

# July Children and Family Events

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**Mottet Library**

3523 East G Street

**COLOR OUR WORLD™**

**Summer Reading Challenge**  
**June 21-August 16**

## Storytimes •••••

### Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

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 | Thursdays at 4 p.m.

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- July 3: Summer Watercolors
- July 10: Sidewalk Chalk
- July 17: Craft Stick Dragonflies
- July 24: Family Game Night
- July 31: Georgia O'Keeffe Flower Art

### Magic Wands with Craftopia

GRADES K-5 | Friday, July 18 at 4 p.m.

Discover the power within you and create your own unique magic wand. Choose from glue, clay, paint and ribbon, add a wooden topper, then finish it all off with some extra sparkle and bling.

## Closures •••••

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



*Beach Walks with Harbor WildWatch.*

## Online Events •••••

*Registration required.*

### Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES

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

July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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 Friday, 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 • • • • •

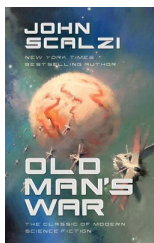
### Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

online (Zoom)

Registration required.

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

Join us online to discuss speculative books from across genres. July's title is "Old Man's War" by John Scalzi.



## In-Person Events • • • • •

### Coiled Fabric Baskets with Craftopia

Registration required.

ADULTS | Tuesday, July 1 at 5 p.m.

Learn the basics of creating your very own basket! Select from a variety of supplies including rope and cord, pick your fabric, then build your basket.

### Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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

### Social Work Support with Samie

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesdays, 1:30–5:30 p.m. | July 1, 15, 29

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!

### Wisdom Cafe | ADULTS

Thursday, July 3 at 11 a.m.

Let's gather to connect, share stories, and learn from each other. Together, we'll explore a variety of topics and create lasting connections.

### Birding the Rainbow | ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, July 9 at 2 p.m.

Learn about some of our local and migratory birds and habitats while exploring how a rainbow of colors and patterns are used by wild birds for display, courtship, and camouflage.

### Adult Nintendo Night: Mario Kart

ADULTS | Thursday, July 10 at 4 p.m.

Ready, set, race! Join us for a fun-filled evening of Mario Kart and friendly competition. Bring your best as we battle it out on the big screen.

### Crochet Connection with Debra

ADULTS & TEENS

Saturday, July 19 at 3 p.m.

Join us for crochet fun with simple projects. Patterns will be provided.

### Millennial Lotería: Y2K Edition

ADULTS | Thursday, July 24 at 4 p.m.

Throw it back to the 2000s with a special Y2K edition of Millennial Lotería! Join us for an evening filled nostalgic throwbacks and a fun filled evening.

### Fairy Garden Wands | ADULTS

Thursday, July 31 at 4 p.m.

Add a little sparkle to your garden or plant pots with handmade beaded garden stakes! Design your own colorful garden wands, all supplies provided.

## 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.

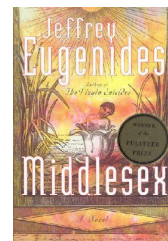
### Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

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 • • • • •

### Switch Fridays

Friday, July 25 at 3:30 p.m.

Bring your Nintendo Switch or your favorite handheld console. No Switch? No problem! Use ours, loaded with Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and more.



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