June Children and Family Events

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Summer Reading Challenge
June 21-August 16

Games and Clubs • • •

tacomalibrary.org.

Brick by Brick LEGO Club | GRADES K-5 Wednesdays at 4 p.m. | June 4, 18 Build a LEGO creation around the theme, or free build to your heart's content!

Other In-Person Events • • •

Up and Atom STEAM Days

GRADES K-8 | Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- June 3: Pride Tissue Paper Hearts
- June 10: Cooking Up Compost with Solid Waste Management
- June 17: Straw Connectors
- June 24: Balloon-Powered Cars

Play to Learn | BABY AND PRE-K Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. June 5, 12, 26 | For children and caregivers to enjoy play together. Presented by Greentrike, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

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.



Reading the Tidepools at Titlow Beach with Tacoma Nature Center.

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 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.



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June Adult

and Teen Events

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ADULTS | Tuesday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m.

June's selection is "The Return of Ellie

online (Zoom) | Registration required.

June's title is "Someone You Can Build A

Español/English Chat Group | ALL AGES

Any level of knowledge is welcome to

participate in this language exchange.

Cualquier nivel de conocimiento

es bienvenido a participar en este

Other Worlds: Online Speculative

Wednesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m.

In-Person Events • • • • •

Book Clubs • • • •

Black" by Kawai Emiko Jean.

Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

Nest In" by John Wiswell.

Thursday, June 5 at 4 p.m.

Swasey Book Club



Swasey Library 7001 Sixth Avenue



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A Gathering of Poets | ADULTS & TEENS Wednesday, June 25 at 6 p.m. Come visit with the poets of #VoicesofTacoma who have published

an anthology of their most recent works. Bring your questions, your poetic ideas, and/or your own works for sharing.

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma--Yarn Wrapped Rainbow Craft

ADULTS & TEENS Saturday, June 28 at 2 p.m. We'll use yarn or thread to wrap around cord in this project that comes together easily and is delightfully colorful. All materials and supplies are provided.

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be

In honor of Immigrant

reading "Salt Houses"

Heritage Month we'll be

found via Meetup.

Tuesday, June 24

at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 11 at 5 p.m. Create a functional flower press out of

Flower Press | ADULTS & TEENS

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma--Book

old books, cardboard, and paper. All materials and supplies are provided.

Pierce Transit Careers Tabling

ADULTS | Thursday, June 12 at 10 a.m. Join Pierce Transit as we help you "check out" a career in Public Transportation.

Crafting Community | ADULTS

Friday, June 20 at 3:30 p.m. Come together to create, connect, and celebrate community through hands-on creativity. Bring your personal projects and share in the art of making, or use the provided crafting supplies.

Tile Painting with Alcohol Inks

ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, June 21 at 3 p.m. Freestyle your own design or use one of the fun stencils we will have available. All supplies are provided.

Learn to Play Mah Jongg | ADULTS

Wednesday, June 25 at 12:30 p.m. Open to all levels, these sessions will introduce you to the fundamentals, strategies, and social aspects of the game.

Just for Teens • • •

by Hala Alyan.

Switch Saturday | GRADES 6-12 Saturday, June 14 at 12 p.m. Bring your Nintendo Switch or your favorite handheld console. No Switch? No problem! Use ours, loaded with Smash Bros, Minecraft, Overcooked, and tons more!

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

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Fridays at 11 a.m. | June 6, 13, 20, 27 Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Traveling through Time with Trees: Exploring Living Fossils with Sarah Low | ALL AGES

Wednesday, June 11 at 12:30 p.m. During this talk, we will travel back in time as far as 290 million years ago to discover the trees that weathered time. Presented by Tacoma Tree Foundation and Strategic Nature, LLC, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Closures • • • • • •

All Tacoma Public Library locations will be closed on Thursday, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth.



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