoming a good reader through stories, rhymes and activities designed to help preschoolers develop vital skills to succeed in kindergarten. Recommended for ages 4–5.

### **Delightful Dolphins**

*Wednesday, June 8, 11 a.m.*

Your preschooler will learn about dolphins through stories and activities designed to increase valuable literacy skills.

### **Little Chef: S'more Starfish**

*Thursday, June 9, 11 a.m.*

Your child will learn fine motor skills and cooking vocabulary while creating a classic summer treat with an artistic ocean flair. Adult participation is required.

### **Cuentame un Cuento**

*Tuesdays, June 14 & 28, 10 a.m.*

*Tuesday, June 28, 11 a.m.*

This is a series of virtual events that will include bilingual stories, books, songs, flannels and occasionally crafts.

### **Tide Pool Tales**

*Tuesday, June 14, 11 a.m.*

Have a big adventure in a tiny world! In this STEAM storytime, attendees will familiarize themselves with one of the world's tiniest ecosystems – the tide pool.

### **Surprising Sharks**

*Wednesday, June 15, 11 a.m.*

Take a virtual dive under the sea to discover the lives of sharks with fact-filled stories and activities to help your child develop pre-literacy skills.

### **Water Savers**

*Thursday, June 16, 11 a.m.*

The earth is made of water, and so are you! This event will explore one of earth's most valuable resources and show attendees how they can play their part in protecting it.

### **Silly Seagulls**

*Wednesday, June 22, 11 a.m.*

You see them every time you go to the beach. Learn about these seafaring birds with fact-filled stories and activities perfect for your preschooler's inquiring mind.

### **Patient Penguins**

*Wednesday, June 29, 11 a.m.*

Preschoolers will learn how penguins are perfectly adapted for where they live through fact-filled stories and activities that promote pre-literacy skills.

### **Caribbean Cruisin'**

*Thursday, June 30, 11 a.m.*

Welcome onboard! Preschoolers will set sail for a cruise around the Caribbean. We will share multicultural stories and songs from each port of call.



### **CRABBY CRUSTACEANS**

*Wednesday, June 1, 11 a.m.*

Let's get snappy! Learn about lobsters and crabs through stories and activities to help your preschoolers develop early literacy skills.

## IN-PERSON

### Treehouse Adventures: Dinosaurs Before Dark

West Oaks Branch  
Wednesday, June 1, 11 a.m.

Join us for high adventure and interactive activities based on the popular Magic Tree House series.

### Tie-Dye Madness North Orange Branch

Saturday, June 4, 2:30 p.m.

Celebrate the era of tie-dyeing! Enjoy the style, sights and sounds of the '60s.

### Read to Sydney

Winter Garden Branch  
Monday, June 6, 4 p.m.

Read to Sydney is a local therapy dog organization that encourages children to practice their reading skills with an attentive furry listener. All ages are welcome to join Thom and his dog Toby.

### Waterbending 101

Fairview Shores Branch  
Tuesday, June 7, 2:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, June 22, 2:30 p.m.

Winter Garden Branch  
Tuesday, June 7, 4:30 p.m.

Windermere Branch  
Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.

Alafaya Branch  
Saturday, June 25, 4 p.m.

West Oaks Branch  
Wednesday, June 29, 11 a.m.

Hiawassee Branch  
Wednesday, June 29, 4:30 p.m.

Test your waterbending skills by mastering the element. Engage in scientific experiments that make you look as good as Katara and Aang. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### Ocean Adventure Faux Stained Glass

Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 7, 4:30 p.m.

It's time for an ocean inspired adventure with faux stained glass. Recommended for families with children ages 6 and up.

### Aquatic WILD – Marsh Munchers

West Oaks Branch  
Wednesday, June 8, 11 a.m.

Southeast Branch  
Thursday, June 16, 4 p.m.

Find out who eats whom and decode a salt marsh food web. Presented as a part of the Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies Project WILD. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### Acrylic Painting Challenge

South Trail Branch  
Wednesday, June 8, 2 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 21, 2 p.m.

Join us as we explore a variety of fun and creative acrylic painting techniques as a way for every kid to find their own artistic voice of expression.

### Happy Habitats

Alafaya Branch  
Thursday, June 9, 4 p.m.

Learn about habitats, plants and animals through books and crafts. This month we're learning about the ocean. Registration required for each child. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### Angel Paws to Read

North Orange Branch  
Saturday, June 11, 11 a.m.

Windermere Branch  
Saturday, June 11, 11:30 a.m.

Alafaya Branch  
Saturday, June 25, 11:30 a.m.

Orlando Public Library  
Saturday, June 25, 11:30 a.m.  
Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to a lovable, furry listener. Be An Angel Therapy Dogs Ministry presents this reading program for children featuring certified therapy dogs.

### Cookies & Milk with a Cop

North Orange Branch  
Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.

Bring your kids to meet our local police officers and enjoy a story, cookies and milk! This series will be a great chance to interact with Ocoee officers in a fun and informative environment.

### Whale Origami

Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 21, 4:30 p.m.

Surfs up! Try out this cool origami whale and a storytime.

### Volcanic Mythology

West Oaks Branch  
Wednesday, June 22, 11 a.m.

Fairview Shores Branch  
Thursday, June 30, 2:30 p.m.

Experiment and explore the myths behind volcanoes. Your child will evaluate scientific principles such as plate tectonics to increase comprehension of volcanic activity. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### Zoo Mom Science

Eatonville Branch  
Friday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.

South Creek Branch  
Monday, June 27, 10:30 a.m.

Orlando Public Library  
Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m.

Windermere Branch  
Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m.

Lizards, snakes and bugs, oh my! Are they really as scary as they seem? Learning comes alive with animals in this fun and engaging program.

### Ocean Adventure Rock Painting

Hiawassee Branch  
Tuesday, June 28, 4:30 p.m.

It's time for an ocean inspired adventure with rock painting. Recommended for families with children ages 6 and up.

### Tween Book Club

South Trail Branch  
Tuesday, June 28, 5 p.m.

Engage in a dynamic discussion and a themed activity based on *Lemons* by Melissa Savage. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### What Do You Know About H2O?

Southeast Branch  
Thursday, June 30, 11 a.m.

Explore the wonders of water and learn why we need to protect it. Get excited about water conservation! Children will learn what things they can do to help save our planet and our oceans.

### Self-A-STEAM: Sylvia Earle

South Creek Branch  
Thursday, June 30, 2 p.m.

Sylvia Earle is an oceanographer, marine biologist and record-breaking scuba diver. This event will feature hands-on STEAM activities celebrating her work. Recommended for ages 6–8.

## VIRTUAL

### Middle School Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 8, 4 p.m.

Middle schoolers will earn a community service hour by participating in a board meeting to support tween and teen library programming. This is a virtual, one-hour event for students in grades 6–8.

### MAYOR BUDDY'S BOOK CLUB

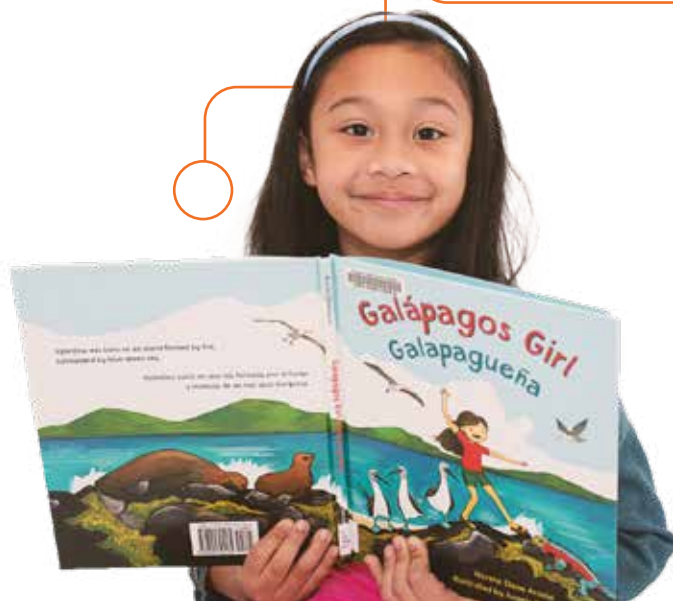
Wednesday, June 15, 3 p.m.

Engage in a lively discussion and fun activities with Mayor Buddy's Book Club. Recommended for ages 8–12.

### Tween Book Club

Thursday, June 30, 5 p.m.

Engage in a dynamic discussion and a themed activity based on *Lemons* by Melissa Savage. Recommended for ages 9–12. Registration required.





### **FOLLOW THAT TURTLE**

Washington Park Branch  
Wednesday, June 8, 10:30 a.m.

Windermere Branch

Tuesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, June 21, 4:30 p.m.

Sea turtles are survivors of the age of dinosaurs, but many are vulnerable today. Learn about these ancient reptiles and what you can do to protect them. Recommended for ages 9–12.

### **THE OCTOPUS'S GARDEN**

Washington Park Branch

Thursday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

North Orange Branch

Thursday, June 30, 2:30 p.m.

Learn about the many adaptations an octopus uses to survive. Children will engage in stories and hands-on science investigations to increase comprehension. Recommended for ages 6–8.

### **AQUATIC WILD:**

#### **MERMAIDS AND MANATEES**

Orlando Public Library

Thursday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.

Journey through imagination and learn to discern wildlife fact from fiction.





## MODERN PARENTING

[ocls.info/modernparenting](https://ocls.info/modernparenting)

### IN-PERSON

#### SHARENTING

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room  
*Wednesday, June 29, 4 p.m.*

Learn about the dangers of oversharing your child's information on social media.

### VIRTUAL

#### Family Zumba

*Saturday, June 11, 11 a.m.*

Get your family moving with this energizing workout class! Learn basic Zumba moves to help you dance your way to fitness. Zumba uses dance aerobics to create a fun workout. Registration required.

# BIZKIDS

## READY TO BECOME AN ENTREPRENEUR?

[ocls.info/bizkids](https://ocls.info/bizkids)

### IN-PERSON

#### BizKids Club

North Orange Branch

*Wednesdays, June 1–July 20, 2–3:30 p.m.*

Orlando Public Library

*Tuesdays–Thursdays, June 7–June 30, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.*

Washington Park Branch

*Wednesdays–Fridays, June 22–July 15, 10:15–11:45 a.m.*

Southeast Branch

*Mondays–Wednesdays, June 13–July 13, 4:30–6 p.m.*

Ready to become an entrepreneur? The BizKids Club is an instructor-led program that introduces participants to the world of business and entrepreneurship. Recommended for ages 9–14.





## IN-PERSON

### Comic Camp

Hiawassee Branch

*Wednesdays, June 1–29, 3 p.m.*

Comic Camp is an eight-week program which will cover the basics of creating a comic book page.

### Under the Hood: Boat

Windermere Branch

*Saturday, June 4, 11 a.m.*

Let's pop the hood and look underneath the hull to learn how boats float and move. Then we'll craft our own boats to compete in the Origami Regatta.



## VIRTUAL

### TEEN CUISINE BOBA!

*Thursday, June 9, 2:30 p.m.*

*Saturday, June 11, 2 p.m.*

*Monday, June 13, 2 p.m.*

*Thursday, June 23, 4 p.m.*

Experience a taste of Taiwan and learn to create a fan favorite, boba! Explore the culture through a recipe demonstration and taste your very own refreshing drink.

### Paint Party!

Fairview Shores Branch

*Saturdays, June 4 & 18, 3 p.m.*

It's that time again for Paint Party! Create your very own cotton ball paint project, ice painting and puffy paint.

### Environmental Graffiti

Hiawassee Branch

*Wednesday, June 8, 4:30 p.m.*

Eatonville Branch

*Tuesday, June 14, 2:45 p.m.*

Don't throw that away! Turn recycling into inspiring by using your creativity to fashion a unique work of art out of found objects.

### Happy Little Trees

South Creek Branch

*Friday, June 10, 2 p.m.*

Grab a brush, mellow out and paint some happy, little trees the Bob Ross way! Remember, there are no mistakes, only happy accidents.

### Teen Volunteering: Craft Kit Prep

Eatonville Branch

*Saturday, June 11, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.*

Orlando Public Library

*Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.*

Southeast Branch

*Thursday, June 23, 3–5 p.m.*

Southwest Branch

*Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.*

Attend a volunteer event and earn community service hours. High school students are invited to help assemble craft kits at this two-hour in-person community service event.

### Cryptid Creatures of the Deep

West Oaks Branch

*Saturday, June 11, 3 p.m.*

Winter Garden Branch

*Tuesday, June 14, 4:30 p.m.*

Hiawassee Branch

*Wednesday, June 22, 4:30 p.m.*

Windermere Branch

*Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.*

South Trail Branch

*Tuesday, June 28, 2 p.m.*

Dive into the wide world of cryptozoology. Learn about Nessie, Kraken and a host of other creatures who lurk in the deep sea.

### Pop-up Culture

Alafaya Branch

*Saturday, June 11, 4 p.m.*

Create fun paper creations inspired by your favorite fandoms. Learn basic paper engineering techniques while making cards and bookmarks.

### Teen Art Adventures

Southeast Branch

*Wednesday, June 15, 4:30 p.m.*

Create stunning art that captures the beauty of the ocean waves using a fun and simple paint pouring technique. Dress for a mess, you'll probably be in the splash zone.

### Save the Planet, Save Your Skin

North Orange Branch

*Thursday, June 16, 2:30 p.m.*

Care for the planet, and your skin, with this DIY event. Learn to use your creativity by making your own self-care products with ocean-inspired ingredients.

### Escape Room:

**The Lost Library of Atlantis**

South Creek Branch

*Friday, June 17, 2 p.m.*

Fairview Shores Branch

*Thursday, June 23, 2:30 p.m.*

You are trapped underwater in the Atlantis Library. Using your critical thinking and collaborating skills, can you solve the puzzles to escape before your oxygen runs out?

## OCEAN FELTIES

Alafaya Branch

*Saturday, June 18, 4 p.m.*

Sew your own ocean animal felties! All materials provided, no experience necessary. Registration for each participant required.



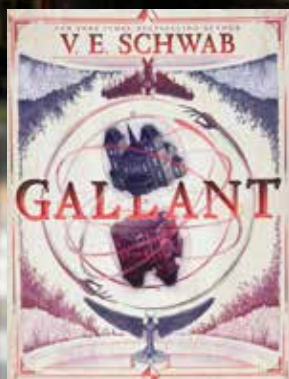
## IN-PERSON

### TEEN BOOK CLUB

Winter Garden Branch

*Tuesday, June 28, 4:30 p.m.*

Are you a teen who enjoys reading young adult novels? Join us in a dynamic discussion with an engaging activity for the YA novel, *Gallant* by V. E. Schwab.





## BOOK DROP LOCATIONS

### Horizon West Book Drop

Hamlin Town Center  
14416 Shoreside Way, Winter Garden, FL 34787

### Lake Nona Book Drop

Valencia College Lake Nona Campus  
12350 Narcoossee Rd, Orlando, FL 32832

*Materials placed in book drops are picked up and returned to the library Monday–Saturday.*

## LOCATIONS Sunday Hours: 🕒

### Orlando Public Library

101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Sunday 1–6 p.m. 🕒

### Alafaya Branch

12000 E. Colonial Drive, Orlando, FL 32826  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Sunday 1–6 p.m. 🕒

### Chickasaw Branch

870 N. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando, FL 32825  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Eatonville Branch

200 E. Kennedy Blvd., Eatonville, FL 32751  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Fairview Shores Branch

902 Lee Road, Suite 26, Orlando, FL 32810  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Hiawassee Branch

7391 W. Colonial Drive, Orlando, FL 32818  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### North Orange Branch

1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Sunday 1–6 p.m. 🕒

### South Creek Branch

1702 Deerfield Blvd., Orlando, FL 32837  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Sunday 1–6 p.m. 🕒

### South Trail Branch

4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32839  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Southeast Branch

5575 S. Semoran Blvd., Orlando, FL 32822  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Southwest Branch

7255 Della Drive, Orlando, FL 32819  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Washington Park Branch

5151 Raleigh St., Suite A., Orlando, FL 32811  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center

1821 E. Silver Star Road, Ocoee, FL 34761  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Sunday 1–6 p.m. 🕒

### Windermere Branch

530 Main St., Windermere, FL 34786  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

### Winter Garden Branch

805 E. Plant St., Winter Garden, FL 34787  
Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Friday–Saturday 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

## CLOSURES

### Juneteenth

All Locations:  
Sunday & Monday, June 19 & 20

### Juneteenth

Todos las localidades:  
El domingo y lunes, 19 y 20 de junio



Those needing special accommodations due to a disability may arrange for assistance by contacting the location at least 7 days prior to the event.

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