January

Children and Family Events

Storytimes •

Family Storytime | ALL AGES Wednesdays at 6 p.m. January 7, 14, 21, 28 Join us for stories, songs, and fun learning activities that the whole family can enjoy.

Online Events • •

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES online (Zoom) | Tuesdays at 7 p.m. January 6, 13, 20, 27 Come join us for an evening of stories, activities, and songs.

System-Wide Events • •

Space Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-8

All Locations | January 2–31 Learn about the planets circling our solar system and earn a prize!

Around Town •

Studio and Storytime with Tacoma Art Museum | AGES 2-8 Saturday, Jan. 10 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.

Holiday Schedule • • • • •

All Tacoma Public Libraries will be closed:

- Thursday, January 1
- Saturday, January 17



Studio and Storytime at Tacoma Art Museum



Family Storytime at Mottet Library



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





January

Adult and Teen Events

Online Events • • •

Registration required.

2025 WSBA Winner Katrina Carrasco in Conversation with Marcus Harrison

Green | ADULTS | online (Zoom)
Wednesday, Jan 14 at 6 p.m.
Winner of the 2025 Washington
State Book Award for Fiction, Katrina
Carrasco's "Rough Trade," brings
readers into the vivid,
rough-and-tumble
world of the late-1800s
PNW. Presented by the
Washington Center
for the Book, TPL's
Northwest Room, and
Charlie's Queer Books.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers | ADULTS

online (Zoom)
Wednesday, Jan. 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 24 at 4 p.m.
Work on your own project, share ideas,
meet new people, and show-and-tell the
things you have made.

New Year Organizing: What to KEEP When Decluttering in 2026

ADULTS | online (Zoom) Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 6 p.m. Join expert organizer and author Jamie Novak for tips on what to toss while decluttering.

Other Worlds: Online Speculative Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

online (Zoom)

Wednesday, Jan. 28 at 6:30 p.m. Join us online to discuss speculative books from across genres. Title TBD.

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In-Person Events •

Mottet Book Sale | ALL AGES January 20–24

Whether you're starting a collection or looking for your next favorite read, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Every purchase supports the Summer Reading Challenge.

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Tuesdays at 6 p.m.
January 6, 13, 20, 27
Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching and MS Office programs, navigating apps, and more.

Wisdom Cafe | ADULTS

Thursday, Jan. 8 at 12 p.m. Let's gather to connect, share stories, and learn from each other. Together, we'll explore a variety of topics and create lasting connections.

Free Legal Aid Pop-Ups | ADULTS

Friday, Jan. 9, 2–4 p.m. Do you need help with a landlord-tenant issue? Stop by for free, drop-in help, information, and resources from Tacomaprobono.

Crochet Connection with Debra

ADULTS & TEENS Saturday, Jan. 10 at 3 p.m. Do you like to crochet or are you just starting out? Join us for crochet fun with

Snowflake Sun Catchers | ADULTS

simple projects.

Thursday, Jan. 15 at 4 p.m. Join us for a relaxing paper craft. Create your own snowflake sun catcher and bring a touch of winter light into your space.

Mottet Library

3523 East G Street

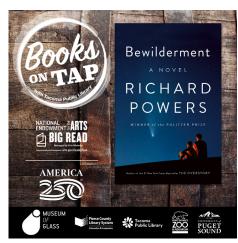
Adult Nintendo Night: Mario Party

ADULTS | Thursday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m. It's game night, Mario Party style! Take turns, team up, and battle through mini games in a night of classic Mario Party fun. Adults only, all skill levels welcome!

Paper Heart Hanging Craft | ADULTS

Thursday, Jan. 29 at 4 p.m. Join us for a relaxing Valentine's Day craft. Create a hanging paper heart decoration inspired by wind chimes. Cut, layer, and string paper hearts together to make a simple and sweet piece to hang at home.

Around Town •



Books on Tap: Big Read Edition | 21+

Tuesday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m.

Narrows Brewing
(9007 S. 19th Street)
In January we'll join the Museum of
Glass's citywide Big Read program to
read "Bewilderment," by Pulitzer Prizewinning author Richard Powers.
Funded by the National Endowment for

the Arts Big Read program.



