

December

Children and Family Events

**Swasey
Library**
7001 Sixth Avenue

Storytimes • • • • •

Baby Storytime | BIRTH–18 MOS.
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.
December 3, 10, 17, 31
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.

Games and Clubs • • • • •

Brick by Brick LEGO Club
GRADES K–5 | Fridays at 4 p.m.
December 5, 19
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.

- December 2: Straw Connectors
- December 9: Exploring Outer Space
- December 16: Ice Experiments
- December 23: Winter Wonderland Science
- December 30: STEM Into the New Year!

Play to Learn | BABY AND PRE-K
Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
December 4, 11, 18
For children and caregivers to enjoy play together. Presented by Greentrike, funded by Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Annie's Little Linguistics | AGES 5–12
Saturdays at 12 p.m. | December 6, 13
Students from Annie Wright will lead youth ages 5 through 12 through an exploration of a language's basic vocabulary while doing fun and engaging activities such as crafts, sing-a-longs, and more. Languages include Spanish, French, Mandarin, Ukrainian, Polish, Vietnamese, and Japanese.



**WINTER
READING
CHALLENGE**

DECEMBER 6 – JANUARY 3

GRADES K-8

Scan the QR code to sign up online, or pick up a paper log at your neighborhood library!

Act the Story with Tacoma Musical Playhouse | GRADES K–5
Saturday, Dec. 6 at 3 p.m.
This class will teach basic acting skills through character, movement/dance, and performance work based on popular books. Presented by Tacoma Musical Playhouse, 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.
December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

Holiday Schedule • • • • •

All Tacoma Public Libraries will be closed:

- Wednesday, Dec. 24
- Thursday, Dec. 25
- Thursday, Jan. 1

All locations will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.:

- Wednesday, Dec. 31

System-Wide Events • • • • •

Winter Reading Challenge
GRADES K–8
All locations and online (Beanstack)
December 6–January 3
Sign up online using the Beanstack app or pick up a paper log at your neighborhood library!

Around Town • • • • •

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2–8
Saturday, Dec. 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.



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Adult and Teen Events

Online Events • • • • •

Knitty Gritty Stitchers | ADULTS
online (Zoom) | *Registration required.*
Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 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 • • • • •

Community Compass | ADULTS
Wednesdays, 4:30–7:30 p.m.
December 3, 10, 17, 31
Drop-in to connect with UWT's Master of Social Work Practicum Students. They will be happy to listen and assist patrons with general support and resource navigation.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS
Fridays at 11 a.m.
December 5, 12, 19, 26
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching, and more.

Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department Pop-Up | ADULTS
Friday, Dec. 5, 2–5 p.m.
Learn about local health resources, services, and programs available to you and your family. Whether you're curious about wellness, prevention, or community support, their team will be here to answer questions and share helpful information.

Korean Pickled Vegetables | ADULTS
Registration required.
Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 12:30 p.m.
Join local pickling expert and enthusiast for a FREE food pickling workshop. Following the demonstration, you will know how to reduce food waste and how to recreate two different styles of Korean pickled vegetables.

Español/English Chat Group
ADULTS & TEENS
Tuesdays at 6 p.m. | December 9, 23
Any level of knowledge is welcome. Cualquier nivel de conocimiento es bienvenido a participar en este intercambio de idiomas.

Crafting with Remakery Tacoma: Hand-Tied Fleece Blanket | ADULTS & TEENS
Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 5 p.m.
We will take fleece materials and learn how to make them into a blanket by hand tying them together. All supplies provided.

Wisdom Café | ADULTS
Friday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m.
Join us for conversation and camaraderie as we discuss universal topics about life, fulfillment, and aging.

Tacoma Light Trail Lanterns | ALL AGES
Saturday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m.
Make your own lantern or luminary from sustainable materials for the Dragon Light Parades and the Tacoma Light Trail! Presented by Tacoma Light Trail, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

A Gathering of Poets
ADULTS & TEENS | Wed., Dec. 17 at 6 p.m.
Come visit with the poets of #VoicesofTacoma!

Creative Expressions: Open Crafting for Adults | ADULTS
Friday, Dec. 19 at 3:30 p.m.
Join fellow craft enthusiasts! Bring your own project or use provided supplies.

Crescent Moon Wall Hanging with Craftopia | ADULTS
Registration required.
Saturday, Dec. 20 at 11 a.m.
Create your own crescent moon wall/door hanging using supplied materials.

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Around Town • • • • •

Books on Tap Book Club | 21+
Tuesday, Dec. 30 at 7 p.m.
Narrows Brewing
(9007 S. 19th Street)
Bring one or two of your 2025 favorites to share with the group.

Just for Teens • • • • •

Teen Time | GRADES 6–12
Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m.
December 3, 10, 17
Meet new friends, relax, play games, work on homework, or make a craft. We'll do something different each time!

Switch Saturday | GRADES 6–12
Saturday, Dec. 13 at 12 p.m.
Bring your Switch or other handheld console, or use ours!

Teen RPG! | GRADES 6–12
Saturday, Dec 27 at 4 p.m.
Dive into a world of magic, mystery, and danger! No experience necessary.

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