

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 **Monday, February 1 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident on-line registration for all programs listed begins **Monday, February 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 **Tuesday, February 2 at 10 a.m.**

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Monday, February 1.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Monday, February 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

152549 February 22

152550 March 1

152551 March 8

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

152552 February 11

152553 February 18

152554 February 25

152555 March 4

CERAMIC PAINTING WORKSHOP

This workshop presented by Color Me Mine offers a wonderful opportunity for children to learn ceramic painting and make a Valentine’s gift for someone special. Participants will decorate a plate using non-toxic, lead-free paints. Seating is limited to 20. The fee per child is \$5. No refunds will be given. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

152556 Mon., Feb. 8 3:30-5 p.m. Ages 6-13
Skyline Room

CREATIVE WRITING FOR KIDS

At these workshops, children will learn various aspects of the creative writing process, including character, setting and plot. Each workshop is limited to 27 participants. For more information, please call (562) 916-1388.

Please register for only one of the following:

152559 Tues., Feb. 9 4-5 p.m. Ages 7-12
Hi-Tech Lab

152560 Thurs., Feb. 25 4-5 p.m. Ages 7-12
Hi-Tech Lab

AFTERNOON TRIVIA FOR KIDS

Kids, test your skills at a trivia game. Join the fun and answer questions related to math, history, science, entertainment and literature. This program is limited to 30 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

152257 Tues., Feb. 9 3:30 p.m. Ages 6-9
Little Theater

152258 Tues., Feb. 23 3:30 p.m. Ages 6-9
Little Theater

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, call (562) 916-1388.

152561 Tues., Feb. 16 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 7-11
Skyline Room

INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH TOOLS

Learn about the useful research tools the library offers in this interactive workshop. Various research tools relating to literature, business and periodicals will be explained. The workshop is limited to 27 participants.

152563 Tues., Feb. 16 4-5 p.m. Ages 12 and over
Hi-Tech Lab



EVERYTHING GOOGLE™ WORKSHOP

Google™ provides tools that go way beyond searching for websites and information. In this workshop, instructor Jason Galeener will explain some of the fun, free and useful Google™ applications. Participants will learn how to create a Gmail™ e-mail account, send text messages from the computer to a phone, use Google™ Earth for school reports or to find vacation destinations, use Google™ on a cell phone, create documents and spreadsheets, and create free websites. Space is limited to 27 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

152562 Wed., Feb. 17 6-9 p.m. Ages 18 and over
Hi-Tech Lab

S.A.T. PRACTICE TEST

In collaboration with Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions, a free full-length SAT practice test will be held for students in grades 9-11 with Cerritos Library cards on Saturday, March 6. Space is limited to 50 students. Test takers are encouraged to eat a hearty breakfast and arrive by 8:45 a.m. to sign in. Please bring a calculator, two No. 2 pencils, and snacks to eat during the short breaks.

The test will be given on Saturday, March 6
152649 Skyline Room 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Score Report Night

On Thursday, March 11 between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. all test takers will receive a detailed score report showing their strengths and weaknesses. Information about test taking strategies will also be offered. Parents are encouraged to attend this workshop in the Hi-Tech Lab. For more information, contact Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389.

The following Library programs do not require registration:

GAME TIME

Join us for some fast-paced gaming action. Games such as Rock Band 2 and Super Smash Brothers Brawl will be featured. For more information, please call (562) 916-1342.

Tues., Feb. 2 Skyline Room 4-5:30 p.m.

Ages 8-18

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SUNDAY MOVIE MATINEE

On Sunday, February 7, the film "Rabbit Proof Fence" (2002) will be screened in the Skyline Room. At a time when Australian aboriginal children were removed from their homes and trained to become domestic servants, young Molly Craig decided to lead her little sister and cousin in a daring escape from their internment camp. This film is rated PG and has a running time of 94 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Sun., Feb. 7 Skyline Room 2 p.m.

MEET THE AUTHOR LISA SEE

On Tuesday, February 9, "New York Times" bestselling author Lisa See will discuss her book "Shanghai Girls" in the Skyline Room. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the event. See is also the author of "Peony in Love," "Snow Flower and the Secret Fan," "Flower Net" (an Edgar Award nominee), "The Interior" and "Dragon Bones," as well as the critically acclaimed memoir "On Gold Mountain." For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Tues., Feb. 9 Skyline Room 7 p.m.

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., Feb. 10 Aquarium 3:30 p.m.

FAMILY NIGHT

Join us for a one-hour presentation of Steve Harding's "Cool Animal Critters" on Wednesday, February 10. Come learn about and see lizards, turtles, frogs, a tarantula and hissing cockroaches. Please arrive early as doors close at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Wed., Feb. 10 Skyline Room 7 p.m.

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on craft featuring a Valentine's Day theme for children ages 2-12 will be held in the Art Studio on Friday, February 12. These "glue and go" crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Fri., Feb. 12 Art Studio 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.
Ages 2-12

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for coffee and a discussion of the book "Cane River" by Lalita Tademy. For more information, call Marie Furrows at (562) 916-1346.

Wed., Feb. 17 Board Room 10 a.m.-noon

SEVENTH ANNUAL ORCHID SHOW

The popular Orchid Show will be held from Friday to Sunday, February 19 through 21. Orchid lovers are invited to attend this special event featuring music, dance and demonstrations on orchid growing.

Some of the special dance and music performances are listed below:

- Friday, February 19 at 7 p.m.: Susan McCormick's 'E Mela Hana and Susann Crosson's Hula for Health Dancers
- Saturday, February 20 at 11 a.m.: Hula by Helene Otani's Nawahine 'O Cerritos followed by a selection of Hawaiian music by the ukulele and guitar players from 'Da Hawaii Seniors Club of Cerritos
- Saturday, February 20 at 1:30 p.m.: Karen Toyoshi-ba's Na Wahine 'O Kawena Hula Dancers
- Saturday, February 20 at 3:30 p.m.: Talk and Demonstration by Tony Velardi on "Successful Cymbidium Growing in Southern California"
- Sunday, February 21 at 1:30 p.m.: Tropical rock band "Barefoot Wahines" performs

If you are interested in exhibiting your orchid plants, photographs or paintings of orchids, please call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389 before Monday, February 8 to reserve a spot.

2010 FENG SHUI WORKSHOP

On Tuesday, February 23, Master Jenny Liu will offer advice on how to adjust feng shui at your home and office for 2010. Master Liu will reveal the secret of the Nine Star Charts in the 2010 forecast and give feng shui recommendations on how to use interior design, art, plants, colors and crystals to create an environment synchronized with the annual energies to enhance business prosperity, personal well-being and peace of mind. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Tues., Feb. 23 Skyline Room 7 p.m.

CONTESTS FOR TALENTED TEENS

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will conduct the 12th Annual Teen Contests to encourage teens to explore their talents. The contests in Art, Photography, Poetry and Short Story are open to all students in grades 7 through 12 with valid Cerritos Library cards. All entries must be original. Only one entry per person is allowed for each category. Gift certificates to a local bookstore will be presented to the winners at a reception in May. Entry forms are available at the Library. The deadline for entries is Friday, March 12 at 9 p.m. For more information, call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389.

The themes for the contests are:

Art: "Nature's Beauty" (No larger than 12"x 18" and using any medium.) Three-dimensional art will be accepted.

Photography: "Happiness is..." (no larger than 8" by 10")

Poetry: "Escape" (up to 50 lines)

Short Story: "Heroes" (no more than 500 words)

MEET PROMINENT AFRICAN AMERICAN AUTHORS

The Links, Incorporated Orange County Chapter is partnering with the National Black MBA Association Los Angeles Chapter and the Cerritos Library to offer a special opportunity to meet several prominent African American authors. Interesting panel discussions and book signings will be included in the event. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Sun., Mar. 14 Skyline Room 2-4 p.m.

LEARN A LANGUAGE WITH POWERSPEAK

Powerspeak is an innovative way to learn a language for travel, business or personal enrichment. This new on-line database is now available at Cerritos Library, and offers fun, interactive learning methods that take approximately 45 hours to complete.

Powerspeak features native speakers using lively adventure tales to lead the learner through a series of highly engaging courses that teach vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation and more.

The languages now available are French, German, Mandarin and Spanish. English for Spanish and Chinese speakers will become available soon, to be followed over the next few months by General English, Italian, Japanese, Arabic, Russian and Korean.

Unlike language courses on cassette or CD, Powerspeak offers unlimited access to any number of users.

Powerspeak can be accessed in the Library at the public computers. For best results with word recognition and pronunciation, headphones should be used. The lessons can also be accessed from home with a Cerritos Library card by visiting <http://catalog.ci.cerritos.ca.us>. Click on "Databases" in the left column for the link to Powerspeak.

For more information, please ask a Librarian or call the Reference Desk at (562) 916-1342.

Library Displays



ART OF THE BOOK: ASIAN INFLUENCES

A selection of artists' books with Asian influences in addition to portfolio, pop-up, scroll and tunnel books will be on display throughout the Library until the end of February. This display of books is one of the ongoing exhibits planned to showcase the unique pieces from the Library's special collection of artists' books.

PHOTOGRAPHS BY SEETHARAM MADDALI

Several outstanding nature photographs by Seetharam Maddali will be on display in the Local History Museum and the lobby area through the end of February. Maddali's local and international travel experiences have fed his ongoing love of nature and photography, and an appreciation for our planet's rich diversity. His photographs have appeared in numerous publications, including AAA's "Westways" magazine and National Geographic on-line.

FOOTBALL MEMORABILIA

A variety of football memorabilia including football cards, figurines and autographed photographs will be on display in the Young Adult area until the end of February. The items are from the collections of Hugo Zepeda, Robert Sanchez and the Montgomey family.



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