

August Children and Family Events

Join the Summer Reading Challenge online using the Beanstack app or pick up a paper log at the library to track your progress, earn prizes, and more! All events are free and open to the public; library card not required. For full event details, visit tacomalibrary.org.



Wheelock Library

3722 North 26th Street

COLOR OUR WORLD™
Summer Reading Challenge
June 21-August 16

Storytimes • • • • •

Storytime on the Lawn: Family

ALL AGES | Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

August 8, 15, 22, 29

Join us on the lawn for stories, rhymes, and songs! Bring Your Own Blanket.

Storytime on the Lawn: Baby

18–36 MONTHS | Fridays at 11:30 a.m.

August 8, 15, 22, 29

Encourage emerging language skills with books, rhymes, music and fun. Bring Your Own Blanket.

Games and Clubs • • • • •

Family Chess Club | GRADES K–5

Wednesdays at 4 p.m. | August 6, 13, 20

Players of all experience levels can learn from an experienced chess coach. Meet at the tables behind the Reference Desk.

Pokémon League | GRADES K–8

Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 4 p.m.

Players of all experience levels can learn from an experienced chess coach.

Other In-Person Events • • • •

Eric Ode Music | PRE-K–GRADE 5

Friday, Aug. 1 at 11 a.m.

Join Eric Ode (pronounced Oh-dee) for an upbeat, high-participation program bubbling over with interactive music, stories, skits, poetry, props and puppets.

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: Let's Explore Ed Emberley - Fingerprint Artwork
- August 14: Let's Get Abstract!
- August 21: Cooking Up Compost with Solid Waste Management
- August 28: Snap Circuits with TPU

STEAM Day with Greentrike

PRE-K–GRADE 5

Wednesday, Aug. 27 at 4 p.m.

Bring the whole family together to explore concepts of science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Presented by Greentrike, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

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.

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

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 read a story and decorate a pot to grow our own basil seeds.

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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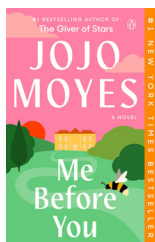
Book Clubs • • • • •

Wheelock Book Club

ADULTS

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

Join us to discuss "Me Before You" by JoJo Moyes.



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 • • • • •

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Saturdays at 11 a.m. | Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23,
Wednesdays at 1 p.m. | Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Closures • • • • •

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

Seed Saving



WSU EXTENSION
Pierce County



Seed Saving | ADULTS

Wednesday, Aug. 13 at 5:30

Join WSU Master Gardeners and discover the secrets to harvesting your own seeds!

Wisdom Cafe | ADULTS

Thursday, Aug. 14 at 1 p.m.

Join us for conversation and camaraderie as we discuss universal topics about life, fulfillment, and aging at this monthly program. All are welcome!

Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS

Friday, Aug. 15, 2-4 p.m.

Stop by for free, drop-in help, information and resources from Tacomaprobono!

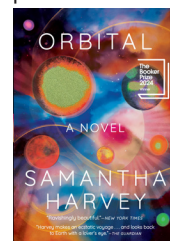
Around Town • • • • •

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.



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