

# May

## Children and Family Events

### Main Library

1102 Tacoma Ave. South

#### Storytimes • • • • •

##### Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Saturdays at 2 p.m.

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Join us for stories, songs, and fun learning activities that the whole family can enjoy.

#### Other In-Person Events • • • •

##### Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K–8 | Fridays at 4 p.m.

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- May 2: Building with Straws
- May 9: Art Workshop with Tacoma Art Museum, funded by Tacoma Creates
- May 16: Tissue Paper Garden
- May 23: Fun with Clay!
- May 30: Create a Bug!

##### STEAM Day with Greentrike

PRE-K–GRADE 5

Wednesday, May 7 at 4 p.m.

Bring the whole family together to explore concepts of science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Presented by Greentrike, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

##### Tacoma Wayzgoose | ALL AGES

Friday, May 2, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Tacoma Wayzgoose is a community letterpress, printmaking, and book arts extravaganza. Meet local printers and view their wares, print your own keepsakes, make paper, and bind books. A highlight of the weekend is steamroller printing, where local artists carve 2' x 3' foot sheets of linoleum and print on giant paper. Presented with Write253.



Asia Pacific Cultural Center presents Hawaii.

##### Lego Print Making Workshop

GRADES 6–8 | Saturday, May 17 at 12 p.m.

Create your own print using Lego tiles!

All supplies will be provided. Presented by FabLab Education, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

##### Asia Pacific Cultural Center presents Hawaii | ALL AGES

Wednesday, May 28 at 5:30 p.m.

Please join Char Kanoelani Galiza of APCC in a workshop sharing the wonderful history, culture and customs of the 8 Islands of Hawaii and the Hawaiian people. Presented by Asia Pacific Cultural Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

#### Online Events • • • • •

Registration required.

##### Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES

online (Zoom) | Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

May 6, 13, 20, 27

Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

#### Closures • • • • •

All Tacoma Public Libraries will be closed on Saturday, May 24 in observance of Memorial Day.

#### System-Wide Events • • • • •

##### Tacoma Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander

**Scavenger Hunt** | GRADES K–8 | Fern Hill, Kobetich, Main, Moore, Mottet, South Tacoma, and Swasey Libraries: throughout May, learn about Tacoma and Washington Asian-America History, find hidden images around the library, and create a great craft!

##### Craftopia Program Kits

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

- Flower Wreaths: Pick up starting Saturday, May 10
- Woven Butterflies: Pick up starting Saturday, May 17
- Flying Bee: Pick up starting Saturday, May 31

#### Around Town • • • • •

##### Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2–8

Saturday, May 17 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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## Adult and Teen Events

### Main Library

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#### Book Clubs • • • • •

**Main Book Club** | ADULTS  
Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m.  
Join the Main Book Club for a discussion of "The Night Tiger" by Yangsze Choo.

**Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club** | ADULTS  
online (Zoom) | *Registration required.*  
Wednesday, May 28 at 6:30 p.m.  
Join us online to discuss May's title, "The Left Hand of Darkness" by Ursula K. Le Guin.

#### In-Person Events • • • • •

**Senior Social** | ADULTS  
Friday, May 2 at 1 p.m.  
Community members can come together for vibrant conversation or participate in tabletop games and puzzles.

**Social Work Support with Samie**  
ADULTS & TEENS  
Fridays, 1:30–5:30 p.m. | May 2, 9, 23, 30  
TPL's social worker can assist with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, VA, employment, student support, and more!

**Next Step: Employment Support**  
ADULTS | Tuesdays at 3 p.m. | May 6, 20  
Join us for help with the job search process. Sample resumes and cover letters as well as tip sheets will be available.

**Monthly Ukulele Jam** | ALL AGES  
Tuesday, May 6 at 6 p.m.  
Whether you're a total beginner or a seasoned ukulele player, this is the perfect place to connect with others in a fun and relaxed environment.

**Tacoma Climate Stories: Celebration Event** | ADULTS | Sat., May 10 at 11 a.m.  
Join the City of Tacoma Office of Environmental Policy & Sustainability in sharing your experiences with climate change impacts through visual, artistic, or spoken-word mediums!

**Housing Justice Project** | ADULTS  
Tuesdays, 1–3 p.m. | May 13, 27  
Bring your housing issues to this walk-in clinic! Presented by Tacomaprobono's Housing Justice Project.

**Creative Circle** | ADULTS & TEENS  
Tuesdays at 6 p.m. | May 13, 27  
Join us for an hour of casual crafting and socializing. Crafting projects may include papercraft, felting, rock painting, and other fun activities.

**Appy Hour** | ADULTS  
Friday, May 16 at 1 p.m.  
No matter what your level, join us to discuss, share, and learn about the variety of online resources the library has to offer.

**Birding in the Tacoma Area**  
ADULTS & TEENS  
Tuesday, May 20 at 6 p.m.  
Led by Tahoma Bird Alliance volunteer Ed Beck, learn the basics to getting started in birding around the South Sound.

**Public Services Career Fair** | ADULTS  
Wednesday, May 21 at 12:30 p.m.  
This event is an opportunity for you to connect with a wide range of employers from various industries, all eager to find talented individuals like you to join their teams. Presented with WorkSource Pierce County.

**From Startup to Success: Community Resources** | ADULTS  
Tuesday, May 27 at 6 p.m.  
Join the Small Business Administration and local experts in the Cascade Room for an insightful panel on community organizations and partners who can provide small business support.

**Movies at Main** | ADULTS  
Wednesday, May 28 at 12 p.m.  
Join us for "Quiet Place: Day One" (PG-13) in the Olympic Room.

**Community Information Session**  
**Sesion de Información Comunitaria**  
ADULTS | Saturday, May 31 at 4 p.m.  
Información de inmigración en el estado de Washington. Learn essential information on to be better prepared for uncertain situations related to immigration. Led by Intercultural Collaborations.

#### Around Town • • • • •

**Books on Tap Book Club** | 21+  
Event details can be found via Meetup.  
Tuesday, May 27 at 7 p.m.  
In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month we'll be reading "Yellowface" by R.F. Kuang.

**Online Events • • • • •**  
*Registration required.*

**Using Census Data to Help Grow Your Small Business**  
ADULTS | online (Zoom)  
Wednesday, May 7 at 12 p.m.  
Learn how to use the Census Bureau's first cloud-based data tool, Census Business Builder, to optimize customer outreach, inform growth decisions and strengthen appeals for funding.

#### Just for Teens • • • • •

**Teen Time** | Wednesdays at 5 p.m.  
May 7, 14, 21, 28  
Middle and high school students are invited to meet new friends, relax, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

**Production Talks with Night Media Foundation** | Saturday, May 10 at 1 p.m.  
Young producers and filmmakers from the Night Media Foundation will display their work and talk about the filmmaking and production process. Presented by Swan Creek Art Academy, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.



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## Maker Labs

The Maker Labs at the Main Library are a group of do-it-yourself studios where everyone can explore individual curiosity, engage in collaborative work, and learn from instructors and fellow makers.

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**Digital Media Lab**



**Memory Lab**



**Wonder Lab**

#### Independent Study

ADULTS & TEENS

Reservations are recommended. Walk-ins are subject to availability. No staff assistance will be available during Independent Study hours.

Scan the code to make a reservation.



- Tuesdays, 4–7 p.m.
- Wednesdays, 12–3 p.m.
- Thursdays, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
- Fridays, 2–5 p.m.
- Saturdays, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

#### Open Lab | ALL AGES

Equipment is first-come, first-served. Staff assistance is available.

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- Thursdays, 2–5 p.m.
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#### Wonder Lab Basics

ADULTS & TEENS

- xTool: Saturday, May 3 at 11:30 a.m.
- Sewing Machine: Tuesday, May 6 at 6 p.m. and Wednesday, May 21 at 12 p.m.
- Serger: Saturday, May 10 at 11:30 a.m.
- Embroidery Machine: Wednesday, May 14 at 12 p.m.
- Cricut: Saturday, May 17 at 11:30 a.m.
- 3D Printer: Tuesday, May 20 at 6 p.m.

#### Wonder Lab Exploration

ALL AGES

Fridays at 4 p.m.

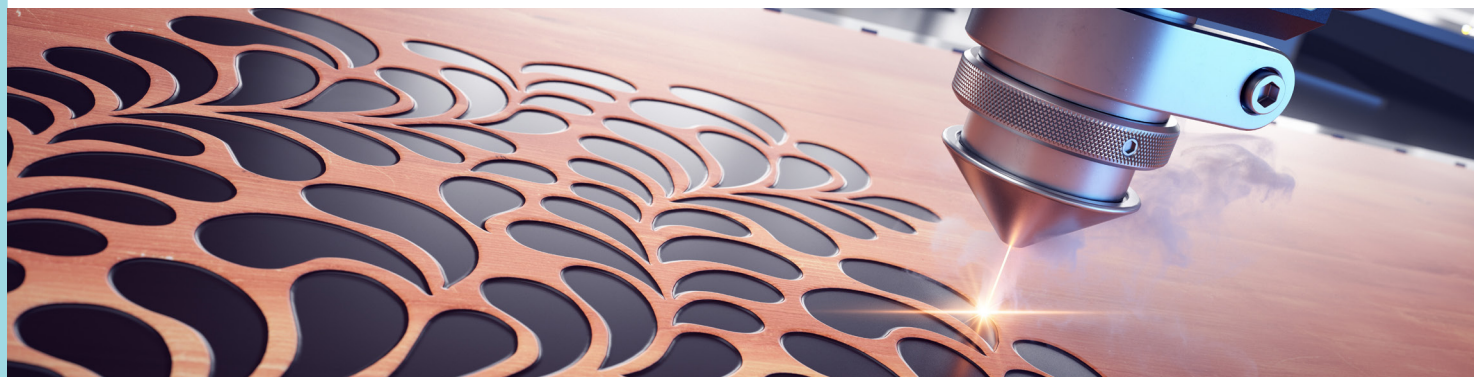
- Crafts: May 2
- Building and Construction: May 9
- Technology: May 16
- Circuits: May 23

#### Tech Café

ADULTS & TEENS

Get to know the new Digital Media Lab (DML) and learn what the possibilities are for voiceover, music recording, podcasting, and audio production.

- Tuesday, May 13 at 6 p.m.



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