

CERRITOS LIBRARY NEWS

Library Hours – Monday through Friday: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.

“Cerritos Library News” is a monthly publication with information about the activities, classes and presentations offered at Cerritos Library. “Cerritos Library News” is included in the City of Cerritos’ newsletter “The Cerritos News.” To receive “Cerritos Library News” via e-mail, send an e-mail message to cerritos_library@cerritos.us.

Cerritos Library is a popular learning destination for the entire community. To best serve patrons’ needs, advance registration is required for some Cerritos Library programs. Please see the information below to learn how and when to register for the programs which require registration. For more information, please call Cerritos Library at (562) 916-1388.

How to register

In order to register, patrons must be in the City’s class registration database **AND HAVE OBTAINED A FAMILY ACCOUNT ACCESS PIN NUMBER AND INDIVIDUAL FAMILY MEMBER PERSONAL NUMBERS.**

ON-LINE REGISTRATION TIPS

To check the availability or register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at www.cerritos.us and look for the on-line registration link. The program, **eConnect**, is best viewed with Internet Explorer. Before registering for classes on-line, print the eConnect User’s Guide for step-by-step instructions.

Only Visa and MasterCard will be accepted as payment. For additional information and/or to obtain the PIN numbers, please call the Library Reservation Desk at (562) 916-1388. Computers at the Cerritos Library may be used to access eConnect.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION

www.cerritos.us

Cerritos Resident on-line registration for all programs listed begins **Wednesday, December 1 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident on-line registration for all programs listed begins **Wednesday, December 8 at 10 a.m.**

*You will not receive confirmation by mail for classes registered on-line. Please print a receipt at the conclusion of your transaction and bring it with you to the first day of the event or class.

PHONE REGISTRATION

Call (562) 916-1388

Cerritos Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Thursday, December 2 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Wednesday, December 8 at 10 a.m.**

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Wednesday, December 1.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Wednesday, December 8.**

WALK-IN REGISTRATION TIPS

Walk-in registration for Library programs will be held at the Library Reservation Desk. Registration will continue until classes are full.

The following Library programs require advance registration:

STORYTIMES

Cerritos Library’s 30-45 minute Storytimes incorporate stories, audience participation and a book-related video, and will be held in the Little Theater. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

Mondays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under

161111 December 13

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Thursdays at 12 p.m. for ages 5 and under

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HOLIDAY PAJAMA PARTY

Children ages 7 to 11 are invited to join us for a Holiday Pajama Party on Friday, December 10. Storytellers will present lively stories, music, a movie and a craft. Children are encouraged to eat dinner before coming to the program and should wear their pajamas! Seating is limited to 25. The fee per child is \$5. No refunds will be given. For further information, please call (562) 916-1388.

161118 Fri., Dec. 10 6-9 p.m. Ages 7-11
Skyline Room



RESEARCH HELP FOR KIDS

Learn how to do research effectively in this hands-on class. Participants will learn how to use the Library’s on-line databases, which include Encyclopedia Britannica, Grolier Online, Kids InfoBits, Learning Express Library, Novelist and Social Studies Fact Cards. Seating is limited to 27 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

161119 Mon., Dec. 13 3:30 p.m. Ages 8-12
Hi-Tech Lab

HOLIDAY HOURS

In observance of Christmas, the Cerritos Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22 and will be closed from Thursday, December 23 through Sunday, December 26. In observance of New Year’s Day, the Cerritos Library will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 30 and will remain closed on Friday, December 31 and Saturday, January 1.

DRAWING FOR KIDS

Participants will learn basic art or drawing techniques in this hour-long hands-on class which is limited to 24 participants. For more information, please call (562) 916-1388.

161120 Tues., Dec. 14 3:45-4:45 p.m. Ages 7-11
Art Studio

DAVE BOATMAN’S CARTOON CLASS

During this educational, creative and interactive hour of cartoon instruction, Dave Boatman will present warm-up and imagination exercises, provide drawing tips and demonstrate various facial expressions in cartoons. This class will inspire and motivate students in their love of cartoons and drawing, and is limited to 50 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

161121 Tues., Dec., 21 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 7-12
Skyline Room

HOMEWORK TIME

Do your children need help with their homework? Cerritos Library offers Homework Time, an after-school homework help program for Cerritos resident students in grades 3 through 6. The sessions will run Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. in the Art Studio of the Children’s Library. Space is limited to 12 participants. Course fee is \$25. Parents must make sure that students bring to each class meeting their homework and a book to read or their library card to check out reading material. A parent or a designated individual is required to sign students in and out of each class meeting. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

161122 Mondays, January 3-February 14*

161123 Wednesdays, January 5-February 16

No class on Monday, January 17 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



The following Library programs do not require registration:

GLASS ARMONICA RECITAL

William Zeitler will perform classical pieces by Mozart and Beethoven along with several familiar songs on the glass armonica. Invented by Benjamin Franklin, this musical instrument uses a series of glass bowls or goblets graduated in size to produce musical tones by means of friction. Zeitler, who is one of the few musicians trained to perform on the armonica, will also talk about its history and answer questions.

Mon., Dec. 6 7 p.m. Skyline Room



AQUARIUM PROGRAM

Join us for the monthly aquarium study session for all ages and learn about the fish in the Library's aquarium. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Wed., Dec. 8 3:30 p.m. Aquarium

**FAMILY NIGHT/
HOLIDAY MAGIC SHOW**

Enjoy a Holiday Magic Show featuring magicians Rafael and Katia on Wednesday, December 8. This magical family program will teach children about reading and library services. Rafael and Katia have performed extensively and have made appearances on major Spanish television networks. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Wed., Dec. 8 7 p.m. All ages Skyline Room

SUNDAY MOVIE MATINEE

On Sunday, December 12, the film "A Christmas Carol" (2009) will be screened. This updated adaptation of the Charles Dickens classic features Jim Carrey in four separate roles. In the film, the old miser Scrooge must face the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Yet-to-Come. The spirits must help bring kindness to his otherwise cold heart and remind him of the man he used to be. This movie is rated PG and has a running time of 96 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Sun., Dec. 12 2 p.m. Skyline Room

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on craft featuring a holiday theme for children ages 2-12 will be held in the Art Studio on Friday, December 17. These "glue and go" crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. No registration is required. For more information, please call (562) 916-1343.

Fri., Dec. 17 11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Art Studio
Ages 2-12

PIANO RECITAL BY ALBER CHIEN

Award-winning pianist Alber Chien will present an evening of classical music on Friday, December 17 celebrating the 200th anniversary of the births of Frederic Chopin and Robert Schumann. He will also play Franz Liszt's Sonata in B minor in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of Liszt's birth coming in 2011. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Fri., Dec. 17 7 p.m. Skyline Room

MYSTERY ON THE MENU LUNCHEON

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will sponsor the seventh Mystery on the Menu luncheon on Saturday, January 29 between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Authors participating in the panel discussions and book signings include Shilpa Agarwal, Brett Battles, Susan Dunlap, Robert Fate, Bill Fitzhugh, Earlene Fowler, Tim Hallinan, Dorothy Howell, John Lescroart, Sheila Lowe, Gary Phillips, James R. Preston, John Shannon, Jeri Westerson and Paula Woods. Copies of the authors' books will be available for purchase. Admission is \$40 per person. Register early as seating is limited. To reserve your spot or for more information, call Janice Dawson at (562) 924-2474.

Sat., Jan. 29 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Skyline Room

**"A MORE PERFECT UNION"
CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS**

Contests in art, photography and poetry for students in grades kindergarten through 12 based on the theme "A More Perfect Union" are now under way. These contests are being held in honor of the Library's recent "We the People Bookshelf" award from the National Endowment for the Humanities. All entries must be original and based on the books in the We the People Bookshelf, which includes the titles "Tico and the Golden Wings," "The Great Little Madison," "Eagle Song," "Hitch" and "Twelve Angry Men." The complete booklist and entry forms with detailed information about the contests is available at the Children's Desk and on the Library's website. Entries must be turned in to the Children's Desk by Monday, January 10. Winning entries will be on display in the Library. For more information, contact Carrie Kurata at (562) 916-1349.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
ART & WRITING CONTESTS**

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the City of Cerritos is offering art and writing contests for students with Cerritos Library cards. The theme is "I Have a Dream. What can I do to promote equality, justice and peace in my community, neighborhood or school?" Only one entry is allowed per student per category. All entries must be turned in to the Children's Help Desk at the Library by Monday, January 3 at 9 p.m. The winning entries will be on display during the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony on Monday, January 17 and at the Library until the end of January.

Fliers and application forms are available at the Cerritos Library and other City facilities. For more information, call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389.

Art Contest

The Art Contest is open to students in grades K-12. Contestants are encouraged to create an imaginative picture using paints, crayons or any other medium. All artwork must be no larger than 12" x 18" and should not be mounted.

Writing Contest

The writing contest is open to students in grades 7-12. Entries, either a poem or an essay, must be original, no more than 300 words, and preferably typed on white letter-size paper.

EIGHTH ANNUAL ORCHID SHOW

The popular Orchid Show will be held Friday, February 25 through Sunday, February 27. A large variety of plants will be featured. If you are interested in exhibiting your orchid plants, photographs or paintings of orchids, please call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389 and reserve a spot before Friday, February 18.

Fri., Feb. 25-Sun., Feb. 27 Skyline Room

**SCIENCE ONLINE
DATABASE AVAILABLE**

Cerritos Library now offers the award-winning Science Online database from Facts on File. The comprehensive, curriculum-oriented overview of a broad range of scientific disciplines is organized by subject area and resource type. Users can follow an extensive network of hyperlinks and suggested searches to find the desired results. Science Online presents more than 1,000 science experiments and activities, as well as images, videos and animations. This useful resource for students and educators is now available in the Library. Cerritos Library card holders can access the database from home by visiting <http://catalog.ci.cerritos.ca.us>.

Library Displays



**ART OF THE BOOK:
INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS' BOOKS**

A selection of international artists' books spotlighting cultures around the world will be on display until the end of December. Poetry, fairy tales and prose in many languages are featured in these books, created with special types of paper, metal and a variety of other materials. This display is part of the ongoing showcase of the unique pieces from the Library's special collection of artists' books.

BARBIE DOLLS

A variety of special edition Barbie dolls will be on display in the Library's lobby area until the end of December. These beautiful dolls are from the collection of Brenda Sunio.

**INSPIRATION: PHOTOGRAPHS BY
KWI NAM CONNIE KIM**

Kwi Nam Connie Kim has captured the breathtaking beauty of nature in her photographs, which are on view in the Local History Museum through the end of December.

MILITARY MEMORABILIA

A variety of military items including photographs, medals, flags and pins is on display in the Young Adult area through the end of December. This special tribute to our country's armed forces was made possible by Allen Montgomery and Gabriel Sanchez.



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