

May Events

Virtual Facing Turmoil with Integrity*

📺 Thursday, May 7
5-6:30 p.m.

Explore how the ancient Tamil Kural shaped Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King in this inspiring talk presented by author Thomas Hitoshi Pruikma. Ages 18 and up.



Virtual Dungeons and Dragons: The Ongoing Campaign*

📺 Friday, May 8 and 22, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Join fellow teens on a gothic horror adventure. Ages 13-18.

Virtual Author Talk with Dr. Vivienne Ming*

📺 Tuesday, May 12, 11 a.m.-noon

Join a timely virtual conversation on AI, humanity and a better future with Dr. Vivienne Ming as she discusses her new book "Robot-Proof: When Machines Have All the Answers, Build Better People." Ages 18 and up.



Hybrid Social Security 101*

📺 Thursday, May 14, 1-2 p.m.

Learn about the Social Security program, including its history, how it is funded, how your benefits are calculated, and much more. Attend virtually or at the Eatonville Pierce County Library. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Author Talk with Nir Eyal*

📺 Tuesday, May 19, 11 a.m.-noon

Explore how the limits we face are often psychological, not physical, in a compelling look at belief and possibility from bestselling author Nir Eyal in "Beyond Belief." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.



Become a Friend of the Library!

Friends of the Library groups are member-supported, independent nonprofit organizations who support library services in their community through fundraising and advocacy. New members welcome!

Learn more at mypcls.org or contact your local library.

Programs and events are not affiliated with the school district.

Thanks to the Pierce County Library Foundation and Friends of the University Place Library which support many of these events and classes.

ADULT EVENTS



Read Your Way Book Club

Friday, May 1, 10:30 a.m.-noon

Join us to read and discuss a variety of fiction, nonfiction and graphic novels based on the Read Your Way Challenge. Ages 13 and up.

Sequential Community Reading of Bewilderment

Saturday, May 2, 4-6 p.m.

Join us as for a dynamic, live reading followed by a Q&A session, where we will unpack the themes and ideas in this year's compelling Big Read selection "Bewilderment" by Richard Powers.



Master Gardeners Presents: Right Plant, Right Place

Saturday, May 9, 2-3:30 p.m.

Learn about matching a plant's specific needs to the unique conditions of its environment. Ages 13 and up.

Friends of the University Place Library Meeting

Thursday, May 14, 5-7 p.m.

Support your local library by becoming a Friend! Attending meetings is a great way to find out about volunteer opportunities and meet other Friends of the Library.



University Place Book Group

Friday, May 15, 10-11:30 a.m.

Contact the Library for more information.



Knit (or Crochet) Together

Tuesday, May 19, 3:30-5 p.m.

Bring your crafts and chat with other creative people. All ages.



Conversation Café: Movement

Wednesday, May 20, 2-3 p.m.

Share how we move our bodies, how that has and will change over time, and how that impacts our health.



Legal Help Pop-Up

Thursday, May 21, 2-5 p.m.

Drop-in information and legal assistance from experts at Tacomaprobono who will answer basic legal family law questions and eviction prevention assistance from Pierce County Human Services.

HIGHLIGHTED EVENT



LIBRARY IS CLOSED: May 25 for Memorial Day



TEEN EVENTS



Fabulous Furoshiki*

Friday, May 22, 2:30-4 p.m.

Explore how the furoshiki, a versatile Japanese cloth used for wrapping and carrying items of all shapes, offers an elegant, eco-friendly way to transport belongings or wrap gifts using just two simple knots. Ages 6 and up.



Introduction to Online Small Business Resources

Wednesday, May 27, 3-4 p.m.

Join us for an introduction to some of the library's online small business resources.



One Book, One Coast: Author Livestream with George Takei

Sunday, May 31, 2-4 p.m.
One Book, One Coast brings together library systems across California, Washington state and Oregon

for a shared community reading program that celebrates literacy, learning, community and civil discourse. Please join us in person to watch a livestream of author George Takei's book discussion about "They Called Us Enemy." Ages 13 and up.



Forensics Escape Room

Thursday, May 7, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Use forensic techniques like fingerprinting, forensic photography and trace evidence analysis as you examine clues and make your way through a fake crime scene. Ages 13-18.



Teen Council: Use Your Voice

Tuesday, May 12 and 26, 3:30-5 p.m.

Help plan events, give feedback and speak up about what teens want from their library. Volunteer hours and connection included. Ages 13-18.



Botanical Bookmarks

Thursday, May 28, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Create beautiful bookmarks using dried flowers and stickers. Ages 13-18.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS



Play Time

Monday, May 4 and 11, 2-3 p.m.

Explore, build and create! Join us for play times designed to spark learning. Ages 0-6.

Read to a Dog

Monday, May 4, 11 and 18, 4-5 p.m.

Practice reading aloud with a friendly, certified therapy dog. Ages 6-12.



Story Time for Babies

Wednesday, May 6, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Songs, rhymes and stories just right for babies and their caregivers. Ages 0-2.



Story Time for Toddlers

Thursday, May 7, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs and fun designed for toddlers. Ages 2-3.



Game Lab: Board, Card and Video Games

Sunday, May 17, 1-3 p.m.

Join us for games that spark curiosity, build critical thinking and encourage storytelling, strategy and problem-solving. Ages 5-12.

VIRTUAL EVENTS

Virtual Talk Time*

Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m. and Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.

Learn, connect and practice English language skills. For ESL learners and English speakers wanting to connect with and support ESL learners. Ages 13 and up.

Virtual Teen Council: Use Your Voice*

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Help plan events, give feedback and speak up about what teens actually want from their library. Volunteer hours and connection included. Ages 13-18.

Virtual Cuentos Bilingües/Virtual Bilingual Story Time* [Virtual icon]

Thursdays, 7-7:35 p.m.

Jueves, de 7:00 a 7:35 p.m.

¡Venga en pijama a disfrutar de libros bilingües, canciones y más antes de ir a dormir! Edades 0-6. Join in your pajamas and enjoy bilingual books, songs and more before bedtime! Ages 0-6.

Virtual Author Talk with Marjan Kamali*

Thursday, May 7, 4-5 p.m.

Enjoy an exciting conversation with internationally acclaimed author Marjan Kamali as we delve into



the timeless wonder of her New York Times bestselling novel "The Lion Women of Tehran." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.