

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.

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 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 **Thurs., Mar. 1 at 10 a.m.**

Non-Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Thurs., Mar. 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 **Fri., Mar. 2 at 10 a.m.**

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

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

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Thurs., Mar. 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

274465 Mar. 12

274466 Mar. 19

274467 Mar. 26

274468 Apr. 2

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

274469 Mar. 10

274470 Mar. 17

274471 Mar. 24

274472 Mar. 31

274515 Apr. 7

SCIENCE-N-PLAY

Students will learn the characteristics of different cloud types and create a cloud in a bottle. This workshop is supported by NASA's Universe of Learning, in partnership with Smithsonian Affiliations. Space is limited to 20 participants.

274565 Thurs., Mar. 8 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 6-7 Art Studio

BOOK CLUB FOR KIDS

The Book Club will read and discuss the novel "Orphan Island" by Laurel Snyder. Children will work together to explore the plot and important elements within the story such as themes, character development and imagery. Space is limited to 10 participants.

274615 Mon., Mar. 12-May 21 3:30-4:45 p.m.
Ages 9-11 Little Theater

DAVE BOATMAN/UNDERSEAS

This educational and creative hour of cartoon instruction will inspire and motivate students in their love of cartoons and drawing. Space is limited to 50 participants.

274616 Tues., Mar. 13 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 7-12 Skyline Room

ORIGAMI FOR KIDS

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

274617 Tues., Mar. 13 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Ages 6-12 Art Studio

CHILD CREATIVITY LAB/ CATAPULT STEM CHALLENGE

Children will design and build a catapult that can launch a projectile both vertically and horizontally with precision. The fee is \$5 per child. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

274618 Thurs., Mar. 15 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 8-12 Skyline Room

RESEARCH DATABASES FOR KIDS

In this hands-on workshop, students will learn the basics of searching many of the Library's online databases for kids. Space is limited to 27 participants.

274619 Thurs., Mar. 15 4-5 p.m.
Ages 8-12 Hi-Tech Lab

BIONERDS: LEARN IN A HEARTBEAT

Children will learn about the human heart and how it functions. Participants will dissect the heart of a pig and a chicken. The fee is \$5 per child. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 25 participants.

274665 Fri., Mar. 16 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Ages 8-12 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.

274715 Tues., Mar. 20 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 5-9 Little Theater

"RECOLORING THE UNIVERSE" CODING WORKSHOP

Using data from NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory and other satellites on exploded stars, star-forming regions and black holes, students will learn basic coding and discover how integral coding is to understanding our universe. This workshop is supported by NASA's Universe of Learning, in partnership with Smithsonian Affiliations.

274716 Tues., Mar. 20 3:30-5 p.m.
Ages 8-10 Hi-Tech Lab

ART INNOVATORS/ LUCK OF THE IRISH

Discover what lies at the end of the rainbow with this St. Patrick's Day project! Children will create a colorful tissue paper collage rainbow leading to a glimmering pot of gold. The fee is \$5 per child. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

274717 Tues., Mar. 20 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 6-10 Art Studio

CRAFTS FOR ADULTS: PAPER FLOWERS

Celebrate the first day of spring with beautiful stemmed paper flowers! Participants will create paper flowers that are perfect for the tabletop, decorating the office or elevating your giftwrapping game. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 12 participants.

274718 Tues., Mar. 20 7 p.m.
Ages 18 and over Skyline Room A

The following Library programs require advance registration:

ART-IN-SCIENCE WORKSHOP

Students will learn about the sun and magnetic fields through hands-on activities and observations. This workshop is supported by NASA's Universe of Learning, in partnership with Smithsonian Affiliations. Space is limited to 20 participants.

274765 Thurs., Mar. 22 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 8-12 Skyline Room

CREATIVE WRITING FOR KIDS

Children will learn about various aspects of story writing. Space is limited to 27 participants.

274766 Tues., Mar. 27 3:30-5 p.m.
Ages 7-12 Hi-Tech Lab

BEGINNING CHESS FOR KIDS

Eleventh-grader Ria Dawar will teach children the movements of the chess pieces as well as basic techniques and strategies. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 12 participants.

274767 Mon.-Fri., Apr. 2-6 10:15-11:15 a.m.
Ages 7-12 Art Studio

YOUNG REMBRANDTS/BEETHOVEN

Children will draw composer Ludwig van Beethoven and learn about portrait drawing. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 20 participants.

274768 Tues., Apr. 3 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Ages 6-12 Skyline Room

HOMEWORK HELP

An after-school homework help program will be offered for Cerritos resident students. Students should bring their homework and a book to read. A parent or designated individual is required to sign students in and out of each class meeting. Space is limited to 12.

274769 Mon., Apr. 9-May 21 3:30-5 p.m.
Grades 3-6 Art Studio

274815 Wed., Apr. 11-May 23 3:30-5 p.m.
Grades 3-6 Art Studio

Please register for only one of the following 8-week storytimes.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

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

274865 Tues., Apr. 10-May 29 10:30 a.m.
Ages 3-5 Art Studio

TODDLER STORYTIME

This introduction to storytime features books, poems and music. Children will enjoy opportunities for self-expression as they sing, dance and shake their sillies. Space is limited to 25 participants.

274866 Wed., Apr. 11-May 30 11 a.m.
Ages 1-2 Little Theater

STORIES FOR 2S & 3S

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

274867 Thurs., Apr. 12-May 31 10:30 a.m.
Ages 2-3 Art Studio

BABIES 'N' BOOKS

Children and caregivers participate in music, nursery rhymes, simple stories and books. Space is limited to 25 participants.

274868 Fri., Apr. 13-June 1 11 a.m.
Ages 6-25 mos. Little Theater

Please register for only one of the following Child & Teen Read Aloud programs.

CHILD & TEEN READ ALOUD

Children who are able to read are invited to participate in special read aloud sessions. Children will team up with energetic teens during this weekly program. To be eligible for this program, all participants must attend the first day of class for testing. Space is limited to 15 participants.

274869 Wed., Apr. 11-May 30 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-8 Little Theater

274870 Thurs., Apr. 12-May 31 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-8 Little Theater

The following Library programs do not require registration:

ROBOTICS AND ENGINEERING FAMILY NIGHT

The Library, in partnership with Whitney High School Robotics Club, will host an evening of robotic and engineering demonstrations and hands-on activities. The Library will also demonstrate its new 3D printer. This program is supported by NASA's Universe of Learning, in partnership with Smithsonian Affiliations.

Thurs., Mar. 1 7 p.m. All Ages
Skyline Room

READ ACROSS AMERICA

Read Across America Day is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on March 2 – Dr. Seuss's birthday! Join us for a craft, coloring and activity station in the Children's Library.

Fri., Mar. 2 3:30 p.m. Ages 2-12
Children's Library

ARTS AND CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on St. Patrick's Day craft will be held in the Art Studio for children ages 2-12. This craft will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.

Fri., Mar. 9 10-11 a.m. & Ages 2-12
5-6 p.m. Art Studio

FAMILY NIGHT: CHRISTOPHER T. MAGICIAN

Children will love Christopher T. Magician's magic because his audiences never simply sit and watch. The audience is as much a part of the show as he is, constantly interacting, shouting, helping and participating!

Wed., Mar. 14 7 p.m. All Ages
Skyline Room

BLOOD DRIVE

Due to a critically low blood supply, the City of Cerritos and the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive. 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 redcross-blood.org and enter sponsor code COC.

Mon., Mar. 19 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Parking Lot

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

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

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

The following Library programs do not require registration:

ADULT COLORING NIGHT

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

Thurs., Mar. 22 7-8:30 p.m. Ages 18 and over
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.

Wed., Mar. 28 7 p.m. All Ages
Skyline Room

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: "SINGIN' IN THE RAIN"

Theo Siegel discusses the making of "Singin' In the Rain," followed by a screening of this classic film. This film is rated G and has a running time of 103 minutes.

Fri., Mar. 30 6 p.m. All Ages
Skyline Room

AN EVENING OF CLASSICAL PIANO

Pianist Mary Ogawa will present an evening of classical music. Enjoy works by some of the greatest and most influential composers, including Beethoven, Liszt and Chopin.

Wed., Apr. 4 7 p.m. All Ages
Skyline Room

CONTESTS FOR TALENTED TEENS

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will conduct the 20th Annual Teen Contests. The contests are open to all students with valid Cerritos Library cards and attending grades 7 through 12. All entries must be original. One entry per person is allowed for each of the categories. Gift certificates to a local bookstore will be presented to the winners at a reception in May. Entry forms, available at the Library, are due by Friday, March 23 at 9 p.m.

Themes and Specifications:

Art: "Tranquility" (No larger than 12"x18" using any medium. Three-dimensional art will be accepted.)

Photography: "Tranquility" (No larger than 8"x10")

Poetry: "Laughter" (Up to 50 lines)

Short Story: "The Best of Both Worlds" (No more than 500 words)

Library Displays

ARTIST ANN PHONG

Ann Phong's expressive paintings depict her life's journey and the impact of humans on our planet. Her work has been exhibited at the UC Riverside Sweeney Museum; the Karbi Museum in Thailand; California State University, Fullerton Student Center; and California Polytechnic University, Pomona Student Center. Phong's artwork will be on display in the Library's main lobby from the first week of March until the last week of April.

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