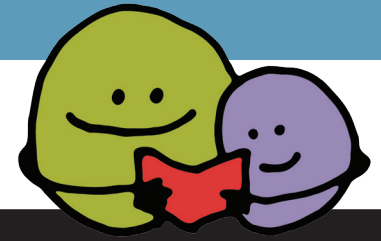


Children and Family Events

OCTOBER

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SOUTH TACOMA LIBRARY 3411 South 56th Street

STORYTIMES

Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

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.

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.

Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.



Giờ Kể Chuyện Gia Đình/

Vietnamese Storytime | ALL AGES

Saturday, Oct. 5 at 11 a.m.

Chương trình dành cho gia đình, các thành viên thuộc mọi lứa tuổi đều có thể tham gia cùng với người lớn.

Thường thức những câu chuyện, bản nhạc, vận động và nhịp điệu giúp con quý vị phát triển các kỹ năng đọc viết khi còn nhỏ. Enjoy stories, music, movement, and rhymes that develop early literacy skills.

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS



Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K–8

Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- October 3: Mosaic Art
- October 10: Autumn Handprint Tree
- October 17: Squirrel Wreath
- October 24: Flapping Bat Craft
- October 31: Calaveras/Sugar Skulls

Vision Step Team | ALL AGES

Friday, Oct. 11 at 3:30 p.m.

STEP into a world of African-American literacy, oral tradition and learn to step with Tacoma's only youth step team. Presented by Vision Step Team, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime

ALL AGES | online (Zoom)

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

SCAVENGER HUNT



Gustavo the Shy Ghost Scavenger

Hunt | GRADES K–8 | Fern Hill,

Kobetic, Moore, Mottet, South

Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock |

Throughout the month of October, Gustavo the shy ghost will be hiding around the library. Find all the hiding spots and win a prize!

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetic, Moore,

Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey,

Wheelock

- **Paper Pumpkins:** Pick up starting Friday, Oct. 4
- **Bead Spider Rings:** Pick up starting Friday, Oct. 11
- **Spooky Cats & Flapping Bats:** Pick up starting Friday, Oct. 18

AROUND TOWN

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma

Art Museum | AGES 2–8

Saturday, Oct. 19 at 11 a.m.

TAM (1701 Pacific Avenue)

Read a story, explore art in TAM's galleries, and create a hands-on project in TAM's studio! Presented by TAM and TPL and funded by Tacoma Creates.

Adults and Teen Events

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BOOK CLUBS

Asian Reads Book Club

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 4 p.m.

Celebrate Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) writers! In October we will discuss *Long Live the Tribe of Fatherless Girls* by T Kira Madden.

EVENTS

Tacoma Needle Exchange Peer Navigation | ADULTS

Thursdays, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

The Peer Navigator from TNE can help with transportation assistance, health and safety training, referrals, supplies, and more.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Fridays at 3 p.m. | October 4, 18

Get assistance with learning computer skills like email, web searching, MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Social Work Support with Samie ADULTS & TEENS

Saturdays, 1:30–5:30 p.m.

October 5, 12, 19, 26

TPL's Social Worker can assist with a variety of needs!

Disability Social Hour | ADULTS

Friday, Oct. 11 at 11 a.m.

You're invited to meet new people who are living with or supporting others with disabilities. Caregivers and support staff welcome. Games, cards, puzzles, and light refreshments will be available.

Appy Hour | ADULTS

Friday, Oct. 11 at 3 p.m.

No matter what your level, join the conversation at Appy Hour to discuss, share, and learn about the variety of online resources TPL has to offer.

Brushes of Wisdom Presents:

Zendoodle | ADULTS

Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 1 p.m.

Registration required.

Learn the creative and relaxing art of Zendoodle. All supplies provided.

Check-In with Oasis Youth Center

AGES 14–24 | Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 4 p.m.

Meet new people, share the highs and lows of the week, and gather with your community and peers! Presented by Oasis Youth Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Macabre Jewelry | ADULTS

Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 6 p.m.

Join us as we turn small toys for learning anatomy into clever jewelry for the spooky season! All materials provided.

Computer Skills Practice | ADULTS

Friday, Oct. 23 at 3 p.m.

Stop by to learn something new or brush-up on an old favorite!

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma--Yarn Pumpkins | ADULT & TEENS

Saturday, Oct. 26 at 2 p.m.

Make festive, decorative pumpkins using reclaimed yarn, burlap, and sticks. Presented by Remakery Tacoma, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Sort Out Your Email with Jamie Novak

ADULTS | online (Zoom)

Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn how to sort your inbox in just one step!

Getting Things Done with AI

ADULTS | online (Zoom)

Saturday, Oct. 19 at 11 a.m.

AI is a part of our daily lives, from maps to movie recommendations. Find out more about getting started with Generative AI.

Discover Community Data with

Reference Solutions | ADULTS

online (Zoom) | Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 12:30 p.m.

Learn how to use these free, online databases available from TPL.

AROUND TOWN

Tacoma Reads: Book Discussion with Mayor Woodards | ADULTS

Thursday, Oct. 3 at 6 p.m.

Join Mayor Woodards for a discussion of James McBride's novel, *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*. Check website for location tacomalibrary.org/tacomareads

Español/English Chat Group

ADULTS | Thursday, Oct. 3, at 4 p.m.

Lincoln District Starbucks (3737 South G Street) | Join our chat group to exchange English and Spanish. All levels are welcome to participate.

Tacoma Reads & Building Bridges: Discussion on Community & Solidarity

ADULTS | Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 5:30 p.m.

King's Books (218 Saint Helens Ave.) Join panelists Silong Chhun, Rini Ng, Tamiko Nimura, and Vanna Sing for a discussion.

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be found via

Meetup. Wed., Oct. 29 at 7 p.m.

For Hispanic Heritage Month we'll be reading *Monstrillo* by Gerardo Sámano Córdova.



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!

Moore: Friday, Oct. 4, 2–4 p.m.

Fern Hill: Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2–4 p.m.

Wheelock: Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2–4 p.m.

Moore: Thursday, Oct. 24, 2–4 p.m.

South Tacoma: Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2–4 p.m.

