

SUMMER CAMP FAIR

MARCH 21, 2026

NOON - 2 PM



Save the Date | March 21 NOON - 2 PM

Dr. Seuss & Friends Day

Mark your calendars for **March 1st!**
Registration opens Tues. February 10th
at 8 pm for children's programs.

Our 4th Annual Volunteer Fair

Find your next opportunity to give back on
February 1st!

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Get monthly updates and programs sent
to your email.
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Oceanside Library Highlights



Veterans Wall

We proudly hosted a reception to celebrate the newest additions to our Veterans Wall! We are so grateful to Tony Iovino, our former Assistant Director, for founding this initiative and to Stephanie, our marketing specialist for continuing to grow this wonderful community project.



Staff Development

Our staff participated in CPR and AED safety training as part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining essential life-saving skills.



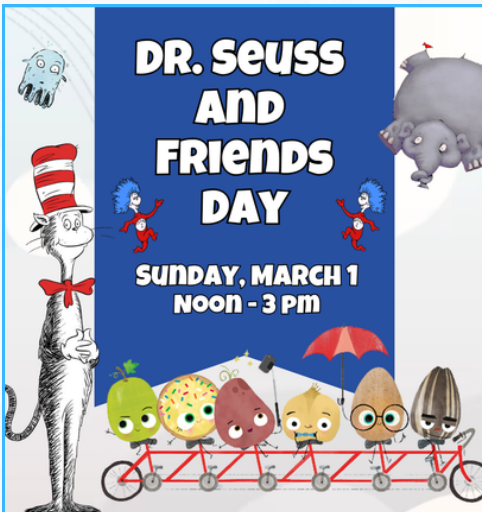
New Parent and Grandparent Fair

We're so proud to host this event for the very first time! It gave families the resources they need to make their journey as new parents both exciting and easier to navigate. A big thank you to Sarah N. and Emmy for planning this incredible event!



OCEANCon 2025

We were thrilled to welcome over 1,000 community members for a day of fun, creativity, and fandom celebration! A huge thank you to Towers Funeral Home for sponsoring this incredible event. See you next year!



DR. SEUSS AND FRIENDS DAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 1
NOON - 3 PM



Our beautiful Library is featured in Architecture New York State Magazine! Check out the article, "Creating Spaces to Thrive: Oceanside Library's Reimagined Community Hub" by Elisabeth Martin, also published in the American Library Association (ALA) Magazine!



Book Launches

We were thrilled to host two amazing authors at the Library as they launched their new books: Lisa Dolan with *The Brooklyn Witch* and Sandy McIntosh with *Quest!*



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Oceanside SEPTA held their annual Trunk of Treat, and we are so grateful to be part of it! Everyone enjoyed the *Scooby-Doo* movie!



Please welcome our Head Teen Librarian Caitlin W. We are so excited for her. She loves her job and she's the perfect fit!

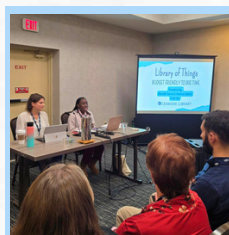


VOLUNTEER FAIR

Sunday, February 1



We're thrilled to share that Oceanside Library has received an ARCHI Award for Interior Architecture!



Assistant Director Michelle Samuel and Head of Adult Services Rebecca Alberto presented at New York Library Association, highlighting our innovative Library of Things - an amazing feature available to our patrons!

From us to you!

A message from Our Director:

The start of a new year is a wonderful time to reflect, set new goals, and find new ways to connect with others. It's been an incredible year, and we could not have done it without your support!

This winter, our library is hosting many wonderful events. One of them is our Volunteer Fair on February 1st—a celebration of community spirit and connection. Local organizations will join us to share volunteer opportunities for all interests and schedules. Whether you're looking to lend a helping hand, share your skills, or discover fresh ways to get involved, we invite you to stop by and explore how you can make a difference.

Our amazing team is here and ready to welcome you! Stop in, relax with a good book by the fireplace, explore our Library of Things, visit our art exhibits, listen to a record at our vinyl listening station, or enjoy one of the many programs we offer.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Wishing you and yours a safe, healthy, and happy New Year. Your library is here for you!



Chris Marra

A note from the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees wishes everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. Visit our cozy library to relax, explore, and enjoy everything we have to offer.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact the Board of Trustees.

The Oceanside Library is an independent agency and is not associated with any other board or governmental agency. Its Board of Trustees is solely responsible for the administration and policies of the Library. Trustees receive no compensation and pay taxes at the regular rate. The budget is prepared by the seven-member Board of Trustees with the help of the library staff and is voted upon independently by residents of the Oceanside School District. By law, the School District acts as tax agent for the Library.

To contact the Library Board, email ocltrustee@oceansidelibrary.com

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Friends of the Oceanside Library

LOL. We've been using that acronym for years, right?

Well, let's start a petition to change the meaning of LOL from Laugh Out Loud to **Love Our Library**.

Why?

Because there's so much to love about our library.

From babies to boomers, in between and beyond, there's something for everyone here.

Haven't visited the Library yet?
Stop in and say hi—we guarantee you'll Love Our Library too!



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Oceanside Library Board
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Information

REGISTRATION

Program registration for Oceanside Library District residents for January and February programs begins on Tuesday, December 16.

- Adult & Teen program registration at 7 pm.
- Children program registration at 8 pm.
- Online and in-person only: No telephone registration.

Non-Residents:

Registration for all January and February programs begins on Friday, December 19.

For a registration checklist, information on fees and payments, and our program lateness policy, please visit the Homepage on our website.

**Please note there is one registration date for January and February programs.*

PHOTO RELEASE

By visiting the library, patrons consent to being photographed or recorded, and allow the library to use these images or recordings in future publications and promotional materials, both in print and online.

KINDLES

Looking for a book that's currently checked out? Try borrowing one of our Kindles loaded with popular titles! They're lightweight, portable, and perfect for reading on the go.



The Iovino Theater Movies

MONDAY FILMS TWO SHOWTIMES: 2 PM AND 6 PM

January 5

The Roses
(2025) 1hr 45mins
Rated R



February 2

Springsteen: Deliver Me from Nowhere
(2025) 1hr 59mins
Rated PG-13



January 12

Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale
(2025) 2hr 15mins
Rated-PG



February 9

Bob Marley: One Love
(2024)
1hr 47mins
Rated PG-13



January 26

Mission Impossible: The Final Reckoning
(2025) 2hr 49mins
Rated PG-13



February 23

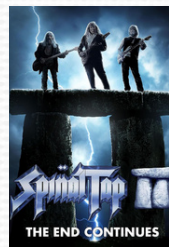
The Naked Gun
(2025) 1hr 25mins
Rated PG-13



VINYL CLUB PRESENTS:

January 15

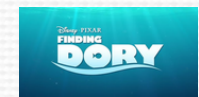
Spinal Tap II: The End Continues
(2025)



Showtime 7 PM

SENSORY FRIENDLY MOVIES

Showtime 11 AM



January 10

The Peanuts Movie
(2015)
1hr 32mins
Rated G

February 28

Finding Dory
(2016)
1hr 37mins
Rated PG

FAMILY MOVIES



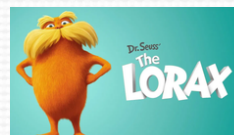
January 2 at 6 PM
Annie (1982)
2hr 7mins Rated PG



January 17 at 2 PM
Wonka (2023)
1hr 56mins Rated PG



February 13 at 6 PM
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (2014)
1hr 21mins Rated PG



February 21 at 2 PM
Dr. Seuss' The Lorax (2012)
1hr 27mins Rated PG

TEEN MOVIES



January 29 at 5:30 pm
Freakier Friday (2025)
1hr 51mins Rated PG



February 20 at 2 pm
The Fault in Our Stars (2014)
2hr 6mins Rated PG-13

Online Resources

Enjoy a wide range of free online resources with your Library Card, many of which you might already be paying for! Simply scan or click the QR code to start exploring.



Sign up for our mailing lists and get updates tailored just for you!



CEANSIDE LIBRARY



LIBRARY OF THINGS

Need a sewing machine? Projector? Karaoke Machine? We've got that! Our Library of Things lets you borrow useful items beyond books!

The Iovino Theater Events



CONCERTS

Marc Berger and the RIDE Band

Sunday, January 11 at 2 pm
Marc and the RIDE Band will perform songs from the RIDE album and share some unforgettable stories about the West.



The Vic Vincent Group

Thursday, January 22 at 2 pm
Sing along as The Vic Vincent Group takes you on a nostalgic journey through the golden age of "Teen Idols," performing timeless hits that defined an era.



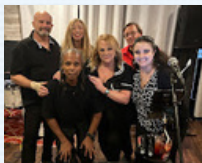
Guitarist Tal Naccarato

Sunday, January 25 at 2 pm
Tal Naccarato is a dynamic composer, songwriter and teacher-artist. His original music fuses Folk, Americana, Rock, and Blues with classical guitar flair and a signature bluesy swing.



Leah & the Heartbeats

Sunday, February 15 at 2 pm
Rockin' Through the Ages! Get ready to dance and groove with this high-energy band bringing the best rock 'n' roll hits and dance classics from the 60's to today!



Paul Joseph Trio: Roaring '20s- the Jazz Age

Wednesday, February 25 at 7 pm
These inspiring instrumental renditions of Jazz Age classics from great composers such as Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, and more capture the sounds and spirit of the Flapper Era.



Griots in Concert (ALL AGES)

Friday, February 27 at 6 pm
A "Griot" is a traditional drummer & storyteller who guards the history and culture of their people and passes down oral traditions through generations. Join us for this inspirational and high-energy performance of African, Caribbean, and American stories, music, and songs!



For information on how to choose your seats in the theater, please see the Events Calendar on our website, pick your event date and click on the Eventgroove link.

COMEDY AFTER HOURS

PRESENTED BY: THE FRIENDS OF THE OCEANSIDE LIBRARY

Saturday, January 24 from 8 pm – 10 pm
Doors open at 7:30 pm
Enjoy an adults-only night of laughs, all to benefit the *Story Walk Project* at Oceanside Park. Comedians TBA. Beverages by Barrier Brewery available for purchase. Tickets: \$25 (Friends Members) | \$30 (Non-Members) Check our website to reserve your seats and pay via the PAYPAL link. Adults Only, please. (21+)



LECTURES

Taxes 101: How to Prevent Needless Liabilities with Daniel Mazzola

Tuesday, January 20 at 7 pm
Learn how to reduce your tax liabilities by deploying strategies designed to take advantage of tax code allowances, credits and deductions.



Louis Armstrong and the Jazz Age

Thursday, February 12 at 2 pm
Step back into the Roaring '20s and explore the vibrant world of jazz through the life and music of Louis Armstrong.



Birds of Prey with WINORR (ALL AGES)

Wednesday, February 18 at 2 pm
Learn about 6 incredible birds of prey in this educational show with live birds! Join us to meet these incredible creatures and learn about the organization Wildlife in Need of Rescue & Rehabilitation. *Registration is required.*



Marcia Odle-McNair presents: Artists of the Harlem Renaissance

Wednesday, February 18 at 7 pm
In honor of Black History Month, join artist and author, Marcia Odle-McNair, in an interactive and entertaining look back at the extraordinary works of art of this groundbreaking era.



IN-PERSON AUTHOR VISITS

Josephine Fitzpatrick

Shed the Pounds
Tuesday, January 13 at 7 pm
Learn about weight gain and body changes during perimenopause and menopause. Followed by a Q&A and book signing. Copies will be available for purchase. *Registration is required.*



POETRY NIGHT

George Wallace Guest MC: Tony Iovino

Wednesday, January 7 at 7 pm
Suffolk County's first poet laureate and Writer in Residence at the Walt Whitman Birthplace, George Wallace is a celebrated poet, editor, and spoken word performer. He will read from his latest work, including lyrical adaptations of poems set to music.



TOP 20 TITLES OF 2025



Thank you to our Adult Librarian Emily for creating this!

Adult Services

Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

Page Turners with Emily

Thursdays at 2:30 pm

January 8 & February 12

A fun, laid-back discussion group. Swap reading recommendations, create a new To-Be-Read list, and make new friends!

Cookbook Club

Change the Recipe

by José Andrés

Monday, January 12 at 7 pm

Join us for a lively discussion about the book's themes of resilience, generosity, and embracing change. Perfect motivation for anyone setting new goals or resolutions for the year ahead!

Animal, Vegetable, Miracle

by Barbara Kingsolver

Monday, February 2 at 7 pm

Inspiring memoir about her family's year of eating locally grown food. We'll discuss the challenges and rewards of seasonal eating, sustainability, and reconnecting with where our food comes from. Perfect for readers who love food, farms, and fresh perspectives on how what we eat shapes our lives.

Edge of Your Seat Reads

Gene Before Goodbye

by Reese Witherspoon and Harlan Coben

Thursday, January 15 at 2 pm

Once Upon a Time in Dollywood

by Ashley Jordan

Thursday, February 26 at 7 pm

Rich characters and page-turning suspense! The kind of book you can't put down!

Series Society Book Club

Wednesday, February 4 at 7:30 pm

Love following characters across multiple books? Join the Series Society, a book club exploring all kinds of series—from fantasy and mystery to contemporary stories—one book at a time.

Mystery Book Club

The Thursday Murder Club

by Richard Osman

Thursday, February 12 at 7 pm

Each month, we dive into a thrilling story, share our favorite twists, and uncover clues together.

Memoirs and Mocktails

Mill Town: Reckoning with What Remains

by Kerri Arsenault

Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm

Enjoy warm conversation, a meaningful read, and a mocktail worth raising a glass to. *Registration is required.*

WRITING & POETRY

Journaling and Meditation for Emotional Healing with Danielle Bertoli

Mondays, January 5 & February 9 at 6 pm

Wednesdays, Jan 28 & Feb 25 at 6 pm

Write, breathe, and heal in a safe, welcoming space. Explore self-compassion, emotional resilience, and connection through guided journaling, meditation, and reflection, —leaving each session lighter, clearer, and more in touch with your truth.

Registration is required for each session.

Poetry Near and Afar (Zoom)

Mondays at 7 pm

January 5, 19

February 2, 16

Join us as we welcome a poet from the NY area – and one from "afar." Plus, an open mic!

See our calendar for the Zoom link.



It's Poetry Baby!

Saturdays at 2 pm

January 10 & February 14



Creative Writing with Barbara Novack

Wednesdays at 7 pm

January 21 & February 18

Creative writing workshops with Molloy University's Writer-in-Residence. Writers of all levels are welcome to explore fiction, non-fiction, memoir, and poetry through prompts, discussion, and sharing in a supportive, informal setting.

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Registration is requested.



Bob McNeil

Compositions on Compassion and Other Emotions

Thursday, February 5 at 7 pm

Celebrated poet, essayist and artist will read passages from his book with a discussion to follow. Copies will be sold and signed.

Registration is requested.



Adult Services

[Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.](#)

HEALTHY OCEANSIDE | FITNESS CLASSES **These programs require registration. Please note some programs have a fee.*

Monday Meditation at 2 pm

January 5, 12
February 23

Tai Chi for Older Adults

\$10 fee for the two-month series
Tuesdays at Noon
January 6, 13, 20, 27
February 3, 10, 17, 24

NEW

Zumba at Night!

\$5 fee for the two-month series.
Wednesdays at 7 pm
January 7, 28 & February 4, 25

NEW

The Human Dance Project: Explore Creative Movement NEW DAY!

\$5 fee for the two-month series.
Wednesdays at 11 am
January 7, 14, 21
February 11, 18

Discover the joy of movement as self-expression! This creative, rhythmic class goes beyond traditional dance, helping you build strength, stamina, and flexibility in a low-impact, adaptable way. Energize and strengthen at your own pace.

Zumba

\$10 fee for the two-month series
Thursdays at 10 am
January 8, 15, 22
February 5, 12, 19

Chair & Standing Yoga

\$10 fee for the two-month series.
Thursdays at 11 am AND 12 Noon
January 8, 15, 22
February 5, 12, 19

NEW

Prenatal Yoga

Thursdays at 6 pm
January 8, 22 and February 12, 26

Saturday Meditation at 10 am

January 10, 17
February 21, 28

Saturday Tai Chi for Older Adults at Noon

Register for each individual session.
Free.
January 10, 17
February 14, 28

Hula Hooping with Jamy

Mondays at 5:30 pm
January 12, 26
February 2, 9, 23

BPC: Balance, Posture & Calisthenics

\$5 fee for the two-month series
Tuesdays at 2:30 pm
January 13, 27
February 3, 24

A movement class for all levels, designed to strengthen balance, improve posture, and build confidence. Train your body to move with power, ease, and resilience in everyday life.

NEW

Sound and Song Bath

Wednesdays at 7 pm
January 14, February 11
A form of meditation where voice, crystal bowls, chimes, and other instruments are used as a therapeutic tool to help participants disengage from their busy, thinking brains and relax.

Simply Fit

\$5 fee for the two-month series
Tuesdays at 11 am
January 20, 27
February 10, 24
Cardiovascular, strengthening, stretching and balancing workout.

NEW

PM Yoga Flow

Register for each class individually. Free.
Tuesdays at 7 pm
January 20 & February 17

Soulful Sound Healing

Fridays at 2 pm
January 23 & February 6
An immersive experience that can help release tension and stress, allowing you to feel more balanced, harmonious and at peace.

Evening Pilates

\$5 fee for the two-month series
Mondays at 7 pm
January 26
February 2, 9, 23

Breathwork Journey with Tina

January 29 from 7 pm - 8:30 pm
February 26 from 2 pm - 3:30 pm
Guided with compassion, using Conscious Connected Breath (CCB) you will release what no longer serves, shift your awareness, and reconnect with your body, heart, and inner light—one breath at a time. A transformative experience.

Saturday Pilates at 11 am

Register for each individual session. Free.
January 31
February 7, 14

A Century Since the Roaring '20s *Celebrating the arts and culture of the "Roaring '20s!"*

The Art of Calligraphy

Monday, January 5 at 7 pm
Local artist Kathy Schirrmacher will teach how to create beautifully penned artistic lettering in the old-fashioned style of calligraphy. *Registration is required.*

Louis Armstrong and the Jazz Age

Thursday, February 12 at 2 pm
Step back into the Roaring '20s and explore the vibrant world of jazz through the life and music of Louis Armstrong. (Presenter: Jack Schnur)

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Artists of the Harlem Renaissance

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Paul Joseph Trio: Roaring '20s- Jazz Age

Wednesday, February 25 at 7 pm
Enjoy sounds from the Golden Age of Jazz! Seat reservation required. See our calendar for details.

Genealogy Club &

True Crime Club Crossover

What About Our Criminal Ancestors?

Thursday, February 19 at 7 pm
Michelle Bates explores the often-overlooked criminal records that can transform your ancestral research—from court cases and police reports to prison registers and newspaper accounts.

Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale (2025)

Monday, January 12 at 2 pm & 6 pm
2h 15m, Rated R

Adult Services

[Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.](#)

CRAFTS, COOKING & HANDS ON LEARNING

Please note: All craft and hands-on learning programs require registration.

The Art of Calligraphy

Monday, January 5 at 7 pm

Learn how to create beautifully penned artistic lettering in the old-fashioned style of calligraphy.

Intro to Knitting & Knitting Circle

Fridays from 11 am - 12:30 pm

January 9, 16, 23, 30

Discover the joy of knitting and learn the basics to get started on your first cozy project. Fee is \$10 for the 4-session series. Yarn & needles not included.

Open Sewing Time

Sundays from 2 pm - 4 pm

January 11, 18

February 8, 15

Bring your own project to work on with Megan's guidance. Must have either taken Sewing 1 & 2 or have a basic knowledge of how to use a sewing machine.

Registration required for each session. Free.



Cricut Craft - Heat Pressed Mugs

Monday, January 12 at 6 pm

Wednesday, January 21 at 2 pm

Learn how to use the Cricut to create a custom heat-pressed mug! Step-by-step instruction through Cricut Design Space, cutting, and application.

All materials provided. Fee is \$5.

You may only choose one session.

Chunky Knit Clay Vase

Tuesday, January 13 at 6:30 pm

Join us for a relaxing and creative craft session! Using polymer clay you'll design and sculpt a cozy, "chunky knit"-inspired vase that's perfect for decorating or gifting. Fee is \$5.

Pokémon Terrarium Craft

Thursday, January 22 at 7 pm

Calling all Pokémon fans! Build your very own Poké Ball-shaped terrarium, complete with a tiny Pokémon nestled inside! Fee is \$10.



LED Engraved Lights

Thursday, January 29 at 7 pm

Light up your life—literally! Create a glowing acrylic plaque using the Glowforge laser cutter. Design, engrave, and personalize your own light-up art—perfect as a gift or unique room décor!

Fee is \$5.

Bricks & Brew

Thursday, February 5 at 7:00 pm

What says love more than LEGOs? Join us for Bricks & Brew—a relaxed evening of coffee, conversation, and LEGO fun just for adults! Build, chat, and take home your kit. Come for the caffeine, stay for the bricks! Fee is \$10.

Intro to Crochet & Crocheting Circle

Fridays from 11 am - 12:30 pm

February 6, 13, 20, 27

Learn the basics to get started on your first cozy project. Fee is \$10 for the 4-sessions series. Yarn & needles not included.



Valentine Yarn-Wrapped Wire Words

Saturday, February 7 at 3 pm

Join us for a hands-on demonstration and create a personalized, yarn-wrapped word for a sweet Valentine's gift!

Free.

Artistic Lettering

Monday, February 9 at 7 pm

Learn how to write in a variety of artistic lettering styles for decorative use.

Intro to Sewing Workshop

Tuesdays from 11 am - 1 pm

February 10, 17, 24

Learn the fundamentals of using a sewing machine. Complete a small project each session. Fee is \$10 for the 3-sessions series.

Jeweled LOVE Sign Craft

Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 pm

Bedazzle a wooden LOVE sign, cut on our Glowforge laser cutter, with rhinestones and gems. Fee is \$5.



Cricut Craft - Customized Shirt

Tuesday, February 17 at 6 pm

Thursday, February 19 at 2 pm

Learn how to use the Cricut to design and apply your own custom creation! Step-by-step instruction through Cricut Design Space, cutting, and application.

All materials provided except your garment.

Bring your own T-shirt or sweatshirt.

Fee is \$5. *You may only choose one session.*

Paint in the Afternoon with Eva Berger: "Books with Tea"

Friday, February 20 at 1:30 pm

This work of art will inspire you to borrow a book from our library, brew a cozy cup, and dream of spring. Fee is \$10.

TECH

All tech programs require registration.

One-on-One Tech Help

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Need help with your device? Book a 30-minute one-on-one tech session with one of our specialists.

Bring your questions and passwords. *See online calendar for dates and times.*

Open Glowforge Time

Try our Glowforge laser cutter during open craft time! Staff will guide you through setup, cutting, and engraving. Basic Canva (or similar) skills required. Some materials provided, outside materials subject to approval. Fee is \$5.

See online calendar for dates and times.

Open Cricut Time

Use the Cricut during open craft time! Basic guidance and safety tips provided. Must know Cricut Design Space, Canva, or similar. Some materials provided, outside materials subject to approval. Fee is \$5.

See online calendar for available times.

Virtual Reality (VR) Travel - Brazil

Wednesday, January 7 at Noon

Join us monthly for a virtual trip with MetaQuest and the iFly app! Explore landmarks and hidden gems around the world—this month, we're visiting Brazil.



Virtual Reality (VR) Travel - Hawaii

Wednesday, February 18 at Noon

Join us monthly for a virtual journey using MetaQuest and the iFly app, to explore breathtaking destinations, iconic landmarks, and hidden corners of the globe—all through the power of virtual reality. This month, lets go to Hawaii!

NEW

VR and AR Club for Adults

Thursday, January 15th at 7pm

Step into new worlds with our Virtual & Augmented Reality Club for adults! Each month features a new VR/AR game or experience—adventure, art, learning, and more. No experience needed, just bring your curiosity and explore how these technologies are shaping the future.

SAVE THE DATE

Vinyl Craft Night

Thursday, February 12 at 7pm
Registration is required.

Adult Services

Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.

SOCIAL & CLUBS Connection Programs

Game Time for Adults

Mondays from 9:30 am - 1 pm
Wednesdays from 9:30 am - 3 pm

Mah Jongg Open Play

Bring your own Mah Jongg set
Tuesdays, 11 am - 2 pm
Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 3 pm
Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Fridays, 10 am - 1 pm



Friday Night Game Time for Adults

From 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Room availability subject to change at the Library's discretion. Game tables available on a first-come first-serve basis.

Art Share Create Space

Fridays at Noon
January 2 & February 6
Bring your favorite medium—sewing, watercolor, crochet, drawing, and enjoy a cozy, creative afternoon. Connect, create, and share inspiration with fellow artists.



TED Talks

Friday, January 9 at Noon
Join us for coffee and a chat. First, we'll view a TED talk lecture, then discuss the video and other related topics.

Open Jam Session

Thursdays at 11 am
January 15, February 19
A welcoming space where a shared love of music turns strangers into friends—and a band for the afternoon. All experience levels welcome!



Vinyl Club: Movie Night!

Spinal Tap II: The End Continues (2025)
Rated R - 1hr 28mins
Thursday, January 15 at 7 pm

Genealogy Club

Oral History Interviewing

Thursday, January 15 at 7 pm
Guest speaker: April Lynne Earle

Discovering our Criminal Ancestors

Thursday, February 19 at 7 pm
Crossover with True Crime Club
Guest Speaker: Michelle Bates

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New Beginnings for Singles with Marla Matthews

Fridays at 7 pm
January 16, February 13
Dynamic discussion for widowed, divorced, or single adults, and anyone seeking a new beginning! Facilitated by life coach Marla Matthews. Make new friends and find new hope after life's challenges and loss.

Plot Twist: A True Crime Club

Tuesday, January 20 at 7 pm
Fascinated with all things true crime? Join us for riveting conversations, intriguing insights, and a deeper understanding of the darker side of human nature. Register in advance to receive a 'case file' ahead of our meeting. Walk-ins are always welcome!

Dine Around Town with Us NAYA Oceanside - Middle Eastern Café

Wednesday, January 21 at 11:30 am
The Flour Shoppe Café
Thursday, February 12 at 10 am
Share a meal, good conversation, and laughter with old friends, or meet new ones. Each guest covers their own check. *Registration is required for both programs.*

Rummikub With a Twist!

Friday, January 23 at 3:30 pm
Rummikub Twist is a modern twist on the classic Rummikub game. Come learn and play this fun, fast-paced game of strategy! Walk-in's welcome!

Photography Club

Mondays at 7 pm
January 26, February 23
An easy-going, relaxing atmosphere where shutterbugs of ALL skill levels can come together to enjoy their common love of photography.



Art Salon

Mondays at 7 pm
January 26 & February 23
Join local artists of all mediums to discuss art projects they are currently working on, swap ideas and discuss artistic opportunities that are locally available.

The New York Historical Society Talks

Friday, February 20 at Noon
Join us for a 20–40 minute video from the New York Historical Society, then stay for a friendly, engaging discussion. Let's explore the fascinating stories of New York together!



Pokémon Go for Adults

Thursday, February 26 at 7 pm
Join Pokémon trainers Carlo and Emily for our Pokémon GO for Adults club (ages 16+)! Meet like-minded fans, catch and trade Pokémon, and connect with other players. Bring your smartphone and a sense of adventure! *Registration is required.*



Strategy & Tabletop Gaming

NEW

Warhammer 40k - Open Play

Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
January 7, 14 February 4, 18
Dive into the grimdark world of Warhammer! Join fellow hobbyists for open play, whether you're a veteran or new to the game. Try premade armies, learn the basics, and enjoy epic battles in a friendly, welcoming setting. No registration needed—just show up and play!

Magic: The Gathering - Open Play

Fridays at 6:30 pm
January 16, 23 & February 13, 27
Open play Commander program
Please BYOD! (bring your own deck)

NEW

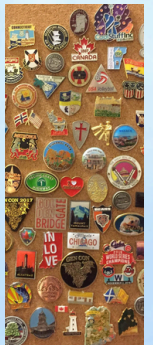
Riftbound - Open Play

Fridays from 7 pm - 8:30 pm
January 2, 16 & February 6, 20
Discover Riftbound, the exciting new tactical card game that has just hit the scene! A few game boards and decks will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

NEW

Collectible Pin Trading

Sundays at 12:30 pm
January 11 & February 8
Fun for pin collectors of all ages, but minors (under 18 years of age) must be accompanied at all times by a responsible adult (18+). Please note: Only trading is allowed at this event, no on-site sales are permitted. (Disney and non-Disney collectible pins are welcome; Art and content APPROPRIATE for exhibition to all ages only!)



VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) TAX HELP

February 11, 17 and 24
Times will be 10 am, 11 am, 12 pm
Registration is now required.



Adult Services

[Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.](#)

LECTURES

Using Libby with Your Amazon Kindle

Friday, January 2 at Noon

Learn how to borrow eBooks from the library and send them straight to your Kindle! We'll walk you through using the Libby app to find, borrow, and deliver titles to your Amazon Kindle device. Bring your library card, Kindle, and Amazon login information, and we'll help you start reading digitally in no time.

Introduction to Windows 11

Wednesday, January 14 at 11:30 am

Learn Microsoft's new Windows 11! Explore its redesigned desktop, new features and apps, how to download the free upgrade, and more. Comfort using a Windows computer.



Discover the New York Times Online

Wednesday, January 14 at 1 pm

Learn how to access free digital articles, features, and archives through the library's subscription. Learn how to activate your account, explore popular sections, and stay informed with trusted journalism from around the world.



Louis Armstrong and the Jazz Age

Thursday, February 12 at 2 pm

Presenter by Jack Schnur

Step back into the Roaring '20s and explore the vibrant world of jazz through the life and music of Louis Armstrong.



Birds of Prey

Wednesday, February 18 at 2 pm

Meet six incredible birds of prey with the Wildlife In Need of Rescue & Rehabilitation (WINORR). All ages welcome.



Marcia Odle-McNair presents: Artists of the Harlem Renaissance

Wednesday, February 18 at 7 pm

In honor of Black History Month, join artist and author, Marcia Odle-McNair in an interactive and entertaining look back at the extraordinary works of art.

What About Our Criminal Ancestors?

Genealogy Club & True Crime Club Crossover

Thursday, February 19 at 7 pm

Michelle Bates, the "Criminal Genealogist," uncovers the hidden criminal stories in your family tree—perfect for anyone curious about untold ancestral tales.

NAMI

Family-to-Family Class

Thursdays from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
January 8, 15, 22, 29

February 5, 12, 19, 26

Family-to-Family is a free, 8-week class for those supporting someone with mental illness. This evidence-based SAMHSA program helps families improve coping and problem-solving skills. *Registration is required.*

INFORMED SENIORS

SEMINAR

Wednesday, January 28
From 9:30 am–1:30 pm



Join us for a morning of informative presentations for seniors, featuring an elder law attorney, a geriatric physical therapist, the National Aging in Place Council, and more, followed by Q&A sessions. See our Calendar for program times & details.

CAREER, BUSINESS & FINANCE

Taxes 101: How to Prevent Needless Liabilities

Tuesday, January 20 at 7 pm

The average American pays more income taxes than necessary because of a failure to understand the tax code and not capitalizing on opportunities permitted. This class demonstrates how a taxpayer can reduce their liabilities by deploying strategies designed to take advantage of the code's allowances, credits and deductions.

Introduction to Etsy

Monday, January 26 at 6:30 pm

Learn to buy and sell handmade, vintage, and craft items on the popular Etsy app. Topics include creating an account, understanding fees and policies, listing items, and more.



All About Selling Online

Wednesday, February 18 at 7 pm

In this lecture and demonstration class, you will learn how to sell your items locally by using online sites such as Facebook Marketplace, Craigslist, and many others. You'll learn how to safely use these apps, create an account, price your items, and use safe practices for selling locally. Please bring your questions.

Boost Your Organization's Impact and Visibility

Presenting & Facilitating for Leadership Two-Session Seminar

Saturdays 11:30 am - 5 pm

January 24 and 31

A training course for workplace or organization leaders. Explore ways to facilitate effective presentations.

Presented by: Michele Griffith

Registration is required. Fee is \$10

Using Canva for Your Business

Friday, January 30 at 7 pm

A hands-on Canva workshop! Learn to create eye-catching flyers and social media posts using Canva's tools and templates—No design experience needed.

Registration is required



Pro Bono Partnership

Tuesday, January 27 from 7 pm - 8:30 pm

Learn the benefits, challenges, and alternatives to forming a 501(c)(3) from Pro Bono Partnership—perfect for anyone exploring a charitable or community project.

Business Plans for Not-For-Profit Organizations with SCORE

Thursday, January 29 at 7 pm

Work with top business mentors to create a strong business or nonprofit plan. Get hands-on guidance, practical tools, and personalized feedback—perfect for entrepreneurs, small business owners, and nonprofit leaders.

Volunteer Fair

Sunday, February 1 from Noon - 3 pm

Looking to make a difference in your community? Join us for our Volunteer Fair—an inspiring afternoon of connection, purpose, and possibility! Meet local nonprofits and community organizations, learn about their missions, and discover how your time and talents can help create real change.

Whether you're a student, retiree, or anyone in between, you'll find opportunities for all ages to give back, grow, and get involved.

During the event, nonprofit representatives are also invited to attend special seminars designed to inspire collaboration, spark new ideas, and strengthen community impact.

Come be part of something bigger—because every act of service matters.

Leading in the Moment: Improv for Leadership

Saturday, February 28

From 11:30 am - 4 pm

Discover how improv can supercharge your leadership skills with quick thinking, adaptability, and collaboration.

Presented by: Michele Griffith 11
Registration is required. Fee is \$5.

Adult Services

[Check our calendar for descriptions, links & registration.](#)



Rubber Duck Scavenger Hunt! (All Ages)

Tuesday, January 13 (ALL DAY)

National Rubber Duck Day is upon us, and rubber ducks are on the loose in the library!

Can you find them all?

Search the library for hidden rubber ducks and see how many you can spot.

Find them all for a chance to win!

Stop by the Information Desk to pick up your scavenger sheet and start your duck hunt.



Ultimate Puzzle Challenge

Saturday, February 7 from Noon - 3 pm

It's that time again! If you're not in it, you can't win it! Fun for all ages, this puzzle competition invites you to "piece together" a team of friends or family and put your skills to the test.

Teamwork is the corner piece of success as you race against the clock - and other teams - to complete a 300-piece puzzle first!



EXHIBITING ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

Robert Bozek,
Bill Jacobs & Kithelman Toussaint



Visit our Art Gallery on the Lower Level of the Library!

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

PRoud Rescuers of Puerto Rico

Friday, January 2 at 6:30 pm

Roy Ruland from PRoud Rescuers will present a slideshow and share how the organization delivers supplies and medicine to abandoned and neglected dogs and cats in Puerto Rico. Learn how you can adopt or foster a pet, and what to do if you find an injured or sick animal. A donation bin for pet supplies will be in the library lobby January 1st through the 9th.



Beginner ESL for Adults

Wednesdays and Fridays 10 am - 1 pm

January 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30

February 4, 6, 11, 13, 25, 27

This class will teach skills such as: Alphabet and Sounds, Numbers, Time, Money, Food and Health, Family and Community, and School and Work. No appointments necessary. Space is limited. You must stay for the entire class.



MSSN: Health Screening Bus

Thursday, January 8 from 10 am - 2 pm

Vaccinations, Health Screenings, CPR & AED Training (no certification).

Tuesday, February 10 from 10 am - 2 pm

Blood Screening (PSA, Cholesterol, and Diabetes), Vaccinations, Health Screenings

Come visit the wonderful nurses from MSSN Hospital.

See our calendar for more details

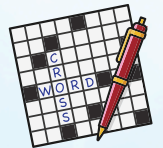


Crossword Tips & Tricks

Tuesday, January 13 at 10 am

Tuesday, February 3 at 11 am

Learn how crosswords are constructed, along with tips and tricks to make solving them easier. *Registration is required.*



Village Art Club - Watercolor Demonstration by Artist Jim Minet

Monday, February 2 at 6:30 pm

Registration is required.

TOH Tax Collection

10 am - 2 pm

February 6, 9, 10

Pay your First Half General taxes. Check or Money Order only.



"Help! How Do I Register for Programs?!"

Library Program Registration Workshop

Tuesday, February 17 at 10 am and 7 pm

Registration night for Oceanside cardholders is February 24th.

Step-by-step, we will walk you through how easy it is to register for our programs!

Get all your questions answered and leave ready for the big night!

Please have a current library card and PIN number.

Defensive Driving

Sponsored by: The Empire Safety Council

Registration is required. Fee is \$33.

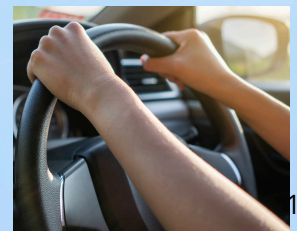
Saturday, January 24 from 10 am - 4 pm

Saturday, February 21 from 10 am - 4 pm

Cash, Credit Card or Checks accepted.

Checks made out to: Diana Wilbur APW

Must be paid the day of class.



Youth Services

Registration Required for all Programs. Children must be the age/grades specified by the first date of each program you register for.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION *Programs with an asterisk indicate that there is a \$5 fee for each session.

We accept cash, credit cards, and online payments for program fees. Please note that refunds are only available if the Library cancels the program. If you are experiencing difficulty paying a fee, visit our website or stop by the Welcome Desk to learn about our Financial Assistance program. **We kindly ask that you make your payment by the first of the month.** If payment is not received on time, your spot will be offered to someone on the waitlist.

Program Lateness Policy

We take great care in planning and scheduling programs for our community. Please be mindful of the scheduled start time for the program you are attending. If the program has a waitlist—especially Early Childhood programs—and you do not arrive within 5 minutes of the start time, your spot may be forfeited to the next person on the list.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CORNERSTONE

Bebés of the Island | 6 to 24 Months

Saturdays at 10:30 am
January 3, 24 and February 14, 28

Bebés of the Island | Ages 2 to 4 Years

Saturdays at 11:30 am
January 3, 24 and February 14, 28

Blooming Baby | Ages 2 to 8 Months

Mondays at 10 am
January 5 and February 2

Rhythm & Rhyme | Ages 6 to 18 Months

Mondays at 11:30 am
January 5 and February 9

***Tots Night Out |
Ages 18 Months to 5 Years**

Mondays at 6:30 pm
January 5 and February 2

Hola, Kids! | Ages 3 to 5 Years

Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
January 6, 20 and February 3

***A Time For Kids |
18 Months to 5 Years**

Wednesdays at 10 am and 11 am
January 7, 14, 21 and February 11, 18, 25

ToyTime | 18 Months to 3 Years

Wednesdays at 6 pm
January 7 and February 25

**Mother Goose |
18 Months to 3 Years**

Thursdays at 1:30 pm
January 8 and February 12

***Baby PlayHooray | 6 to 24 Months**

Thursdays at 10 am and 11 am
January 8, 15, 22 and February 5, 12, 26

Baby Babble | Ages 6 to 14 Months

Fridays at 10 am
January 9, 30 and February 6, 27

Talking Toddlers | Ages 1 to 3 Years

Fridays at 11 am
January 9, 30 and February 6, 27

**Developmental Play |
Ages 12 to 24 Months**

Mondays at 10 am
January 12 and February 9

***Intro to Dance & Movement |
18 to 30 Months**

Mondays at 2 pm
January 12, 26 and February 9, 23
Fridays at 10 am and 11 am
January 16, 23 and February 13, 20

Art of the Masters | 2.5 to 5 Years

Mondays at 4:30 pm
January 12 and February 9

***PlayHooray | 15 Months to 4 Years**

Tuesdays at 10 am and 11 am
January 13, 20, 27 and February 10, 24

Baby Belly Time | 1 to 5 Months

Thursdays at 1:30 pm
January 15 and February 19

Baby Meetup | 0 to 12 Months

Saturdays at 11 am
January 17 and February 14

***Sing n' Sign | 18 to 30 Months**

Saturdays at 12:45 pm
January 17, 24 and February 28

Baby Start | 1 to 17 Months

Tuesdays at 1 pm
January 20 and February 24

***Family PlayHooray |
6 Months to 4 Years**

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
January 21 and February 11

Art for Tots | 18 Months to 3 Years

Friday, January 23 at 4 pm

Milestone Movers | 2 to 5 Years

Mondays at 10 am
January 26 and February 23

Art of the Scientist | 2.5 to 5 Years

Mondays at 4:30 pm
January 26 and February 23

Sensory StART | 12 to 24 Months

Saturdays at 10 am
January 31 and February 7



Online Resources



ParentTV offers thousands of on-demand parenting videos and courses with content designed to support those who care for children, from pregnancy through to teenage years.



Watch fun shows, movies, and learning videos with Kanopy Kids—free with your Library card! Stream anytime, anywhere!



Take & Makes (Ages 3 to 9)

January Take & Make

Friday, January 2
Animals in Puffer Jackets



February Take & Make

Sunday, February 1
Valentine Floating Otters



Youth Services

Registration Required for all Programs. Children must be the age/grades specified by the first date of each program you register for.

CRAFTS & COOKING

Comic Creator Club | Grades 3 to 6

Tuesdays at 5 pm
January 6, 13, 20
This is a SERIES



Creative Kids Art Club | 3 to 5 Years

Thursdays at 6 pm
Session 1: January 8 and 15
Session 2: February 12 and 19
This is a SERIES

Pebble Art | Grades 2 to 6

Wednesday, January 21 at 4 pm
Use pebbles to create beautiful works of art!

Creativity & Art Studio | Grades 1 to 6

Thursday, January 29 at 6 pm

Sweet Snowman Treat | Grades K to 6

Friday, January 30 at 4 pm
Join us for this sweet & savory treat to eat!

Make Your Own Axolotl! | Grades 1 to 3

Friday, January 30 at 4 pm
Join us in the Discovery Lab to design and create your very own axolotl.

Pinecone Snowman | Grades K to 6

Tuesday, February 3 at 4 pm
Transform an ordinary pinecone into an adorable winter snowman!

Spare Part Art | Grades K to 6

Tuesday, February 10 at 4 pm
Get creative with recycled objects!

Drop-In Craft Buffet | 3 to 9 Years

Tuesday, February 17
From 10 am to 1 pm

One Snowy Night Paint Pals | Grades 3 to 6

Thursday, February 26 at 6 pm
Bring the magic of winter to life with a mixed-media snowy painting on canvas.



Junior Chess Club | Grades 1 to 4

Saturdays at 3 pm
January 17, 31 and February 7, 21
Join us to play chess! Beginners welcome.



MORE TO EXPLORE

Music Explorers | Grades K to 3

Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
January 13, 27 and February 3, 17
Learn music basics in this beginner class!

LEGO Club | Grades K to 6

Wednesdays at 6 pm
January 14 and February 18
Enjoy 45 minutes of free play with LEGO'S!



Appreciate a Dragon Day | Grades K to 2

Friday, January 16 at 4:30 pm

Move & Flow Yoga | Grades K to 2

Thursdays at 4:30 pm
January 22 and February 5

Mindful Me Littles | Grades K to 2

Thursdays at 4:30 pm
January 22 and February 19

Mindful Me | Grades 3 to 5

Thursdays at 6 pm
January 22 and February 19

Little LEGO Club | 3 to 4 Years

Fridays at 1:30 pm
January 23 and February 27

Preschool StoryCraft | 3 to 5 Years

Thursdays at 4 pm
January 29 and February 26
Join Ms. Jen for storytime fun and a craft!

Art of the HeART | Grades K to 2

Saturdays at 11:30 am
January 31 and February 7



Puppy Love | Grades K to 6

Friday, February 6 at 4 pm
Let's show some love for our furry friends. We will make yummy dog treats to take home!



Zumba for Kids | 5 to 10 Years

Sundays at 2 pm on February 8, 22
Join us for a dance based exercise program that incorporates a variety of fun music and rhythms from all over the world!

Make Some Noise with the Whaling Museum | Grades 1 to 5

Monday, February 9 at 5 pm
Discover how African-American whalers shaped the songs of the sea that inspired rhythms that became jazz and hip hop. Then use shells to make your own African-inspired sistrum - a traditional shaker - to take the beat home!

Tea for Two Valentine Tea Party | 3 to 7 Years

Saturday, February 14 at 3 pm
Bring someone special to enjoy the proper etiquette of a tea party. Includes a story, craft, tea party food & of course, iced tea!



All About Friendship featuring Thomas Ortiz | 2 to 6 Years

Saturday, February 21 at 11 am
In this very special storytime program, we will learn all about making new friends by singing songs, playing games, and reading an amazing story written by 6-year old Thomas Ortiz!

NEW YEAR'S EVE

"Noon" Year's Eve Party | Grades K to 5

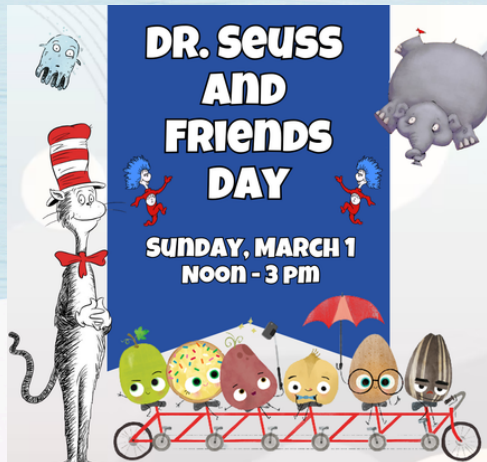
Wednesday, December 31 at 11 am
Let's ring in the New Year together here at the Library! Join us for games, crafts, festive treats, and a "Noon" Year's Eve countdown!



Youth Services

Registration Required for all Programs. Children must be the age/grades specified by the first date of each program you register for.

FEATURED EVENTS



Our 13th Annual Dr. Seuss & Friends Day
Get ready for another year full of fun for the whole family! We can't wait to share what we have in store! Registration opens Tues. February 10th at 8 pm for children's programs.



FULL STEAM AHEAD

Storybook STEAM | Grades K to 2
Fridays at 4 pm
January 9 and February 20



Magnets and Minecraft | Ages 3 to 9
Saturdays at 10 am
January 10 and February 7

Little STEAMers | 3 to 5 Years
Wednesdays at 4 pm
January 14 and February 11

Meet Ari The New Ozobot! | Grades 1 to 4
Friday, January 23 at 4 pm

DIY Cupid's Arrow Game | Grades 3 to 5
Friday, February 13 at 4 pm



UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE IOVINO THEATER:

Griots in Concert | All Ages

Friday, February 27 at 6 pm
A "Griot" is a traditional drummer & story teller who guards the history and culture of their people and passes down oral traditions through generations. Join us for this inspirational and high-energy performance of African, Caribbean, and American stories, music, and songs!



Birds of Prey | All Ages

Wednesday, February 18 at 2 pm
Meet and learn about 6 incredible birds of prey with the Wildlife In Need of Rescue & Rehabilitation Organization (WINORR)!



PARENT PROGRAMS

Bring Your Baby Book Club
Wednesdays at 11 am
January 28 and February 25



Prenatal Yoga
Thursdays at 6 pm
January 8, 22 and February 12, 26

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Cookies, Cocoa, & Karaoke: Family Sing-Along! | All Ages
Saturday, January 10 at 3 pm

Family Game Night | All Ages
Friday, February 27 from 6 pm to 8 pm

FIELD TRIPS

Dolce Bella | Grades K to 3
Sunday, January 18 at 1 pm
Join us for a sweet field trip to Dolce Bella! Learn how their business is run and get a tour of their shop!



Dee's Nursery | Preschool to Grade 3
Sunday, February 15 at 1 pm
Join us for an exciting offsite fieldtrip to Dee's Nursery! Learn all about greenhouses, plants, and birds! Enjoy an story time and special scavenger hunt put together by Dee's Nursery staff.



FAMILY MOVIES



January 2 at 6 PM
Annie (1982)
2 hrs 7 mins
Rated PG



January 17 at 2 PM
Wonka (2023)
1 hr 56 mins
Rated PG



February 13 at 6 PM
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (2014)
1 hr 21 mins
Rated PG



February 21 at 2 PM
Dr. Seuss' The Lorax (2012)
1 hr 27 mins
Rated PG

Tweens & Teens

Registration Required for all Programs.

TWEENS (GRADES 5 - 8)

2D Winter Themed Felting

Wednesday, January 7 at 7 pm

Dungeons and Dragons | Grades 5 to 7

Saturdays from 11 am to 1 pm on
January 10, 24 & February 14, 28

Interested in joining this ongoing group?

Email cwaldron@oceansidelibrary.com.

Writing Club with Jen Calonita

Tuesdays at 4 pm

January 13 & February 10



DIY Snow Slime

Thursday, January 15 at 7 pm

Chess Club

Saturdays at 4 pm

January 17, 31 & February 7, 21

Fruit Blind Taste Test

Wednesday, January 21 at 7 pm



Take & Make: Sand Art Kit

See Monday, January 26 on our events
calendar for details.

Football Hot Cocoa Bombs

Monday, February 9 at 7:30 pm

We Go Together Clay Making

Friday, February 13 at 7 pm

Drizzilicious Blind Taste Test

Wednesday, February 18 at 4 pm

DIY Crunchy Slime

Monday, February 23 at 7 pm



HOMWORK DROP-IN CENTER



Every Monday and Wednesday, from
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., students in
grades 1-8 can come and get some
homework help.

No registration required—just drop
right in!

TWEENS & TEEN STEM

Jackbox Gametime | Grades 7 to 12

Friday, January 9 at 3:30 pm

Grab your phone, join the game, and get ready to laugh! Jackbox is the ultimate party game where your phone becomes the controller. Compete with friends in hilarious trivia, drawing challenges, and over-the-top mini-games. No experience needed—just bring your sense of humor and join the fun!



No-Sew Pop-Tart Pillow | Grades 5 to 12

Friday, January 16 at 4 pm

Bring your favorite snack to life—no sewing required! In this fun, hands-on workshop, you'll create a cozy, colorful Pop-Tart pillow using felt, stuffing, and simple crafting.

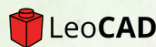


3D Design with LeoCAD | Grades 7 to 12

Tuesdays at 4 pm

January 20, 27 & February 3, 10, 17

Ready to dive deep into digital building? This program is designed for computer-literate teens who want a hands-on, computer-intensive experience creating virtual LEGO models using LeoCAD. You'll explore advanced design techniques, construct complex 3D structures, and bring your ideas to life entirely on the computer. Come prepared to focus, create, and take your digital LEGO skills to the next level!

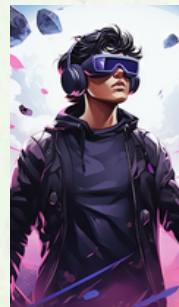


This is a 5-week series, students must be able to attend all sessions to fully benefit from the class

VR & AR Club for Teens | Grades 7 to 12

Thursday, January 22 at 3:30 pm

Step into new worlds every month with our Virtual and Augmented Reality Club for Adults! Each session features a *new game or experience*—from thrilling adventures and creative simulations to interactive art and educational explorations. Discuss how VR and AR technologies are transforming entertainment, learning, and everyday life. No experience needed—just bring your curiosity and get ready to play, explore, and connect with others in a whole new reality. *Registration is required.*



Disclaimer: Some VR experiences may cause motion sickness or vertigo—please participate at your own comfort level and take breaks as needed.

Attack of the Squirrels - A Virtual Reality Game | Grades 7 to 12

Thursday, February 26 at 4 pm

Bring your smartphone and join in the chaos!! A hilarious multiplayer VR party game, one player becomes a mighty tree in virtual reality, defending their precious golden acorns, while up to eight friends play as sneaky squirrels on mobile devices, working together to steal them! It's a fast-paced, laugh-out-loud battle of teamwork, strategy, and chaos—perfect teens looking for an energetic and unforgettable gaming experience.



(You will need to install an app on your phone to participate)

Disclaimer: Some VR experiences may cause motion sickness or vertigo—please participate at your own comfort level and take breaks as needed.

Tweens & Teens

Registration Required for all Programs.

TEEN PROGRAMS (GRADES 7 - 12)

New Years Party

Friday, January 2 at 7 pm



Crokinole

Dates TBA

2026 Vision Boards

Monday, January 5 at 7 pm

Take & Bake: Soft Pretzels

See Tuesday, January 6 on our events calendar for details.

Yoga & Froyo

Thursdays at 7 pm

January 8, 22 & February 12, 26



Dungeons and Dragons | Grades 8 to 12

Saturdays from 1 pm to 3 pm on January 10, 24 & February 14, 28

Interested in joining this ongoing group?

Email cwaldron@oceansidelibrary.com.

Sip Studio: Hot Cocoa

Monday, January 12 at 7 pm



Gingerbread Sugar Scrub

Wednesday, January 14 at 7 pm



Snack & Craft

Fridays at 4 pm

January 30 & February 27

Music Trivia

Tuesday, January 6 at 4 pm &

Wednesday, February 4 at 4 pm

Teen Pizza and Movie:

Freakier Friday

Thursday, January 29 at 5:30 pm



Take & Bake:

Sweet Cinnamon Roll Muffins with Strawberries

See Monday, February 2 on our events calendar for details.

Mardi Gras Mask Lollipops

Tuesday, February 17 at 7 pm

Sip Studio: Cranberry Refresher

Thursday, February 19 at 2 pm

Teen Pizza and Movie:

The Fault In Our Stars

Friday, February 20 at 2 pm

Take & Make: Axolotl Crochet Kit

See Monday, February 23 on our events calendar for details.



THE BEACON

The Beacon is our dedicated teen space where you can relax, hang out with friends, and be yourself. With comfortable seating, a Nintendo Switch, craft supplies, and resources just for teens - there is something here for everyone!

BOOK BOXES

Teens in grades 7-12 can sign up for our Bi-Monthly Book Boxes - the perfect way to unwind with great reads and fun surprises.

Choose your favorite genre or theme, and you'll receive a box with:

- Two curated Library books
- Mystery gifts or a fun craft
- Delicious snacks

Just return the books and the box - everything else is yours to keep!



BOOK A QUIET STUDY ROOM

Did you know that you can reserve a quiet study room online? All you need is your Oceanside Library card and PIN. Reserve a room by scanning the QR Code.



STUDY HALL

Tuesday, January 20, Wednesday, January 21 & Thursday, January 22 from 6 pm - 9 pm.

Get ready for your Regents and Midterm exams! Whether you need a quiet place to study on your own or a spot to work with friends, we'll have space available. Snacks will be provided!

TEEN PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHTS



January 29 at 5:30 pm
Freakier Friday (2025)
1hr 51mins Rated PG



February 20 at 2 pm
The Fault In Our Stars (2014)
2hr 6mins Rated PG-13

NEW YEARS PARTY

Friday, January 2 at 7 pm

Ready to kick off 2026 with a bang? Join us for a night full of fun activities, great music, and a few surprises! We'll have games, crafts, and plenty of tasty treats, drinks, and snacks to keep the party going. Let's celebrate the new year together —bring your energy, your friends, and get ready for an unforgettable night!



Tweens & Teens

Registration Required for all Programs.

COMMUNITY SERVICE GRADES 7-12

Tidy Toys

Wednesdays at 7 pm
January 7 & February 25
Clean and sanitize the toys in the children's room to their sparkling best. Earn 1 hour of community service!

Students Rebuild Project

Tuesday, January 13 at 7 pm
Join our Students Rebuild team for the Unique & United Project! We'll be making artwork and making a positive impact on our communities and the world. Earn 1 hour of community service!

Operation Gratitude

Friday, January 23 at 4 pm
Write a note for our nation's Military and First Responders. Your kind words can bring lasting joy and encouragement to the brave individuals who dedicate their lives to serving others. Earn 1 hour of community service!

Doggie Treats for the Animal Shelter

Tuesday, February 3 at 5:30 pm
Make dog treats to be donated to the animal shelter! Earn 1 hour of community service!

PS I Love You Day Coffee Sleeves

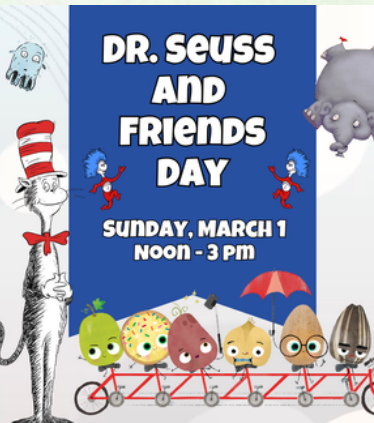
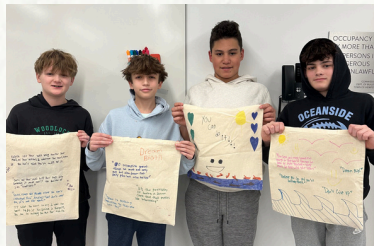
Thursday, February 5 at 7 pm
Join us for a creative community service project in honor of P.S. I Love You Day! Help spread kindness and emotional wellness by decorating coffee sleeves with uplifting, positive, and encouraging messages. All completed sleeves will be donated to a local coffee shop, where they'll be shared with customers to brighten their day and promote awareness around mental health and compassion. Earn 1 hour of community service!

Cards for Mount Sinai South Nassau

Wednesday, February 11 at 4 pm
Create handmade cards filled with positive, uplifting messages designed to brighten someone's day. Earn 1 hour of community service!

DR. SEUSS & FRIENDS DAY

We are gearing up for one of our biggest events of the year, Dr. Seuss and Friends Day! Do you need community service hours? If you're interested in volunteering the day of the event please scan & fill out the QR code!



COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

The library is pleased to offer a variety of ways for teens to complete their community service hours.

Opportunities are available in person at the library, as well as virtual projects that can be completed from home. Teens may choose the option that best fits their schedule and interests.

From assisting with programs and activities in the library to completing service independently at home, we aim to provide flexible and engaging ways for teens to get involved, build skills, and give back to the community.

To see the full range of opportunities, please visit our website and check the Teen Community Service page for details.



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TEEN AMBASSADORS

Grades 9-12

Wednesday, January 28 at 7 pm
Tuesday, February 24 at 7 pm

Teen Ambassadors earn community service hours by helping shape teen programs and services at the Oceanside Library. Teen Ambassadors meet once a month to give input on programs, offer suggestions on which materials are added to the library collection, and work on special projects for the Library. This is a great opportunity for teens to develop leadership skills while serving as library advocates in our community!

To register, please contact Caitlin at cwaldron@oceansidelibrary.com

Special Needs

Registration Required for all Programs
Unless Otherwise Noted.

SPECIAL NEED PROGRAMS (CHILDREN)

All Together Now | Preschool to Grade 3

Saturdays at 2 pm on January 3 and February 21
Join us for an open-play session for kids with Special Needs and their caregivers!



Sensory Story Time | Preschool to Grade 3

Mondays at 4:30 pm on January 5 and February 2
In this inclusive storytime, children participate in songs, stories, and sensory bins as they move about the room and meet new friends!

Feel the Beat Music Class | Grades K to 6

Tuesdays at 4 pm on January 20 and February 24
This fun, inclusive music class helps children build listening, coordination, and teamwork skills while enjoying the joy of making music together!

Inclusive Kids Yoga | Grades K to 6

Thursdays at 4:30 pm on January 8 and February 19
Join Ms. MaryClare for a fun and inclusive yoga session designed for children with Special Needs!



Wayfinders | Grades 7 to 12

Thursdays at 7 pm on January 22 and February 19
*No registration required
Wayfinders is a program for neurodiverse teens. Stop by to snack, craft, and make friends!

SPECIAL NEED PROGRAMS (ADULTS)

Drop-In Hours

Fridays at 10 am on January 2 and February 6

Cooking with Kristen

Mondays at 6 pm on January 5 and February 9

DIY Key Fobs & Mini Tote Bags

Tuesday, January 6 at 4:30 pm

DIY Snow Globes

Wednesday, January 7 at 4:30 pm



Yoga with Dot

Wednesdays at 10 am on January 14, 21 and February 18, 25

Beaded Pipe Cleaner Snowflakes

Tuesday, January 13 at 10 am

Virtual Field Trip to the Great Plains

Wednesday, January 14 at 1:30 pm

REEF

Thursdays at 5 pm on January 15 and February 19

LEGO Build-Along

Thursdays at 4:30 pm on January 29 and February 12



Tape-Resist Snowflake Paintings

Thursday, January 22 at 4:30 pm

DIY Essential Oil Spray & Lotion

Monday, February 2 at 4:30 pm

Valentine's Day Glass Bead Suncatchers

Thursday, February 5 at 4:30 pm

Virtual Field Trip to the Northern Lights

Wednesday, February 11 at 1:30 pm



Valentine's Day Polaroid Picture Frames

Saturday, February 14 at 10:30 am

Northern Lights Paintings

Thursday, February 26 at 4:30 pm



INTERESTED IN OUR SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS?

Fill out the form to join our email list and stay in the loop! Please share the link with anyone who'd love to take part in these free programs.



SENSORY FRIENDLY MOVIES Showtime 11 AM



Saturday, January 10
The Peanuts Movie (2015)
1hr 32mins Rated G



Saturday, February 28
Finding Dory (2016)
1hr 37mins Rated PG

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Tuesday	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Thursday	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Friday	9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Saturday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	12:00 pm- 5:00 pm

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS & SPECIAL HOURS

Wednesday, December 31	Closing at 1 PM for New Year's Eve
Thursday, January 1	Closed for New Year's Day
Friday, January 9	Closing at 5 PM for Staff Development
Monday, January 19	Closed for Martin L. King Jr. Day
Monday, February 16	Closed for President's Day

Please note: The Library has a delayed opening and early closing on the first Tuesday of each month for staff development.

- On Tuesday, January 6, we will open at 11:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.
- On Tuesday, February 3, we will open at 11:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

ONLINE RESOURCES

pronunciator:

You can learn up to 160 different languages at your own pace with this resource. Lessons are self-directed, and you'll have access to live teachers, movies, music, and more to make learning fun and engaging. ESL (English as a Second Language) classes are also available for all levels.

The OCEANSIDE BEACON

The Oceanside Beacon was Oceanside's newspaper of record from the 1950s-1990s. Our text searchable collection encompasses the years from 1957-1984.

GALE PRESENTS PETERSON'S TEST AND CAREER PREP

Get ready for success with online practice tests for the GRE, GMAT, SAT, ACT, ASVAB, and TOEFL. Explore vocational exams for careers in nursing, teaching, law enforcement, and more. You can also find schools, universities, and scholarships to support your educational goals.



Enjoy live cooking classes with three sessions each month for adults and two for families—one for kids (ages 5–9) and one for teens (ages 10+). Learn hands-on skills, get nutrition tips, and cook with guest chefs. Missed a class? Replays are always available.

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READING RECOMMENDATIONS

Receive handpicked recommendations delivered straight to your inbox every month!



READER'S BLOG

Check out our monthly blog for themed reading recommendations and fresh takes on a variety of topics tied to the month!



BOOK A QUIET STUDY ROOM

Did you know that you can reserve a quiet study room online? All you need is your Oceanside Library card and PIN. Reserve a room by scanning the QR Code.

