

August Children and Family Events

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South Tacoma Library

3411 South 56th Street

COLOR OUR WORLD™

Summer Reading Challenge

June 21-August 16

Storytimes •••••

Family Storytime | ALL AGES

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

August 7, 14, 21, 28

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

Baby Storytime | BIRTH-18 MOS.

Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.

August 7, 14, 21, 28

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

Other In-Person Events ••••

Up and Atom STEAM Days

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

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- August 7: Ice Cream Dance Party
- August 14: Balloon-Powered Cars
- August 21: Sunshine Detectives: UV Bracelets
- August 28: Crystal Creators: Salt Sculptures

Online Events •••••

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES

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

August 5, 12, 19, 26

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



Nature Walk in Blueberry Park



System-Wide Events •••••

Summer Reading Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-8 | All Locations

July 22-August 16

Back to School Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-8 | All Locations

August 19-September 13

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | All locations

- Mini Sailboats: pick up starting Friday, Aug. 8
- Paper Fish: pick up starting Friday, Aug. 15
- Circle Weaving: pick up starting Friday, Aug. 29

Closures •••••

All Tacoma Public Library locations will be closed on Saturday, Aug. 30, in observance of Labor Day.

Around Town •••••

Nature Walk in Blueberry Park with Tacoma Nature Center | ALL AGES

Charlotte's Blueberry Park (7402 East D St.) | Friday, Aug. 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Discover the plants and animals that thrive in this park and learn how they adapt to the changing seasons.

Storytime at Proctor Community Garden | PRE-K-GRADE 5

Proctor Community Garden (2102 N. Proctor St.) | Saturday, Aug. 9 at 11 a.m. Bring your own blanket and join us to for stories and garden activities.

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

Saturday, Aug. 23 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 the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates.



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August Adult and Teen Events



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Book Clubs •••••

Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS
online (Zoom)
Registration required.
Wednesday, August 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us online to discuss speculative books from across genres. August's title is "Binti" by Nnedi Okorafor.

In-Person Events •••••

Disability Social Hour | ADULTS
Friday, Aug. 1 at 11 a.m.
The South Tacoma Library is inviting people living with disabilities to get the information they need for college! Representatives from Clover Park Technical College will be available to discuss going to school, what accommodations you have available to you, and help with filling out your FAFSA forms and applications. We will also have an advocate from the Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center to will provide information and additional resources.

Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS
Friday, Aug. 1, 2-4 p.m.
Stop by for free, drop-in help, information and resources from Tacomaprobono!

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS
Fridays at 3 p.m. | August 1, 15, 29
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching, navigating apps, and more.

Appy Hour | ADULTS
Friday, Aug. 8 at 3 p.m.
Join us to discuss, share, and learn about the variety of online resources TPL has to offer.

Social Work Support with Samie
ADULTS & TEENS
Saturdays, 1:30-5:30 p.m.
August 9, 23
TPL's Social Worker can assist with a variety of needs related to housing, shelter, domestic violence, VA, employment, and more!

Basic Computer Skills | ADULTS
Friday, Aug. 15 at 12 p.m.
Registration required: call 253-593-6641 ext 142 or scan the QR code to register online. Join instructors from Black Brilliance to explore the basic hardware of a computer and gain essential knowledge. Those who complete the workshop can apply for a free laptop. This program is funded by Pierce County Digital Literacy and Digital Equity Services.



Brushes of Wisdom | ADULTS
Wednesday, Aug. 20 at 12:30 p.m.
Follow step-by-step printed instructions or DIY to create your own masterpieces.

Computer Skills Practice | ADULTS
Friday, Aug. 22 at 3 p.m.
Learn something new or brush-up on an old favorite!

Community Information Session | Sesión de Información Comunitaria
ADULTS | Saturday, Aug. 23 at 4 p.m.
Led by Intercultural Collaborations, the session will cover key protections for all people regardless of status, strategies for responding in different scenarios, and concrete steps to support the community. Dirigido por Intercultural Collaborations, se abordarán protecciones fundamentales para todas las personas sin importar su estatus, estrategias para responder en diferentes escenarios y pasos concretos para apoyar a la comunidad.

Around Town •••••

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+
Event details can be found via Meetup. Tuesday, August 26 at 7 p.m.
In August we'll be reading "Orbital" by Samantha Harvey.

Just for Teens •••••

Teen Time | Wednesdays at 5 p.m.
August 6, 13, 20, 27
Middle and high school students are invited to play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

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