

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 to 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 **Thursday, December 1 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident on-line registration for all programs listed begins **Thursday, 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 **Friday, December 2 at 10 a.m.**

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Thursday, December 1 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Thursday, December 8 at 10 a.m.**

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 DVD, 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

170927 December 12

170928 December 19

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

170929 December 15

170930 December 22

170931 December 29

170932 January 5

GINGERBREAD CRAFT & MORE

On Friday, December 9, participants can build a foam gingerbread house and decorate cookies in this one-hour class. Space is limited to 24 participants. The fee per child is \$5. No refunds will be given. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

170971 Fri., Dec. 9 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 6-12
Art Studio

ORIGAMI WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

Origami instructor Juliet Lee will teach children how to make ornaments using the paper folding art of origami on Tuesday, December 13. Space is limited to 20 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

171023 Tues., Dec. 13 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 8-12
Skyline Room

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.

171024 Tues., Dec. 20 3:45-4:45 p.m. Ages 7-11
Art Studio

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. Space is limited to 12 participants. The course fee is \$25. Parents must make sure that students bring to each class meeting their homework and either 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. Class will not be held on Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day or on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents’ Day.

171026 Mon., Jan. 9-Feb. 13 3:15-5:15 p.m.
Art Studio

171027 Wed., Jan. 11-Feb. 22 3:15-5:15 p.m.
Art Studio

HOLIDAY HOURS

In observance of Christmas, the Cerritos Library will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 22 and will be closed from Friday, December 23 through Monday, December 26. In observance of New Year’s Day, the Cerritos Library will close at 5 p.m. on Saturday, December 31 and will remain closed on Sunday, January 1 and Monday, January 2.

FINGER KNITTING

In this two-hour class, participants will learn how to “finger knit,” or knit without needles. Participants will knit simple chains using one or two different colored strands of yarn which can then be connected to form scarves and other items. Space is limited to 35 participants. The fee per child is \$5. No refunds will be given. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

171025 Fri., Dec. 30 3-5 p.m. Ages 9-17
Little Theater

For more information on the following storytimes, please call (562) 916-1388.

Please register for only one of the following 12-week storytimes.

STORIES FOR 2S & 3S

Children and adults will participate in stories, songs, rhymes and a simple craft activity. Class is limited to 22 participants.

171919 Tues., Jan. 10-Mar. 6 10:30 a.m.
Ages 2-3 Art Studio

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

This introduction to storytime features books, poems and music. Children will enjoy opportunities of self-expression as they sing, dance and move around. Class is limited to 30 participants.

171920 Wed., Jan. 11-Mar. 7 11 a.m.
Ages 5 & under Little Theater

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Children and adults will participate in stories, songs, rhymes and a simple craft activity. Class is limited to 22 participants.

171921 Thurs., Jan. 12-Mar. 8 10:30 a.m.
Ages 3-5 Little Theater

BABIES ‘N’ BOOKS

Children and caregivers participate in music, nursery rhymes, simple stories and books. Class is limited to 30 participants.

171918 Fri., Jan. 13-Mar. 9 11 a.m.
Ages 25 months & under Little Theater

The following Library programs require advance registration:

AFTERNOON TRIVIA FOR KIDS

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

171028 Tues., Jan. 10 3:30 p.m. Ages 6-9
Little Theater

CHILD AND TEEN READ ALOUD

Children who can read are invited to participate in special read aloud sessions with teens. To be eligible for the program, all participants must attend the first day of class for testing. Space is limited to 15 participants for the Thursday session and 10 participants for the Friday session. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

Please register for only one of the following two programs.

171922 Thurs., Jan. 12-Mar. 8 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-9 Little Theater

171923 Fri., Jan. 13-Mar. 9 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-9 Little Theater

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH CHALLENGE

Volunteer Stephan Cho welcomes middle school students to a math challenge. Students will be encouraged to go beyond what they learn in school and test their skills in math. To be eligible for this program, all participants must attend the first day of class for testing. Space is limited to 20 participants. For more information, call (562) 916-1388.

170972 Thurs., Jan. 12-March 8 5-6 p.m.
Ages 12-15 Art Studio

The following Library programs do not require registration:

GAME TIME

Join us for open play featuring games such as Marvel Vs. Capcom 3 and Super Smash Brothers Brawl. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Mon., Dec. 5 3:30-5 p.m. Ages 8-18
Skyline Room

CYPRESS SENIOR CHORUS PERFORMANCE

On December 7, the Cypress Senior Chorus from the North Orange County Community College District will present an evening of music featuring a variety of old standards, holiday and patriotic tunes and modern songs. The group is led by instructor Lee Lassetter. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Wed., Dec. 7 7 p.m. Skyline Room

SUNDAY MOVIE MATINEE

The animated film "Kung Fu Panda 2" (2011) will be screened on Sunday, December 11. Panda Po is now living his dream as The Dragon Warrior, protecting the Valley of Peace alongside his friends, The Furious Five. But Po's new life is threatened by the emergence of a formidable villain who plans to use a secret, unstoppable weapon to conquer China. This film is rated PG and has a running time of 91 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Sun., Dec 11 1 p.m. Skyline Room

The following Library programs do not require registration:

FAMILY NIGHT: TREASURES OF THE ATOCHA

On Wednesday, December 14, treasure diver Rick Daynes will present an interactive program about diving for lost treasures. Hear the inspiring story of Mel Fisher, who unlocked the mysteries of the Spanish Empire and gave us the opportunity to view the remains of 17th century Spain through his many expeditions. Members of the audience may have the rare opportunity to handle genuine treasures such as Spanish pieces of eight (silver coins), or a valuable emerald recovered from the Nuestra Señora de Atocha, the richest Spanish treasure galleon ever lost. Join us as we unlock the mysteries of the Spanish Empire during this unforgettable journey through history. Daynes will also share stories about his experiences, which are often dangerous and inspiring. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Wed., Dec. 14 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. 14 3:30 p.m. Aquarium

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Free hands-on crafts for kids will be offered in December and January. The December craft will feature a holiday theme and the January craft will feature a winter theme. These "glue and go" crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Fri., Dec 16 11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Ages 2-12
Art Studio

Fri., Jan. 6 11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Ages 2-12
Art Studio

MYSTERY ON THE MENU

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will host the seventh Mystery on the Menu luncheon with 15 award-winning authors on Saturday, January 28. The authors participating in panel discussions and book signing are Avery Aames, Cara Black, Kate Carlisle, Carol Costa, Denise Hamilton, Betty Hechtman, Naomi Hirahara, Linda O. Johnston, Jenn McKinlay, Matt Richtel, Pamela Samuels-Young, Steve Scarborough, Sheldon Siegel, Kelli Stanley and more. Copies of books by these authors will be available for purchase at the event. Admission is \$40 per person. Register early, as seating is limited. To register or for more information, contact Janice Dawson at (562) 924-2474.

Sat., Jan. 28 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Skyline Room

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 "Sharing the dream; change begins with me." 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 Tuesday, January 3 at 9 p.m. The winning entries will be on display during the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony on Monday, January 16 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.

Library Displays



ART OF THE BOOK: ASIAN INFLUENCES

A selection of artists' books with Asian influences will be on display throughout the Library until the end of December. Portfolio, pop-up, scroll and tunnel books will also be on display. This display is one of the ongoing exhibits showcasing the unique pieces from the Library's special collection of artists' books.

COLLECTIBLE SANTAS

An assortment of colorful Santa dolls from the collection of Cerritos resident Evangeline Niebres Manantan will be on display in the Local History Museum through the end of December.

JAPANESE DOLLS

An exhibition of traditional Japanese Hinamatsuri dolls displayed during Girls' Day and Gogatsu Ningyo dolls displayed for Boys' Day will be available for viewing in the Lobby of the Library through the end of December. These colorful Japanese dolls are from the collection of Noelle Spychala.

MODEL TRAINS

Collecting model trains is a hobby enjoyed by young and old. A variety of model trains by Lionel and other brands will be displayed in the Young Adult area through the end of December. These collector's items are on loan from the collection of Harry "Butch" Dantema.



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