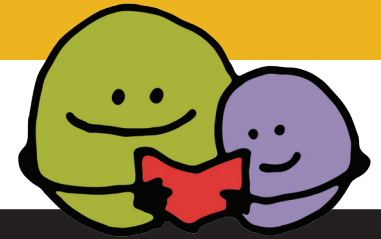


Children and Family Events

JANUARY

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WHEELOCK LIBRARY 3722 North 26th Street

STORYTIMES

Toddler Storytime | 18–36 MONTHS
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
January 2, 9, 16, 23
Encourage emerging language skills with books, rhymes, music and fun. For ages 18-36 months with a caregiver.

Family Storytime | ALL AGES
Fridays at 10:30 a.m.
January 3, 17, 24, 31
Join us for stories, songs, and fun learning activities that the whole family can enjoy.

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.
Fridays at 1 p.m. | January 3, 17, 24, 31
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Сказки на русском | Russian Story Time
ALL AGES | Saturdays at 11 a.m.
January 4, 11, 25
Сказки, потешки и игры на русском языке с Наталией
Семейная программа для всех возрастов
Stories, songs, and games for families in Russian with Natalia.

GAMES AND CLUBS

Family Chess Club
GRADES K–5
Wednesdays at 4 p.m.
January 8, 15, 22, 29
Players of all experience levels can learn from an experienced chess coach. Meet at tables behind reference desk.

Pokémon League
AGES 6–YOUNG ADULT
Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 4 p.m.
Grab your Pokemon deck or DS and join us! All levels welcome.

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS

Up and Atom STEAM Days
GRADES K–8 | Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.
Try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- January 2: National Science Fiction Day – Craft an Alien
- January 9: Log Cabins with Job Carr Cabin Museum, funded by Tacoma Creates
- January 16: Perler Beads
- January 23: Toolbox Laboratories Action Figure Engineering, funded by Tacoma Creates

T.U.P.A.C. Film Screening | Harriet: The Black Swan, In the Year of COVID-19
ALL AGES | Saturday, Jan. 11 at 4 p.m.
Watch and discuss this short film featuring four seasons of the life of Harriet Tubman told through ballet. Presented by Tacoma Urban Performing Arts Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Tiny Tots with Tacoma Little Theatre
AGES 2–5 | Friday, Jan. 17 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.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

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.

SYSTEM-WIDE EVENTS



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

AROUND TOWN

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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- Saturday, Jan. 18 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Adults and Teen Events

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BOOK CLUBS

Wheelock Book Club | ADULTS
Wednesday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us for a discussion of "The Art of Racing in the Rain" by Garth Stein.

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, mind-expanding, speculative books from across genres. In January we'll discuss "All Systems Red" by Martha Wells.

EVENTS

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS
Saturdays at 11 a.m. | January 4, 11, 25
Wednesdays at 1 p.m. | January 8, 15, 22, 29
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Drop-In Genealogy Help | ADULTS
Thursday, Jan. 9, 1-3 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 11, 1-3 p.m.
Get help with genealogy research from the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society (TPCGS).



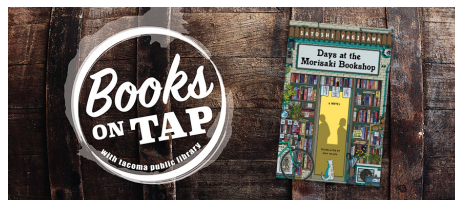
Wisdom Cafe | ADULTS
Thursday, Jan. 9 at 1 p.m.
Join us for conversation and camaraderie as we discuss universal topics about life, fulfillment, and aging.

Brrrr, Come Learn About Heat Pumps
ADULTS | Saturday, Jan. 11 at 11 a.m.
Learn the basics of heat pumps and how they can help reduce your energy bills and carbon footprint, including how you can save with rebates and incentives. Presented by John Storvick from Tacoma Public Utilities.

Blood Drive with Bloodworks Northwest | ADULTS
Thursday, Jan. 30, 11 a.m.-4:30 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.



AROUND TOWN



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.



JUST FOR TEENS

Teen Time | Tuesdays at 2:15 p.m.
Middle and high school students are invited to play games, work on homework, or make a craft.

- January 7: Craft Extravaganza and More!
- January 14: Sports and More
- January 21: Step-by-Step Acrylic Painting and More
- January 28: DIY Phone Holder and More

Nintendo SwitchUp
Friday, Jan. 24 at 2:30 p.m.
Whether you're a Mario Kart master, a Super Smash Bros. champion, or just looking for something fun to do, this event is for you! Bring your own Switch or use one of ours.

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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.org!



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