

# July Children and Family Events

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**Summer Reading Challenge**

**June 21-August 16**

## Storytimes • • • • •

### Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

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

## Games and Clubs • • • • •

### Brick by Brick LEGO Club | GRADES K-5

Wednesdays at 4 p.m. | July 2, 30

Build a LEGO creation around the theme, or free build to your heart's content!

## Other In-Person Events • • • • •

### Up and Atom STEAM Days

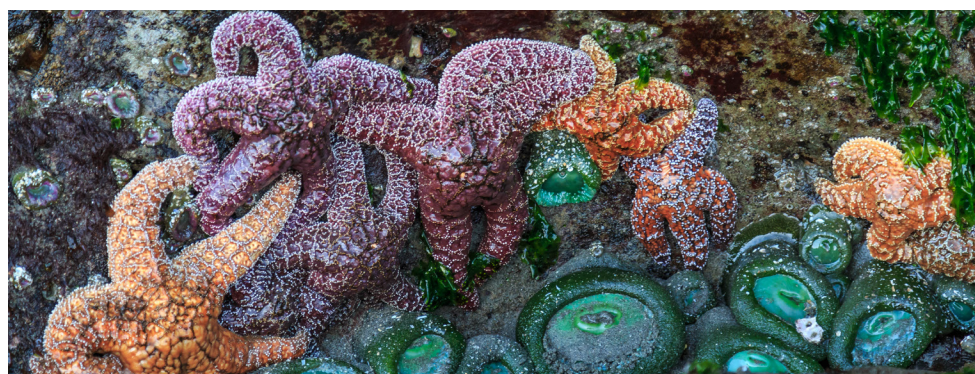
GRADES K-8 | Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- July 1: Fireworks Salt Painting
- July 8: Noisemakers with Tacoma Porchfest
- July 15: Paper Plate Shark Weaving Craft
- July 22: Pride Perler Beads
- July 29: Swirly Rainbow Paper Craft

## Closures • • • • •

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



*Beach Walks with Harbor WildWatch.*

### STEAM Day with Greentrike

PRE-K-GRADE 5

Wednesday, July 16 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.

## 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 • • • • •

### Swasey Book Club

ADULTS | Tuesday July 15 at 6:30 p.m.  
July's selection is "The Last Murder at the End of the World" by Stuart Turton.

### 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 • • • • •

### Learn to Play Mah Jongg | ADULTS

*Registration required.*  
Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. | July 2, 9, 30  
Open to all levels, these sessions will introduce you to the fundamentals, strategies, and social aspects of the game.

### Español/English Chat Group | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 4 p.m. | July 3, 17  
Any level of knowledge is welcome to participate in this language exchange. Cualquier nivel de conocimiento es bienvenido a participar en este intercambio de idiomas.

### Crafting with Remakery Tacoma--Junk

**Journals** | ADULTS & TEENS  
Wednesday, July 9 at 5 p.m.  
Use found and salvaged paper materials to make a personalized journal with a creative cover. All supplies are provided.

### Blood Drive with Bloodworks Northwest

ADULTS | Friday, July 11, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
Visit [bloodworksnw.org/giveblood](http://bloodworksnw.org/giveblood) or scan the QR code to book your appointment.



### Hands-Only CPR Basics | ALL AGES

Friday, July 11 at 1 p.m.  
Join us for a presentation from the American Red Cross and learn how to provide life-saving CPR.

### Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Fridays at 11 a.m. | July 11, 18, 25  
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more

### Building Bridges: Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Healing Circle

ADULTS | Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.  
July 12, 19, 26 | Trained facilitators will lead us in exercises that address societal issues and allow for personal and group reflection.

### Creative Expressions: Open Crafting for Adults | ADULTS

Friday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m.  
Bring your own projects or use the provided crafting supplies.

### Memory Wellness | ADULTS

Wednesday, July 23 at 2 p.m.  
Join Pierce Co. Aging and Disability Resources to discuss brain health, delirium vs. dementia, and tips and tricks to help you protect your brain health.

### Community Information Session -

### Sesion de Información Comunitaria

ADULTS | Wednesday, July 23 at 5:30 p.m.  
Immigration information in Washington State. Información de inmigración en el estado de Washington. Led by Intercultural Collaborations.

### UV Resin Charms with Craftopia

ADULTS | Tuesday, July 29 at 5:30 p.m.  
*Registration required.*  
Use UV resin to customize two charms for necklaces, earrings, or keychains.

### A Gathering of Poets | ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, July 30 at 6 p.m.  
Come visit with the poets of #VoicesofTacoma.

## 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.

### Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Event details can be found via Meetup.  
Tuesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. | Join us to discuss "Middlesex" by Jeffrey Eugenides.

## Just for Teens • • • • •

### Switch Saturday | GRADES 6–12

Saturday, July 12 at 12 p.m.  
Bring your Nintendo Switch or favorite handheld console. No Switch? No problem! Use ours, loaded with Smash Bros, Minecraft, and tons more!



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