September

Children and Family Events

Wheelock Library 3722 North 26th Street

Storytimes •

Baby Storytime | BIRTH-18 MOS. Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. September 4, 11, 18, 25 Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Family Storytime | ALL AGES Fridays at 10:30 a.m. September 5, 12 Join us for stories, songs, and fun learning activities that the whole family can enjoy.

Family Storytime and Petite Picasso

ALL AGES | Friday, Sept. 26 at 10:30 a.m. Start with stories, songs, and other fun learning activities. Then stay and create little masterpieces and join us for some process art-making fun!

Games and Clubs • •

Pokémon League

AGES 6-YOUNG ADULT Wednesdays at 4 p.m. September 3, 17 Grab your Pokemon deck or DS and join us! All levels welcome.

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.

- September 4: Balloon-Powered Cars with LeMay - America's Car Museum, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates
- September 11: Leaf Sprite Craft
- September 18: Hojalata (Mexican Tin Art)
- September 25: El Coqui Frog Craft



Family STEAM Night with Greentrike

GRADES K-5 | Wed., Sept. 24 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. September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

System-Wide Events •

Back to School Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-8 | All Locations August 19-September 13

Latine/x Heritage Month Scavenger Hunt | GRADES K-8 | All Locations
September 15-October 15

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | All Locations

- Mini Balloons: Pick up starting Friday, Sept. 5
- Paint Prints: Pick up starting Friday, Sept. 12
- Paper Roll Cats: Pick up starting Friday, Sept. 26

Around Town • • •

Storytime at Proctor Community Garden | ALL AGES

Saturday, Sept. 6 at 11 a.m.
(2102 North Proctor Street)
We will read a story and then try our hand at growing our own lettuce or spinach.

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

Saturday, Sept. 13 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.





September

Adult and Teen Events

Book Clubs • • • • • • •

Wheelock Book Club | ADULTS Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. Join us for a discussion of "The Maltese Falcon" by Dashiel Hammett.

Online Events • • • • •

Registration required.

Other Worlds: Online Speculative
Fiction Book Club | ADULTS
online (Zoom) | Registration required.
Wednesday, Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us online to discuss "The House in

the Cerulean Sea" by TJ Klune.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers | ADULTS online (Zoom) | Registration required. Saturday, Sept. 27 at 4 p.m. This is a great opportunity to work on your own project, share ideas, meet new people, and show-and-tell the things you have made.

In-Person Events • • • • • •

Learn to Play Mah Jongg | ADULTS *Registration required.*Fridays at 12:30 p.m. | Sept. 5, 12, 26 These sessions will introduce you to the basics of the game.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS Saturdays at 11 a.m. | Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27 Wednesdays at 1 p.m. | Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24 Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Imagining the Future: A Speculative Fiction Writing Workshop with Tara Campbell | ADULTS

Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 5 p.m. This workshop will empower participants to start imagining—and writing—the world of the future. Presented with Humanities Washington.

Wisdom Cafe | ADULTS

Thursday, Sept. 11 at 1 p.m.

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

Genealogy Help Desk | ADULTS Thursday, Sept. 11, 1–3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13 11 a.m.– p.m. Get help with genealogy research from the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society (TPCGS).

Keep the Color Coming Back | ADULTS Saturday, Sept. 13 at 11 a.m.
Don't say goodbye to your favorite annuals each fall! Join the Master Gardeners to learn about simple, effective methods to overwinter begonias and geraniums so you can enjoy them year after year.

Medicare 101: Educational Seminar ADULTS | Wednesday, Sept. 17, 6:30 p.m. Learn all about Medicare at this free seminar.

Blood Drive with Bloodworks Northwest | ADULTS

Friday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Visit bloodworksnw.org/giveblood or scan the QR code to book your one hour appointment.



Registration required.
Saturday, Sept. 20 at 4 p.m.
Join us for a chance to help bring to life an inclusive mural celebrating the diversity and connection of the Tacoma community! Presented by Elements of Education Partners, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

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Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS Friday, Sept. 26, 2–4 p.m. Stop by for free, drop-in help, information, and resources from Tacomaprobono!

Tacoma Reads + Building Bridges: Community Game Night | 21+
Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 6 p.m.
Peaks & Pints (3816 North 26th St.)
You are invited to gather and play a specially designed card game that sparks friendship, community, and authentic dialogue.

Poetry in the Park: Guided Walks
ADULTS & TEENS | Connect with nature
on guided poetry walks. Presented with
Tahoma Bird Alliance.

- Tacoma Nature Center (1919 S.
 Tyler St.): Wed., Sept. 10 at 4 p.m.
- Point Defiance Park Native Plant Garden (5400 N. Pearl St.): Saturday, Sept. 13 at 3 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 25 at 3 p.m.

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+

Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. Peaks & Pints (3816 North 26th St.) Join us to discuss the Tacoma Reads 2025 selection, "See No Stranger" by Valarie Kaur.



Just for Teens • • •

Teen Time | Tuesdays at 2:15 p.m. September 9, 16, 23, 30 Middle and high school students are invited to play games, work on homework, or make a craft.



All events are free and open to the public; library card not required. Some events may require registration.



