

July Children and Family Events

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Moore Library

215 South 56th Street

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Summer Reading Challenge
June 21-August 16

Storytimes • • • • •

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Family Storytime and Petite Picasso
ALL AGES | Saturday at 11 a.m.
July 5, 19
Start with stories, songs, and other fun learning activities designed to develop literacy and then enjoy art-making fun!

¡Cuentos y Cantos! Bilingual Storytime
ALL AGES | Saturdays at 11 a.m.
July 12, 26
¡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!

Games and Clubs • • • • •

Brick by Brick LEGO Club
GRADES K–5 | Saturday, July 12 at 3 p.m.
Free build to your heart's content!

Closures • • • • •

All Tacoma Public Library locations will be closed on Friday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Other In-Person Events • • • •

Up and Atom STEAM Days
GRADES K–8 | Wednesdays at 4 p.m.
Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- July 2: Pride Crafts
- July 9: With Tacoma Astronomical Society and the Moon!
- July 16: K'Nex Levers and Pulleys
- July 23: Cooking Up Compost with Solid Waste Management
- July 30: Squid Dissection with Harbor WildWatch

Shark Week
GRADES K–8 | July 8–12
Each day there will be different shark themed crafts and activities in the children's area. Complete the shark week word scramble or try your hand at our shark toss for an extra prize!

Thistle Theatre Presents: Brother Coyote and Sister Fox | ALL AGES
Saturday, July 26 at 11 a.m.
Join us for a special performance from Thistle Theater! In this delightful and hilarious adaptation of a Mexican folktale...Brother Coyote wants one thing and one thing only, to catch and eat one of Doña Conchita's plump chickens.

Switch Saturday | ALL AGES
Saturday, July 26 at 3 p.m.
Bring your Nintendo Switch, or your favorite handheld console. No Switch? No problem, use one of ours!

Online Events • • • • •

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES
online (Zoom) | Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Registration required.
Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

System-Wide Events • • • • •

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!

Summer Reading Scavenger Hunt
GRADES K–8 | All Locations
Join us July 22–August 16 to complete a fun scavenger hunt inside the library!

Craftopia Program Kits
AGES 3+ | All locations

- Star Magnets: pick up starting Friday, July 11
- Pinwheels: pick up starting Fri., July 18
- Hanging Yarn Charms: pick up starting Friday, July 25

Around Town • • • • •

Beach Walks with Harbor WildWatch
ALL AGES | Tour the parks at low tide to catch a glimpse of the ocean ecosystem and learn good beach etiquette.

- Wednesday, July 9 at 10 a.m.: Jack Hyde Park (1741 N. Schuster Pkwy.)
- Saturday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m.: Owen Beach (5605 Owen Beach Road)



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July Adult and Teen Events

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Book Clubs • • • • •

Read and Rant: The South Sound's LGBTQ+ Book Club | ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, July 12 at 11 a.m.

Join us for a monthly discussion with South Sound LGBTQ+ Book Club. July's title is "Coming Home" by Brittany Griner.

Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

online (Zoom) | *Registration required.*

Wednesday, July 30 at 6:30 p.m.

July's title is "Old Man's War" by John Scalzi.

In-Person Events • • • • •

Housing Justice Project | ADULTS

Tuesdays at 1 p.m. | July 1, 15

Bring your housing issues to this walk-in clinic! Presented by Tacomaprobono's Housing Justice Project.

Social Work Support with Samie

ADULTS & TEENS | Wed., 1:30–5:30 p.m.

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

TPL's Social Worker can assist with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, VA, employment, behavioral health, McKinney Vento or student support, and more!

Free Shower Service with New Hope Resource Center | ADULTS

Wednesdays, 12–5 p.m. | July 2, 16

A mobile shower trailer will be available in the library parking lot, with drop-in programs and resources offered in our meeting room while you wait.

D&D Adventure Craft | ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, July 9 at 6 p.m.

Come make your own set of ruin stones! Adventure begins at your library with magic, mystery, and secrets all found with Dungeons & Dragons.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Thursday, July 10 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Drop-In Genealogy Help | ADULTS

Thursday, July 10 1–3 p.m.

Volunteers from the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society will offer individual help with genealogy research.

Music aLIVE Concert Series | ADULTS

Friday, July 18 at 4 p.m.

Join us for a toe-tapping, soul-soothing hour of live folk music! Whippoorwill Arts will be bringing the good vibes, the sweet harmonies, and all the summertime feels.

PRIDE: Drag Bingo! | ADULTS

Saturday, July 19 at 12:30 p.m.

Play bingo with good laughs and cute prizes! Join our Drag Queen Bingo starring the fabulous Love Spell Sutra!

Making a Flag Book | ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, July 19 at 3 p.m.

Calling all paper crafters! Join us to make a flag book. All materials will be provided.

The Ugly Art Workshop | ADULTS

Tuesday, July 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Break down the mental barriers of perfectionism and your inner critic by making intentionally ugly art. Presented by Scribe and Sunshine.

Typing Club | ADULTS & TEENS

Thursday, July 24 at 11 a.m.

Use typing tutorials designed for beginning keyboard users.

Around Town • • • • •

A Walk Through Neon | ADULTS

Registration required.

Tuesday, July 15 at 4 p.m.

Tacoma Art Museum (1701 Pacific Ave.)

Join Pretty Gritty Tours to learn about the city's history with neon and explore Tacoma's bright future.

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be found via Meetup.

Tuesday, July 29 at 7 p.m.

In honor of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month we'll be reading "Middlesex" by Jeffrey Eugenides.

Just for Teens • • • • •

Teen Time | Tuesdays at 4 p.m.

Middle and high school students are invited to play games, work on homework, or make a craft.

- July 1: General
- July 8: Shark Week!
- July 15: Zine Zone!
- July 22: General
- July 29: Manga Club



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