Children and Family Events

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.





MOTTET LIBRARY 3523 East G Street



Family Storytime

ALL AGES

Wednesdays at 6 p.m. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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.

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS////



Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K-8

Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- May 1: Animal Origami
- May 8: Keva Planks
- May 15: Cherry Blossom Trees
- May 22: Sphero Robots
- May 29: Family Board Game Niaht

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime

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



AANHPI Author Scavenger Hunt GRADES K-8

Join us May 1–31 at the Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, and Wheelock Libraries to learn about different Asian American. Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander authors and their great books!



Keva Planks at Up and Atom STEAM Days

TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS///

Craftopia Felt Butterflies

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

Craftopia Fairy Sticks

AGES 3+ | Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock Pick up starting Friday, May 17, while supplies last.

Craftopia Straw Rockets

AGES 3+ | Kobetich, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, Swasey, Wheelock Pick up starting Friday, May 31, while supplies last.



Eastside Story Fest

ALL AGES

Saturday, May 18, 1–4 p.m. Eastside Community Center 1721 East 56th Street, Tacoma This all-ages event will document, share, and celebrate the unique stories of the Eastside community. Presented by TPL, Tacoma Arts Live, and Metro Parks and funded by Tacoma Creates and the Internet Archive.

Adults and Teen Events

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Social Work Support with Samie ADULTS & TEENS

Saturdays, 1-6 p.m. | May 4, 18 Drop-in to connect with TPL's Social Worker. Samie is happy to listen and assist patrons with resource navigation for a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, VA, employment, behavioral health, McKinney Vento or student support, and more!

Spring Plant Swap

ADULTS & TEENS

Thursday, May 9 at 4 p.m. Bring clippings of your favorite house and garden plants to swap with fellow plant lovers.

Crochet Connection with Debra

ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, May 11 at 3 p.m. Learn how to make simple crochet projects. Patterns will be provided.

Appy Hour: Northstar Digital Literacy | ADULTS

Tuesday, May 14 at 6 p.m. No matter what your level, join the conversation at Appy Hour to discuss, share, and learn about Northstar Digital Literacy! This online resource can help you practice and improve skills in the following areas: Microsoft products like Word, Excel, Outlook, and PowerPoint, as well as Gmail, internet basics, Google Docs, social media, and more.

Registration required.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers

ADULTS | online (Zoom) Wednesday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 18 at 4 p.m. Share current projects and socialize with like-minded folks.

Podcast Café

AGES 12-ADULT | online (Zoom) Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. Create your very own podcast from concept to download.



Tacoma In Motion ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, May 4 at 4:30 p.m.

The Grand Cinema (606 Fawcett Ave.) Join us for a free showcase of recently digitized historic film, video, and audio highlights from the Northwest Room's local history collections! Presented with support from a City of Tacoma Heritage Grant.

Books on Tap Book Club

(21+) Event details can be found via Meetup.

Wednesday, May 29 at 7 p.m. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month we'll be reading Paper Names by Susie Luo.



Teen Time

Saturdays at 4 p.m. | May 4, 18 Middle school and high school students are invited to join us for Teen Time! Meet new friends, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

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!



Mottet: Friday, May 3, 2-4 p.m. Wheelock: Wednesday, May 8, 5-7 p.m. Moore: Thursday, May 23, 3-5 p.m. Swasey: Friday, May 24, 2-4 p.m.

DONATION DRIVE

TPL is partnering with Tacoma Indian Center to collect nonperishable food items throughout the spring.

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