

June Children and Family Events

Join the Summer Reading Challenge online using the Beanstack app or pick up a paper log at the library to track your progress, earn prizes, and more! All events are free and open to the public; library card not required. For full event details, visit tacomalibrary.org.



Main Library

1102 Tacoma Ave. South



COLOR OUR WORLD™
Summer Reading Challenge
June 21-August 16

Storytimes • • • • •

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.

Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

June 6, 13, 20, 27

Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Saturdays at 2 p.m. | June 7, 14, 21, 28

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.

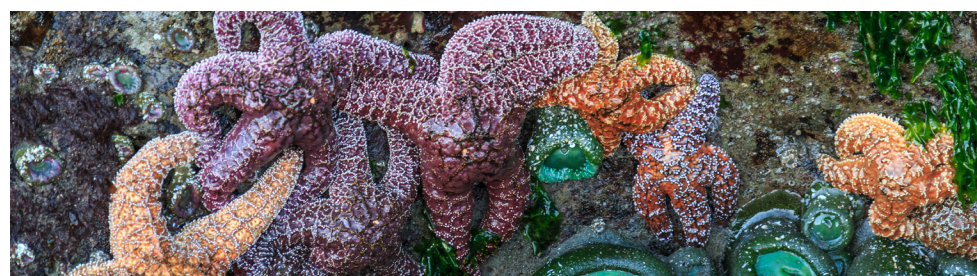
- June 6: Pom Pom Palooza!
- June 13: Building with Straws
- June 20: Exploring Symmetry with Paper Beetles
- June 27: Weaving with Cardboard Looms

Asia Pacific Cultural Center presents

Laos | ALL AGES |

Friday, June 27 at 3:30 p.m.

Join Julianna Thavone for a “Mak Beng” workshop promoting the culture of Laos. “Mak Beng” is a traditional handicraft used in Buddhist rituals and ceremonies. Presented by APCC, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.



Reading the Tidepools at Titlow Beach with Tacoma Nature Center.

Online Events • • • • •

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES

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

June 3, 10, 17, 24

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

System-Wide Events • • • • •

Juneteenth Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K–8 | All locations | Join us June

3–21 to learn more about Juneteenth,

celebrating freedom from slavery.

LGBTQIA+ Pride Month Scavenger

Hunt | GRADES K–8 | All locations

Join us June 24–July 19 for a Pride Month scavenger hunt inside the library!

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | All locations

- Four Season Spinning Plate: pick up starting Friday, June 6
- Fabric Bookmarks: pick up starting Friday, June 20
- Button Animals: pick up starting Friday, June 27

Around Town • • • • •

Reading the Tidepools with Tacoma

Nature Center | ALL AGES

Tuesday, June 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Titlow Beach (8425 6th Avenue)

Registration required. | Walk the shore with beach naturalists and discover fascinating critters that make their homes under the rocks and tidepools.

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

Saturday, June 14 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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June Adult and Teen Events

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Summer Reading Challenge June 21-August 16

Book Clubs • • • • •

Main Book Club | ADULTS
Wednesday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m.
June's title is "Let Us Descend" by Jesmyn Ward.

Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS
online (Zoom) | *Registration required.*
Wednesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us online to discuss "Someone You Can Build A Nest In" by John Wiswell.

In-Person Events • • • • •

Next Step: Employment Support
ADULTS | Tuesdays at 1 p.m. | June 3, 17
Join us for help with the job search process.

Senior Social | ADULTS
Friday, June 6 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. June 6, 13, 20, 27
Get assistance with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, VA, employment, student support, and more!

Guma' Imahe: Lei Making Workshop
ADULTS & TEENS | Sat., June 7 at 3 p.m.
Registration required. | Create a lei of your very own with provided supplies. Presented by Guma' Imahe, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Housing Justice Project | ADULTS
Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. | June 10, 24
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. | June 10, 24
Join us for an hour of casual crafting and socializing.

Movies at Main | ADULTS
Wednesdays at 12 p.m.
• June 11: "Jaws" (PG)
• June 25 "Fall Guy" (PG-13)

Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS
Wednesday, June 11 at 2 p.m.
Stop by for free, drop-in help, information and resources from Tacomaprobono.

Photography with Tacoma Photo Center | ADULTS & TEENS
Wednesday, June 11 at 5 p.m.
All skill levels and cameras welcome!
Presented by Tacoma Photo Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Using AI to Unlock Your Dreams
ADULTS & TEENS | *Registration required.*
Saturday, June 14 at 11 a.m.
Explore the power of AI in everyday life. Presented by Fourth Gen Labs.

Preventing and Recovering from Scams | ADULTS
Tuesday, June 17 at 2:30 p.m.
Join the Pierce County Aging Disability Resource Center to learn how to prevent and scams, fraud, and identity theft.

Appy Hour | ADULTS
Friday, June 20 at 1 p.m.
Learn more about Mango Languages available from TPL.

Bloodworks Northwest | ADULTS
Friday, June 27, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Visit bloodworksnw.org/giveblood or scan the QR code to book your one hour appointment.

Building Bridges Through Art & Activism | ADULTS & TEENS
Saturday, June 28 at 11 a.m.
Join local muralist Saiyare Refaei to hear how social activism has inspired their art and then make your own masterpiece with supplied materials.

Around Town • • • • •

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+
Event details can be found via Meetup.
Tuesday, June 24 at 7 p.m.
In honor of Immigrant Heritage Month we'll be reading "Salt Houses" by Hala Alyan.

Just for Teens • • • • •

Teen Time | Wednesdays at 5 p.m.
June 4, 11, 18, 25
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!

Check-In with Oasis Youth Center
Tuesday, June 3 at 4 p.m.
During Check-In, everyone has an opportunity to share their name and pronouns, the highs and lows of their week, and we all gather in person with our community and peers. Presented by The Oasis Youth Center, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

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June 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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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.
- 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.

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

Tinker Time | ALL AGES

Express your creativity at your own pace. Each day we'll have a new activity set out for you to explore. This is an unstaffed program. Access to our reservable equipment is unavailable at this time.

- Thursdays, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
- Fridays, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.



Wonder Lab

Wonder Lab Basics

ADULTS & TEENS | *Ages 17 and younger are welcome with caregiver participation.*

- 3D Printing: Tuesday, June 3 at 6 p.m.
- Cricut Machine: Saturday, June 14 at 11:30 a.m.
- xTool Laser Engraver: Wednesday, June 18 at 12 p.m.

Wonder Lab Crafting | Grades K–8

Wednesday, June 4 at 12 p.m.

Use crafting supplies like paint, beads, crayons, colored pencils, and more to create your own masterpiece.

Make it Today at the Wonder Lab

ADULTS & TEENS

- Keychains: Saturday, June 7 at 11:30 a.m.
- Water Bottle Sticker: Tuesday, June 17 at 6 p.m.

Fiber Arts Club | ADULTS

Wednesday, June 11 at 12 p.m.

Come and explore the world of crochet, felting, knitting, and sewing in a supportive forum. Bring your own textiles or use ours.

Wonder Lab LEGO Day

Grades K–8

Saturday, June 21 at 11:30 a.m.

Come have fun using LEGO and LEGO Spike Prime to bring your amazing ideas to life.

Coding in the Wonder Lab

Grades 6–12

Saturday, June 28 at 11:30 a.m.

Dive into coding with an introduction to Scratch coding using our iPads.



Digital Media Lab

Podcast Café

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesday, June 10 at 6 p.m.

Create your very own podcast from concept to download.

Digital Media Lab Intro

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesday, June 24 at 6 p.m.

Learn what's available in the Digital Media Lab for voiceover, music recording, podcasting, and audio production. We will give an overview of the different tools, how they're integrated into the computer workstation, and how you can get started.

Audacity Deep Dive

ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, June 25 at 12 p.m.

Learn what's available in the Audacity is the gold standard in open-source audio production. Learn to record and edit your voice, add a music treatment, and export your file into a podcast-ready format. Explore the many signal processing tools available to spoken word artists in this easy-to-use software.



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