



# June Library News



## REGISTRATION

In order to register, patrons must be in the City's RACER registration database. For more information, please visit the City of Cerritos website at [cerritos.gov](http://cerritos.gov).

### CLASSES/RACER ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS

To check the availability or to register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at [cerritos.gov](http://cerritos.gov) and look for the Classes/RACER link or scan the QR code below.



Scan the QR code to access the RACER Registration page.

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. For additional information, please call the Library Reservation Desk at (562) 916-1388. Computers at the Cerritos Library may be used to access RACER.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION

#### cerritos.gov

Cerritos Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Sun., June 1, at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Sun., June 8, at 11 a.m.**

### PHONE REGISTRATION

#### Call (562) 916-1388

Cerritos Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., June 2, at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Sun., June 8, at 11 a.m.**

### WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Sun., June 1, at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Sun., June 8, at 11 a.m.**

## The following Library programs require advance registration:

For more information call (562) 916-1388, unless otherwise noted.  
Seating is limited for all programs.

### STORYTIMES

Cerritos Library's 30-45 minute storytimes incorporating stories and audience participation will be held in the Little Theater. Space is limited to 40 participants.

#### Mondays at 11 a.m. for ages 5 and under

15023	Mon., June 9
15024	Mon., June 16
15025	Mon., June 23
15026	Mon., June 30

#### Thursdays at 11 a.m. for ages 5 and under

15027	Thurs., June 12
15028	Thurs., June 19
15029	Thurs., June 26

#### Saturdays at 11:15 a.m. for ages 5 and under

15030	Sat., June 7
15031	Sat., June 14
15032	Sat., June 28

### LEGO® DUPLO® CLUB

Children will build and create LEGO® DUPLO® creations using DUPLO® building blocks. Little ones will make and create while improving their motor skills. Space is limited to 12 participants.

15033	Fri., June 6	11 a.m.-noon
	Ages 2-4	Little Theater

### EXTREME SCRATCH ART

Participants will create and scratch out rainbow designs on various plants and animals. Space is limited to 20 participants.

15034	Tues., June 10	2-3 p.m.
	Ages 11-17	Skyline Room B

### WILD ABOUT ANIMALS

From pets to wild animals, explore the animal kingdom with Doodlebugs Animal Adventures! Meet a tortoise, chinchilla, lizard, and more in this fun and interactive presentation. Doors will open at 3:15 p.m. Space is limited to 200. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

15035	Thurs., June 12	3:30 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

### KOKEDAMA GARDEN WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

Join us for a hands-on kokedama workshop designed for teens. Unleash your creativity while learning about this Japanese art form that combines the beauty of nature with unique gardening techniques. Kokedama, which translates to "moss ball," is a stylish way to create a living plant display that requires minimal space and maintenance. Space is limited to 12 participants.

15037	Wed., June 18	2 p.m.
	Ages 12-17	Teen Studio

### THE ARTY LOON SHOW

Magician Arty Loon provides fun-filled magic shows for all ages. This program features hilarious antics, including balloons, magic, juggling, puppetry, and lots of audience participation. Doors open at 3:15 p.m. Space is limited to 200. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

15036	Thurs., June 19	3:30 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

### SRP 50TH CELEBRATION STORYTIME

Join us for a special storytime celebrating 50 years of the Summer Reading Program. Space is limited to 40 participants.

15038	Sat., June 21	11-11:30 a.m.
	Ages 5 and under	Little Theater

### MOSAIC WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

Learn the art of pique assiette, a style of mosaic that uses recycled materials with various textures, colors, and patterns, in a workshop presented by artist Dawn Mendelson. Each participant will create a small piece using repurposed ceramic and scrap glass. All materials are included. Space is limited to 12 participants.

15039	Mon., June 23	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 12-17	Teen Studio

### STICKER SCENE MAKING

Participants will create cute and vibrant house scenes by decorating with stickers. Space is limited to 15 participants.

15040	Tues., June 24	2-3 p.m.
	Ages 11-17	Skyline Room B

### ANNIE BANANNIE SHOW: MAKING STUFF UP!

Using balloon costumes and props, Annie and her audience will dream up and perform their own original tales of excitement and daring. Doors open at 3:15 p.m. Space is limited to 200. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

15041	Thurs., June 26	3:30 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

### STAY & PLAY PROGRAM

Join us as we move to music, play with toys, and make new friends! Space is limited to 15 participants. For more information, please call (562) 916-1343.

15042	Fri., June 27	11 a.m.-noon
	Ages 2-5	Little Theater

### JACK AND THE BEANSTALK: THE PUPPET MUSICAL

Join us for a lively version of "Jack and the Beanstalk!" This beloved story about friendship, forgiveness, and chasing your dreams features original songs and handmade puppets. Get ready for a delightful musical journey as Jack bravely climbs a giant beanstalk to change his luck and find his best friend. Space is limited to 200. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

15043	Mon., July 7	11:15 a.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

## The following Library programs do not require advance registration:

### ENGLISH SUMMER TRIFLE DEMONSTRATION

Want to learn how to make the perfect summer dessert? Join Chef Vina for a demonstration on preparing a delicious English summer trifle. Chef Vina will use seasonal fruit and custard and pair them with the perfect summer pastry.

Mon., June 9	6 p.m.	
	18 and over	Skyline Room

### SUMMER MOVIES

As part of the library's Summer Reading Program "Reading is Always in Style", the following movies will be shown. Space is limited to 40 participants. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

"Moana 2" (PG) 100 minutes		
Tues., June 10	2 p.m.	
	All Ages	Little Theater

"Inside Out 2" (PG) 96 minutes		
Tues., June 17	2 p.m.	
	All Ages	Little Theater

"Mufasa: The Lion King" (PG) 118 minutes		
Tues., June 24	2 p.m.	
	All Ages	Little Theater

### SUMMER CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on craft featuring a summer theme for children ages 2-12 will be held in the Skyline Room. These glue-and-go crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes. While supplies last.

Wed., June 11	11 a.m.-noon	
	Ages 2-12	Skyline Room
Wed., June 18	11 a.m.-noon	
	Ages 2-12	Skyline Room
Wed., June 25	11 a.m.-noon	
	Ages 2-12	Skyline Room
Wed., July 2	11 a.m.-noon	
	Ages 2-12	Skyline Room

### CROCHETING FOR TEENS

Join us for our crocheting workshop, where we will provide guidance and step-by-step instructions as you work on a simple project. All materials will be provided.

Thurs., June 12	2:30 p.m.	
	Ages 12-17	Teen Studio

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## MEET CHILDREN'S AUTHOR ERICA LEE SCHLAIKJER

Erica Lee Schlaikjer was raised in a multicultural family, and has lived in China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Switzerland, and the United States. She has a mixed cultural heritage, with her mother being a member of the indigenous Amis community of Taiwan and her father being American. Her writing focuses on themes of connection, the appreciation of simple and meaningful moments, and the beauty of the natural environment. Join us for a special storytime and discussion of her book, “Wild Greens, Beautiful Girl.” Copies of best-selling books by Schlaikjer will be available for purchase from Bel Canto Books.

Fri., June 13 11 a.m.  
All Ages Little Theater

## SOUTHERN AND SOUL FOOD DEMONSTRATION WITH GEORGIA'S RESTAURANT

Learn the magic behind soul food with a southern and soul food demonstration featuring staff from Georgia's Restaurant. Georgia's Restaurant serves southern cuisine in Anaheim and Long Beach while reimagining and redefining the public's perception of southern soul food.

Mon., June 16 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

## POETRY WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn to express yourself through poetry in a workshop led by poet Mike Sonksen. No prior poetry experience is necessary. Notebooks and writing utensils will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own materials.

Tues., June 17 6 p.m.  
Ages 13 & Up Skyline Room

## BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book “The God of the Woods” by Liz Moore. For more information, call (562) 916-1340.

Wed., June 18 11 a.m.-noon Board Room

## JUNETEENTH PRESENTATION

Join us for a Juneteenth celebration! Participants will enjoy interactive activities, music, poetry, and a presentation on the federal holiday. Our guest speaker, Chimbuko Tembo, will address common misconceptions and reflect on the historical struggles of enslaved African Americans.

Thurs., June 19 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM 50TH CELEBRATION

Join the City of Cerritos and the Cerritos Library for the Summer Reading Program's 50th anniversary celebration. The event will include a petting zoo, STEM activities, face painting, crafts, and more. All activities are free, and all ages are welcome. Thank you to the Friends of the Cerritos Library for generously sponsoring the event, with support from Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn.

Sat., June 21 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
All Ages Outside Library Entrance

## ADVENTURES WITH R2-D2

Join us for a presentation by Mike Senna, a talented robot builder who will showcase his R2-D2 robot. Senna recently served as the droid department head for the Disney+ show “Skeleton Crew.” Since 2005, his R2-D2 has been featured in many projects for Lucasfilm and Disney, appearing on VH1, MTV, “Access Hollywood,” and “Jimmy Kimmel Live!,” and with brands like Verizon and Toyota. A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation.

Mon., June 23 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

## CHOPPING BEATS AND WRITING POETRY WITH CAMILLE HERNANDEZ

This workshop aims to inspire writers to see how history and hip-hop can work together to influence poetry. It will present alternative strategies writers can use to generate new poems from found texts. Participants will be encouraged to think like hip-hop

producers J Dilla, Missy Elliott, and Metro Boomin to hone their creative voices and create new poems. Space is limited to 22 participants.

Wed., June 25 2:30 p.m.  
Ages 11-17 Skyline A

## NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: “SWEET SMELL OF SUCCESS” (1957)

Theo Siegel will discuss the making of “Sweet Smell of Success,” starring Burt Lancaster and Tony Curtis, followed by a screening of the film. This film is not rated and has a running time of 96 minutes.

Thurs., June 26 6 p.m.  
Ages 18 & Over Skyline Room

## BOOKMARK ART CONTEST

Congratulations to Ahyana Gheewala, Age 14, for winning the Cerritos Library's 7th Annual Bookmark Art Contest. Ahyana's design was selected to be printed on a bookmark, which will be given as a prize for those who register in the Library's “Reading is Always in Style” Summer Reading Program beginning the week of June 2-15.

## Library Displays

### FORCES OF NATURE

This glass art exhibit by artist Steven Bay showcases his artistic journey through various glassmaking techniques. The exhibit title refers to the physical forces of heat, gravity, and air pressure that transform glass sheets, rods, and tubes into sculptural forms that reflect nature's beauty. The heat from a torch or kiln softens the glass for shaping and fuses pieces to create new shapes and patterns, such as beads, marbles, and animals. Gravity is essential for shaping larger pieces of glass into complex shapes, such as flowers, bowls, and even hats. Air pressure from blowing inflates glass, creating delicate ornaments and graceful shapes. Steven's beautiful glass art display will be in the main lobby of the Library through the end of June.

## Keep pets safe this summer

The hot summer months can be uncomfortable and dangerous for pets. Here are some tips for keeping pets safe in the heat:

- Never leave pets in a parked car, even with the car running and air-conditioner on. Temperatures inside a vehicle can rise rapidly to dangerous levels. On an 85-degree day, the temperature inside a vehicle with the windows slightly cracked open can reach 102 degrees within 10 minutes. After 30 minutes, the temperature could reach 120 degrees. Such heat may cause death or irreversible organ damage in pets.
- Watch the humidity. Dogs pant to cool down, but high humidity prevents them from doing so, causing their body temperature to soar to dangerous levels quickly.
- Limit exercise on hot days. Walk dogs in the early morning or late at night. Pay special attention to pets with white-colored ears (as they are more susceptible to skin cancer) and short-nosed pets, which typically have difficulty breathing. Dogs absorb and release heat through their feet, therefore, walk them on grass or use doggy boots. Bring water to keep pets from dehydrating.

- Don't rely on fans, which don't cool off animals as effectively as they do people. If you don't have air-conditioning, lay down a wet towel for your dog to lie on or simply set up a fan in front of a pan of ice.
- Provide clean water and protection from heat and the sun when dogs are outdoors. Add ice to water. A doghouse does not provide relief from heat. Tree shade and tarps are ideal because they don't obstruct air flow.
- Watch for signs of heatstroke, including heavy panting, glazed eyes, a rapid heartbeat, difficulty breathing, excessive thirst, lethargy, fever, dizziness, lack of coordination, profuse salivation, vomiting, a deep red or purple tongue, seizure, and unconsciousness. If a dog is suffering from heatstroke, move it into the shade or an air-conditioned area. Apply ice packs or cold towels to its head, neck and chest or run cool (not cold) water over the pet. Give it small amounts of cool water or ice cubes to lick. Take the dog to the veterinarian. ■

## Fireworks prohibited in Cerritos

As Independence Day approaches, residents are reminded that fireworks – including select varieties sold in neighboring cities – are not allowed within Cerritos' City limits.

Cerritos Sheriff's deputies will strictly enforce the law, which helps protect residents from injuries and property damage to homes and businesses. ■

**PLEASE DO NOT  
FEED THE WILDLIFE**



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AND THE ANIMALS HEALTHY**