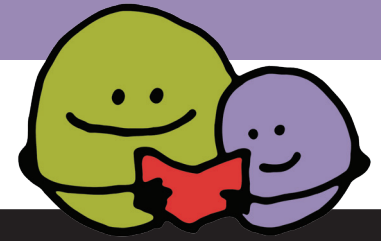


Children and Family Events

APRIL

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STORYTIMES

Baby Storytime

BIRTH–18 MOS.
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.
April 3, 10, 24
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

GAMES AND CLUBS

Brick by Brick LEGO Club

GRADES K–12
Friday, April 26 at 4 p.m.
Join us to build a LEGO creation around a theme or free build to your heart's content!

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS



American Sign Language Card Creation Station | GRADES K–5

Celebrate Deaf History Month April 2–30 by creating a card or sign using American Sign Language finger spelling.

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 2: Hexaflexagon!
- April 9: Daffodil Craft!
- April 16: Catapult Challenge!
- April 23: Tornado in a Bottle!
- April 30: Grass Heads!

Play to Learn

BABY AND PRE-K
Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
April 11, 18, 25

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

Viral Dance Trends with PNW Dance Foundation | GRADES K–8

Thursday, April 11 at 4 p.m.
Learn easy and kid-appropriate choreography as seen on TikTok. Presented by PNW Dance Foundation, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by Tacoma Public Library.

Tacoma Boat Builders Make & Take Pop-Up Event | ALL AGES

Friday, April 12 at 3:30 p.m.
Explore your creativity with multiple woodworking projects. Presented by Tacoma Boat Builders, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Exploring Music and Instruments from Around the World with Destiny City Music Collective | ALL AGES

Saturday, April 13 at 12 p.m.
Play different musical instruments from around the world and learn basic techniques in this hands-on music workshop. Presented by Destiny City Musical Collective, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Laughter & Lullabies

BABY AND PRE-K
Saturday, April 27 at 11 a.m.
We will blend music, movement, and, of course, some laughter to cultivate joy and bonding! Presented by Ted Brown Music Outreach, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

ONLINE EVENTS

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime

ALL AGES | online (Zoom)
Tuesdays at 7 p.m. | April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

SCAVENGER HUNT



Bookworm Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K–8 | Join us April 2–30 at the Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, and Wheelock Libraries to find hidden bookworms.

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS

Craftopia Glowbugs

AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock
Pick up starting Friday, April 5, while supplies last.

Craftopia Paper Umbrella

AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock
Pick up starting Friday, April 12, while supplies last.

Craftopia Popsicle Stick Planters

AGES 3+ | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock
Pick up starting Friday, April 26, while supplies last.

Adults and Teen Events

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BOOK CLUBS

Swasey Book Club | ADULTS
Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m.
Our April pick is *Latitudes of Longing* by Shubhangi Swarup.

Salish Sea Book Club | ADULTS
Wednesday, April 10 at 6 p.m.
Join us to discuss *Galloping Gertie: The True Story of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge Collapse* by Amanda Abler presented by Foss Waterway Seaport. Funded by Tacoma Creates and hosted by TPL.

EVENTS

Deaf History Month: Branch Activities
ADULTS & TEENS | April 2–30
Celebrate and learn about our deaf community! Activities include poetry, historical timelines, and more! Presented with the Hearing Speech and Deaf Center.

Deaf History Month: Archival Recordings
ADULTS & TEENS
Saturday, April 6, 3 p.m.
Registration required.
TPL and the Hearing, Speech and Deaf Center are recording personal stories and collecting historical materials from our deaf community for the Northwest Room and Community Archives Center.

Español/English Chat Group
ADULTS & TEENS
Thursdays at 4 p.m. | April 4, 18
Join us to exchange English and Spanish. Any level of knowledge is welcome.

The Nature of Nature Poetry
ADULTS & TEENS
Saturday, April 13 at 4 p.m.
We'll spend time with a few nature poems, generate some seedling poems for ourselves, and talk about where good nature poetry begins and ends with local poet Kristy Gledhill, MFA.

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma: T-Shirt Yarn | ADULTS & TEENS
Wednesday, April 17 at 5 p.m.
Join us as we welcome Remakery Tacoma for this instructor-led session where we will make T-shirt yarn!

TUPAC presents Harriet: The Black Swan, In the Year of COVID-19
ADULTS & TEENS
Saturday, April 20 at 3:30 p.m.
Featuring a short film - 90% shot on an iPhone 7 - we visit the life of Harriet Tubman, recorded in the South Sound and danced by TUPAC students. Presented by Tacoma Urban Performing Arts Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Fused Together
ADULTS & TEENS
Tuesday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m.
Join us for a special glass-working program presented by Hilltop Artists, Communities for a Healthy Bay and artist Kait Rhoads, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by the Tacoma Public Library!

ONLINE EVENTS
Registration required.

Podcast Café
AGES 12–ADULT | online (Zoom)
Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m.
Create your very own podcast from concept to download.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers
ADULTS | online (Zoom)
Saturday, April 20 at 4 p.m.
Share current projects and socialize with like-minded folks.

3 Steps to Sort Your Photos
ADULTS | online (Zoom)
Tuesday, April 23 at 6:30 p.m.
During this online session, author and organizer Jamie Novak reveals the three steps you can take today to make sense of your boxes of memories.

AROUND TOWN

Books on Tap Book Club (21+) Event details can be found via Meetup.
Wednesday, April 24 at 7 p.m.
For Genocide Awareness Month we'll read the non-fiction title *A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier* by Ismael Baeh.

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS

Craftopia Fabric Bowls
ADULTS | Pick up a fun and free craft for adults from Craftopia starting Wednesday, April 17, while supplies last.

JUST FOR TEENS

Teen Time
Wednesdays at 3 p.m. | April 10, 24
Middle school and high school students are invited to join us at Mottet branch on Saturday afternoons for Teen Time! Meet new friends, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

DONATION DRIVE

TPL is partnering with Tacoma Indian Center to collect non-perishable food items throughout the spring.



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!



South Tacoma: Friday, April 5, 2–4 p.m.
Moore: Wednesday, April 10, 5–7 p.m.
Wheelock: Friday, April 19, 2–4 p.m.
Wheelock: Thursday, April 25, 2–4 p.m.
Moore: Friday, April 26, 3–5 p.m.