Children and Family Events

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SOUTH TACOMA LIBRARY 3411 South 56th Street

Family Storytime | ALL AGES Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 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. January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.



Giờ Kể Chuyện Gia Đình/Vietnamese Storytime | ALL AGES

Saturdays at 11 a.m. | January 4, 11, 25 Chương trình dành cho gia đình, các thành viên thuộc mọi lứa tuổi đều có thể tham gia cùng với người lớn.

Thưởng 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.

- January 2: New Year, New Inventions
- January 9: Exploring Outer Space
- January 16: Frozen Fun Ice Experiments
- January 23: Coding for Kids Winter-Themed Digital Art
- January 30: Space Scavenger Hunt

Winter Snack Surprise | ALL AGES Tuesday, Jan. 7, 3–5 p.m. Stop by to transform a sweet treat into a snowman or reindeer. A variety of snacks will be available to accommodate various dietary needs. All supplies provided.

Tiny Tots with Tacoma Little Theatre

AGES 2–5 | Thursday, Jan. 9 at 10:30 a.m. Bring your toddlers, tots and young ones to enjoy an interactive storytelling experience. Presented by Tacoma Little Theatre, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

STEAM Day with Greentrike PRE-K-GRADE 5

Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m. Bring the whole family together to explore concepts of science, technology, engineering, art, and math, also known as STEAM. Presented by Greentrike, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.



Pajama Storytime

ALL AGES | online (Zoom) Tuesdays at 7 p.m. January 7, 14, 21, 28 Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.



Year of the Snake Scavenger Hunt GRADES K–5 | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock | Join us for a Lunar New Year snake-themed scavenger hunt!

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS////////

Craftopia Program Kits

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

- **Loom Bands:** Pick up starting Friday, Jan. 3
- **Snowflake Suncatchers:** Pick up starting Friday, Jan. 17
- **Mini Books:** Pick up starting Friday, Jan. 31

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2–8 Saturday, Jan. 25 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.

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Adults and Teen Events

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Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club

ADULTS | online (Zoom) Registration required. Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 6:30 p.m. Join us online to discuss intriguing, mindexpanding, speculative books from across genres. In January we'll discuss "All Systems Red" by Martha Wells.

Disability Social Hour | ADULTS Friday, Jan. 3 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.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS Fridays at 3 p.m. January 3, 24, 31 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. January 4, 11, 18, 25 TPL's Social Worker can assist with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, employment, student support, and more!

Brushes of Wisdom: A Painting

Program for Older Adults | ADULTS Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 12:30 p.m. Follow step-by-step printed instructions or DIY to create your own masterpieces. Blood Drive with Bloodworks Northwest | ADULTS Friday, Jan. 17, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Donating blood helps patients with treatments, procedures and surgeries. Visit bloodworksnw.org/ giveblood or scan the QR code to book your one hour appointment.

Appy Hour | ADULTS Friday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. Join us to discuss, share, and learn about the variety of online resources TPL has to offer.



Houselessness: A Neighborhood Conversation Series ADULTS & TEENS Saturday, Jan. 25 at 3 p.m. Please join us to learn about why people fall into houselessness, the reality and challenges of being houseless, and what resources are available to help people become housed. Community members are highly encouraged to attend and continue the conversation on how to build a more inclusive and compassionate environment for our unhoused neighbors.

Books on Tap Book Club (21+) Event details can be found via Meetup. Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. In January we'll be reading "Days at the Morisaki Bookshop" by Satoshi Yagisawa.

Teen Time | GRADES 6–12 Wednesdays at 5 p.m. January 8, 15, 22, 29 Meet new friends, relax, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

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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, Jan. 3, 2–4 p.m. Mottet: Wednesday, Jan. 8, 3–5 p.m. Wheelock: Friday, Jan. 24, 2–4 p.m.





