

# 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](mailto:cerritos_library@cerritos.us).

Please see the information below to learn how and when to register for the programs that require registration. For more information, please call Cerritos Library at (562) 916-1388.

## How to register for Cerritos Library programs

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.**

### ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS

To check the availability or to register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) and look for the online registration link. The program, **eConnect**, is best viewed with Internet Explorer. Before registering for classes online, 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.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION

#### **cerritos.us**

Cerritos Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Tues., Jan. 2 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., Jan. 8 at 10 a.m.**

\*You will not receive confirmation by mail for classes registered online. 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 **Wed., Jan. 3 at 10 a.m.**

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

### WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Tues., Jan. 2 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., Jan. 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. Seating is limited for all programs.*

### STORYTIMES

These 30-45 minute storytimes incorporating stories and audience participation will be held in the Little Theater.

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

**273365** Jan. 8  
**273366** Jan. 22  
**273367** Jan. 29  
**273368** Feb. 5

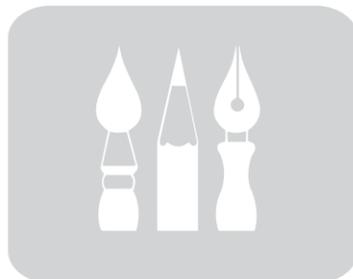
#### **Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under**

**273369** Jan. 13  
**273370** Jan. 20  
**273371** Jan. 27  
**273372** Feb. 3

### YOUNG REMBRANDTS/ MICKALENE THOMAS

Students will draw a portrait in the style of contemporary African American artist Mickalene Thomas. Her artwork is characterized by the use of rhinestones and acrylic and enamel paints, and is infused with pop culture and pop art influences. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

**273373** Tues., Jan. 9  
 Ages 6-12  
 3:45-4:45 p.m.  
 Skyline Room A



### CHILD CREATIVITY LAB/ FUN WITH UPCYCLED ROBOTS

Children will design and create personalized art pieces made from reclaimed single-use plastics in a fun and environmentally friendly project. This activity fosters the creativity needed for problem-solving, critical thinking and the ability to innovate. The fee is \$5 per child. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

**273374** Thurs., Jan. 11  
 Ages 8-12  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Skyline Room A

### DAVE BOATMAN/ CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS

This educational and creative hour of cartoon instruction will inspire and motivate students in their love of cartoons and drawing. Space is limited to 75 participants.

**273375** Tues., Jan. 16  
 Ages 7-12  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Skyline Room

### LEGO CLUB

Children will build, create and share their very own LEGO creations based on a chosen theme. The library will provide the LEGO, you provide the imagination! Space is limited to 20 participants.

**273383** Tues., Jan. 16  
 Ages 5-9  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Little Theater

### ORIGAMI FOR KIDS

Children will learn to create their own origami piece to carry with them and share with family and friends. Class is limited to 20 participants.

**273376** Tues., Jan. 16  
 Ages 6-12  
 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
 Art Studio

### SCIENCE-N-PLAY WORKSHOP

Students will create their own spectroscope and examine different forms of light. This workshop is limited to 20 participants.

**273377** Thurs., Jan. 18  
 Ages 6-7  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Art Studio

### ART INNOVATORS/MYSTERIOUS WINTER LAMPOST

Children will use colorful acrylic paints on canvas to re-create the timeless image of a lone lamppost in a snowy forest, inspired by C.S. Lewis's "The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe," where reality and fantasy meet. The fee is \$5 per child. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

**273378** Tues., Jan. 23  
 Ages 6-10  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Art Studio

### CREATIVE WRITING FOR KIDS

In this creative writing workshop, children will learn about various aspects of story writing. Space is limited to 27 participants.

**273379** Tues., Jan. 23  
 Ages 7-12  
 3:30-5 p.m.  
 Hi-Tech Lab

### ART-IN-SCIENCE WORKSHOP

Students will design and build a rocket car and test it for distance. This workshop is limited to 20 participants.

**273380** Thurs., Jan. 25  
 Ages 8-12  
 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Skyline Room

### CRAFT FOR ADULTS/ AIR PLANT WALL HANGER

Participants will hand-select an air plant and create a wood wall hanger. Hang it on a gallery wall, in an office or wherever you want a little living greenery. No green thumb needed! The fee is \$5 per person. Space is limited to 15 participants.

**273381** Tues., Jan. 30  
 Ages 18 and over  
 7 p.m.  
 Skyline Room A

*The following Library programs require advance registration:*

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

**YOUNG REMBRANDTS/  
GILBERT STUART**

Students will learn about Gilbert Stuart, one of 18th century America's master portrait artists. Stuart is best known for his unfinished portrait of George Washington. Children will emulate Stuart's style, learning how to shade with colored pencils, draw faces and understand proportion. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

**273382** Tues., Feb. 6 3:45-4:45 p.m.  
Ages 6-12 Skyline Room A

*The following Library programs do not require registration:*

**BLOOD DRIVE**

Due to a critically low blood supply and severe shortage of blood collections across the nation, the City of Cerritos and the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive in the parking lot. Any healthy person age 17 or older and weighing at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate blood. Schedule an appointment by calling (714) 427-2605 or go to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code COC.

Tues., Jan. 2 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Parking Lot

**ARTS AND CRAFTS FOR KIDS**

A free hands-on winter craft will be held in the Art Studio for children ages 2-12. This craft will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. For more information, call (562) 916-1343.

Fri., Jan. 5 10-11 a.m. & 5-6 p.m. Ages 2-12 Art Studio

**FAMILY NIGHT: KEN FRAWLEY AND FRIENDS BY DESIGN**

Ken Frawley brings to life stories and songs that were written on the pages of books from hundreds of years ago in a show designed to entertain, engage and amaze audiences. Frawley's puppet friends help him share these tales in a fun and exciting show.

Wed., Jan. 10 7 p.m. All Ages Skyline Room

**WEST AFRICAN KORA CONCERT**

Sean Gaskell will give a performance and educational demonstration on the kora, an ancient 21-stringed harp from West Africa. He will feature traditional songs that are the heart and soul of the kora's musical repertoire in addition to some of his own personal compositions.

Thurs., Jan. 11 7 p.m. All Ages Skyline Room

**BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS**

The Book Club for Adults will meet for coffee and a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book "Muhammad" by Deepak Chopra. For more information, call Jo-Anne Alvarez at (562) 916-1340.

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

**ADULT COLORING NIGHT**

Relax, socialize and explore your creativity in a tranquil setting. A selection of coloring sheets and art materials will be available.

Tues., Jan. 23 7-8:30 p.m. Ages 18 and over Skyline Room

*The following Library programs do not require registration:*

**GAME TIME**

The library will host a free gaming event for youth. Join us for open play featuring games such as Ultimate Marvel vs. Capcom 3, Mario Kart and Super Smash Brothers Brawl.

Wed., Jan. 24 3:30-5 p.m. Ages 7-18 Skyline Room

**TEEN VALENTINE CRAFT**

Get ready for Valentine's Day with this fun craft! Participants will decorate heart-shaped boxes and create "friendship cards." A variety of crafting materials will be provided.

Wed., Jan. 31 4-5 p.m. Ages 12-17 Skyline Room

**PAJAMA NIGHT**

Come in your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed toy. Enjoy stories, songs and a short DVD. Don't forget to bring your pillows and blankets. Parents wear your pajamas too!

Wed., Jan. 31 7 p.m. All Ages Skyline Room

**WINTER BOOK SALE**

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will hold a one-day winter book sale at the end of Main Street near the Craftsman Area. A wide selection of fiction and nonfiction books will be available at bargain prices. For more information, call President Janice Dawson at (562) 924-2474.

Sat., Feb. 3 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Craftsman Area

**ELDER FRAUD PREVENTION**

Learn how to protect seniors from elder fraud. This program will be presented by Sergeant Dana McCants of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Sergeant McCants has 33 years of experience with the Sheriff's Department, including supervising the Department's Real Estate and Elder Fraud Detective teams.

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

**15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHILDREN'S ART & SHORT STORY CONTESTS WINNERS**

Congratulations to all the children's contest winners who received Barnes & Noble gift certificates at a special reception in December. The contest and reception were sponsored by the Friends of the Cerritos Library.

*Art: "My Own Theme Park"*

**Grade K-1**

- Tristan Shaw First Place Grade 1 Gonsalves Elementary
- Sophie Fan Second Place Grade K Cerritos Elementary
- Roshan Saravanan Third Place Grade K Cerritos Elementary

**Grade 2-3**

- Aahan Nellutla First Place Grade 3 Gonsalves Elementary
- Chloe Nauli Second Place Grade 2 Cerritos Elementary
- Sanvi Shankar Third Place Grade 3 Gonsalves Elementary

**Grade 4-5**

- Majella Rajan First Place Grade 4 Wittmann Elementary
- Medha Kappagantu Second Place Grade 5 Leal Elementary
- Deborah Lin Third Place Grade 4 Leal Elementary

**Grade 6**

- Katelyn Mak First Place Grade 6 Cerritos Elementary
- Victoria Ko Second Place Grade 6 Stowers Elementary
- Madeleine Reagan Third Place Grade 6 Cerritos Elementary

**Short Story: "A Surprise Package in the Mail"**

**Grade 3**

- Sudheera Polu First Place Grade 3 Gonsalves Elementary
- Vibha Arsid Second Place Grade 3 Cerritos Elementary
- Lily Anderson Third Place Grade 3 Elliot Elementary

**Grade 4**

- Keenan Park First Place Grade 4 Gonsalves Elementary
- Derek Hsu Second Place Grade 4 Gonsalves Elementary
- Jake Mok Third Place Grade 4 Nixon Elementary

**Grade 5**

- Medha Kappagantu First Place Grade 5 Leal Elementary
- Ella Mak Second Place Grade 5 Cerritos Elementary
- Shreyas Kulkarni Third Place Grade 5 Leal Elementary

**Grade 6**

- Nairrit Sengupta First Place Grade 6 Leal Elementary
- Calista Liu Second Place Grade 6 Gonsalves Elementary
- Katelyn Mak Third Place Grade 6 Cerritos Elementary

**PRONUNCIATOR ONLINE LANGUAGE SYSTEM OFFERED**

Cerritos Library will offer the Pronunciator online language-learning system free for all library patrons starting on January 2. With 80 of the world's most popular languages, and ESL courses for speakers of 51 non-English languages, Pronunciator is focused on quickly building conversational skills through a suite of live online classes, interactive online drills, scored quizzes, movies, music and downloadable audio lessons and phrasebooks. Pronunciator offers a variety of learning levels and guided courses for each language, covering vocabulary, verbs, sentence creation and conversation. Pronunciator will be accessible from computers in the library through the library's website at [cerritoslibrary.us](http://cerritoslibrary.us), under the Research Databases tab. Cerritos Library cardholders will be also be able to access the website remotely by entering their library card number. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

**Library Displays**

**THE BLACK PRESS IN CALIFORNIA**

In honor of African American History Month, the library will display "The Black Press in California," a poster series originally conceived and curated by the California African American Museum, a Smithsonian Institution Affiliate. Illustrated with images, political cartoons, newspaper headlines and mastheads, the display focuses on writers and editors and narrates the importance of Black journalists in advancing democracy and the struggle for human rights in the Golden State.

This exhibit will also include books by prominent African American authors who have visited the Cerritos Library. The exhibit will be on display in the main lobby of the library through January and February.

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