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## **Get Ready for Winter with Crafts, Food, Music and More**

As the year begins to wind down and the weather gets cold, the library is offering virtual winter events that you can enjoy from the comfort of home. Learn to make delicious holiday foods from around the world, create holiday gift tags and ornaments and take a moment to get organized for a stress free holiday. You can find all these and more winter events by visiting [ocls.info/holiday](https://ocls.info/holiday).

We will also be joined by special guests including Grammy Award-winning children's musician Joanie Leeds, children's author Theanne Griffith and a live recording of the *Vulgar Geniuses* Podcast as they interview *New York Times* bestselling Robert Jones Jr.

School may be out, but learning and creating are always in. Spend your winter break learning new skills with the library, from designing your own LEGO creations to starting a new language, to fun crafts and games. For winter school break schedules visit [ocls.info/schoolbreak](https://ocls.info/schoolbreak).

All of our events are virtual, and available online for free with an Orange County Library System card. If you have any questions about the information shared below, call 407-835-7323. Check us out online at [ocls.info](https://ocls.info) for a complete listing of all library events.

### **Personalize Holiday Gifts Using Calligraphy**

*Friday, December 3, 11 a.m.*

Expand your calligraphy skills with Lynda Chandler, calligraphy instructor, as she teaches you how to create and personalize simple holiday gift tags and ornaments.

### **Rock The Wrap: Headwrap Styling Workshop**

*Saturday, December 4, 11 a.m.*

This educational and interactive experience provides step-by-step instruction of headwrap styling techniques. Learn about the significance and history of headwrapping.

### **Children's Musician Joanie Leeds**

*Saturday, December 4, 6 p.m.*

Grammy Award-winning musician Joanie Leeds is sure to bring the holiday cheer with familiar upbeat, interactive winter tunes of merriment and joy.

### **Plan Your Way To a Stress-Free Holiday!**

*Tuesday, December 7, 11 a.m.*

Join Jane Cole, a Certified Professional Organizer, as she gives you tips and hints for organizing your holiday décor, preparing the kids for the holidays, gift giving, and prepping for new year!

### ***Vulgar Geniuses* Podcast with Robert Jones Jr.**

*Wednesday, December 8, 8 p.m.*

Learn about National Book Award finalist and New York Times bestselling author Robert Jones Jr. and his novel *The Prophets* by attending a live recording of the *Vulgar Geniuses* podcast season finale.

### **Mayor Buddy's Book Club End of Book Party**

#### **Sunshine State Author Series Q&A: Theanne Griffith**

*Thursday, December 9, 4 p.m.*

Join Orlando Mayor Buddy's Book Club to celebrate the completion of the book *The Magnificent Makers: How to Test a Friendship* by Theanne Griffith. There will be a live Q&A with the author. Recommended for ages 8–12.

### **Cuisine Corner: Holidays in Vietnam**

*Friday, December 10, 6:30 p.m.*

Ha Roda explains the most popularly celebrated holidays in Vietnam, explaining their history and significance. Then cook along with her as she shares her recipe for mung bean cakes.

### **Cuisine Corner: Pasteles**

*Wednesday, December 15, 6 p.m.*

A traditional Puerto Rican dish, pasteles are a favorite food to enjoy around the holidays. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira, will show us how to make them.

### **Genealogy Conversations at the Holiday Table**

*Tuesday, December 21, 1 p.m.*

The holidays are the perfect time to jumpstart your genealogy and family tree research. Learn how to discover information while you are sitting around the table with family members.

### **Happy Noon Year**

*Wednesday, December 29, 11 a.m.*

*Thursday, December 30, 11:15 a.m.*

Make some noise and ring in the noon year with your little ones! Join us for fun and games with an exciting countdown at noon. Recommended for ages 3–5.

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