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Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room *Thursday, October 13, 6 p.m.*

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Wednesday, October 19, Noon

FROM THE DIRECTOR

ver since January 2022, it has been my honor to serve in the role of Interim Director/CEO and COO for Orange County Library System. I'm now happy to share with you that I have been selected by the Board of Trustees to officially become the next Director/CEO to lead the library into the future.

The past 10 months have been challenging, but we have accomplished a lot. In addition to getting leases signed so we can make progress on building new libraries in Horizon West and Lake Nona, I've challenged our leadership team to look at ways to reduce barriers to library service. I'm proud to say that during my tenure as Interim Director/CEO, we extended automatic renewals for materials, which helps reduce the likelihood that our users will be burdened with overdue fines. We have created a new type of library card for group homes, which allows kids who aren't living with a parent or guardian to use the library. We have begun to accept IDs from the Farmworker Association of Florida, so that migrant workers without permanent local residency can use library services. We reorganized the Rules of Conduct, making them simpler and easier to understand. We have created a Diversity Equity Inclusion and Accessibility Committee, to help OCLS cultivate an environment in which everyone in our community and on our staff feels they belong.

I'm proud of the work we have done and the things we've accomplished in a short period of time, but there are still plenty of challenges ahead. Libraries have a responsibility to the community to provide access – not only to books and materials, but also to things that many people take for granted. Internet access. Computers to do homework or apply for jobs. Tools to succeed in school. Financial literacy information. The basic building blocks that help set children up for success in their formative years. Over the years, we have created some of the infrastructure we need to address those concerns, while still providing a stellar collection of digital and physical materials, but there's so much more we can do. I believe we are up to the task.

I'm looking forward to growing our library system while maintaining its strong foundation, so we can continue to be a cornerstone for a strong, vibrant Orange County.

Orange County Library System

ALL ABOUT STEVE: Getting to Know OCLS's New Library Director/CEO

by Renee Marvin, Marketing & Public Relations Aide

On August 26, after eight months of searching, it was announced that Steve Powell would be Orange County Library System's new Library Director/CEO. Steve, who has been an employee with OCLS since 2007, has served as Interim Director since January 2022. We sat down with Steve to give everyone a chance to get to know an already familiar face around OCLS.

Have you always lived in Orange County? Tell us how you got here.

I have only been in the central Florida area since 2003. My path to Florida transpired over 15 years. Upon my wife's graduation from college, we started our trek south. We moved for her job or mine and made stops in Fredericksburg and Winchester, Virginia, Griffin and Fairburn, Georgia, then to Clermont, and have been in southwest Orange County for the past to build relationships so that we can

CA strong library is in the hearts and minds of the community.

What was your very first job?

My first job was with an independent masonry contractor after finishing up 10th grade. I worked when it did not interfere with school and learned many valuable construction skills. My first "real" full-time job was in the United States Coast Guard after graduating high school.

How long have you been with OCLS? What do you enjoy about working at OCLS?

I have been at OCLS for almost 15 years. Throughout my career, I have truly enjoyed my support and leadership roles. Whether it be from facilities support or my admin positions, I made it my mission to provide staff with the opportunities deliver outstanding library services Additionally, I appreciate teamwork, and I have been privileged to work alongside phenomenal people with values that align with mine to deliver exceptional public service.

What are your priorities as CEO?

My priorities as CEO are to listen to the community to understand how the library fits into their lives. Staff knows what the community wants and I hope to hear all of their thoughtful ideas as well. We will then determine and implement ways to meet those needs through access, materials and services. More specifically, I intend to meet with county and city leaders work together to better literacy and

learning across the entire community.

What was the last book you read, and what book are you reading now?

James Grippando's Beyond Suspicion was the last fiction book I read. Due to school, I am

currently reading The Practice of Social Research and the Intellectual Freedom Manual. Tenth Edition

I cannot narrow it down to one. First,

Describe an unforgettable library moment.

the Saturday morning in February 2014 when Mr. Melrose entered the Melrose Center with staff lining both sides of the entryway was incredible OCLS opened and maintains the best-in-class technology center in a public library. The second was the July 2015 opening of the Chickasaw Branch. For both of these proj I was fortunate to be the library construction manager, Lastly, was my appointment to interim and now director of OCLS - a true honor.

Are there any libraries you look to for inspiration as you think about what the future looks like for OCLS?

Yes. Seattle Public Library is a model to follow in terms of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility, and San Francisco Public Library's mobile outreach services via four vehicles are an admirable example of mobile services. I also look to Library Journal's Library of the Year, the Jerry Kline Impact Award and ALA's I Love My Librarian Award finalists and winners for inspiration.

What does a strong library look like to you?

A strong library is in the hearts and minds of the community. The library is a prominent provider of educational, cultural, recreational and informational resources and services that improve people's lives and the community's well-being.

Why do you think everyone should get a library card?

Because public libraries are a welcoming and safe space for

everyone to enter and explore the endless world of information online and in digital and physical forms. A public library card, on its own, opens doors to literacy and learning that other cards in your pocket cannot. And it's free.

Remembering Joe Goldstein-

n August 26, the Friends of the Orange County Library System lost longtime board member Joe Goldstein.

Joe was an ardent library supporter and advocate. He served on the board of the Friends of the Orange County Library System for more than 15 years. He was Board President from 2019 through 2020, and in that role, he helped guide the organization through some tough times. The Friends' primary income is through book sales, and when the library closed during the pandemic, so did the bookstore. Joe worked with the board to come up with a plan to cut expenses and look at new revenue streams during the shutdown, which helped keep the organization solvent.

During book sales, Joe could often be found working alongside library staff and volunteers at the pricing table. He always went out of his way to promote the library system in the community, helping to obtain support from local businesses for Friends events or special projects, including the library's Books & Beyond magazine.

A devoted Rotarian and an avid reader, Joe helped to create what has become one of the library's most popular annual events, the Southwest Author Series, which is held every spring at Southwest Branch in partnership with the Rotary Club of Dr. Phillips. That series has brought many fantastic authors to speak at Southwest Branch over the years, including Anne Perry, James Grippando and Kristen Harmel.

In his professional life, Joe was an attorney, and he worked as general counsel to Darden Restaurants as well as BBA Aviation. His expertise was valued by the library, and he generously shared it with us in multiple ways, serving on committees and offering his opinion with leadership as needed. Most recently, he was part of the Director Search Committee, which narrowed down our field of candidates for the job of Library Director to the final three, which were recommended to the board. Even when he was spending time at his second home in Montana, he participated in the Director Search process, Zooming in for meetings from the mountains when he wasn't in Orlando.

Joe's voice and his counsel will be greatly missed, as will his generous nature and his camaraderie.







ART & DISPLAY ocls.info/art

Buildings, Lines & Reflections
Orlando Public Library, 2nd Floor Gallery
On Display Through November 30
Melrose Photography Instructor Pedro
Berrios has over 30 years of experience as
an editorial and commercial photographer.
See his latest exhibit of stunning images
which focus on the architecture of Downtown
Orlando bathed in compelling light.

TWO MEDIUMS: ONE ART FORM

Southwest Branch

On Display Through December
Silvana Martins creates a one-of-a-kind art
form by combining century's old technique
of paper marbling with bookbinding by hand.
Since you can only get a mono print from
each design, every piece is unique.



CUISINE CORNER

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Butternut Squash Bowls

Wednesday, October 12, 6 p.m. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make roasted butternut squash bowls with assorted roasted seasonal veggies and a vegan sauce.

Haitian Griyo
Orlando Public Library,
Albertson Room
Friday, October 14, Noon
Join chef and owner of Pinch of
My Cuisine, Ingrid Alliance, to
make griyo: a fried pork dish that
is marinated in epis and braised.
Registration Required.

PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE

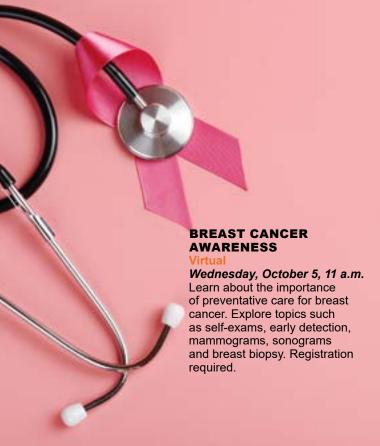
Virtua

Monday, October 24, 6:30 p.m.
Join culinary expert Dianne Morin
as she demonstrates how to make a
delicious pumpkin cheesecake.









Wildflower Garden Anniversary Plant Swap West Oaks Branch Saturday, October 1, 10 a.m.-Noon

Celebrate the one-year anniversary of the West Oaks Wildflower Garden with a plant swap, nature crafts and quest speaker Stacey Matrazzo, executive director of the Florida Wildflower Foundation.

Comix Swap Winter Garden Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 1, 3 p.m. Bring one or more well-loved graphic novels to this swap meet event. Attendees will connect and trade with fellow graphic novel enthusiasts. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Adult Game Time Windermere Branch Saturdays, October 1–29, 3-4:30 p.m.

Get your game on! Spend a fun afternoon playing games and meeting new friends. From party games to classic cards, on a team or on your own, enjoy seeing how the dice roll. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Calligraphy Flourishes Fonts and Fun Alafaya Branch

Sunday, October 2, 2-3:30 p.m. Join artist, Lynda Chandler as she shares tips that will add flair to your calligraphy. Learn how to draw beautiful flourishes and create faux calligraphy with any pen. Registration required.

Chair Yoga

Virtua

Monday, October 3, 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.

Craft and Chat

Wednesdays, October 5-26, 2-3:30 p.m.

Work on your art or craft projects while connecting with others. Share your skills or learn something new! All experience levels welcome. Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Meditation and Yoga

Thursday, October 6, 7 p.m. Explore Deepak Chopra's Seven Spiritual Laws of Success through meditation and movement. Examine the union of mind and body with a relaxing yoga sequence for all levels, followed by a guided meditation.

Plant Clinic Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Alafaya Branch Thursday, October 13, 2-4 p.m. Bring your plants and ask questions! Master Gardener Volunteers from the UF/IFAS Orange County Extension Office will be available to answer your gardening questions.

Rock the Wrap: Headwrap Styling Workshop **West Oaks Branch**

Sunday, October 9, 2-3:30 p.m. This educational and interactive experience provides step-by-step instruction of headwrap styling techniques. Learn about the significance and history of head wrapping. Registration required.

Time Management with Planners

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Sunday, October 9, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Enjoy a short presentation on using your planner for your time management before open planner project time. Bring your own supplies and connect and share ideas with other planners.

Technology and Family Safety Online **Fairview Shores Branch**

Monday, October 10, 5:30 p.m. Discover ways to keep children safe online. Learn about the latest apps and games, plus signs to look out for to help prevent any mishap. Recommended for caregivers of children that use the internet.

Yoga

Tuesday, October 11, 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.

Fall Resin Pendant South Creek Branch Thursday, October 13, 4:30 p.m.

Create a one-of-a-kind resin pendant that is inspired by the fall season. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Mindfulness Meditation Southwest Branch Friday, October 14, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Practice techniques of mindfulness and meditation for well-being and vibrancy. Taught by Rev. Dr. Viviana Collazo, Luminous Holistic Center, All levels welcome. Bring own mat. Chairs available. Recommended for ages 15 and up.

Acrylic Painting

Friday, October 14, 2 p.m. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by creating a beautiful work of art through guided instruction using acrylic paint. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Introduction to Metal Detecting **Southwest Branch**

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Join the Orlando Chapter of the Gold Prospectors Association of America for an intro to metal detecting. Test out high-end metal detectors and learn to pan for

gold in this hands-on event.

Saturday, October 15,

Tea & Conversation South Creek Branch Saturday, October 15, 2:30 p.m. This monthly social is designed to

bring adults together. Share your stories and have a cup of tea in this celebration of everyday life.

Remember Khina Culler Eatonville Branch Saturday, October 15, 3-5:30 p.m.

Meet film producer Selena Koon, at the viewing of her debut documentary Remember Khina Culler, an expression of the unfortunate reality of domestic violence. Panel discussion to follow film.

Ask a Lawyer

Tuesday, October 18, 5:30-7 p.m.

The Orange County Bar Association will provide an open forum for individuals to speak with a panel of attorneys to get guidance on estate planning, wills and probate.

Podcast Listening Club Virtua

Tuesday, October 18. 7-8:30 p.m.

Join us to discuss a themed podcast listening list. Like a book club, but instead of reading a pre-selected book, listen to informative and interesting podcasts. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Intro to Foundation Center & Grant Resources **Orlando Public Library** Thursday, October 20, 11 a.m. Looking for funding? Get the 101

on using this comprehensive directory to win grants and make a difference.

Food 101: British Cooking Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Wednesday, October 26, 5:30 p.m.

The Food 101 series introduces you to a new topic every month, examining the historical and social significance of what we eat. In October, learn all about British Cooking.

Art and Wellness Soundwalk **Southwest Branch** Friday, October 28, 10-11:15 a.m.

Explore sounds and rhythms of our urban and natural word by taking a silent, focused walk in a local park. In partnership with Atlantic Center for the Arts. Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

NEXT CHAPTER ocls.info/nextchapter



Downsizing - Smarter Senior Seminar Series Southwest Branch Wednesday, October 12, 10:30 a.m. Downsizing doesn't have to be intimidating. Discuss important steps of downsizing. This event is part of the ongoing Smarter Senior Seminar Series presented by Mike Flahaven, certified senior housing professional.

Medicare 101 Fairview Shores Branch Friday, October 7, 10 a.m.

Learn about Medicare from an expert that will be able to answer your questions about getting healthcare, dental, prescription, medical supplies and other health related topics.

Qigong Movement and Breathing Southwest Branch

Friday, October 7, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a.m. Learn ancient gigong practice with modern day instructor Jasmine Win. Using the five elements of life, students will undergo an empowering and uplifting shift to take control of their health and lives.

Yoga to Music Fairview Shores Branch

Friday, October 7, 11:30 a.m. This course offers a time for self-reflection while students listen to peaceful music and stretch their bodies through yoga-styled movements and postures.

What Matters Most in Senior Living? -**LIFE Information for Elders** Orlando Public Library, **Albertson Room** Thursday, October 20, 12:10 p.m.

Join Christa Roman, community relations director for North Star Senior Advisors as she discusses what matters the most in senior living. To register, email OfficeonAging@ocfl.net or call 407.836.7446. Seating is limited. Registration required.

WRITERS CORNER ocls.info/writerscorner

OCLS Writer's Group

Sunday, October 9, 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.

WRITE A NOVEL IN A MONTH WITH NANOWRIMO

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16, 1-5 p.m. Join National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) veterans to discuss plot, character, world building, an overview of NaNoWriMo 2022 and tips for making it through. Registration required.

Fine Tune Your Novel's Query Package to Get to Yes

Thursday, October 20, 7 p.m. If your manuscript is solid and you know how to write a query, but you're not getting offers, literary agent Sarah N. Fisk will discuss tweaks that often improve query letters and first pages.



BOOK CLUBS ocls.info/bookclubs







NATURE WALK BOOK CLUB

Southwest Branch Monday, October 10, 10 a.m.-Noon

Join Southwest Branch for a walk at a local park followed by discussion of The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak. Exercise your mind and body! Registration required. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Southeast Book Club Virtual

Monday, October 10, 7 p.m. Join us to discuss this month's book selection.

Central Florida Book Club

Tuesday, October 11, 10-11:30 a.m. Join us on the second Tuesday of each month as we discuss a wide range of books.

Alafaya Book Club

Thursday, October 13, 7 p.m. The Alafaya Book Club's October selection is Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll.

Hiawassee Book Club

Monday, October 17, 7 p.m. In October the Hiawassee Book Club will discuss Velvet was the Night by Silvia Moreno-Garcia.

Southwest Book Club

Tuesday, October 25, 7-8:45 p.m. Join us to discuss The Lost Apothecary with author Sarah Penner. Historical fiction that weaves three heroines and two timelines into a tale of poison, revenge and women helping each other. Sarah will discuss her book and take questions. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

MFFT THE AUTHOR ocls.info/meet-author

Meet the Author: Kimberly Brock

Tuesday, October 4, 7 p.m. Kimberly Brock is the bestselling and award-winning author of The Lost Book of Eleanor Dare and The River Witch. Brock will read from her book and discuss writing and her career in a Q&A session.

Author Talk with Dr. Aziz Gazipura

Virtual

Thursday, October 13, 4 p.m. Join us for a talk with Dr. Aziz Gazipura, one of the world's leading experts on social confidence and author of Not Nice: Stop People Pleasing, Staying Silent, & Feeling Guilty, as he discusses how to stop being too nice and worrying about what others might think.

AuthorFest with Jason Reynolds and John Irving

Thursday, October 13, 7 p.m. Simon & Schuster CEO Jonathan Karp will moderate a conversation about Identity: In Fiction and in Life, with New York Times bestselling authors John Irving and Jason Revnolds. Registration required.

Author Talk with Zain E. Asher

Tuesday, October 18, 7 p.m. Join us in conversation with popular CNN anchor Zain E. Asher as she discusses her moving and inspiring memoir Where the Children Take Us.

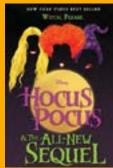
Author Talk with Kate Quinn

Tuesday, October 25, 7 p.m. Join us for a captivating conversation with historical fiction writer Kate Quinn as she discusses her newest release, The Diamond Eye, and her other works.

LOCAL AUTHOR FESTIVAL Orlando Public Library,

Library Central Sunday, October 23, 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.











Spooktober Reading Challenge for Adults 2022

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October 1–31

Celebrate frightful fun this October with the Library by participating in the Spooktober Reading Challenge for Adults! OCLS Cardholders, 18 and older, can participate in spooky challenges to earn digital badges and win prizes.

ADULT EVENTS

Horror Movie Matinee
Orlando Public Library,
Albertson Room
Mondays, October 3–31, 2–4:30 p.m.
Watch some of the scariest movies ever at one of the least scary times of the day.
Walk out from the nightmare into the daytime with our Horror Matinee series.
Ages 18 and up.

Florida Cryptids – A Haunting History

Virtual
Tuesday, October 25, 8:30 p.m.
Folklorist and legend tripper Christopher
Balzano explores the hidden stories
behind Florida's cryptid creatures. Fact
and fiction meld together with tales of the
skunk ape, pukwudgies, stikini and more.

PHANTASMAGORIA PRESENTS POE – PEERING INTO DARKNESS Orlando Public Library, Library Central Sunday, October 2, 4 p.m.

Members of Victorian Horror Troupe Phantasmagoria visit the library with a little taste of their mainstage touring show celebrating the works of Edgar Allan Poe! Readings, dances and much more!

SPOOKY UV RESIN KEYCHAIN

Orlando Public Library, Albertson Room Saturday, October 22, 11 a.m. South Trail Branch Saturday, October 22, 4 p.m. Create a one-of-a-kind spooky UV resin keychain to take home with you. Ages 18 and up.

CHILDREN & FAMILY EVENTS

Spooky Family Storytime
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, October 29, 11 a.m.
Storytime is the right time for family time.
Reading together is a wonderful way to bond and learn from one another. Bring your families together for fun stories that are designed for all ages.

Sensational Spiders
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, October 5, 10:30 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Friday, October 7, 4 p.m.

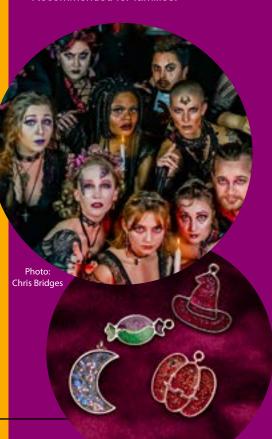
From their silky webs to their many legs, spiders continue to intrigue us with their sensational skills. Join us as we learn about the eight-legged creatures behind *Charlotte's Web*.

Batty for Halloween South Creek Branch Tuesday, October 11, 10:30 a.m. Hiawassee Branch Friday, October 21, 10:30 a.m.

Learn about the secret life of bats in this program about the behaviors of bats through books, riddles and a craft. Recommended for ages 18–36 months.

Local Legends
Around the Campfire!
Fairview Shores Branch
Wednesday, October 12, 4 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Monday, October 24, 4:30 p.m.

Explore local folktales and urban legends through old-fashioned storytelling around a makeshift campfire. Bond with friends and share favorite camp songs and activities. Recommended for families.



Mummies Have Mommies, Too! Southeast Branch Monday, October 17, 10:15 a.m. Windermere Branch Monday, October 24, 10:30 a.m. Don't get spooked by our Halloween friends,

get wrapped up in fun with them instead!

I'm Not Scared!
Windermere Branch
Monday, October 17, 10:30 a.m.
South Creek Branch
Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, October 19, 10:15 a.m.
Southeast Branch
Monday, October 31, 10:15 a.m.

Virtual Thursday, October 20, 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 25, 11 a.m.

Owl is absolutely, positively not scared of the dark, and you shouldn't be either! A fun time filled with fearless stories, activities and crafts. Recommended for ages 3–5.

Halloween Escape Game Fairview Shores Branch Tuesday, October 18, 4:30 p.m.

Can you solve puzzles and answer trivia questions to escape a mansion haunted by ghosts, goblins and monsters? Registration required. Recommended for families.

Medusa & Other Monsters
South Trail Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 4 p.m.
Monsters are everywhere in mythology.
Celebrate these great Greek beasts with
mythical crafts and activities. Recommended
for ages 6–12.

Halloween Escape Room Southeast Branch Friday, October 21, 4 p.m.

Can your family escape? Join us for a Halloween themed escape room full of ghosts, ghouls, and maybe even monsters! Registration required. Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Little Chef: Monster Mash Trail Mix North Orange Branch

Tuesday, October 25, 11 a.m.Mix and mash along with the monsters for a Halloween-themed treat. Adult participation is required. Recommended for ages 3–5.

Halloween Spooktacular
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, October 26, 4 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Saturday, October 29, 2-4 p.m.
Fairview Shores Branch
Monday, October 31, 4-6 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Monday, October 31, 5 p.m.
Wear your costume and join us for ghoulish

games, creepy crafts and spooky stories ...

if you dare! Recommended for ages 3-12.



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Genealogía 101

Wednesday, October 5, 6:30 p.m.

¿Está interesado en aprender sobre su historia familiar pero no sabe por dónde empezar? Este programa lo ayudará a comenzar presentándole términos, técnicas y recursos genealógicos.

Little Chef: Avocado Smash & Chips! North Orange Branch Thursday, October 6, 11 a.m. Virtual

Tuesday, October 4, 11 a.m. Chop, scoop and smash! Learn how to make guacamole with fresh ingredients and enjoy it with a side of chips. Recommended for ages 3–5.

Celebrate with Dance Southeast Branch Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m.

Enjoy a lively performance of flamenco dances from Spain by Alboreá Dances in honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

DIY Art: Creatures of the Night

North Orange Branch
Saturday, October 8, 3 p.m.
Eatonville Branch
Tuesday, October 11, 3 p.m.
Dream big like Pedro Linares and let your imagination tell a story.
Create fantastical Mexican Folk art creatures called alebrijes and see them come to life on paper!

Recommended for families.

Hispanic Heritage Month 2022 Reading Challenge for Adults

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September 15-October 15

National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated each year from September 15 to October 15. This year, the theme is Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation. Honor diverse voices, unique perspectives and rich cultural traditions through activities and book recommendations. Log your reading, write book reviews and complete activities to earn badges throughout the challenge. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

LEGEND OF EL COQUÍ

Windermere Branch
Monday, October 3, 4 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Thursday, October 6, 4 p.m.
South Trail Branch
Wednesday, October 12, 3 p.m.
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, October 12, 4 p.m.
Discover the Taíno legend of the
coquí and explore the indigenous art
and culture of Borinquen, the island
of Puerto Rico. Recommended for
ages 6–8.

The Hacienda by Isabel Cañas

In the aftermath of the Mexican War of Independence and the execution of her father, Beatriz accepts Don Rodolfo Solórzano's proposal of marriage and is whisked away to his remote country estate where she is faced with a malevolent presence linked to his first wife's death.

The Book of Lost Saints by Daniel José Older

Visited by an ancestral spirit who would have him unearth family secrets from the Cuban Revolution, a young Cuban American embarks on an investigation marked by ghostly helpers, a new love, a murderous gangster and changes in his sense of identity.

The First to Die at the End by Adam Silvera

In this prequel to number one New York Times bestselling phenomenon, They Both Die at the End, two new strangers spend a life-changing day together after Death-Cast first makes their fateful calls.

Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed: 15 Voices from the Latinx Diaspora

edited by Saraciea J. Fennell In Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed, bestselling and award-winning authors as well as up-and-coming voices interrogate the different myths and stereotypes about the Latinx diaspora.

Five Midnights by Ann Dávila Cardinal

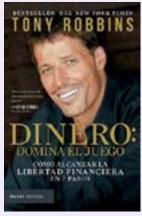
Lupe Dávila and Javier Utierre try to solve a series of grisly murders sweeping through Puerto Rico before the killer catches up with them

Lotería

by Karla Arenas Valenti

While searching for her missing cousin, a young girl is transported to a mythical kingdom, becoming entangled in a perilous game of chance.

NUEVO EN LA BIBLIOTECA -











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oscuro y Circe.

Las brujas del ayer y del mañana por Alix E. Harrow

traducción de David Tejera Expósito En un mundo en el que las mujeres y la magia han ardido y quedado inutilizadas, tres hermanas deciden devolver el poder y los derechos a las mujeres y, al hacerlo, también encuentran la manera de recuperar su relación. Para aquellos lectores a los que gustaron *Un cuento*

Nuestros poderes ocultos por Caroline O'Donoghue traducción de Ana Isabel Sánchez

Cuando su amiga desaparece misteriosamente después de sacar una inquietante carta del tarot llamada The Housekeeper, Maeve usa su profunda conexión con las cartas para buscar pistas que la policía no puede encontrar.

El joyero de la reina por Nieves Herrero

Nieves Herrero nos introduce con esta novela en la fascinante colección de joyas que han pasado de una reina a otra, al tiempo que recrea la desgraciada vida de Ena, marcada por el amor no correspondido y las infidelidades de su marido, en una historia que nos muestra que el poder de una mujer, como las joyas, es eterno.

Dímelo con besos por Mercedes Ron

Kamila Hamilton debe decidir entre los dos hermanos Di Bianco: Thiago o Taylor ... Taylor o Thiago. Escoger a uno significa renunciar al otro, pero ¿cómo puede dejar atrás una parte de sí misma? Pero cuando Kami cree que por fin su corazón ha decidido, una pesadilla está a punto de comenzar.

Dinero: domina el juego: cómo alcanzar la libertad financiera en 7 pasos por Tony Robbins

traducción de Juan Manuel Salmerón Este libro le ayudará a aprovechar las oportunidades que hubiera perdido y evitar caer en los mismos errores que millones repiten todos los días. Es un camino simple y probado hacia la libertad financiera.



CITIZENSHIP INSPIRED

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South Creek Branch Wednesdays, October 5–19, 10:30 a.m.-Noon

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, October 4, 5, 11 & 12, 3–5 p.m. Tuesdays & Wednesdays, October 18, 19, 25 & 26, 3–5 p.m. During this program, students will meet to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.

Photoshop Thrills

Learn editing techniques, filters and effects in Photoshop. You will be ready to create your own haunting compositions just in time for Halloween.

Adobe Photoshop Level 1
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, October 1, 10:30 a.m.
Monday, October 3, 3:15 p.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, October 4, 5:45 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, October 5, 10:15 a.m.
Saturday, October 8, 10:15 a.m.
Learn about the functionality
of Photoshop and explore the
environment. Become familiar
with using selection and editing
tools.

Adobe Photoshop Level 2
Orlando Public Library
Monday, October 3, 5 p.m.
Saturday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.
South Creek Branch
Wednesday, October 5, Noon
Saturday, October 8, Noon
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, October 11, 5:45 p.m.
Learn how to use layers, layer
masks, free transform tools and
text tools. Become familiar with
adding basic effects to images.

Adobe Photoshop Level 3 South Creek Branch Thursday, October 6, 10:15 a.m. Saturday, October 15, 10:15 a.m. Orlando Public Library Monday, October 10, 3:15 p.m.

Monday, October 10, 3:15 p.m.
Saturday, October 15, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, October 18, 5:45 p.m.
Learn how to add layer styles, custom shapes, gradients and photo filters. Become familiar with adding advanced effects to images.

Adobe Photoshop Level 4
South Creek Branch
Thursday, October 6, Noon
Saturday, October 15, Noon
Orlando Public Library
Monday, October 10, 5 p.m.
Saturday, October 22, 10:30 a.m.
West Oaks Branch
Tuesday, October 25, 5:45 p.m.
Learn how to apply common
image editing techniques used to

retouch and restore photographs.

Photoshop: Layer Blending Modes Orlando Public Library Monday, October 17, 4:15

Monday, October 17, 4:15 p.m.
Apply blending modes to image layers to quickly fix problems with exposure, shadows and highlights. Learn to use blending modes to generate artistic and creative effects on photos.

Photoshop:
Black & White Effects
Orlando Public Library
Monday, October 17, 5:30 p.m.
Make photos pop with black and
white effects. Learn multiple ways
to convert photos to black and
white, apply adjustment layers

and create enhancing effects.

Photoshop: Smoke and Fire FX Orlando Public Library Monday, October 24, 4:15 p.m.

Make simple text appear sensational! Learn to use filters, adjustment layers and brush tools to create text that appears to be on fire or a cloud of smoke.

Photoshop:
Color Correction
Orlando Public Library
Monday, October 24, 5:30 p.m.
Take an average photo and
make it pop. Learn basic color
correction techniques and make
global and location adjustments
to images in Adobe Camera Raw.



Sew Spooky Season

Get out your sewing machine and thread your needles for spooky season. Gather your family to hand sew sugar skulls or surprise your little ones with plushies and costume accessories.

Fall Family Arts – Sugar Skull Sachet West Oaks Branch Saturdays, October 1–29, 10–11:30 a.m.

Join us to learn a variety of fiber arts as a family. We will be focusing on a different discipline each month. This month, we will be working on hand sewing and embroidery by making a spooky sachet.

SEWING – WITCH'S HAT

Sundays, October 9 & 16, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Orlando Public Library

Sewing - Bat Plushies Orlando Public Library Thursdays, October 6-27, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Let's get bat'y with a wonderfully expressive bat stuffed animal. It has face applique options. The wings also have extra top-stitching for some special detail.

Hand Sewing Ghost Garlands West Oaks Branch Fridays, October 21 & 28, 10–11:30 a.m.

Decorate your spooky zone with this ghostly garland. We'll be hand sewing ghosts, creating tassels and putting it all together.

Let's Crochet Frankenstein Candy Pouches

spooky.

Orlando Public Library Saturday, October 8, 2–4 p.m. Virtual

Thursday, October 27, 6–7:30 p.m.
Add a touch of whimsy to your Halloween with Frankenstein candy pouches. Practice your crochet skills while learning how to seam pieces together, sew on buttons and embroider facial details.

Let's Crochet Amigurumi Pumpkins Washington Park Branch

Friday, October 21, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Make a quick and easy pumpkin for your fall décor! We will be using half-double crochet stitches and back loop techniques for this pattern.

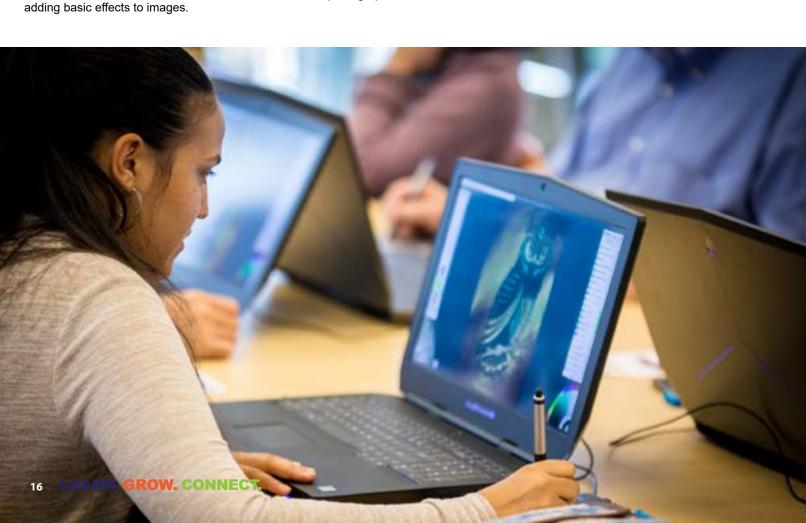
Let's Crochet Amigurumi Witches' Cauldrons Orlando Public Library Saturday, October 29, 2–4 p.m. Virtual

Thursday, October 6, 6–7:30 p.m.
Crochet cute amigurumi stuffed toys. Learn the basics of amigurumi, including crocheting 3D shapes in the round and embroidering facial features.

Let's Crochet Witch's Hats

Wednesdays, October 5–26, 10–11:30 a.m. We're getting spooky all month long with crocheted witch's hats.







Hooked on Halloween

Get your hooks ready to crochet candy

pouches, costumes and decorations for

Halloween. From beginning stitches to

advanced techniques, grab your hook and

learn a new skill while making something

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South Trail Branch Mondays, October 3-31, 4:15 p.m. Vini aprann pale e pratike anglè w nan kou sa.



ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

English for Families

Mondays, October 3-31, 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays, October 5-26, 5:30 p.m. Join us virtually in this Family Literacy Program to practice reading with your children and learn English vocabulary for everyday use. This program meets twice a week for five weeks. English for Families is sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Arts and Culture, the Florida Council on Arts and Culture, and the National Endowment for



the Arts.



English from Zero

Alafaya Branch Saturdays, October 1 & 8, 10:30 a.m. **Southeast Branch** Wednesdays, October 5 & 12, 2:30 p.m. South Trail Branch Fridays, October 7–28, 4:30 p.m.

Mondays, October 3-31, 3 p.m. Tuesdays, October 4–25, 3:30 p.m. Join us to learn and talk about new basic English vocabulary associated with different topics.

English Conversation Hour Alafaya Branch

Saturdays, October 1 & 8, Noon

Practice your English speaking skills during the English Conversation Hour. All proficiency levels are welcomed!

Conversation Hour

Wednesdays, October 5-26, Noon Thursdays, October 6-27, 2 p.m. Practice your English speaking skills in a virtual Conversation Hour. Each session will have specific topics for discussion.

LANGUAGE CLASSES

Basic Spanish

Tuesdays, October 4-25, 10:30 a.m. Get an introduction to the basic Spanish vocabulary. Pronunciation, alphabet, sounds, syllables and vocabulary building will be introduced.

Talk to a Spanish Teacher

Tuesdays, October 4-25, 5 p.m.

Do you want to be more exposed to the Spanish or English Language? Well, this conversational hour is for you! Come and talk with Ms. Brenda and her students, and practice your bilingual speaking skills.

Intermediate Spanish

Wednesdays, October 5-26, 10:30 a.m. Get an introduction to Spanish grammar by focusing on the parts of speech, verb conjugations, sentence structure and vocabulary building.

Práctica Spanish Conversation

Wednesdays, October 5-26, 4-5:30 p.m. Práctica tu español! Develop your Spanish

language skills through conversation. Conversational topics and themed vocabulary will be provided. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

Spanish from Zero Southeast Branch

Thursdays, October 6-27, 3 p.m.

Tuesdays, October 18 & 25, 4 p.m. Spanish from Zero classes are designed for beginning Spanish learners. Each workshop has a specific target topic.

Bilingual Hour

Southeast Branch

Thursdays, October 6-27, 4 p.m. Are you learning Spanish or English and looking for a class to practice your skills? Well, this conversational practice hour is for you! Each class will have a fun topic to discuss.

Learn a Language: "The Orientation"

Southeast Branch

Friday, October 14, 2 p.m. Explore different library resources to learn a

new language! Find out what classes to take or what programs to use to learn or practice a new language.

Explore diferentes recursos de la biblioteca para aprender un nuevo idioma. Conozca que clases tomar o que programas utilizar para aprender o practicar un nuevo idioma.

GENEALOGYocls.info/genealogy

FINDING YOUR ROOTS SERIES

This series will cover the nine core elements that you need to build a strong foundation for your genealogical research. Each week will focus on a different record group.

Probate Records

Tuesday, October 4, 1 p.m.

Learn what probate records are, where they are located, and how to best utilize them in your family history research.

Immigration Records

Tuesday, October 11, 1 p.m. Immigration records are an incredibly

rich source of information for the family historian. Learn more about your family's history by using passenger lists and naturalization records.

Church & Cemetery Records

Tuesday, October 25, 1 p.m. Discover what type of information is contained in church and cemetery records, how to access them, and how they can help enhance your family history research.

Global Genealogy: Mexico

Thursday, October 6, Noon

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

Researching Your Hispanic Ancestors

Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.

Explore and learn about key internet resources and databases for researching your Hispanic ancestors.

West Oaks Branch & Genealogy Center Overview

Thursday, October 13, Noon

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

Genealogy in the States: Michigan Virtual

Wednesday, October 19, 6:30 p.m.

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

Genealogy Research Question Workshop

Thursday, October 20, Noon

Sharpen your genealogy skills and learn about resources by sharing your research questions.

Social Security Records for Genealogy

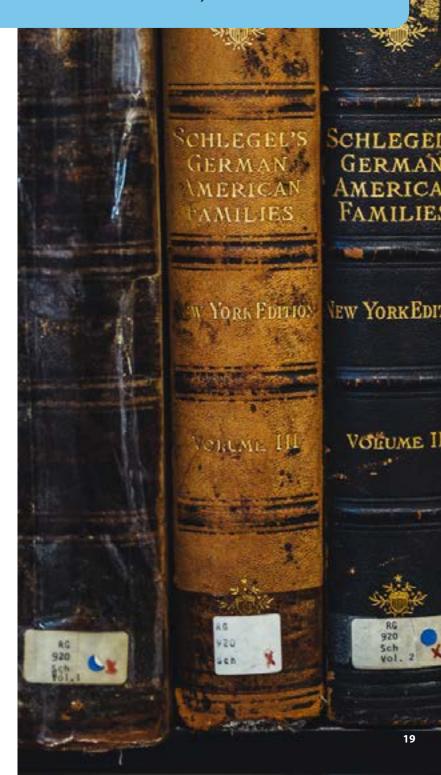
Wednesday, October 26, 6:30 p.m.

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.

Death Stands Ready

Thursday, October 27, Noon

Tombstone iconography and burial practices reflect the attitudes towards death held by early Americans. Learn how religious beliefs and family patterns of a society are reflected in burying customs.



SECOND SATURDAY **IMPROV SHOW**

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Saturday, October 8, 4 p.m.

Join us the second Saturday of each month at the Melrose Center for this fun filled rollercoaster of laughs featuring improv actors from the Orlando Improv Community.

Acting for the Camera Level 1 & 2 Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Sunday, October 9, 3 & 4:30 p.m.

Whether you want to improve your public speaking skills, enhance your on-camera skills or are curious about the world of acting for video, this class is for you. Students will be introduced to basic terms and directions used on film and video sets as they rehearse and record a short scene.

Design Halloween Decorations with Inkscape

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Sunday, October 16, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11, 11 a.m. Monday, October 24, 6:30 p.m.

Learn how to design Halloween decorations with Inkscape. Once designed you can choose to make your creation by gaining access to our Fab Lab 3D printers, Silhouette Cameo or laser cutter machines!

From Sample to Performance with **Ableton Live**

Orlando Public Library, Melrose Center Sunday, October 23, 1:30-3 p.m.

Master the fundamental skills necessary to use this powerful software, including navigating the environment and tools, working with arrangement and session views, and capturing audio and MIDI sounds.



Adobe After Effects Level 1 & 2

Monday, October 10, 6 & 7:30 p.m.

Create a spectacular celestial video animation using a few stills and Adobe After Effects. Learn how to import footage, set up a composition, and animate layers using keyframes. Animate layers and extrude type in 3D space to create an otherworldly cinematic animation

Adobe After Effects Level 3 & 4

Tuesday, October 11, 6 & 7:30 p.m. Build stunning 2D and 3D video motion graphics with confidence. Discover how to use the arcs principle to animate photographs, and how to use the moving camera tool to follow the action on the screen.





JOBSEEKERS ocls.info/jobseekers

Level Up Orange **Neighborhood Navigators**

South Trail Branch Wednesday, October 5, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Fairview Shores Branch Thursday, October 13, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. North Orange Branch Wednesday, October 19, 1–3 p.m. **Washington Park Branch** Thursday, October 27, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Level Up Orange offers career exploration, training and internships, and job placement to Orange County residents who qualify. Level Up Orange is a program of CareerSource Central Florida.

The program is funded by Orange County government using federal dollars. This project is being supported, in whole or part, by federal award number HR 1319, Title IX, Subtitle M, Section 9901, awarded to Orange County, FL by the Department



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Career Academy: Interview Like a Pro **Orlando Public Library**

Tuesday, October 18, 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.

Career Academy: Perfecting Your Resume Orlando Public Library

Tuesday, October 25, 2:30 p.m. Get noticed! Elevate your job application with best practices in crafting a resume and cover letter.



Fun Family Film South Trail Branch Saturdays, October 1-29, 2-4 p.m. Join us for a movie that's fun for the whole family!

STEAM Free Play South Trail Branch Mondays, October 3 & 17, 3:30-5 p.m. Thursdays, October 13 & 27, 3:30-5 p.m. Explore and play as we have fun with STEAM-related toys! Kits such as LEGO and K'NEX are available for anyone to play.

Prime Time Family Reading Time South Creek Branch Wednesday, October 5, 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. Registration Required.

Bean Art Painting Hiawassee Branch Wednesday, October 12, 4:30-6 p.m. Create fun art with beans.

Cookies & Milk with a Cop **North Orange Branch** Saturday, October 15, 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 Apopka officers in a fun and informative environment.

Which Witch is Which? **Southeast Branch**

Saturday, October 15, 10:30 a.m. Can you survive the Salem Witch Trials? Jump back in time with us to 1692 Massachusetts and find out! Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up.

Movie and a Craft West Oaks Branch

Saturday, October 15, 3-5 p.m. Sit back and relax during a family-friendly movie while working on a craft or coloring sheets. Recommended for families.

Mythical Library North Orange Branch Saturday, October 29, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. What mythical creatures can you find this Halloween at the library?



MAYOR BUDDY'S BOOK CLUB: Q&A WITH ORLANDO MAYOR BUDDY DYER

by City of Orlando, Office of Community Affairs

What exactly is Mayor Buddy's Book Club, and when was it founded?

Mayor Buddy's Book Club is our only signature book club. We started this book club in 2011 when the City of Orlando received a Cities of Service Leadership Grant from Bloomberg Philanthropies and the Rockefeller Foundation, and Orlando joined the national Cities of Service Coalition. Mayor Buddy's Book Club's aim is to promote literacy through leisure reading for Orlando area students in grades 3-8, but all ages are welcome to participate. We accomplish this, in partnership with Orange County Library System and the City's Recreation Division. In the book clubs, youth read together and share their joy of reading. We make reading fun and engaging through monthly book club meetings that feature quest speakers, activities and opportunities to meet the authors. We celebrate each book with an End of Book Party at the Orlando Public Library.

Why is literacy so important?

Reading is one of the most important skills and tools that we all must develop for lifelong success. You can learn anything through reading, and in today's digital age, it's important to be able to think critically about what we read. Reading, even for fun, helps to improve communication skills, success in school, and builds empathy and understanding. Through Mayor Buddy's Book Club, we hope to create generations of readers and future leaders.

End of Book Parties were mentioned earlier. What are those like?

After members finish each book, we host a book party to celebrate each member's completion of the book. Frequently, we have the featured authors attend and share their inspirations for writing the book, their journeys to become writers and their processes for writing, answering any questions that book club members have. We also host trivia games during these parties to test members' knowledge and comprehension of the story while competing for prizes. We like to do these parties at Orlando Public Library with students participating from all around the city. Sometimes, Mayor Buddy joins the fun!

What kinds of books does the book club read?

The book club reads selections from the Sunshine State Young Readers Award lists. Mayor Buddy's Book Club staff works with library staff to choose books from a wide range of genres, with diverse characters. and exciting storylines. We hope to introduce young readers to new kinds of stories and different perspectives or ideas through the selected books. We

book that stands out?

Of the 73 books that have been offered to book club members in the 10 years since the book club began, whats's a favorite

explore new places and experiences.

The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan, which describes the journey of two siblings who travel the globe and discover their links to a secret order that has existed since the time of the pharaohs.

If I'm someone who wants to join the book club, what should I do?

Anyone who is interested in signing up to participate in Mayor Buddy's Book Club should go online to orlando.gov/bookclub. There are also in-person chapters of Mayor Buddy's Book Club at participating Orlando neighborhood centers throughout the city. To find your nearest center, visit orlando.gov/My-Neighborhood. Finally, you can start your own Mayor Buddy's Book Club by visiting orlando.gov/newbookclub for a starter pack.



MAYOR BUDDY'S BOOK CLUB END OF BOOK PARTY Orlando Public Library,

Library Central Wednesday, October 19, 4 p.m. Orlando Mayor Buddy's Book Club is celebrating the completion of its latest book Quintessence by Jess Redman! There will be a Q&A with the author. Recommended for ages 8-12.

Sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Arts and Culture, the Florida Council of Arts and Culture, and the National Endowment for the Arts.



BABY (Ages 0–18 Months)

Baby's First Fall Festival Southeast Branch Monday, October 3, 10:15 a.m. South Trail Branch Wednesday, October 5, 11 a.m. The air is crisp, the apples are ripe, a fall

gathering sounds just about right! Enjoy autumn fun with your baby.

Spice Spice Baby Southwest Branch

Monday, October 3, 10:30 a.m. Mingle with friends, play with your little one and discover a new recipe to spice up your little one's puree with fall seasonings.

Caregiver Connect: Stay and Play Southeast Branch Monday, October 3, 11:15 a.m.

Connect with other caregivers while your little one explores imaginary play with friends. Learn about new resources for you and your little one.

Mother Goose on the Loose Fairview Shores Branch

Thursdays, October 6-27, 10:15 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!

Cats, Bats & Babies

Southwest Branch Monday, October 10, 10:30 a.m. Bring your baby to this Halloween story time filled with not-so-spooky activities that introduce pre-literacy concepts. Baby costumes are encouraged.

Baby Bookworms Southwest Branch

Monday, October 17, 10:30 a.m. Read! Learn! Play! Introduce your baby to important literacy practices that encourage learning and developmental growth.

TODDLER (Ages 18–36 Months)

Bubble Playtime Fairview Shores Branch

Tuesdays, October 4-18, 10:30 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Tuesday, October 18, 11 a.m. **Southwest Branch** Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 a.m. Help your child with their motor development skills in this interactive bubble class. Recommended for ages 2-5.

Itsy-Bitsy Spiders South Creek Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 10:30 a.m. Winter Garden Branch Thursday, October 13, 10:30 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Thursday, October 13, 11 a.m. Eek a spider! Don't be scared. Join us for not-so-creepy, crawly crafts and stories about our eight-legged friends.

Parachute Play North Orange Branch

Tuesdays, October 4, 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.

Storytime Craft North Orange Branch Wednesdays, October 5-26, 10:30 a.m.

Southwest Branch Thursdays, October 6-27, 10 a.m.-Noon Drop-in before and after storytime to create a make-and-take craft. Recommended for ages 2-6.

Toddler Playground Southwest Branch

Wednesday, October 5, 10:30 a.m. Toddlers use unstructured play to advance their physical and cognitive development and to have FUN!

Who Hoots?

North Orange Branch Tuesday, October 11, 11 a.m. South Trail Branch Wednesday, October 26, 4 p.m. Who who who hoots in the night? An owl, that's who! Play and discover while learning all about our feathered friends. Recommended for ages 2-5.

S is for Scarecrow Southwest Branch

Wednesday, October 12, 10:30 a.m. It's harvest time! We've gathered a bountiful blend of stories, songs and activities to celebrate the season.

Caregiver Connect: Stay and Play Southeast Branch Monday, October 17, 11:15 a.m.

Connect with other caregivers while your little one explores imaginary play with friends. Learn about new resources for you and your little one. Recommended for ages 18-36 months.

PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5)



Sesame Street Storytime Southwest Branch Tuesday, October 4, 10:30 a.m.

Mondays, October 3-31, 11 a.m. Sing, dance and learn your way through the alphabet and numbers with interactive stories and activities inspired by Plaza Sésamo!

Little Chef: Pumpkin Patch West Oaks Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 11 a.m. Create your own pumpkin patch from pudding, cookies and more sweet treats! Adult participation is required. Registration required.

Build a Monster Southeast Branch

own monster.

Monday, October 10, 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, October 11, 11 a.m. Monsters are magical and are filled with the free spirit of creativity. Therefore, they can look like anything! Build your very

Countdown to Kindergarten Washington Park Branch Mondays, October 10-31, 10:15 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.

While You Sleep Hiawassee Branch

Monday, October 10, 11 a.m. Night frog sings, owls hoot and trains rumble. Discover what happens at night while you sleep.

Caregiver Coffee and a Craft Southeast Branch

Mondays, October 10 & 24, 11:15 a.m. Connect with other caregivers while sipping a hot beverage and making a craft. Your child will explore imaginary play with friends. Learn about resources for you and your child.

Cuéntame un Cuento South Trail Branch

Tuesdays, October 11 & 25, 10:15 a.m.

Tuesdays, October 4-25, 10 a.m. Cuéntame un Cuento is a bilingual interactive storytime featuring books and songs in English and Spanish that are suitable for speakers of either language.

Ghostly Gathering Southwest Branch

Tuesday, October 11, 10:30 a.m. Ghosts aren't always scary! Boo-gie in for a hauntingly good time with stories and a craft focused on our ghostly friends.

Ghosts, Monsters, Bats and Crows

Winter Garden Branch Tuesday, October 11, 10:30 a.m. **North Orange Branch** Thursday, October 20, 11 a.m. **Southeast Branch** Monday, October 24, 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18, 11 a.m. Calling all witches, zombies and monsters. Sing and dance during this spooky storytime.

Cuentame un Cuento -**Spooky Storytime West Oaks Branch**

Tuesday, October 11, 11 a.m. 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!

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. Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:15 a.m. Winter Garden Branch, Fridays, 11:15 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. West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m. Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 10:45 a.m. Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 11 a.m. Alafaya Branch, Fridays, 10:45 a.m. Winter Garden 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. Southeast Branch, Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. North Orange Branch, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m. Southwest Branch, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. West Oaks Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 a.m. Windermere Branch, Thursdays, 11:15 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.

FAMILY STORYTIMES

Orlando Public Library, Saturdays, 11 a.m. North Orange Branch, First Sundays, 2 p.m. Alafaya Branch, Second Sundays, 2 p.m. South Creek Branch, Third Sundays, 2 p.m. West Oaks Branch, Fourth Sundays, 2 p.m.



PRESCHOOL (Ages 3-5)

Pajama Party

Virtual

Mondays, October 3–24, 7 p.m.
Put on your pajamas and join us
virtually for stories, songs and a craft.

Down By the Lake Virtual

Wednesday, October 5, 11 a.m. Have you ever been to a lake? Preschoolers will find out about this fabulous ecosystem through stories, songs and a craft that promote preliteracy skills.

Barn Dance

Virtual

and more.

Thursday, October 6, 11 a.m.Join chick and his barnyard friends for a fun-filled time with stories, activities

Bubble Party
Winter Garden Branch
Wednesday, October 12, 10:15 a.m.
Move and dance with your child during
this bubble filled event.

Near the River

Virtual

Wednesday, October 12, 11 a.m.
Who lives near the river? Preschoolers will hone important preliteracy skills while learning about wildlife surrounding rivers.

Little Chef: Apple Cider Muffins

Thursday, October 13, 11 a.m.
Turn your favorite seasonal beverage into a delicious muffiel in this program

into a delicious muffin! In this program your child will explore kitchen safety and basic cooking principles.

Pirates and PrincessesSouthwest Branch

Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a.m.Ahoy! Get ready for a royal preschool romp filled with swashbuckling stories, side-splitting sea shanties, and more.

Fall Festival
Eatonville Branch
Wednesday, October 19, 10:15 a.m.
Celebrate fall with stories, games and activities featuring apples, pumpkins

On a Mountain Virtual

and autumn leaves

Wednesday, October 19, 11 a.m.
Preschoolers will explore mountains around the world through stories, songs and a craft about the plants and animals that live there.



In the Desert Virtual

Wednesday, October 26, 11 a.m. Enjoy stories, songs and a craft that help preschoolers recognize who lives in this hot, dry ecosystem.

Little Chef: Spider Cookies

Thursday, October 27, 11 a.m. Make delicious creepy crawly cookies to satisfy your sweet tooth. Your child will learn basic baking principles and early mathematical skills.

Monster Mash-Up North Orange Branch *Thursday, October 27, 11 a.m.* Monsters are magical and

Monsters are magical and are filled with the free spirit of creativity. Therefore, they can look like anything so let's make our very own monsters.

Caregiver Connect Southeast Branch

Monday, October 31, 11:15 a.m. Connect with other caregivers while your little one explores imaginary play with friends. Learn about new resources for you and your little one.

Fantasy Map Making Alafaya Branch Saturday, October 1, 4 p.m.

Use your imagination and art skills to create a map of your own fantasy world. Registration required for each child. Recommended for ages 9–12.

Behind the Gates of Mordor Alafaya Branch

Saturday, October 1, 2 p.m.
One does not simply walk into Mordor unprepared. Gain knowledge to defeat your enemies as we make your own Mount Doom replica. Recommended for ages 9–12.

Brain Games

Fairview Shores Branch Mondays, October 3–24, 4:30 p.m. Use your critical thinking and creativity skills to participate in STEM-based experiments and games!

Read to Sydney Winter Garden Branch Monday, October 3, 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.

Beginner's Spanish for Kids Fairview Shores Branch *Tuesdays*,

October 4, 11 & 25, 4:30 p.m.
Introduce your child to basic
Spanish vocabulary through games
and activities while having fun.

Spooky Science
Washington Park Branch
Wednesday, October 5, 4 p.m.
Celebrate Halloween with a frightfilled hour of fun! Let out your mad

filled hour of fun! Let out your mad scientist with experiments, games and crafts! Recommended for ages 6–8.

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Fly into the discover native raptors. Recages 9–12.

Monster Bugs
West Oaks Branch
Wednesday, October 5, 4 p.m.
South Creek Branch
Thursday, October 27, 4 p.m.
Are you ready to freak out? Once we identify the creepiest bugs on Earth, and learn their diabolical traits, we will make our own monster bugs to freak out our friends. Recommended for

ages 6-8.

Passport to Turkey

Thursday, October 6, 4 p.m. Learn about the lives of kids around the world through hands-on activities.

Angel Paws to Read
North Orange Branch
Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m.
Windermere Branch
Saturday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.
Orlando Public Library
Saturday, October 22, 11:30 a.m.
Alafaya Branch
Saturday, October 22, 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

Kids Movie Matinee
North Orange Branch
Sunday, October 9, 2–4 p.m.
Learn about the inspiration behind
Frankenweenie and enjoy watching
the movie.

World Traveler: South America

certified therapy dogs.

Eatonville Branch Monday, October 10, 3:45 p.m. Become a world traveler! Take a trip to South America with fun trivia, activities and crafts. Recommended for ages 6–8.

Crafternoons: Fall Wreath from Egg Trays South Trail Branch

Monday, October 10, 4:30 p.m. Get ready for an hour of crafting fun with friends! Recommended for ages 6–12.

Give a Hoot
Winter Garden Branch
Tuesday, October 11, 4:30 p.m.
Fly into the world of owls and discover nature's nocturnal raptors. Recommended for

Afterschool Movie Matinee Eatonville Branch Fridays, October 14 & 28, 3:45–5:15 p.m.

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Stop by to enjoy a Friday afternoon movie with friends.



DEM BONES, DEM BONES

Southeast Branch Saturday, October 1, 10:30 a.m. Winter Garden Branch Wednesday, October 12, 3:30 p.m. **West Oaks Branch** Wednesday, October 12, 4 p.m. **Hiawassee Branch** Thursday, October 13, 4 p.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 a.m. **Washington Park Branch** Wednesday, October 19, 4 p.m. The arm bone is connected to the ... what bone? Make skeleton crafts, shake your bones and learn a little about what holds us all together. Recommended for ages 6–8.

Little Chef: Spooky Snacks

Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m. Learn how to make some spooky and delicious Halloween-themed snacks. They're so good, it's scary!

Art Club Winter Garden Branch

Saturday, October 15, 3:30 p.m.

Try out new artistic techniques each month and experiment with your fellow artists! Recommended for ages 10 and up. Registration required for each child.

Pajama Jamboree Windermere Branch

Tuesday, October 18, 4:30 p.m. Put on your favorite jammies for a fun-filled evening of a story, craft and cookies and milk. Recommended ages 3-7. Seating is limited

Make Your Own Beat! **South Trail Branch**

Wednesdays, October 19 & 26, 4:30 p.m. Learning music production is a lot like playing with LEGO. In this activity, kids will learn fun and easy-to-follow music production techniques so they can unleash their creativity! Recommended for ages 8-14.

Passport to Morocco

Thursday, October 20, 4 p.m.

Learn about the lives of kids around the world through hands-on activities. Recommended for ages 6-12.

Crafternoons: Healthy Garden South Trail Branch

Thursday, October 20, 4:30 p.m.

Get ready for an hour of crafting fun with friends! Registration requested.

Macaroni Mania Windermere Branch Monday, October 24, 4 p.m.

Create a macaroni masterpiece! Macaroni Mania explores the versatility of using pasta to create one-of-a kind crafts.

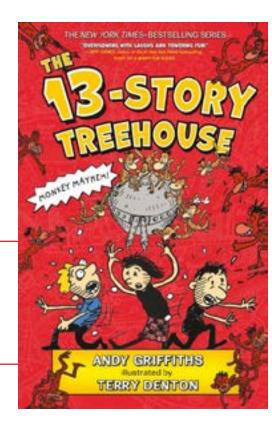
Book Adventure

Tuesday, October 25, 4:30 p.m. You have read the book, The 13-Story Treehouse by Andy Griffiths. Now, live the adventure! Trivia, games, activities and crafts: experience the book in its storyworld dimension. Recommended for ages 9-12.

Tween Book Club

9-12. Registration required.

Thursday, October 27, 5 p.m. Engage in a dynamic discussion and a themed activity based on Scritch Scratch by Lindsay Currie. Recommended for ages



HOME EDUCATION –

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Homeschool Meetup

Southwest Branch

Mondays, October 3-17, 1 p.m.

Come and participate in math, science, history, art and literature-based learning to support your child's homeschool curriculum. Recommended for ages 6-12.

Homeschool: French

Windermere Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 2 p.m.

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

Homeschool Jr. - Comic Creations Windermere Branch

Wednesday, October 5, 10:30 a.m.

Kick start your little one's education with Homeschool Junior! Listen to stories and engage in activities all about basic concepts. Recommended for ages 3-5.

Homeschool: Create a Comic

Windermere Branch

Thursdays, October 6–20, 1 p.m. (Ages 6–8) Thursdays, October 6-20, 1:40 p.m. (Ages 9-14) Start your bestselling comic strip by learning

the basics. Invent your characters and design their environment.

Homeschool: Art Expressions Windermere Branch

Friday, October 7, 2 p.m.

Learn to be more creative by developing and expressing your art skills. This art class is designed to help children improve their motor skills. Recommended for ages 6-14.

Homeschool: Spanish Windermere Branch Tuesday, October 11, 2 p.m.

Virtual

Tuesday, October 25, 2 p.m.

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

Homeschool Teen Board Game Meetup Winter Garden Branch

Thursday, October 13, 1–3 p.m.

Inviting all teen homeschoolers to play games, socialize and share resources. Games will be provided or bring one to share! Recommended for ages 12-17.

Homeschool Jr. - Sensational Superheroes Windermere Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 a.m.

Kick start your little one's education with Homeschool Junior! Listen to stories and engage in activities all about basic concepts. Recommended for ages 3-5.

Homeschool: Halloween Party

Windermere Branch

Thursday, October 27, 1 p.m. (Ages 6-8) Thursday, October 27, 1:40 p.m. (Ages 9-14) Celebrate Halloween in your costume with ghoulish

games and a creepy craft.



Registration required for all in-person events.

FAMILY ZUMBA

Saturday, October 1, 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.

Caregiver Connect: Stay and Play Southwest Branch

Mondays, October 3-17, 11 a.m. **Fairview Shores Branch** Mondays, October 3-31, 11 a.m. Winter Garden Branch

Fridays, October 7 & 14, 11:35 a.m.

Connect with other caregivers to meet and mingle while your little one explores imaginary play with new and old friends.

Safe Sleep

Southwest Branch Wednesday, October 5, 3:30-5 p.m. **Hiawassee Branch** Wednesday, October 19, 3:30-5 p.m.

Learn to create a safe sleep environment, the "5 S" technique to soothe babies, and how to avoid Shaken Baby Syndrome at this class presented in partnership with the Florida Department of Health.

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Hiawassee Branch

Wednesday, October 5, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. South Trail Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Apran'n kreye yon anviwonman pou domi san danje, 5 teknik pou kalme tibebe, e kòman pou anpeche sendwòm tibebe souke nan klas sa ki prezante an patenarya avèk Depatman Sante

Sueno Seguro Southwest Branch

Thursday, October 6, 3:30-5 p.m. **South Trail Branch**

Tuesday, October 18, 10-11:30 a.m.

Aprende como crear un ambiente seguro para dormir, las 5 tecnicas para calmar y tranquilizar a sus bebes, y como evitar el sindrome del bebe sacudido.



Teen Volunteering

Fairview Shores Branch Saturday, October 1, 2-4 p.m. Orlando Public Library Saturday, October 8, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Hiawassee Branch

TEENS(Ages 13-18) -

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Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. High school students will earn two hours of community service by assembling craft kits for the library. Recommended for ages 13-18.

You Are Creepy Winter Garden Branch

Tuesday, October 4, 4:30 p.m.

Don't be a scaredy-cat; come to the library for a spooky Halloween event filled with creepy crafts and activities ... if you dare.

Middle School Advisory Board Meeting

Virtual

Wednesday, October 5, 4 p.m.

Earn community service by collaborating with your peers to test out new tween and teen programs, brainstorm new teen services and more! Recommended for students in grades 6-8.

Trivia U.S.A.

South Trail Branch

Wednesday, October 5, 4 p.m.

How much do you know about the good old USA? Fulfill your civic duty by playing games and enjoying facts about America's past and present!

DIY Thursday

Orlando Public Library, Club Central Thursdays, October 6-20, 3 p.m.

Choose your own creative adventure at a variety of do-it-yourself craft stations. Try your hand at different art forms from origami to collages, poetry and more!

SAT Boot Camp South Creek Branch

Saturday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Club Z! Tutoring will prepare your high school student for all sections of the SAT during this three-hour boot camp. Registration required.

Sew Spooky Film Screening Fairview Shores Branch Wednesday, October 19, 4 p.m.

Bring your thimble for an alternate adventure with a movie screening of *The Nightmare* Before Christmas. Thread your needles with Sally for sewing basics.

Teen Art Adventures: Paint Chip Art

Southeast Branch

Wednesday, October 19, 4:30 p.m.

Explore your creative side with this monthly series. We'll provide the supplies and instruction on different types of art forms, you bring the imagination!

Teen Art Adventures: Confetti Painting

Fairview Shores Branch Thursday, October 20, 4:30 p.m.

Create your own amazing art inspired by the works of André Derain using confetti.

Teen Art Adventures: Polymer Clay Owls South Creek Branch

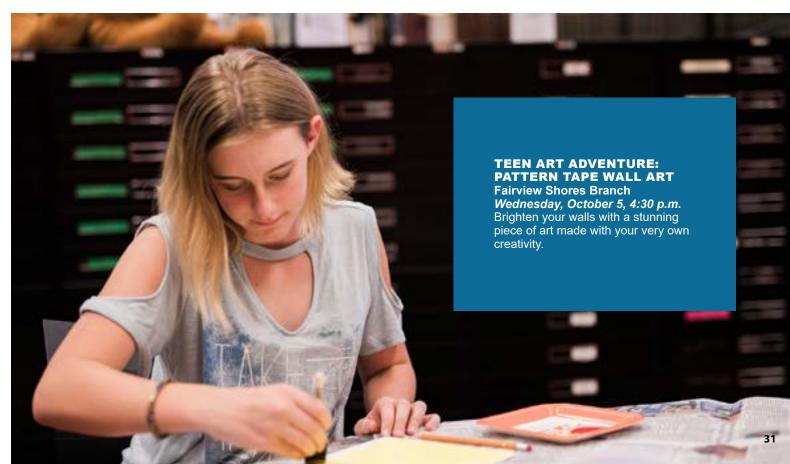
Saturday, October 22, 2:30 p.m.

Sculpt a cute owl from polymer clay that can be used as a pendant, key chain or zipper pull. All you need are creative hands. We will supply the rest.

Stranger Teens

Orlando Public Library, Club Central Thursday, October 27, 3 p.m.

Unlock the curiosity door and step into a Stranger Things-themed event of '80s mystery, trivia and games. Demogorgons and mouth breathers not welcomed.



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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. (L)

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. (L)

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. (L)

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.



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