

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 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

cerritos.us

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

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

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

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

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Thursday, March 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:

For more information, call (562) 916-1388 unless otherwise noted.

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.

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

173965 March 12

173966 March 19

173967 March 26

173968 April 2

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

173969 March 15

173970 March 22

173971 March 29

173972 April 5

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 on Saturday, March 3. 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.

172929 Sat., Mar. 3 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Ages 14-18
Skyline Room

Score report and SAT test-taking strategies

On Monday, March 12, 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. For more information, contact Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389.

Mon., Mar. 12 6:30 p.m. 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. Space is limited. 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. Classes will not be held during the week of Spring Break (April 9 to 13.)

173973 Mon., Mar. 5-April 23 Art Studio
3:15-5:15 p.m.

173974 Wed., Mar. 7-April 25 Skyline Room
3:30-5 p.m.

DRAWING FOR KIDS

Participants will learn basic art or drawing techniques in this hour-long, hands-on class limited to 24 participants.

174016 Tues., Mar. 13 3:45-4:45 p.m. Ages 7-11
Art Studio

NEW ZEALAND KORU ART

As part of the Library’s Cultural Art Workshop Series, children are invited to participate in a Maori Koru design workshop. Koru is the Maori word for the new unfurling fern frond. This pattern is used in many Maori and New Zealand art forms and symbolizes new life, regeneration, growth, strength and peace. Children will create their own Koru design while learning about this traditional New Zealand art form. Seating is limited to 20.

174015 Thurs, Mar. 8 3:30-5 p.m. Ages 7-12
Skyline Room

CERAMIC PAINTING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

This workshop presented by Color Me Mine offers a wonderful opportunity for adults to learn ceramic painting. Participants will decorate a bowl using non-toxic, lead free paints. Seating is limited to 20. The fee per person is \$5. No refunds will be given.

174017 Tues., Mar. 20 3:30-4:45 p.m.
Age 18-adult Skyline Room

Please register for only one of the following 10-week storytimes. Classes will not be held during the week of Spring Break (April 9 to 13).

STORIES FOR 2S & 3S

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

174115 Tues., Mar. 20-May 29 10:30 a.m.
Ages 2-3 Art Studio

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

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

174165 Wed., Mar. 21-May 30 11 a.m.
Ages 5 & under Little Theater

PRESCHOOL HOUR

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

174215 Thurs., Mar. 22-May 31 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.

174216 Fri., Mar. 23-June 1 11 a.m.
Ages 25 months & under Little Theater

The following Library programs require advance registration:

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. Classes will not be held during the week of Spring Break (April 9 to 13.)

Please register for only one of the following two programs.

- 174265** Thurs., Mar. 22-May 31 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-9 Little Theater
- 174266** Fri., Mar. 23-June 1 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-9 Little Theater

BEGINNING ORIGAMI FOR KIDS

Volunteer Alexa Marie Flores will teach children how to create a frog using basic origami paper folding techniques during this one-hour class.

- 174018** Fri., Mar. 23 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 6-12
Art Studio

PUPPET WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

With the assistance of "Woody Wordman," Gil Olin of The Puppets & Players Little Theatre will help participants create their own puppets and perform in a game show called "Guess That Feeling." The workshop is limited to 30 participants. The fee per child is \$5. No refunds will be given.

- 174019** Tues., Mar. 27 3:30-4:45 p.m. Ages 5-13
Skyline Room

YOUNG REMBRANDTS

Children can learn the finer points of art in this series of workshops presented by Young Rembrandts. Students will use markers to create a picture in the style of famous American artist Andy Warhol. Seating is limited to 20. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given.

- 174020** Tues., Apr. 3 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 6-12
Skyline Room

The following Library programs do not require registration:

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MOBILE PROGRAM

In celebration of Red Cross Month in March, a Community Outreach Mobile Program will be presented by the Rancho Region, Greater Long Beach Chapter of the American Red Cross on Saturday, March 3 outside the Library. The program focuses on disaster preparedness and will also include free blood pressure testing. A youth Disaster Readiness puppet show by local high school students will be presented in the Little Theater at various times throughout the event. The Cerritos Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will also have a display with information on how you can become a part of the CERT program. A Community Disaster Education leader will offer a PowerPoint presentation about Disaster and Earthquake preparedness in the Hi-Tech Lab at various times throughout the event. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

- Sat., Mar. 3 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Library Parking Lot, Hi-Tech Lab & Little Theater

The following Library programs do not require registration:

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, including Gina Carroll, Rashad Harrison, Whitney LeBlanc, Darryl Littleton, Hexin E. McPhee and Connie Rice. Interesting panel discussions and book signings will be included in the event. For more information, call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389.

- Sun., Mar. 11 2-4 p.m. Skyline Room

GAME TIME

On Monday, March 12, the library will host a free gaming event for youth. 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., Mar. 12 3:30-5 p.m. Ages 8-18
Skyline Room

BLOOD DRIVE

Due to a critically low local blood supply and severe shortages of blood collections across the nation, the City of Cerritos and The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Tuesday, March 13 in the parking lot of the Cerritos Library. Any healthy person age 17 or older and weighing at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate blood. All blood drive participants will be entered into a drawing for two annual passes to Disneyland and California Adventure. Donors will also receive a voucher redeemable for two tickets to a Los Angeles Galaxy soccer game (there is a \$7.50 processing fee per ticket and tickets are subject to availability and will be redeemed on a first come, first served basis). Schedule an appointment to donate by calling (714) 427-2605 or visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: COC

- Tues., Mar. 13 noon-6 p.m. Parking Lot

FAMILY NIGHT

Enjoy a musical journey back in time to trace some of America's most beloved songs and instruments with Sandii Castleberry. Join us for an hour of live music and learn about the roots of American music. Please arrive early as doors close at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

- Wed., Mar. 14 7 p.m. Skyline Room

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on craft featuring a St. Patrick's Day theme for children ages 2-12 will be held in the Art Studio on Friday, March 16. These "glue and go" crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. No registration is required. For more information, please call (562) 916-1343.

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

FRIDAY EVENING MOVIE

The film "Real Steel" (2011) will be screened on Friday, March 16. In the film, Charlie Kenton is a washed-up fighter who lost his chance at a title when 2,000-pound, 8-foot-tall steel robots took over the ring. When Charlie hits rock bottom, he reluctantly teams up with his estranged son Max to build and train a championship contender. As the stakes in a brutal, no-holds-barred arena are raised, Charlie and Max, against all odds, get one last shot at a comeback. "Real Steel" starring Hugh Jackman is rated PG-13 and has a running time of 127 minutes.

- Fri., Mar. 16 6:30 p.m. Skyline Room

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for coffee and a discussion of the book "Down River" by John Hart on Wednesday, March 21. For more information, call Marie Furrows at (562) 916-1346.

- Wed., Mar. 21 10 a.m.-noon Board Room

NINTH ANNUAL ORCHID SHOW

The popular Orchid Show will be held on Friday, March 23 from 6 to 9 p.m.; Saturday, March 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. A large variety of orchid plants will be featured.

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

- Friday, March 23 at 7 p.m: Ukulele music by Susan McCormick's 'E Mela Hana Hula and Tahitian Dances by Susann Crosson's Hula for Health Dancers
- Saturday, March 24 at 11 a.m: Tropical rock band "Barefoot Wahines" performs
- Saturday, March 24 at 2 p.m: Karen Toyoshiba's Na Wahine 'O Kawena Hula Dancers
- Saturday, March 24 at 3:30 p.m: Talk and Demonstration by Tony Velardi on "Successful Cymbidium Growing in Southern California"
- Sunday, March 25 at 1:30 p.m: Hula by Nawahine 'O Cerritos
- Sunday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m: Music by 'Da Hawaii Seniors Club of Cerritos

If you are interested in exhibiting your orchid plants, photographs or paintings, please call Padmini Prabhakar at (562) 916-1389 and reserve a spot before Friday, March 9.

Library Displays



BOOKS SIGNED BY VISITING AUTHORS

Cerritos Library has had the privilege of hosting several best-selling authors. A display of books signed by visiting authors such as Ray Bradbury, Meg Cabot, Stephen Cannell, Earlene Fowler, Cornelia Funke, Sue Grafton, Denise Hamilton, Faye Kellerman, Dean Koontz, John Lescroart, Lisa See, Gary Soto and many others will be on display in the Local History Museum, the Young Adult area and the Library's lobby until the end of April.

GATES: A COLLECTION OF QUILTS

A collection of 23 quilts from Quilts on the Wall artists explore the idea of a gate's use, each in the artist's own particular idiom of fiber art and personal viewpoint. Embellishments, computer modifications, inks, acrylics, beads, pearls, fusing, cottons, silks, wools, roving, organza, canvas, felt, tulle, metallic threads and paints, discharged and rusted fabrics, screen printing, stencils, stamps, hand and machine piecing and quilting are all represented in this very eclectic display of quilts. These quilts may be enjoyed near the Craftsman area of the Library through April.



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