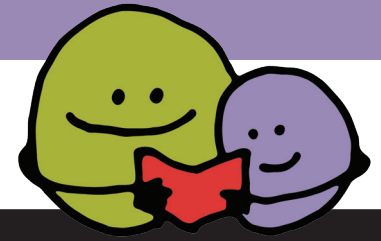


Children and Family Events

DECEMBER

All events are free and open to the public; library card not required. Please note events may require registration. For full event details, visit tacomalibrary.org.



SOUTH TACOMA LIBRARY 3411 South 56th Street

STORYTIMES

Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
December 5, 12, 19, 26

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.
December 5, 12, 19, 26

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

Giờ Kể Chuyện Gia Đình/Vietnamese Storytime | ALL AGES

Saturday, Dec. 7 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.

- December 5: Holiday Engineering
- December 12: Light It Up: Exploring Circuits with Holiday Lights
- December 19: The Science of Hot Chocolate
- December 26: Holiday Scavenger Hunt

Tacoma Boat Builders Make and Take Pop-Up Event | GRADES K–12

Friday, Dec. 13 at 3 p.m.

Explore multiple activity tables and design and craft your own project! Presented by Tacoma Boat Builders, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime

ALL AGES | online (Zoom)

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

December 3, 10, 17, 31

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

SYSTEM-WIDE EVENTS

Jan Brett Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K–5 | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock | Join us this month for a special themed scavenger hunt inspired by children's author Jan Brett!

The Mitten Creation Station

GRADES K–5 | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock | December 3–14 to decorate your own mitten, a craft inspired by Jan Brett's classic picture book, "The Mitten".

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS

Craftopia Program Kits

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

- **Candy Canes:** Pick up starting Friday, Dec. 6
- **Clothespin Snowmen:** Pick up starting Friday, Dec. 20
- **Felt Fidget Toys:** Pick up starting Friday, Dec. 27

AROUND TOWN



Jan Brett's "Alice in a Winter Wonderland" Tour | PRE-K–GRADE 5

Registration required.

Saturday, Dec. 14 at 10 a.m.

Silas High School (1202 North Orchard St.)

Join Tacoma Public Library, Tacoma Online Elementary, and King's Books as we welcome Jan Brett to Tacoma! Jan Brett will be touring to support her new book, "Alice in a Winter Wonderland".

At the event, Brett will do a short drawing and presentation, followed by a signing.

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2–8

Registration required.

Saturday, Dec. 21 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.

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Tacoma Public Library will be closed on the following holidays:

- Tuesday, Dec. 24
- Wednesday, Dec. 25
- Wednesday, Jan. 1

Adults and Teen Events

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EVENTS

Tacoma Needle Exchange Peer Navigation | ADULTS

Thursdays, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
December 5, 12

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

Disability Social Hour | ADULTS

Friday, Dec. 6 at 11 a.m.

Meet new people who are living with or supporting others with disabilities. Caregivers and support staff welcome. Activities and light refreshments will be available.



Garden Alchemy | ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, Dec. 7 at 1 p.m.

Discover how to concoct natural garden-boosting teas and tonics out of the treasures in your own backyard. Presented by Tacoma Urban Land Trust, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Social Work Support with Samie

ADULTS & TEENS

Saturdays, 1:30–5:30 p.m.

December 7, 14, 21, 28

TPL's Social Worker can assist with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, employment, student support, and more!

Appy Hour | ADULTS

Friday, Dec. 13 at 3 p.m.

Join us to discuss, share, and learn about the variety of online resources TPL has to offer.



Bebop to Hip-Hop with Kareem Kandi World Orchestra | ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, Dec. 14 at 1 p.m.

Learn and listen to the history, lineage, and similarities between 1940's bebop and 1960's funk/rock, and current day Hip Hop. Presented by Kareem Kandi World Orchestra, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Brushes of Wisdom: A Painting Program for Older Adults | ADULTS

Wednesday, Dec. 18 at 12:30 p.m.

Follow step-by-step printed instructions or DIY to create your own masterpieces.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Friday, Dec. 20 at 3 p.m.

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

Computer Skills Practice | ADULTS

Friday, Dec. 27 at 3 p.m.

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

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Podcast Café

AGES 12–ADULT | online (Zoom)

Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Create your very own podcast from concept to download.

AROUND TOWN

Books on Tap Book Club (21+) Event

details can be found via Meetup.

Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m.

We want to know what books you've read and loved this year. Bring one or two of your favorites to share with the group.

JUST FOR TEENS



Teen Time | GRADES 6–12

Wednesdays at 5 p.m.

December 4, 11, 18

Meet new friends, relax, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

SNACK DONATION DRIVE

TPL is partnering with St. Vincent De Paul to collect non-perishable food items like cup of noodles, instant oatmeal, granola bars, and other assorted snacks for those in need.



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.com!



Moore: Wednesday, Dec. 4, 3–5 p.m.

Fern Hill: Thursday, Dec. 12, 3–5 p.m.

Moore: Friday, Dec. 13, 3–5 p.m.

South Tacoma: Friday, Dec. 20, 2–4 p.m.