

Children and Family Events

Summer Reading Challenge!

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KOBETICH LIBRARY 212 Browns Point Boulevard NE

STORYTIMES

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.
Thursdays at 11:15 a.m.
August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.



Storytime on the Lawn | ALL AGES
Fridays at 11 a.m. | August 2, 9, 16, 23
Join us for stories, songs, and other fun learning activities designed to develop language, literacy and social skills in an environment the whole family can enjoy. Family Storytime will be held outdoors in Alderwood Park, next to Kobetich library.

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS

Up and Atom STEAM Days
GRADES K–8 | Tuesdays at 4 p.m.
Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- August 6: Shrinky Dinks
- August 13: Painted Birdhouses
- August 20: Yarn Butterflies
- August 27: Family Game Night

Playdate at the Library | FAMILY
Friday, Aug. 30 at 10:30 a.m.
Playdate at the Library is a time for caretakers to spend time with their children, enjoy toys and games together, and connect with other members of the community!

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime
ALL AGES | online (Zoom)
Tuesdays at 7 p.m. | August 6, 13, 20, 27
Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

SCAVENGER HUNT



Camping Scavenger Hunt | GRADES K–8
Join us at the Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, S. Tacoma, Swasey, and Wheelock Libraries to find hidden camping-themed pictures and earn a prize!

SYSTEM-WIDE ACTIVITIES

Craftopia Program Kits
AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock

- **Backpack Charms:** Pick up starting Friday, Aug. 2
- **Pencil Holders:** Pick up starting Friday, Aug. 16
- **Rolled Paper Bowls:** Pick up starting Friday, Aug. 30

Summer Reading Creation Station
ALL AGES | Stop by the Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, and Wheelock libraries to make your own creation. There will be a unique craft adventure at each branch!

AROUND TOWN



Low Tide Beach Walks with Harbor WildWatch | ALL AGES
Join us for a morning of nature and learning, with our friends at Harbor WildWatch!

- **Jack Hyde Park:** (171 N. Schuster Parkway) Friday, Aug. 2 at 9 a.m.
- **Thea's Park:** (535 Dock Street) Saturday, Aug. 3 at 10 a.m.

Together in Nature with Tacoma Nature Center | GRADES K–8
Thursday, Aug. 15 at 11 a.m.
McKinley Park (907 Upper Park Street)
Registration required. Explore the plants and animals that make the park their home during this naturalist-led walk.

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2–8
Saturday, Aug. 17 at 11 a.m.
Tacoma Art Museum (1701 Pacific Ave.)
Registration required.
Explore and create art at TAM! Presented by TAM and TPL and funded by Tacoma Creates.



Adult & Teen Events

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BOOK CLUBS

Bring Your Own Book Club

ADULTS

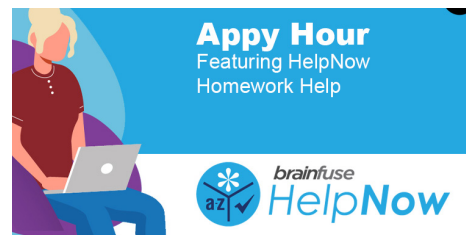
Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 5:30 p.m.
Bring what you are currently reading and leave with recommendations. We'll discuss a variety of books, movies, podcasts, TV shows, and more!

Kobetich Book Club | ADULTS

Wednesday, Aug. at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of *Beautiful Country* by Qian Julie Wang.

EVENTS



Appy Hour Featuring HelpNow

Homework Help | ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, Aug. 3 at 3 p.m.

HelpNow provides live tutoring chat, a writing lab, skills building with lessons and more, FAFSA tutors, chess instruction, and many other great tools for students. Join us to learn about and explore the HelpNow digital platform.

Wisdom Café | ADULTS

Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 1 p.m.

Gather to share memories and life experiences, discuss topics of the day, and encourage connections.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Saturdays at 3 p.m.

August 10, 17, 24

Get assistance with learning basic computer skills, email, web searching, Microsoft Office Suite basics, navigating apps, using your mobile devices, and getting started on resumes and cover letters.



Silverkite: Expressive Watercolor

ADULTS

Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 5:30 p.m.

Registration required.

Join professional teaching artists from Silverkite Community Arts for an instructor-led session exploring Expressive Watercolor. All supplies will be provided.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers

ADULTS | online (Zoom)

Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 24 at 4 p.m.

Share current projects and socialize with like-minded folks.

Podcast Café

AGES 12-ADULT | online (Zoom)

Tuesday, Aug. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Create your very own podcast from concept to download.

AROUND TOWN



Echoes of Tacoma's Past: Ghost Stories Tour | ADULTS & TEENS

Friday, Aug. 9 at 5 p.m.

McMenamins Pub - Elks Temple (565 Broadway) *Registration required.*

Join Pretty Gritty Tours to explore events that have changed Tacoma's identity and left authorities baffled.

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be found via Meetup.

Tuesday, Aug. 27 at 7 p.m.

Join us to discuss *The Road* by Cormac McCarthy, a post-apocalyptic novel about a father and son's fight to survive.

DONATION DRIVE

July through September, TPL is partnering with Tacoma Rescue Mission to collect school supplies. Visit your neighborhood library to make a donation.



FREE LEGAL AID POP-UPS

Are you facing eviction or need help with a landlord-tenant issue? Stop by for free, drop-in help, information and resources from tacomaprobono!

Swasey: Friday, Aug. 2, 3-5 p.m.

Moore: Wednesday, Aug. 7, 4-6 p.m.

Wheelock: Friday, Aug. 9, 2-4 p.m.

Mottet: Thursday, Aug. 22, 2-4 p.m.

Moore: Friday, Aug. 23, 3-5 p.m.

