April

Children and Family Events

Swasey Library 7001 Sixth Avenue

Storytimes • • •

Family Storytime | ALL AGES Fridays at 10:30 a.m. April 4, 11, 18, 25 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. April 4, 11, 18, 25 Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Games and Clubs • • • • •

Family Chess Club

GRADES K-5 | Wednesdays at 4 p.m. April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Players of all experience levels can learn from an experienced chess coach.

Brick by Brick LEGO Club

GRADES K-5 | Wednesdays at 4 p.m. April 9, 23
Build a LEGO creation around the theme, or free build to your heart's content!

Other In-Person Events • • • •

Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K-8 | Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- · April 1: Clay Seed Balls
- · April 8: Frog Tongue Craft and Game
- April 15: Butterfly Symmetry Art
- · April 22: Straw Connectors
- · April 29: Otter Kelp Forest Paintings

Play to Learn | BABY AND PRE-K Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. April 3, 17, 24

For children and caregivers to enjoy play together. Presented by Greentrike, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.



Playdate at the Library | BABY-PRE-K Thursday, April 10 at 10 a.m. A time for caretakers to spend time with their children, enjoy toys and games together, and connect with other members of the community!

Explore Capoeira Vida | ALL AGES Saturday, April 12 at 12 p.m.

Come watch or participate and dive into an art deeply rooted in resilience, where every move narrates a story of its creators. Presented by Capoeira Vida, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Online Events • • • •

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES online (Zoom) | Tuesdays at 7 p.m. April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

System-Wide Events • • • •

Bookworm Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-8 | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Main, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, and Swasey Libraries | Join us during the month of April to find all of the hidden bookworms and earn a prize!

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Main, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, and Swasey Libraries

- Bunny Wrist Bands: Pick up starting Saturday, April 5
- Paper Weaving: Pick up starting Saturday, April 19
- Beaded Ladybugs: Pick up starting Saturday, April 26

Around Town • • •

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2-8 Saturday, April 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.

Closures • • • • • •

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All events are free and open to the public; library card not required. Some events may require registration.





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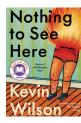
Adult and Teen Events

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Book Clubs • • • •

Swasey Book Club
ADULTS | Tuesday, April
22 at 6:30 p.m.

April's selection is
"Nothing to See Here" by
Kevin Wilson.



Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

online (Zoom) | Registration required. Wednesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us online to discuss intriguing, mindexpanding, speculative books from across genres. April's title is "Piranesi" by Susanna Clarke.



In-Person Events

A Gathering of Poets

ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesdays at 6 p.m. | April 2, 30 Visit with the poets of #VoicesofTacoma who have published an anthology of their most recent works. Bring your questions, your poetic ideas, and/or your own works for sharing.

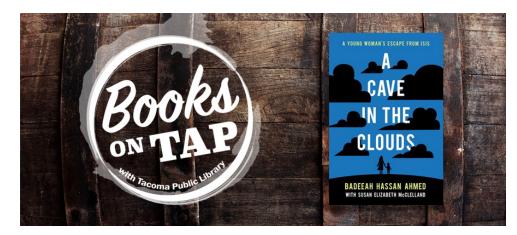
Español/English Chat Group

ALL AGES | Thursdays at 4 p.m. April 3, 17

Any level of knowledge is welcome to participate in this language exchange. Cualquier nivel de conocimiento es bienvenido a participar en este intercambio de idiomas.

Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS

Friday, April 4, 3–5 p.m.
Stop by for free, drop-in help, information and resources from tacomaprobono and Office of Equity and Human Rights.



Fall Prevention Education for Older Adults | ADULTS

Join us for a program with the University of Puget Sound School of Occupational Therapy designed to empower older adults with the practical tools and knowledge to help reduce fall risks and improve their quality of life.

- Tuesday, April 8 at 12 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 16 at 5 p.m.
- Saturday, April 19 at 3 p.m.

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma-Darning | ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, April 9 at 5 p.m. Learn how to make yarn out of t-shirts and use the t-shirt yarn to macrame a plant holder!

Celebrate National Card and Letter Writing Month | ADULTS & TEENS Join us and find creativity and connection at our card and letter writing program!

- ADULTS & TEENS: Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m.
- ALL AGES: Saturday, April 25 at 4 p.m.

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Blood Drive with Bloodworks Northwest | ADULTS

Friday, April 18, 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.



Safeguard Your Finances

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesday, April 29 at 6 p.m.
Join Global Credit Union for a session on financial fraud. Learn how to recognize common scams, protect your personal information, and take proactive steps to secure your finances.

Around Town • • • • •

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be found via Meetup. Tuesday, April 29 at 7 p.m.

In April, in honor of Genocide Awareness Month, we'll be reading the non-fiction book "A Cave in the Clouds" by Badeeah Hassan Ahmed.



