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### GRAND OPENING

Celebrate the new Woodland Community Library on October 12  
**(INSIDE COVER)**

### AUTHORS & ILLUSTRATORS DINNER & AUCTION

Hear author Laura Dave and support the library  
**(INSIDE COVER)**

### IMAGINED INK

Are you a creative teen with a flair for writing?  
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## WOODLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY OPENS OCTOBER 12

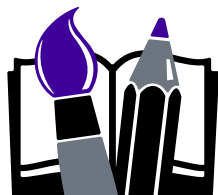
Come celebrate the long awaited opening of the new Woodland Community Library! You're invited to a day of excitement and activities. The celebration begins at 10 am with a flag raising, speakers, and a ribbon cutting. Tour the new library to learn about its features and how you can use it. Enjoy entertainment, refreshments, and special activities for kids.

The library is closed as we move to our new library location at 411 Lakeshore Drive. If you have an available hold, it will be ready for you to pick up at the new library beginning on October 12. Call 360-906-5000 if you have any questions.



## PUMPKIN BASH FUNDRAISER

Celebrate the spooky season with the Friends of Washougal Community Library at this fundraiser at **Get To-Gather Farm on October 19 from 5–10 pm** for the new Washougal Community Library building project. This bash will have a variety of pumpkin and Halloween-themed activities including pumpkin carving, a costume contest, pumpkin beer, Pumpkin Smashing Olympics, and more! This event is for ages 21+. Learn more and purchase tickets at [bit.ly/PumpkinBash2024](http://bit.ly/PumpkinBash2024).



## Authors & Illustrators

### 2024 DINNER AND AUCTION

The Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation's annual Authors & Illustrators Dinner and Auction will be held on **October 17, 2024** at the Hilton Hotel in Vancouver. This year's speaker is Laura Dave, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Last Thing He Told Me*.

Proceeds from the event support library buildings, programs, and services throughout the year.

**Purchase tickets at [fvrlfoundation.org](http://fvrlfoundation.org).**



**LAURA DAVE**

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

## October Programs

### BATTLE GROUND

#### Family Clothing Swap

**OCT 5 11 am–1:30 pm**

An all ages, all styles, and genders swap meet. Items must be clean and in good condition, with no holes, stains or other visible damage. Donations may be dropped off during library open hours the week of the event.

#### Travel Talk: Thru-hiking

**OCT 11 1–2 pm**

Ever wonder what it is like to hike the Pacific Crest Trail, the Pacific Northwest Trail, the Continental Divide Trail, or the Appalachian Trail? Then come hear the Bennett family share their experience hiking over 9,000 miles with four kids and a dog. Q&A to follow.

#### Fall Crafternoon

**OCT 12 1–3 pm**

Create fabric pumpkins along with an assortment of other fall-themed craft projects. If you'd like, bring your own used sweaters, socks, or other fabrics to reuse in your projects. For teens and up.

#### Herbal Teas

**OCT 26 1–2 pm**

Join us for a presentation by Garden Delights Herb Farm.

#### Murder Mystery Games

**OCT 26 4–5:30 pm**

Choose from an assortment of murder mystery games and activities to test your sleuthing skills. Chase the clues and catch the criminals or fail and be labeled a cold case! Participants are encouraged, but not required, to dress up as their favorite detective. For teens and up.



#### Intro to AI: ChatGPT, AI Searching, and More

Learn about the different types of AI, how to avoid common AI mistakes, and learn more about how to use this emerging technology responsibly.

#### Battle Ground

**OCT 23**

3–4 pm

#### Cascade Park

**OCT 14**

6:30–7:30 pm

#### La Center

**OCT 19**

10–11 am

#### Three Creeks

**OCT 4**

4–5 pm

#### Vancouver

**OCT 13**

**R** 2:30–3:30 pm

#### Woodland

**OCT 30**

5:30–6:30 pm

# October Programs

## CASCADE PARK

### Let Your Light Shine! Napkin & Glitter Tea Light Holder Craft

**OCT 4** 2–3 pm

**R** Looking for a fun and sparkly way to add some personalized flair to your home decor? Join us for a dazzling craft program where you'll transform ordinary napkins into shimmering tea light holders.

## ONLINE

### Intro to Watercolor

**TUE IN OCT**

6–7:30 pm

**R** (for teens and adults)  
Learn basic watercolor techniques and shading. We'll work on a different project every Tuesday in October. See the online calendar for the list of supplies you will need. Registration required for each week you'd like to attend.

## RIDGEFIELD

### Horror Trivia Fun

**OCT 18** 6–7:30 pm

Come join other horror fans for a fun night of horror trivia, creepy crafts, and snacks. For teens and up.

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## Speaker Series

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### And It Has Pockets!

#### The Battle for Women's Clothing Equality

Join costume designer Diane Johnston to dig into the pockets of the past, tracing the history of the humble pocket to determine if the battle for equality may still be decided by a few inches of extremely influential fabric. Program is made possible by Humanities Washington.

#### PRESENTATION:

Battle Ground/Online

**OCT 19**

**R H** 2–3 pm

#### LIVE VIEWING:

Vancouver

**OCT 19**

**R** 2–3 pm

## Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia

WITH ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

### Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

For centuries, we have known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. Now, science is able to provide insights into how to optimize our physical and cognitive health as we age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity, sleep, and more.

#### Ridgefield

**OCT 10** 2–3 pm

#### Three Creeks/Online

**OCT 10 H** 5:30–6:30 pm

### Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging. Understanding what is happening to a person with Alzheimer's is key to interacting effectively and providing quality care.

#### Three Creeks/Online

**OCT 19 H** 1–2 pm

### 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease

Understand the difference between age-related memory loss and Alzheimer's and what to do if they or someone they know has signs of the disease.

#### Vancouver/Online

**OCT 29 H** 5:30–6:30 pm

*In partnership with Alzheimer's Association Oregon and SW Washington.*

# October Programs

## VANCOUVER



### PENGUIN TALKS— CLARK COLLEGE SPEAKER SERIES:

Bring your lunch and learn, discuss, and engage with speakers from our area.

#### The Power of Education

**OCT 17** 12–1 pm

Throughout her many years of experience in higher education, Dr. Karin Edwards, President of Clark College, has witnessed the transformational power of education in the lives of students, their families, and the communities that higher educational institutions serve.

#### Race in the United States

**OCT 24** 12–1 pm

Explore the formation of race in the United States and its lasting consequences. Learn how to define systemic racism and beginning steps to mitigate its impacts. Presented by diversity and inclusion speaker, Melissa Williams.

#### What Do You Know About Tribes?

**OCT 31** 12–1 pm

Jhon Kuppens, enrolled member San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians Gabrielino/Tongva, Graduate Law Degree Indigenous Peoples Law, explores the impact of tribal politics, culture, Indian law, tribal jurisdiction and values.

## VANCOUVER

### R.I.S.E. (Ready, Informed, Savvy, Equipped)

**OCT 8** 5–6:30 pm

Scams targeting seniors are on the rise. But there are ways to protect yourself from identity theft and major financial losses. Learn tips and tricks to keep yourself and your loved ones safe in this engaging and informative presentation.

### Business Tax Basics with the Department of Revenue

**OCT 16** 10 am–12 pm

**R** An informational presentation on the most common Washington taxes a business could owe, registration requirements, nexus standards, and how to file excise tax returns.

### Microsoft Word Workshop

**OCT 28** 4–5 pm

Learn the basics of creating documents in Microsoft Word. Includes a workshop portion where a staff member will help you solve specific Word-related problems.

## WASHOUGAL

### Author Visit: *The Blind Woodsman* with John & Anni Furniss

**OCT 5** 11 am–12 pm

**Off-site—East County  
Resource Center  
1702 C Street**

John and Anni Furniss talk about mental health awareness, disability advocacy, art, and their new book, *The Blind Woodsman*. The book chronicles the story of how John overcame blindness and addiction to become a master woodworker.

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

## WEEKLY

- WED** English Conversation Circle  
*Battle Ground* 10:30 am–12 pm
- MON** Line Dancing  
*Cascade Park* 1–3 pm
- WED** Magic the Gathering Night (all ages welcome)  
*Cascade Park* 4–6 pm
- WED** English Conversation Circle  
*Cascade Park* 5:30–7 pm
- THU** Drop-In Tech Help (call for appointment)  
*Cascade Park* 10–11 am
- FRI\*** Yarn Buzz (for teens and adults)  
*La Center* \*2nd and 4th Fri 10–11 am
- TUE\*** English Conversation Circle  
at Fourth Plain Commons  
\*Off-site in *Vancouver* Tue 5:30–7 pm  
3101 East Fourth Plain Blvd, Suite 101
- TUE** English Conversation Circle  
*Ridgefield* 11 am–12:30 pm
- THU\*** Word Nerds  
*Ridgefield* \*2nd and 4th Thu 4:30–5:30 pm
- WED** Stitchery Group  
*Ridgefield* 10 am–12 pm
- WED** Spanish Conversation Circle  
*Ridgefield* **R** 3–4:30 pm
- THU** Gentle Strength and Stretch Class  
*Ridgefield* 11–11:45 am
- MON** Free Tax Assistance (call for appointment)  
*Three Creeks* 12:30–4 pm
- WED** English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Beginner Class  
*Three Creeks* 3–5 pm
- TUE** English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Beginner Class  
*Vancouver* 3–5 pm

- WED** English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Intermediate Class  
*Vancouver* 3–5 pm
- WED\*** Get More From Your Library Account!  
*Vancouver* **R** \*1st, 3rd and 5th Wed 5–6 pm
- THU\*** The Craft of Writing: Workshop and Book Group  
*Vancouver/Online* **H** \*1st and 3rd Thu  
10:30 am–12:30 pm
- THU** U.S. Citizenship Class/  
Clase de Ciudadanía de los Estados Unidos  
*Vancouver* **R** 3–5 pm (walk-ins welcome)
- WED** Knit and Natter  
*Vancouver Mall* 5:30–6:30 pm



### Hands-only CPR

An introduction to full certification course, with CPR demonstration and practice, and situational awareness.

**Cascade Park**

**OCT 11** 4:30–5 pm

**Three Creeks**

**OCT 3** 5:30–6 pm

**Ridgefield**

**OCT 19** 2–2:30 pm

### Be Red Cross Ready

Learn preparedness steps to take today, what to do in an emergency, and how to repair and rebuild afterward.

**Vancouver**

**OCT 9** 5–5:45 pm

*In partnership with Red Cross Cascades Region:  
Serving Oregon & SW Washington.*

# Ongoing

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## MONTHLY

- OCT 1** Adult Neurodivergent Peer Support Group  
*Battle Ground/Online*  
**H** 1st Tue 5:30–6:30 pm
- OCT 9** Art Chat  
*Battle Ground* 2nd Wed 1–3 pm
- OCT 28** Evening Art Chat  
*Battle Ground* 4th Mon 4:30–6:30 pm
- OCT 5** ChessNuts (all ages welcome)  
*Cascade Park* 1st Sat 10:30 am–12:15 pm
- OCT 16** Art Share  
*Cascade Park* 3rd Wed 11 am–1 pm
- OCT 17** HomeShare Clark County  
*Cascade Park* 3rd Thu 2–3:30 pm
- OCT 19** Poetry Writing Workshop  
*Cascade Park/Online*  
**H** 3rd Sat 11 am–12:30 pm
- OCT 21** Red Cross Blood Drive  
*Cascade Park* 3rd Mon 10 am–3 pm
- OCT 25** Harp Circle  
*Cascade Park* 4th Fri 10 am–12 pm
- OCT 10** Genealogy Group  
*La Center* 2nd Thu 9–10 am
- OCT 24** Writing Group  
*La Center* 4th Thu 9–11 am
- OCT 1** Art Chat  
*Ridgefield* 1st Tue 10:30 am–12:30 pm
- OCT 3** Writers Open Mic  
*Ridgefield* 1st Thu 4:30–6 pm
- OCT 19** Chess Mates  
*Ridgefield* 3rd Sat 11 am–1 pm
- OCT 21** FVRL Board of Trustees  
*Ridgefield/Online* **H** 3rd Mon 6–8 pm

- OCT 10** Accessible Crafts for Adults  
*Three Creeks* 2nd Thu 1:30–2:30 pm
- OCT 14** Willamette Writers Vancouver Chapter  
*Three Creeks/Online* **H** 2nd Mon 6–8 pm
- OCT 6, 16\*** Introduction to Sewing Machines  
(for ages 8 and up)  
*Vancouver* \*1st Sun 2–3:30 pm and  
3rd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- OCT 9** Adventures in Art: Wire Sculpture  
*Vancouver* 2nd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- OCT 15** Vancouver Writes  
*Vancouver/Online* **H** 3rd Tue 5:15–6:45 pm
- OCT 17** Family History Essentials: Land Records  
*Vancouver/Online* **R** **H** 3rd Thu 3–4:30 pm



## CONVERSATION CIRCLES

Join other language learners and volunteers to practice speaking in a warm, friendly environment. We have groups for speaking English, Spanish, and ASL. Groups meet to practice at several locations throughout the district and online. Find the complete schedule at [www.fvrlibraries.org/ConversationCircles](http://www.fvrlibraries.org/ConversationCircles).



## ARTISTS OF THE GORGE EXHIBIT

Come see the amazing talent of local artists at the 45th Artists of the Gorge Exhibition. The opening reception will be held on Saturday, October 5 at 6 pm at Stevenson Community Library. The exhibit will be viewable at the library and online October 7–31. Be sure to vote for the People’s Choice Award. Learn more at [fvrl.org/artists-gorge](http://fvrl.org/artists-gorge).

## 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

**OCT 1** 1–3 pm

#### Cascade Park

**OCT 17** 6–7:30 pm

#### La Center

**OCT 2** 6–7 pm

#### Ridgefield

**OCT 9** 6–7 pm

#### Washougal

**OCT 22** 6–7:30 pm

### Used Book Sales

Find great deals while supporting library programs.

#### La Center

**OCT 5** 9 am–3 pm

## 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

**OCT 23** 9:30–10:30 am

*All My Rage* by Sabaa Tahir.

#### Cascade Park (evening)

**OCT 10** 6:30–7:30 pm

*Demon Copperhead*  
by Barbara Kingsolver.

#### Off-site–Cascade Park

**OCT 17** 10:30–11:30 am

*Cogir at The Quarry*  
415 SE 177th Ave  
Check with staff for title.

#### Cascade Park (morning)

**OCT 22** 10:30–11:30 am

*Mind of the Raven*  
by Bernd Heinrich.

#### La Center

**OCT 2** 9–10 am

*Good Night Irene*  
by Luis Alberto Urrea.

#### Ridgefield

**OCT 15** 6–7 pm

*Being Mortal: Medicine and  
What Matters in the End*  
by Atul Gawande.

#### Three Creeks (evening)

**OCT 1** 6–7 pm

*Dutch Girl: Audrey Hepburn  
and World War II*  
by Robert Matzen.

#### Three Creeks (afternoon)

**OCT 3** 12:30–2 pm

*A Fever in the Heartland*  
by Timothy Egan.

#### Vancouver/Online

**OCT 8** 6–7 pm

**H** *Infinite Country*  
by Patricia Engel.

#### Off-site–Vancouver Mall

**OCT 10** 10:30–11:30 am

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

#### Off-site–Vancouver Mall

**OCT 11** 10:30–11:30 am

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

#### Woodland

**OCT 21**

11:30 am–12:30 pm

Check with staff for title.

### Books and Brew

#### Off-site–Washougal

**OCT 17** 6–7 pm

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

### LGBTQIA+

#### Book Group

#### Battle Ground/Online

**OCT 8** 5:30–6:30 pm

**R H** *What Moves*  
*The Dead* by T. Kingfisher.  
For ages 18 and up.



## Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

### WEEKLY

- TUE** Chair Yoga  
**Online** **R** 2–2:30 pm
- TUE** Gentle Yoga  
**Online** **R** 3–4 pm
- TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Tuesdays) **Online** **R** 4:30–6:30 pm
- TUE** ASL Conversation Circle: Come Sign With Us  
**Online** **R** 5–6 pm
- TUE** Spanish Conversation Circle (Tuesdays) **Online** **R** 6:15–8 pm
- WED** Craft 'n Chat (for teens and adults)  
**Online** **R** 10–11 am
- THU** English Conversation Circle: Intermediate  
**Online** **R** 10:30 am–12 pm
- THU** Spanish Conversation Circle (Thursdays) **Online** **R** 6–7:30 pm
- FRI** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Fridays) **Online** **R** 4:30–6 pm
- SAT** Spanish Conversation Circle (Saturdays) **Online** **R** 11 am–12:30 pm

### MONTHLY

- OCT 2** Reflecting Rainbows: LGBTQ+ Discussion Group (for adults)  
**Online** **R** 1st Wed 7–8 pm
- OCT 7** Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition for Grownups (for ages 18 and up) **Online** **R** 1st Mon 6–8 pm
- OCT 15** Relaxing Origami with Yuki  
**Online** **R** 3rd Tue 7–8 pm

## 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.

### YA for the Olds

**OCT 1** 7–8 pm

**R** *The Lovely and the Lost* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes.

### Adult Book Group

**Online/Stevenson**

**OCT 2** 6–7 pm

**H** *This Is How You Lose the Time War* by Amal El-Mohtar and Max Gladstone.

### Spicy Romance

**OCT 3** 6–7 pm

**R** *A Lady of Rooksgrove Manor* (Tempting Monsters Book 1) by Kathryn Moon. For ages 18 and up.

### Nature Lovers

**Online/White Salmon Valley**

**OCT 4** 4–5:30 pm

**R H** *The Grizzly in the Driveway* by Robert Chaney.

### Virtual Kids

**Book Group**

**OCT 10** 4–5 pm

**R** *Let's Get Cracking!* by Cyndi Marko. For ages 6–9.

### Adult Book Group

**Online/Goldendale**

**OCT 21** 11 am–12 pm

**H** *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt.

### Catch up

**with the Classics**

**OCT 16** 7–8:30 pm

**R** *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Brontë.



# Teens & Tweens

For ages 12–19 years

## October Programs

### BATTLE GROUND

#### Fall Crafternoon OCT 12 1–3 pm

Create fabric pumpkins along with an assortment of other fall-themed craft projects. If you'd like, bring your own used sweaters, socks, or other fabrics to reuse in your projects. For teens and up.

#### Murder Mystery Games OCT 26 4–5:30 pm

Choose from an assortment of murder mystery games and activities to test your sleuthing skills. Chase the clues and catch the criminals or fail and be labeled a cold case! Participants are encouraged, but not required, to dress up as their favorite detective. For teens and up.

### CASCADE PARK

#### Teen Fright Night OCT 25 6–8 pm

Join us for an after hours event filled with tricks and treats!

### LA CENTER

#### Nailed It: The Literary Edition! OCT 21 6–7:30 pm

Off-site—  
Community Center  
1000 E 4th St

**R** Come work as a team or individually, to recreate two well-known book covers using edible ingredients. All materials provided. Under 13 years must be accompanied by a participating adult.

#### STEAM Club: Dry Ice OCT 24 3:30–5 pm

Join us for dry ice experiments. All materials provided. Appropriate for ages 8–18.

#### Teen Halloween Party OCT 29 6–8 pm

Join us for scary movies, spooky crafts, and lots of provided pizza and drinks.

#### Goosebumps Escape Room OCT 30 2–4 pm

Tweens, can you solve the clues in time to escape our Goosebumps-themed mystery room? Bring your friends and find out! Ages 8–12 years.



### TEEN WRITING CONTEST

Are you a creative teen with a flair for writing? Enter the Imagined Ink Teen Writing Contest and you could win amazing prizes! The Imagined Ink Teen Writing Contest is open for submissions until November 15, 2024.

Entries will be read by a panel of judges with prizes awarded to an overall Best in Show Winner, and winners from each age group (13–15 years old and 16–18 years old) as well as several runners' up. A collection of the top works will also be published in the 2024 Imagined Ink Collection eBook to be available to all library patrons through FVRLibraries' Overdrive service. Learn more at [fvrl.org/imagined-ink](http://fvrl.org/imagined-ink).

# October Programs

## RIDGEFIELD

### Horror Trivia Fun

**OCT 18** 6–7:30 pm

Come join other horror fans for a fun night of horror trivia, creepy crafts, and snacks. For teens and up.

### Movies 'til Midnight

**OCT 25** 6 pm–midnight

Enjoy spooky movies. Light refreshments available, including popcorn. For ages 8–12.

## THREE CREEKS

### Tween Pizza and Game Hangout

**OCT 11** 4–5:30 pm

Join in the fun! Video games, board games, pizza and treats! You can “Smash” your way to videogame victory, get unstable with colorful unicorns, and more, while eating pizza with your friends.

## VANCOUVER

### Microsoft Word Workshop

**OCT 28** 4–5 pm

Learn the basics of creating documents in Microsoft Word. Includes a workshop portion where a staff member will help you solve specific Word-related problems.

## WASHOUGAL

### OREO Taste Test Challenge

**OCT 3** 4–5 pm

Participate in a taste test challenge by sampling a variety of OREO cookie flavors, then vie for the title of “OREO Cookie Tester Champ” by guessing the flavors. The one who gets the most answers correct wins!

## TEEN & 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.

### Teen Book Groups

#### Battle Ground

**OCT 10** 4–5 pm

Check with staff for title.

#### Cascade Park

**OCT 21** 5–6 pm

Bring your own book.

### Tween Book Groups

#### Battle Ground

**OCT 8** 4:30–5:30 pm

Check with staff for title. For ages 9–12.

#### Cascade Park

**OCT 28** 5–6 pm

*Twins* by Varian Johnson. For ages 9–12.

#### La Center

**OCT 1** 4:30–5:30 pm

Check with staff for title. For ages 9–12.

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly programs.

## WEEKLY

**WED** Magic the Gathering Night (all ages welcome)  
**Cascade Park** 4–6 pm

**THU** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
**Cascade Park** 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** 3–4 pm

**TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Tuesdays) **Online** **R** 4:30–6:30 pm

**WED** Craft 'n Chat (for teens and adults)  
**Online** **R** 10–11 am

**FRI** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens (Fridays) **Online** **R** 4:30–6 pm

**TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
**Ridgefield** 4:30–6:30 pm

**TUE\*** Word Nerds  
**Ridgefield** \*2nd and 4th Tue 4:30–5:30 pm

**FRI** Pathfinder RPG for Tweens & Teens  
**Ridgefield/Online** **R** **H** 4:30–6 pm

**TUE** Dungeons & Dragons for Tweens & Teens  
**Three Creeks** 4:30–6:30 pm

**THU** Thursday Thing  
**Vancouver** 4:30–6:30 pm

**WED** Knit and Natter  
**Vancouver Mall** 5:30–6:30 pm

# Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

## MONTHLY

- OCT 5** ChessNuts (for teens and adults)  
**Cascade Park** 1st Sat 10:30 am–12:15 pm
- OCT 7** Teen Council  
**Cascade Park** 1st Mon 5–6 pm
- OCT 19** Poetry Writing Workshop  
**Cascade Park/Online**  
**H** 3rd Sat 11 am–12:30 pm
- OCT 1** Tween Council  
**La Center** 1st Tue 4–4:30 pm
- OCT 12** Ceramic Tile Painting (for ages 10–16)  
**La Center** **R** 2nd Sat 11 am–12:30 pm
- OCT 15** Relaxing Origami with Yuki  
**Online** **R** 3rd Tue 7–8 pm
- OCT 3** Writers Open Mic  
**Ridgefield** 1st Thu 4:30–6 pm
- OCT 19** Chess Mates  
**Ridgefield** 3rd Sat 11 am–1 pm
- OCT 4** Vancouver Writes for Teens  
**Vancouver/Online** 1st Fri 4:15–5:45 pm
- OCT 6, 16\*** Introduction to Sewing Machines  
(for ages 8 and up)  
**Vancouver** \*1st Sun 2–3:30 pm and  
3rd Wed 5–6:30 pm
- OCT 27** Board Game Day (for teens and families)  
**Vancouver** last Sun 2:30–5 pm
- OCT 14** Tabletop Role-Playing Game Club  
(for tweens and teens)  
**Washougal** **R** 2nd Mon 4:30–6 pm



## SCHOOL IS IN FULL SWING!

Your child's most important school supply just might be a library card! It gets them access to student resources by subject and grade, books to spark their imagination, and technology to get things done. Visit your library or sign up at [fvrl.org](http://fvrl.org) for that back-to-school library card.

## KIDS 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.

### The Read-Aloud Crowd

#### Battle Ground

**OCT 16** 4:30–5:30 pm

Check with staff for title.  
One book per family.  
For ages 6–8.

### Kids Book Groups

#### Cascade Park

**OCT 4** 4:30–5:30 pm

Check with staff for title.  
For ages 6–9.

#### La Center

**OCT 17** 3–4 pm

Check with staff for title.

#### Three Creeks

**OCT 3** 4–5 pm

Check with staff for title.  
For ages 6–9.

### Kids Classics

#### La Center

**OCT 10** 4–5 pm

For kids 8–10 years old with their accompanying adult.

### Virtual Kids Book Group

#### Online

**OCT 10** 4–5 pm

**R** *Let's Get Cracking!*  
by Cyndi Marko.  
For ages 6–9.



# Kids, Preschool & Family

For ages birth through 12 years

All ages welcome!

## October Programs

### BATTLE GROUND

#### Family Clothing Swap

**OCT 5 11 am–1:30 pm**

Items must be clean and in good condition, with no visible damage. Donations may be dropped off during open hours the week of the event.

#### Travel Talk: Thru-hiking

**OCT 11 1–2 pm**

Ever wonder what it is like to hike long, popular trails in the US? Then come hear the Bennett family share their experiences hiking over 9,000 miles with four kids and a dog.

### CASCADE PARK

#### Sensory Play Day

**OCT 1**

**10:30 am–4:30 pm**

**R** Sensory bins will be set up around the room for early learners. Open sensory play from 10:30 am–12:30 pm. Register for private sensory play for families and children with special needs, happening between 1:30–4:30 pm.

### LA CENTER OFF-SITE

#### Nailed It: The Literary Edition!

**OCT 21 6–7:30 pm**

**Community Center  
1000 E 4th St**

**R** Come work as a team or individually, to recreate two well-known book covers using edible ingredients. All materials provided. Under 13 years must be accompanied by a participating adult.

### ONLINE

#### Kelly Milner Halls presents *A Dinosaur for Washington*

**OCT 26 2–3 pm**

**R** Kelly Milner Halls discusses her new book that delves into the fascinating story of dinosaur fossils and the mystery leading to the identification of a dinosaur from Washington State. Her book also explores the hope and potential for uncovering more dinosaur clues in the future.

### RIDGEFIELD

#### Milk Jug Monsters

**OCT 23 4:30–5:30 pm**

Make a glowing monster or skeleton decoration just in time for the holidays. All ages.

### THREE CREEKS

#### Harvest Festival

**OCT 26 3–5 pm**

Gather all little monsters, heroes, and princesses. Games, crafts, and goodies. Costumes encouraged!

### VANCOUVER

#### Latinx Voices: *Daughter of the Light-Footed People* by Belen Medina

**OCT 13 2–3 pm**

Join us for author Belen Medina's reading of her new children's book, *Daughter of the Light-Footed People*. This is the story of María Lorena Ramírez, an indigenous Rarámuri athlete from Mexico, who is internationally known for winning ultramarathons in her traditional skirts and rubber sandals.

### VANCOUVER MALL

#### Sew-A-Creature

**OCT 5 3–4 pm**

Design and sew your own pocket critter for an on-the-go friend. For ages 7–12.

## Ongoing

Join us for our regular weekly and monthly programs.

### WEEKLY

- WED\*** Read to the Dog  
(15-minute sessions, for ages 5–9)  
**Cascade Park** 1st and 3rd Wed 4–5 pm
- TUE\*** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
**La Center** \*every other Tue 4–5 pm
- FRI** Vroom in the Room  
**Three Creeks** 10:30–11:30 am
- TUE** Crafternoon  
**Vancouver** 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** 3:30–4:30 pm
- WED & FRI** Family Craft Workshop  
**Yacolt** 11 am–5 pm

### MONTHLY

- OCT 15** Build It  
**Battle Ground** 3rd Tue 4–5 pm
- OCT 22** Ceramics & Books (for ages 5–9)  
**La Center** **R** 4th Tue 2:30–3:30 pm
- OCT 15** Homeschool Meetup  
**Ridgefield** 3rd Tue 11:30 am–1 pm
- OCT 21, 22\*** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
**Ridgefield** **R** \*3rd Mon 3:30–4:30 pm  
and 4th Tue 6–7 pm
- OCT 1** Hero Quest for Young Adventurers  
(for grades 1–3)  
**Three Creeks** **R** 1st Tue 4:30–5:30 pm
- OCT 16** Homeschool Hangout  
**Three Creeks** 3rd Wed 1–2 pm
- OCT 17** Build It  
**Three Creeks** 3rd Thu 4–5 pm

- OCT 25** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
**Three Creeks** 4th Thu 4:30–5:30 pm
- OCT 9** Read to the Dog (for ages 5–9)  
**Vancouver** 2nd Wed 3–5 pm
- OCT 27** Board Game Day (for teens and families)  
**Vancouver** last Sun 2:30–5 pm
- OCT 23** STEMgineers: Potions and Chemistry  
**Washougal** **R** 4th Wed 4–5 pm
- OCT 17** Family Craft Workshop  
**Yale Valley** 3rd Thu 10 am–4 pm



### PARENT & CAREGIVER TIP FROM VROOM: STOMPING PATTERNS

**Stomping Patterns**—Stomp on the ground three times and invite your child to do the same. Now change the pattern and stomp more quickly or add another stomp. Have them suggest a stomping pattern. You can pretend to be dinosaurs or elephants!

**Patrones de pasos**—*Da tres pasos fuertes en el piso y dile a tu niño que haga lo mismo. Ahora cambia el patrón, da pasos más rápidos y agrega otro paso fuerte. Haz que tu niño sugiera patrones de pasos. ¡Pueden hacer de cuenta que son dinosaurios o elefantes!*

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).



# 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  
**TUE\*** 10:30 am  
\*Oct 22 and 29 this month

**Woodland**  
**TUE** 10:30 am

### MUSIC & MOVEMENT

**Ridgefield**  
**\*1ST WED** 3:30 pm

## SOUTH CLARK

### BABY

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

**Three Creeks**  
**WED** 10:30 am  
(walkers)  
**WED** 11:30 am  
(pre-walkers)

**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

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

**Vancouver Mall**  
(Little Free Library)  
**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**  
(by Firstenburg Community Center)  
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**  
(Salmon Creek)  
800-C NE Tenney Rd  
Vancouver WA 98685

**Vancouver Community Library**  
(Downtown)  
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**  
(Opening October 12)  
411 Lakeshore Drive  
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



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