



# FVRLibraries NEWS & EVENTS

Clark & Cowlitz Counties



Adults..... 1

Virtual ..... 5

Teens & Tweens ..... 8

Kids & Preschool ..... 10

Family ..... 10

**HUMANITIES WASHINGTON SPEAKERS SERIES**  
Hear an intriguing talk from a subject expert.  
**(INSIDE COVER)**

**BOOKMARK CONTEST WINNERS**  
See the winning entries in each age group!  
**(PAGE 6)**

  
[fvrlibraries.org/events](https://fvrlibraries.org/events)

**LIBRARY CLOSURE: MAY 27**  
All FVRLibraries locations and bookmobiles will be closed for Memorial Day.

humanities | h  
WASHINGTON | w

# Speaker Series

MAY – OCTOBER 2024

## HUMANITIES WASHINGTON SPEAKER SERIES

Beginning May 8 and continuing through the summer, we'll be hosting a series of events at our libraries presented by the Humanities Washington Speakers Bureau. Most are available both in person and online, and opportunities to view a live stream with others at a watch party will be offered. Topics range from tribal rights in the Pacific Northwest to Woody Guthrie to beer. Find a full list of programs at our libraries at [bit.ly/HumanWA](http://bit.ly/HumanWA).

Humanities Washington believes you don't need to be a student or live near a college to hear an intriguing talk from a scholar or expert. In communities throughout Washington State, Speakers Bureau presenters give free public presentations on history, politics, music, philosophy, spiritual traditions, and everything in between.

Their roster of over 30 Speakers Bureau presenters is made up of professors, artists, activists, historians, performers, journalists, and others—all chosen not only for their expertise, but also for their ability to inspire discussion with people of all ages and backgrounds. Hundreds of Speakers Bureau events take place each year in libraries, museums, schools, community centers, and other nonprofit organizations.



## WOODLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY BUILDING UPDATE

We're excited to watch the progress happening in Woodland on the new Woodland Community Library! Each week brings visible progress toward the goal the community has been working toward for so long. Many thanks to



Friends of Woodland Community Library and Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation for their fundraising efforts and to the many volunteers, donors, and community partners who have helped along the

way. Stay tuned for updates about a grand opening later this year.

---

Some changes to programs may occur after this booklet is printed. Check [fvrl.org](http://fvrl.org) for the latest information.

---



# Adults

Adults of all ages and teens are welcome

## May Programs

### BATTLE GROUND

#### Hunting, Fishing, and Native Sovereignty (Live Viewing)

**MAY 9 5:30–6:30 pm**

**H** Northwest treaty rights continue to be frequently discussed in communities and courtrooms. In his talk, Yakama hunter and fisherman Aaron Paul Whitefoot discusses the history and tensions that linger from the Treaty of 1855. Program made possible by Humanities Washington.

#### Bridgerton Social

**MAY 18 4–5:30 pm**

Celebrate the arrival of Bridgerton's third season that starts on May 16. Mingle with other fans as you enjoy refreshments and a variety of activities. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to dress in costume.

#### Goat Happy Hour™

**MAY 22 10:30–11:30 am**

Goat therapy can decrease anxiety and depression, and increase feelings of comfort and happiness. Held outside, dress accordingly. Intended for adults, ages 8 and up may be admitted with an adult.

### CASCADE PARK

#### 3D Printing for Accessibility

**MAY 2 6–7 pm**

We'll have a discussion and demonstration of our 3D printer. Learn more about creating 3D-printed objects to assist with crafting, work, and personal life.

#### Business Tax Basics with the Department of Revenue

**MAY 15 10 am–12 pm**

**R** Review the most common Washington taxes a business could owe, registration requirements, nexus standards, and how to file excise tax returns. Best suited for newer businesses, but any business with activities in Washington are welcome to attend.

### CASCADE PARK

#### Conscious Consumption Series: Trashion Show

**MAY 18 2–3 pm**

**\*R** Showcase your skills by entering our Trashion Show. Participants will create a wearable garment or accessory to showcase on our runway. All entries must be made from reused or recycled materials. In partnership with Clark County Green Neighbors.

*\*Registration required only for participants.*

### CASCADE PARK

#### Urban Nature Walk

**MAY 30 5–6:30 pm**

We will explore the plants and wildlife in our very own neighborhood. Meet us in the lobby and we will leave on the walk by 10 minutes after 5 pm.

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

#### Monthly Meetings

Looking for a fun way to support your library? Join a Friends of the Library group near you.

#### Battle Ground

**MAY 7 1–3 pm**

#### Cascade Park

**MAY 16 6–7:30 pm**

#### La Center

**MAY 1 6–7 pm**

#### Ridgefield

**MAY 16 6–7 pm**

#### Vancouver

**MAY 21 4–5 pm**

#### Washougal

**MAY 28 6–7:30 pm**

#### Yacolt

**MAY 25 10–11 am**

#### Used Book Sales

Find great deals while supporting library programs.

#### La Center

**MAY 18 10 am–2 pm**

Friends Pop-Up Book Sale  
Cash only. Weather permitting.

# May Programs

## CASCADE PARK/ONLINE

Humanities  
Washington:  
We All Transition  
**MAY 8 6–7 pm**

**H** Mac Scotty McGregor will share his gender journey and what it taught him about life, our culture, and how it affects our interactions with others. Program made possible by Humanities Washington.

## LA CENTER

Cricut® Workshop  
**MAY 22 4–5:30 pm**

**R** Learn how to use the versatile Cricut® cutting machine. Design and make a small wall sign to take home. Ages 13 and up.

## OFF-SITE in VANCOUVER

Meetup at  
The Romance Era  
Bookshop  
1701 Lincoln Ave  
**MAY 12 5:30–6:30 pm**

**R** Mingle with other spicy romance fans while also supporting a local used bookstore. Ages 18 and up.

Small Business  
Resource Fair  
Fourth Plain  
Community Commons,  
3101 E 4th Plain Blvd  
**MAY 21 4:30–6:30 pm**

**R** Connect with resources to start, grow and thrive as a business. In partnership with City of Vancouver and sponsorship from Fourth Plain Community Commons.

## ONLINE

SCORE®–Paths to  
Entrepreneurship  
**MAY 11 10–11:30 am**

**R** There are but three ways to make the jump to entrepreneurship: start a business on your own, buy an existing business, or consider a franchise opportunity. This learning event addresses the pros and cons of each option. Find out how to register at [bit.ly/ScoreBusinessSeries](http://bit.ly/ScoreBusinessSeries).

## ONLINE/GOLDENDALE

Humanities  
Washington:  
Hunting, Fishing, and  
Native Sovereignty  
**MAY 9 5:30–6:30 pm**

**H** Northwest treaty rights continue to be frequently discussed in communities and courtrooms. In his talk, Yakama hunter and fisherman Aaron Paul Whitefoot discusses the history and tensions that linger from the Treaty of 1855. Program made possible by Humanities Washington.

## ONLINE/STEVENSON



Adult Book Group\*  
**MAY 1 6–7 pm**

**H** *Finding the Mother Tree* by Suzanne Simard.

\*Look for other Skamania County Reads speakers and programs during May, including an art exhibit.



## Sustainable Landscaping

Battle Ground  
**MAY 18 1–2 pm**

Learn techniques from Janis McBride to maximize success of your landscape plants. You can achieve an aesthetically pleasing garden that is in balance with nature as well as save time and money.

## Hydrangeas: Variety and Beauty

La Center  
Community Center  
1411 NE Lockwood  
Creek Rd  
**MAY 11 4:30–5:15 pm**

Clark County Master Gardener Carley Wecks will share her love and experience with these garden beauties..

## Drip Irrigation

Ridgefield  
**MAY 18 11 am–12 pm**

Vancouver  
**MAY 15 5:30–6:30 pm**

In this introductory presentation of drip irrigation, we'll explore its origins, basic concepts, advantages and disadvantages, and describe how to get started.

## Grow Your Own Herbs

Three Creeks  
**MAY 18 1–1:45 pm**

Join WSU Extension Clark County Master Gardener Jennifer Cheshire to learn about techniques both those new to herbs, as well as experienced gardeners, can use to grow these wonderful plants.

## Edible Landscaping

Three Creeks  
**MAY 31 10–11 am**

This presentation covers the benefits of edibles in the landscape, four design principles for visual appeal and how to convert flowers to food. Featuring a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation along with a handout covering 12 tips for successful edible landscaping.

## Making a Rain Garden

Woodland  
**MAY 20 5:30–6:30 pm**

WSU Extension Coordinator, Gary Fredricks will discuss an environmentally friendly way to create a native plant oasis that soaks up the extra rainwater. Learn where to place the garden, how to construct it, and what plants to consider.

# May Programs

## THREE CREEKS

### Hunting, Fishing, and Native Sovereignty (Live Viewing)

**MAY 9 5:30–6:30 pm**

**H** Northwest treaty rights continue to be frequently discussed in communities and courtrooms. In his talk, Yakama hunter and fisherman Aaron Paul Whitefoot discusses the history and tensions that linger from the Treaty of 1855. Program made possible by Humanities Washington.

### Plant and Seed Swap

**MAY 11 1–2:30 pm**

Bring your extra plants, seeds, and containers to the library. Take home plants and seeds to vitalize your garden. Drop off or pick up plants and seeds from 1–2:30 pm. Can't make it on Saturday? Drop off your plants and seeds May 6–11.

## THREE CREEKS

### Goat Happy Hour™

**MAY 22 12:30–1:30 pm**

Goat therapy can decrease anxiety and depression, and increase feelings of comfort and happiness. Held outside, dress accordingly. Intended for adults, ages 8 and up may be admitted with an adult.

## VANCOUVER

### Watershed Alliance Environmental Film Series:

#### *Razing Liberty Square*

**MAY 28 5–7 pm**

Series features provocative documentaries spotlighting relevant environmental topics facing the planet today.

In partnership with Clark County Green Neighbors.

## IN-PERSON BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. All are welcome. Stop by the library to pick up your copy!

### Adult Book Groups

#### Battle Ground

**MAY 22 9:30–10:30 am**

*A Fever in the Heartland*  
by Timothy Egan.

#### Cascade Park (evening)

**MAY 9 6:30–7:30 pm**

*The Dawn of Everything*  
by David Graeber.

#### Cascade Park (morning)

**MAY 28 10:30–11:30 am**

*The Bandit Queens*  
by Parini Shroff.

#### La Center

**MAY 1 9–10 am**

Check with staff for title.

#### Ridgefield

**MAY 21 6–7 pm**

*This Is How You Lose the Time War* by Amal El-Mohtar.

#### Three Creeks (afternoon)

**MAY 2 12:30–2 pm**

Check with staff for title.

#### Three Creeks (evening)

**MAY 7 6–7 pm**

Check with staff for title.

#### Vancouver/Online

**MAY 14 6–7 pm**

**H** *Braiding Sweetgrass*  
by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

#### Off-site–Vancouver Mall

**MAY 9 10:30–11:30 am**

Glenwood Place Senior Living  
5500 NE 82nd Ave  
Check with staff for title.

#### Off-site–Vancouver Mall

**MAY 17 10:30–11:30 am**

Vancouver Mall  
Retirement Community  
7808 NE 51st St  
Check with staff for title.

#### Woodland

**MAY 20**

**11:30 am–12:30 pm**

*Always Coming Home*  
by Ursula K. Le Guin.

### Manga & Graphic Novel Group\*

#### Battle Ground/Online

**MAY 4 3–4 pm**

**H** *The Masterful Cat is Depressed Again Today*  
by Hitsuji Yamada.

For ages 18 and up.

\*Part of LibraryCon

### Books and Brew

#### Off-site–Washougal

**MAY 16 6–7 pm**

Meet at: 54°40' Brewing Company, 3801 S Truman Rd #1, Washougal.



### READ ABOUT BOOKS!

If you love reading about books, check out recent book columns by FVRLibraries staff, including the weekly “Check it Out” column that first appears in *The Columbian* and the monthly “Book Beat” column that first appears in *The Messenger*. You’ll find book suggestions by our librarians on a range of topics at [fvrl.org/blogs/off-the-shelf](http://fvrl.org/blogs/off-the-shelf).

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

## WEEKLY

- MON\*** Line Dancing  
*Cascade Park* Mon 1–3 pm  
\*Will also meet Wed, May 29
- WED** Magic the Gathering Night (all ages welcome)  
*Cascade Park* Wed 4–6 pm
- WED** English Conversation Circle  
*Cascade Park* Wed 5:30–7 pm
- THU** Drop-In Tech Help (call for appointment)  
*Cascade Park* Thu 10–11 am
- FRI\*** Yarn Buzz (for teens and adults)  
*La Center* \*2nd and 4th Fri 10–11 am
- WED** Stitchery Group  
*Ridgefield* Wed 10 am–12 pm
- WED** Spanish Conversation Circle: Intermediate  
*Ridgefield* **R** Wed 3–4:30 pm
- THU** Gentle Strength and Stretch Class  
*Ridgefield* Thu 11–11:45 am
- THU\*** Word Nerds (for teens and adults)  
*Ridgefield* **R** \*2nd and 4th Thu 4:30–5:30 pm
- TUE** English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Beginner Class  
*Vancouver* Tue 3–5 pm
- WED** English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Intermediate Class  
*Vancouver* Wed 3–5 pm
- THU\*** The Craft of Writing: Workshop and Book Group  
*Vancouver/Online* **H** \*1st and 3rd Thu  
10:30 am–12:30 pm
- WED** Knit and Natter  
*Vancouver Mall* Wed 5:30–6:30 pm

## MONTHLY

- MAY 8** Art Chat  
*Battle Ground* 2nd Wed 1–3 pm
- MAY 15** Art Share  
*Cascade Park* 3rd Wed 11 am–1 pm
- MAY 24** Harp Circle  
*Cascade Park* 4th Fri 10 am–12 pm
- MAY 9** Genealogy Group  
*La Center* 2nd Thu 9–10 am
- MAY 23** Writing Group  
*La Center* 4th Thu 9–11 am
- MAY 20** FVRL Board of Trustees Meeting  
*Online/Stevenson* **H** 3rd Mon 6–8 pm
- MAY 7** Art Chat  
*Ridgefield* 1st Tue 10 am–12:30 pm
- MAY 18** Chess Mates  
*Ridgefield* 3rd Sat 11 am–1 pm
- MAY 22** Writers Circle  
*Ridgefield* 4th Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 13** Willamette Writers Vancouver Chapter  
*Three Creeks/Online* **H** 2nd Mon  
6:15–7:45 pm
- MAY 5, 15\*** Introduction to Sewing Machines  
(for ages 8 and up)  
*Vancouver* \*1st Sun 2–3:30 pm and  
3rd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- MAY 16** Family History Essentials  
*Vancouver/Online* **R** **H** 3rd Thu 3–4:30 pm
- MAY 21** Vancouver Writes  
*Vancouver/Online* **H** 3rd Tue 5:15–6:45 pm

## Ongoing

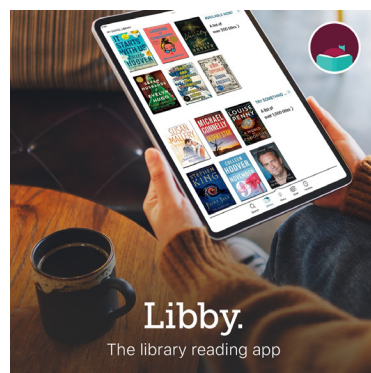
Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

### WEEKLY

- TUE** Chair Yoga: Movement & Meditation  
**Online** **R** Tue 2–2:45 pm
- TUE** Gentle Yoga  
**Online** **R** Tue 3–4 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Tuesdays) **Online** **R** Tue 4:30–6:30 pm
- TUE** Spanish Conversation Circle: Advanced  
**Online** **R** Tue 6–7:45 pm
- WED** Craft 'n Chat Wednesdays (for teens and adults)  
**Online** **R** Wed 10–11 am
- THU** English Conversation Circle: Intermediate  
**Online** **R** Thu 10:30 am–12 pm
- THU** Spanish Conversation Circle: Intermediate  
**Online** **R** Thu 6–7:30 pm. For ages 18 and up.
- FRI** Teen Video Game Club  
**Online** **R** Fri 4–5:30 pm
- FRI** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Fridays) **Online** **R** Fri 4:30–6 pm
- SAT\*** Spanish Conversation Circle: High Intermediate  
**Online** **R** \*2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sat 11 am–12:30 pm

### MONTHLY

- MAY 1** Reflecting Rainbows:  
LGBTQ+ Discussion Group (for adults)  
**Online** **R** 1st Wed 7–8 pm
- MAY 6** Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition for Grownups (for ages 18 and up) **Online** **R** 1st Mon 6–8 pm
- MAY 8** Board Game Night (for teens and adults)  
**Online** **R** 2nd Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 20\*** Make Anything  
**Online** **R** \*3rd Mon due to holiday 6–7:30 pm



### BORROW EBOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS WITH THE LIBBY APP

Libby offers:

- Quick and easy setup
- One bookshelf for all your loans and holds
- Management of multiple library cards
- Custom tags to make your own book lists
- Push notifications so you won't miss a thing
- Wi-Fi or offline reading
- And more!

[fvrlibraries.org/Libby](http://fvrlibraries.org/Libby)

## ONLINE BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. All are welcome. Check the online calendar description to find out how to get a copy of the book.

### Spicy Romance

**MAY 2** 6–7 pm

**R** *Neon Gods*  
by Katee Robert.  
For ages 18 and up.

### Nature Lovers

Online/White Salmon Valley

**MAY 3** 4–5:30 pm

**R** **H** *Koala: The Extraordinary Life of an Enigmatic Animal*  
by Danielle Clode.

### YA for the Olds

**MAY 7** 7–8 pm

**R** *Clap When You Land*  
by Elizabeth Acevedo.

### Virtual Kids

Book Group

**MAY 9** 4–5 pm

**R** *The Chicken Squad*  
by Doreen Cronin.  
For ages 6–9.

### Catch up with the Classics

**MAY 15** 7–8:30 pm

**R** Parts 5 through 8 of  
*Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy.

### Adult Book Group

Online/Goldendale

**MAY 20** 11 am–12 pm

**H** *The Covenant of Water*  
by Abraham Verghese.



## BOOKMARK CONTEST

Grades K-12 • Prizes

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BOOKMARK CONTEST 2024 WINNERS!

Join us in celebrating the five grand-prize winners of the 2024 contest! Each winning entry will be made into actual bookmarks and offered to readers at all of our library locations. The five winners will receive their original bookmark framed and an art set for future masterpieces. Thank you to all of the artists who entered the contest this year. The artwork was amazing.



**La Center**  
Kindergarten-1st Grade  
Thatcher P.



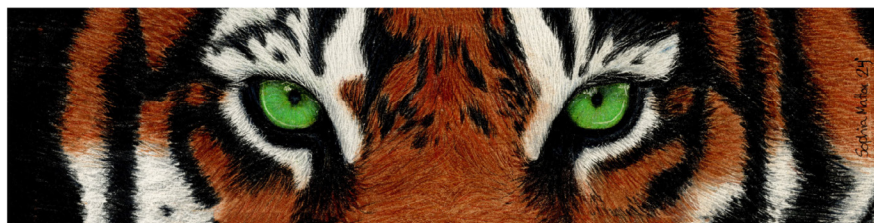
**Battle Ground**  
4th-5th Grade  
Joelle S.



**Cascade Park**  
9th-12th Grade  
Evan E.



**Three Creeks**  
6th-8th Grade  
Sophia M.



**Three Creeks**  
2nd-3rd Grade  
Young Z.



# LIBRARYCON

## 2024

### ALL BRANCHES

#### Free Comic Book Day

**MAY 4** 10 am–6 pm

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day this May the Fourth! Comic giveaways will be available at all library locations, with additional activities occurring at some library branches.

### BATTLE GROUND

#### Star Wars Droids

**MAY 2** 3–4:30 pm

A special presentation from local droid makers in the 501st Legion. Presenters will bring their Star Wars droids and discuss the process of making them.

#### Manga & Graphic Novel Swap

**MAY 3** 2–3 pm

Bring your manga and graphic novels to the library and swap them for something else.

### OFF-SITE: THE PRAIRIE TAVERN

#### Star Wars & Comics Trivia Night

**MAY 4** 6–8 pm  
14925 NE Caples Rd,  
Brush Prairie

Test your knowledge of both Star Wars and comic books in the ultimate trivia challenge.

### CASCADE PARK

#### Family Trivia

**MAY 4** 10–11 am

This family-friendly event will include questions about Star Wars, Disney, and Marvel to celebrate fandom of all kinds.

#### Star Wars Movie Night

**MAY 4** 4–6:30 pm

Showing of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*. Snacks and activities for all-ages.

#### Careers in Comics with Editor Diana Schutz

**MAY 4** 2–3:30 pm

Join us for a conversation with award-winning comics editor Diana Schutz about how to get started working in the comics industry.

*There will be a viewing party at Stevenson at the same time.*

### LA CENTER

#### Fuse Bead Pixel Art

**MAY 4** 3–5 pm

Use fuse beads to design your favorite movie or comic book character.

### THREE CREEKS

#### Padawan Academy

**MAY 4** 2–4 pm

**2 pm**—Meet and greet, and photo op, with the 501st Legion

**3 pm**—Lightsaber training and Jedi crafts

### VANCOUVER

#### Star Wars Movie and Trivia Night

**MAY 3** 5–8pm

Put your Star Wars knowledge to the test with a trivia night and stay for a showing of the movie that started it all.

#### A Life in Pictures: Creating Graphic Biographies

**MAY 4** 11 am–12:30 pm

Taki Soma, a HUGO award-nominated artist, writer, and colorist, will explore the therapeutic power of storytelling through visuals, revealing how graphic narration can be a transformative and cathartic experience.

#### From Fan to Maker with Author David F. Walker

**MAY 4** 5–6:30 pm

Eisner Award-Winning author, David F. Walker, shares the story of his evolution from a comic-loving kid to a working comics creator. Unlock your creativity and venture into the world of graphic storytelling.

### VANCOUVER MALL

#### Star Wars and Comic Book Day Activities

**MAY 4** 11 am–12 pm

- 501st Legion photo op
- Build a lightsaber
- Make a button with art from comic books
- Make a comic (all day)

### WASHOUGAL

#### Everyone's An Artist: Comic Book Day

**MAY 1** 4–5 pm

- Practice making comics.

### WOODLAND

#### Star Wars and Comic Book Day Activities

**MAY 4** 10 am–6 pm

All-day activities:

- Create superhero cuffs and masks.
- Make a comic collage or write your own comic.
- Build a Star Wars stick puppet or a baby Grogu in a pod.



# Teens & Tweens

For ages 12–19 years

## May Programs

### CASCADE PARK

**3D Printing for Accessibility**  
**MAY 2 6–7 pm**

We'll have a discussion and demonstration of our 3D printer. Learn more about creating 3D-printed objects to assist with crafting, work, and personal life.

**Teen Crafts: Book Binding**  
**MAY 13 5–6:30 pm**

Learn bookbinding techniques and make your own journals. For ages 12–18 only.

**Urban Nature Walk**  
**MAY 30 5:00–6:30 pm**

We will explore the plants and wildlife in our very own neighborhood. Meet us in the lobby and we will leave on the walk by 10 minutes after 5 pm.

### LA CENTER

**Library 20th Anniversary & Bookmark Contest Celebration**  
**MAY 14 3–5 pm**

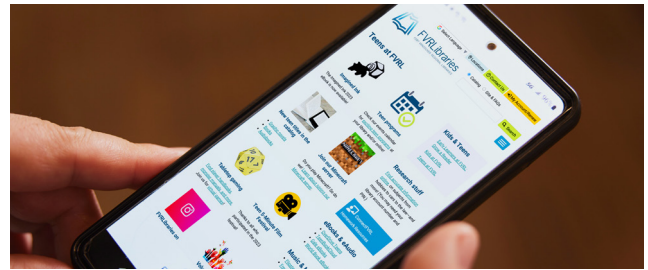
Join us for our Bookmark Contest Celebration and La Center Community Library's 20th Anniversary! Live music, llamas, and of course cake.

**Cricut® Workshop**  
**MAY 22 4–5:30 pm**

**R** Learn how to use the versatile Cricut® cutting machine. Design and make a small wall sign to take home. Ages 13 and up.

**Warriors Book Party**  
**MAY 30 4–5:30 pm**

Celebrate the popular kid's book series *Warriors* by Erin Hunter, with games, trivia, and crafts. For ages 6–14.



### WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY?

If you're wondering what books are new at the library, here's an easy way to find out. You'll find links to new young adult titles, graphic novels, and audiobooks on our teen page. You'll also find handy links to the most popular resources for eBooks, magazines, music, and streaming video. And, of course, research tools for school. Head over to [fvrl.org/teens](http://fvrl.org/teens) for one spot with the stuff you need.

## TWEEN BOOK GROUPS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month's title. Check the online calendar description to find out how to get a copy of the book.

### Tween Book Groups

**Battle Ground**  
**MAY 14 4:30–5:30 pm**  
**R** Ask at front desk for title.  
 For ages 9–12.

**Cascade Park**  
**MAY 20 5–6 pm**  
*A Wish in the Dark*  
 by Christina Soontornvat.

**La Center**  
**MAY 15 3–4 pm**  
 Ask at front desk for title.  
 For ages 10–12.

**Ridgefield**  
**MAY 9 4:30–5:30 pm**  
*Esperanza Rising*  
 by Pam Muñoz Ryan.  
 For ages 8–12.

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

## WEEKLY

- WED** Magic the Gathering Night (all ages welcome)  
*Cascade Park* Wed 4–6 pm
- THU** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
*Cascade Park* Thu 4:30–6:30 pm
- FRI\*** Yarn Buzz (for teens and adults)  
*La Center* \*2nd and 4th Fri 10–11 am
- TUE** Gentle Yoga  
*Online* **R** Tue 3–4 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Tuesdays) *Online* **R** Tue 4:30–6:30 pm
- WED** Craft 'n Chat Wednesdays (for teens and adults)  
*Online* **R** Wed 10–11 am
- FRI** Teen Video Game Club  
*Online* **R** Fri 4–5:30 pm
- FRI** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Fridays) *Online* **R** Fri 4:30–6:30 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
*Ridgefield* Tue 4:30–6:30 pm
- THU\*** Word Nerds (for teens and adults)  
*Ridgefield* **R** \*2nd and 4th Thu 4:30–5:30 pm
- FRI** Pathfinder RPG for Tweens & Teens  
*Ridgefield/Online* **R** **H** Fri 4:30–6:30 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
*Three Creeks* Tue 4:30–6:30 pm
- THU** Thursday Thing  
*Vancouver* Thu 5–7 pm
- SAT** Saturday Morning Cartoons  
*Vancouver* Sat 10 am–12 pm
- WED** Knit and Natter  
*Vancouver Mall* Wed 5:30–6:30 pm

## MONTHLY

- MAY 9** Teen Hangout  
*Battle Ground* 2nd Thu 4–5 pm
- MAY 21** Build It  
*Battle Ground* 3rd Tue 5–6 pm
- MAY 6** Teen Council  
*Cascade Park* 1st Mon 5–6 pm
- MAY 11\*** ChessNuts  
*Cascade Park* \*2nd Sat this month  
10:30 am–12:15 pm
- MAY 11** Ceramic Tile Painting (for ages 10–16)  
*La Center* **R** 2nd Sat 11 am–12:30 pm
- MAY 23** STEAM Club (for ages 8–18)  
*La Center* 4th Thu 3:30–4:30 pm
- MAY 8** Board Game Night (for teens and adults)  
*Online* **R** 2nd Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 20\*** Make Anything  
*Online* **R** \*3rd Mon due to holiday 6–7:30 pm
- MAY 11** Build It  
*Ridgefield* 2nd Sat 10:30 am–12 pm
- MAY 18** Chess Mates  
*Ridgefield* 3rd Sat 11 am–1 pm
- MAY 22** Writers Circle  
*Ridgefield* 4th Wed 6–7 pm
- MAY 5, 15\*** Introduction to Sewing Machines (for ages 8 and up)  
*Vancouver* \*1st Sun 2–3:30 pm and  
3rd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- MAY 26** Board Game Day (for teens and families)  
*Vancouver* last Sun 2–6:30 pm
- MAY 20** Tabletop Role-Playing Game Club (for tweens and teens)  
*Washougal* **R** 3rd Mon 4:30–6 pm



# Kids, Preschool & Family

For ages birth through 12 years

All ages welcome!

## May Programs

### CASCADE PARK

**Conscious Consumption Series: Trashion Show**  
**MAY 18 2–3 pm**

\***R** Showcase your skills by entering our Trashion Show. Participants will create a wearable garment or accessory to showcase on our runway. All entries must be made from reused or recycled materials. In partnership with Clark County Green Neighbors.

\*Registration required only for participants.

### LA CENTER

**Library 20th Anniversary & Bookmark Contest Celebration**  
**MAY 14 3–5 pm**

Join us for our Bookmark Contest Celebration and La Center Community Library's 20th Anniversary! Live music, llamas, and of course cake.

### LA CENTER

**Warriors Book Party**  
**MAY 30 4–5:30 pm**

Celebrate the popular kid's book series *Warriors* by Erin Hunter, with games, trivia, and crafts. For ages 6–14.

### THREE CREEKS

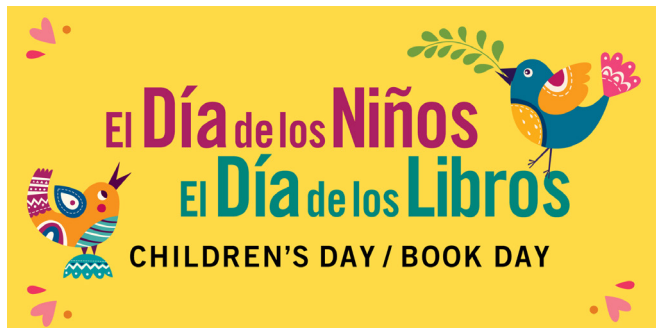
**Plant and Seed Swap**  
**MAY 11 1–2:30 pm**

Bring your extra plants, seeds, and containers to the library. Take home plants and seeds to vitalize your garden. Drop off or pick up plants and seeds from 1–2:30 pm. Can't make it on Saturday? Drop off your plants and seeds May 6–11.

**Movie Matinee: Migration**  
**MAY 11 3:30–5:30 pm**

Bring the family, and we'll provide the popcorn.

### VANCOUVER



**MAY 11 / 11 DE MAYO 1–3 pm**

Join us for bilingual story hour, traditional folkloric dance, festive art activities, and delicious treats in celebration of El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day). Commonly known as Día, it is a celebration of children, families, and reading. Día emphasizes the importance of literacy for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds, linking children and their families to diverse books, languages, and cultures.

*Únete a nosotros para la hora de los cuentos bilingües, danzas folclóricas tradicionales, actividades artísticas festivas y bocadillos deliciosos en la celebración del Día de los niños/Día de los libros. Conocido comúnmente como El Día, es una celebración de los niños, las familias y la lectura. El Día hace énfasis en la importancia de la alfabetización de los niños de todos los orígenes lingüísticos y culturales, vinculando a los niños y a sus familias con diversidad de libros, idiomas y culturas.*

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

## WEEKLY

- MON** Monday Mixer (for ages 6 and under)  
*Battle Ground* Mon 10–11 am
- WED\*** Read to the Dog  
(15-minute sessions, for ages 5–9)  
*Cascade Park* 1st and 3rd Wed 4–5 pm
- THU** Kids Art Drop-In (for ages 6–12)  
*Cascade Park* Thu 4–5 pm
- FRI** Vroom in the Room  
*Three Creeks* Fri 10:30–11:30 am
- TUE\*** Crafternoon  
*Vancouver* \*Tue, May 7 and 14 only  
3:30–5 pm
- THU** Build It  
*Vancouver* Thu 3:30–5 pm
- WED\*** Everyone's an Artist (for ages 6–12)  
*Washougal* **R** \*1st and 3rd Wed 4–5 pm
- FRI** Funtastic Fridays  
*Washougal* Fri 3–4 pm
- WED & FRI** Family Craft Workshop  
*Yacolt* Wed & Fri 11 am–5 pm
- MAY 28** Ceramics & Books (for ages 5–9)  
*La Center* **R** 4th Tue 2:30–3:30 pm
- MAY 11** Build It  
*Ridgefield* 2nd Sat 10:30 am–12 pm
- MAY 15** School Age Art Fun with YMCA  
*Ridgefield* 3rd Wed 5:30–6:30 pm
- MAY 20** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
*Ridgefield* **R** 3rd Mon 3:30–4:30 pm
- MAY 21** Homeschooler's Meetup  
*Ridgefield* 3rd Tue 12:30–2 pm
- MAY 28** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
*Ridgefield* **R** 4th Tue 6–7 pm
- MAY 7** Hero Quest for Young Adventurers  
(for grades 1–3)  
*Three Creeks* **R** 1st Tue 4:30–5:30 pm
- MAY 15** Homeschool Hangout  
*Three Creeks* 3rd Wed 1–2 pm
- MAY 16** Build It  
*Three Creeks* 3rd Thu 4–5 pm
- MAY 23** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
*Three Creeks* 4th Thu 4:30–5:30 pm

## MONTHLY

- MAY 21** Build It  
*Battle Ground* 3rd Tue 5–6 pm
- MAY 28** Homeschool Hangout  
*Battle Ground* 4th Tue 1:30–3 pm
- MAY 11** Saturday Family Fun: Solar System Exploration  
*Cascade Park* 2nd Sat 3–4:30 pm
- MAY 23** STEAM Club (for ages 8–18)  
*La Center* 4th Thu 3:30–4:30 pm
- MAY 8** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
*Vancouver* 2nd Wed 3–5 pm
- MAY 26** Board Game Day (for teens and families)  
*Vancouver* last Sun 2–6:30 pm
- MAY 22** STEMgineers: Balloon Cars  
*Washougal* **R** 4th Wed 4–5 pm



## PARENT & CAREGIVER TIP FROM VROOM: SORT & CLEAN

**Sort & Clean**—Encourage your child to sort objects during cleanup. Talk about what you’re doing: “All of the small lids go in the little bowl and the big lids go in the big bowl.” Then mix it up and ask them to put the small objects in the big bowl. You can also sort by shape or color.

**Clasifi car y limpiar**—Anima a tu niño a clasifi car objetos a la hora de la limpieza. Habla sobre lo que estás haciendo. “Todas las tapas pequeñas van en el plato pequeño y las tapas grandes van en el plato grande”. Luego, mézclalas y pídele a tu niño que ponga los objetos pequeños en el tazón grande. También puede clasifi car por forma o por color.

Vroom offers early learning tips that are fun, easy, and make a big impact on growing brains. Get tips using the app on your phone or by texting VROOM to 48258, or download and print at [vroom.org](http://vroom.org).



## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Do you have a family member who will be attending kindergarten in the fall? Check with your school district now about registration. Most schools register in the spring for fall attendance so they know how many students to plan for. And, it’s one less thing you have to think about when school starts!

## KIDS

Enjoy a lively discussion about this month’s title. Check the online calendar description to find out how to get a copy of the book.

### Kids Book Groups

**Cascade Park**  
**MAY 3** 4:30–5:30 pm

Ask at front desk for title.  
 For ages 6–9.

**La Center**  
**MAY 16** 3–4 pm

Ask at front desk for title.  
 For ages 8–10.

**Three Creeks**  
**MAY 2** 4–5 pm

*The Chicken Squad*  
 by Doreen Cronin.  
 For ages 6–9.

### The Read-Aloud Crowd

**Battle Ground**  
**MAY 15** 4:30–5:30 pm

Ask at front desk for title.  
 For ages 6–8.

### Virtual Kids Book Group Online

**MAY 9** 4–5 pm

**R** *The Chicken Squad*  
 by Doreen Cronin.  
 For ages 6–9.



## LITTLE PIM IS SAYING GOODBYE

Our subscription to Little Pim language learning ends on June 7. But, you’ll find other language learning resources for kids (and adults) in Kanopy, Hoopla, and in our catalog at [fvrl.org](http://fvrl.org). Search for language learning. Mango Languages will still be available with your library account.

# Grow A Reader!

**WELCOME!** Hear stories, sing songs, and enjoy fun activities for children and their parents or caregivers. Capacity may be limited at some locations.

Storytimes occur weekly unless otherwise noted.\*

**BABY:**  
0–18 months

**TODDLER:**  
18–36 months

**PRESCHOOL:**  
3–6 years

**FAMILY:**  
for children  
of all ages



## NORTH CLARK & COWLITZ

### BABY

**Battle Ground**  
THU 10:30 am

### BABY & TODDLER

**La Center**  
FRI 10:30 am

### TODDLER

**Battle Ground**  
FRI 10:30 am

### PRESCHOOL

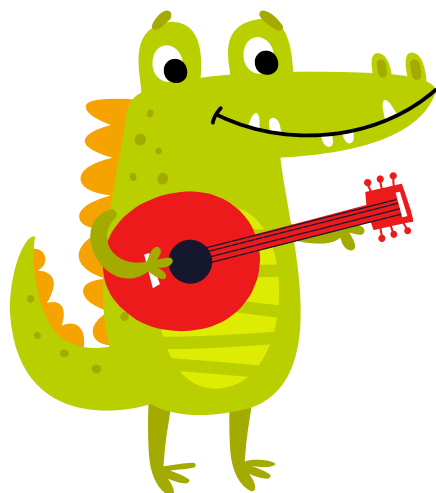
**Battle Ground**  
TUE 11 am  
WED 11 am

**La Center**  
THU 10:30 am

### FAMILY

**Ridgefield**  
MON 10:30 am  
WED 10:30 am

**Woodland**  
TUE 10:30 am



## SOUTH CLARK

### BABY

**Cascade Park**  
TUE 1 pm  
WED 1 pm

**Three Creeks**  
WED 10:30 am  
WED 11:30 am

**Vancouver**  
MON 10:30 am  
TUE 10:30 am

### TODDLER

**Cascade Park**  
FRI 10:30 am

**Vancouver**  
THU 10:30 am  
FRI 10:30 am

### PRESCHOOL

**Cascade Park**  
THU 11:30 am

**Vancouver**  
WED 10:30 am

### FAMILY

**Cascade Park**  
WED 11:30 am  
SAT 11:30 am  
(May 4: part of LibraryCon)

**Three Creeks**  
MON 10:30 am  
TUE 10:30 am  
THU 10:30 am  
SAT 10:30 am

**Vancouver Mall**  
TUE 11 am  
THU 11 am

**Washougal**  
TUE 10:30 am  
THU 10:30 am

### MUSIC & MOVEMENT

**Vancouver**  
FRI 2:30 pm

### SENSORY STORYTIME

**Vancouver**  
2ND SAT\* R 10:30 am  
(for ages 3–9)

### OUTREACH

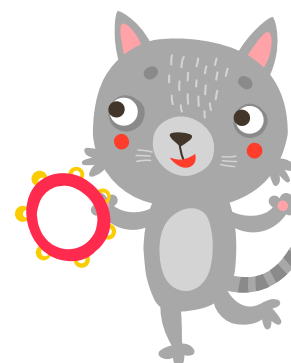
**Eisenhower Elementary**  
FRI 9 am  
(check in at front desk)

**Hazel Dell Elementary**  
FRI 9 am  
(check in at front desk)

**Lakeshore Elementary**  
WED 9 am  
(check in at front desk)



[fvrl.org/grow-reader](http://fvrl.org/grow-reader)





Most libraries are open for visits between 10 am and 6 pm, Monday through Saturday. Some have extended evening and Sunday hours.

Visit [fvrl.org/hours-locations](http://fvrl.org/hours-locations) or call 360-906-5000 (888-546-2707 from area code 509) for specific location information and hours. Book returns are open 24/7.

**Battle Ground Community Library**  
1207 SE 8th Way  
Battle Ground WA 98604

**Cascade Park Community Library**  
600 NE 136th Ave  
Vancouver WA 98684

**Goldendale Community Library**  
131 West Burgen St  
Goldendale WA 98620

**La Center Community Library**  
1411 NE Lockwood Creek Rd  
La Center WA 98629

**North Bonneville Community Library**  
214 CBD Mall  
(inside City Hall)  
North Bonneville WA 98639

**Ridgefield Community Library**  
210 N Main Ave  
Ridgefield WA 98642

**Stevenson Community Library**  
120 NW Vancouver Ave  
Stevenson WA 98648

**Three Creeks Community Library**  
800-C NE Tenney Rd  
Vancouver WA 98685

**Vancouver Community Library**  
901 C St  
Vancouver WA 98660

**Vancouver Mall Library**  
8700 NE Vancouver Mall Dr,  
Suite 285  
Vancouver WA 98662

**Washougal Community Library**  
1661 C St  
Washougal WA 98671

**White Salmon Valley Community Library**  
77 NE Wauna Ave  
White Salmon WA 98672

**Woodland Community Library**  
770 Park St  
Woodland WA 98674

**Yacolt Library Express**  
105 E Yacolt Rd  
Yacolt WA 98675

**Yale Valley Community Library**  
11700 Lewis River Rd  
Ariel WA 98603

## Book Returns

Alderdale Fire Hall  
Bickleton Market Street Cafe  
Green Mountain Elementary  
Klickitat Mini Park  
Lyle Market



**FVRLibraries**  
FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARIES