

May

Children and Family Events

**Swasey
Library**
7001 Sixth Avenue

Storytimes

Baby Storytime | BIRTH-18 MOS.

Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

May 6, 13, 20, 27

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.

May 1, 15

Build a LEGO creation around the theme, or free build to your heart's content!

Other In-Person Events

Read Across Tacoma with Vision253

ALL AGES | Saturday, May 2 at 11 a.m.

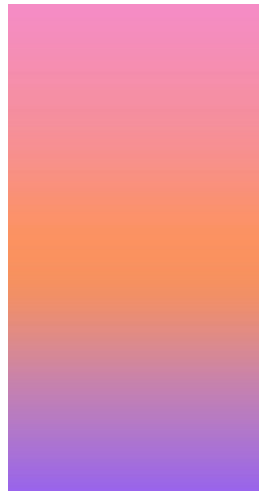
This event features free giveaway books by Black authors, activities including sing-a-longs and storytelling, and stepping lessons from Vision Step Team. Presented by Vision253, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Up and Atom STEAM Days

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

Join us to try out different STEAM and craft activities.

- May 5: What are the Chances? Exploring Probability
- May 12: 3D Doodle Creations
- May 19: Fibonacci Sequence Artwork
- May 26: Strawbees



Read Across Tacoma

with



Play to Learn | BABY & PRE-K

Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

May 7, 14, 21, 28

For children and caregivers to enjoy play together. Presented by Greentrike, funded by the City of Tacoma/Tacoma Creates, and hosted by TPL.

Wizard Wednesday with Wizards of WA

GRADES K-5

Wednesday, May 20 at 3:30 p.m.

Join Wizards of Washington as they bring magic to the library through stories, science, and art!

Online Events

Registration required.

Pajama Storytime | ALL AGES

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

May 5, 12, 19, 26

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

System-Wide Events

Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Cuisine Scavenger Hunt

GRADES K-5 | All Locations | May 1-30

Learn more about foods from Asia, the Pacific Islands, and Hawaii!

Craftopia Program Kits

AGES 3+ | All Locations

- Paper Strip Ice Cream Cones: Pick up starting Friday, May 8
- Light Bugs: Pick up starting Friday, May 15
- Beaded Jellyfish: Pick up starting Friday, May 22

Around Town

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

Saturday, May 9 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.

Closures

All Tacoma Public Libraries will be closed:

- Saturday, May 23
- Friday, May 29



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Adult and Teen Events

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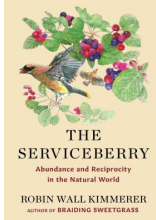
Book Clubs •••••

Swasey Book Club

ADULTS

Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us to discuss “The Serviceberry” by Robin Wall Kimmerer.



Online Events •••••

Registration required.

Knitty Gritty Stitchers | ADULTS

online (Zoom)

Wednesday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 30 at 4 p.m.

Work on your own project, share ideas, meet new people, and show-and-tell the things you have made.

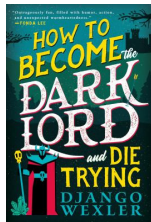
Other Worlds: Online Speculative

Fiction Book Club | ADULTS

online (Zoom)

Wednesday, May 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us online to discuss books from across genres. This month, we'll be discussing “How to Become the Dark Lord and Die Trying” by Django Wexler.



In-Person Events •••••

Drop-In Tech Help | ADULTS

Fridays at 11 a.m.

May 1, 8, 15, 22

Learn basic computer skills like email, web searching, and more.

Spring Plant & Seed Swap | ALL AGES

Saturday, May 2 at 3 p.m.

Bring clippings of your favorite house and garden plants and seeds to swap with fellow plant lovers.

Tacoma Queer Collective



You are not alone here

Tacoma Queer Collective | ADULTS

Wednesday, May 6 at 5 p.m.

Meet new folks, socialize, check in with each other, share resources, and have some fun with arts and crafts.

Wisdom Café | ADULTS

Friday, May 8 at 1 p.m.

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

Español/English Chat Group

ADULTS & TEENS

Tuesdays at 6 p.m. | May 12, 26

Any level of knowledge is welcome. Cualquier nivel de conocimiento es bienvenido a participar en este intercambio de idiomas.

Crafting with Remakery: Crochet a Ball

ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, May 13 at 5 p.m.

This workshop builds confidence with the terms and techniques for crocheting a 3D shape.

Community Compass

ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesdays, 5–7:30 p.m. | May 13, 27

Drop-in to connect with UWT's Master of Social Work practicum students. They can listen and assist patrons with general support and resource navigation.

Creative Expressions: Open Crafting for Adults | ADULTS

Friday, May 15 at 3:30 p.m.

Join fellow craft enthusiasts! Bring your own project or use provided supplies.

Poetry Examinations | ADULTS

Wednesday, May 20 at 6 p.m.

Join us to uncover poetry structures, techniques, and devices that lead to understanding from various perspectives. Facilitated by Michael Darcher.

A Gathering of Poets | ADULTS & TEENS

Wednesday, May 27 at 6 p.m.

Come visit with the poets of #VoicesofTacoma!

Around Town •••••

Books on Tap | 21+

Tuesday, May 26 at 7 p.m.

Parkway Tavern | 313 North I Street

Join us at Books on Tap to discuss “They Called Us Enemy,” by George Takei. This event is part of the One Book, One Coast reading program.



Just for Teens •••••

Teen Time | GRADES 6–12

Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m.

May 6, 13, 20, 27

Meet new friends, relax, play games, work on homework, or make a craft.

Switch Saturday | GRADES 6–12

Saturday, May 9 at 12 p.m.

Bring your Nintendo Switch, or your favorite handheld console. No Switch? No problem! Use ours!

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