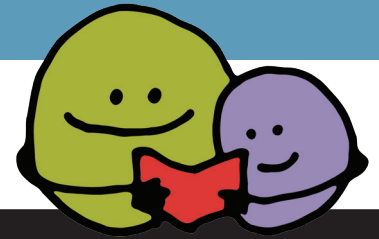


Children and Family Events

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SOUTH TACOMA LIBRARY 3411 South 56th Street

STORYTIMES

Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

May 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.

May 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

Saturday, May 4 at 11 a.m.

Chương trình dành cho gia đình, các thành viên thuộc mọi lứa tuổi đều có thể tham gia cùng với người lớn. Thường 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.

¡Cuentos y Cantos! Bilingual Storytime

ALL AGES | Saturday, May 18 at 11 a.m.

¡Están invitados a una muy especial hora de cuentos bilingüe! Vengan con toda la familia para bailar, cantar, leer y hacer amigos en la Biblioteca de Tacoma! You are invited to our special bilingual storytime! Come with the whole family for dancing, reading, singing, and making friends at TPL!

OTHER IN-PERSON EVENTS

Tinkercad for Minecraft and 3D Printing

GRADES 6–8

Saturday, May 4, 12 p.m.

Blending together the free 3D design program Tinkercad and Minecraft, youth will learn the basics of 3D design and how to import creations into their own Minecraft world! Bring your own laptop or school Chromebook, or use one of Fablab's. Presented by Fablab Education, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K–8 | Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- May 2: May the 4th Be With You
- May 9: Cherry Blossom Craft
- May 16: Game Day
- May 23: Chinese Dragon Puppet
- May 30: Straw Maze

Play to Learn

BABY AND PRE-K

Fridays at 10 a.m.

May 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

Saturday, May 18 at 12 p.m.

A time for caretakers to spend time with their children, enjoy toys and games together, and connect with the community!

ONLINE EVENTS

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.

SCAVENGER HUNT

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!



TAKE-HOME PROGRAM KITS

Craftopia Program Kits

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

- **Felt Butterflies:** Pick up starting Friday, May 3
- **Fairy Sticks:** Pick up starting Friday, May 17
- **Straw Rockets:** Pick up starting Friday, May 31



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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EVENTS

LGBTQIA+ Community Conversation ADULTS & TEENS

Friday, May 3 at 3:30 p.m.

Join us for an inclusive community discussion about the needs and issues facing the LGBTQIA+ community. Allies are welcome! Presented by the Rainbow Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Social Work Support with Samie ADULTS & TEENS

Saturdays, 1–6 p.m. | May 11, 25

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!

Jazz from Around the World with Kareem Kandi World Orchestra ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, May 11 at 2 p.m.

Take a trip around the world and through time with Jazz from America, Cuba, Brazil, and Africa. Presented by Kareem Kandi World Orchestra, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.



Brushes of Wisdom: A Painting Program | ADULTS

Wednesday, May 15 at 1 p.m.

Follow step-by-step printed instructions or DIY to create your own masterpieces.

TUPAC presents Harriet: The Black Swan, In the Year of COVID-19 ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m.

Featuring a 34-minute short film, Harriet Tubman's story is told through dance, opening the door to discussions on various methods of teaching history. Presented by Tacoma Urban Performing Arts Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Das Biest Presents: Performance Practice | ADULTS

Wednesday, May 22 at 6 p.m.

Registration required.

Join us to discuss how all performance venues/organizations or individual artists can increase accessibility for their collaborators and audiences. Presented by Das Biest Performance Project, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL. **This event will also take place at Fern Hill Library on Wednesday, May 29 at 6 p.m.**

ONLINE EVENTS

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.

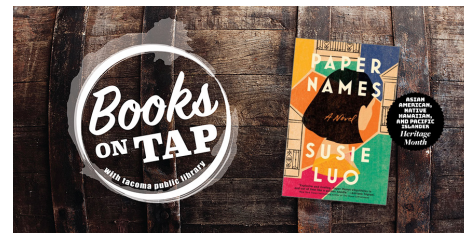
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AROUND TOWN

Tacoma In Motion | ADULTS & TEENS

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

The Grand Cinema (606 Fawcett Avenue) 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.

JUST FOR TEENS

Teen Time!

Wednesdays at 3 p.m.

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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!

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.org!

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.

