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Pride Month, Summer Reading Program, conversations with a sloth and more

Celebrate Pride Month at the library! On June 3, join us for a discussion with Zebra Coalition and the Victim Service Center on how to support your LGBTQ+ friends, family and neighbors. Then, on June 26 gather the family for Pride at Home: A Pride Month Celebration for fun experiments, inclusive stories and a dive into Pride history. The Friends of the Library will also host a Pride Book Sale at Orlando Public Library, where hundreds of LGBTQ+ books will be available for purchase at discounted prices all month long.

On June 30, meet Monique Pool, founder and director of Green Heritage Fund Suriname, as she shares her work with sloths during Sloth Conversation. Learn about sloths and how you can get involved in conservation efforts as Monique shares with us live from South America on our [Facebook](#) and [YouTube Live](#).

Registration is now open for the Summer Reading Program which runs from May 30 – August 1 with plenty of fun and educational virtual events for everyone to enjoy. Visit ocls.info/srp for more details.

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 for a complete listing of all library events.

Summer Livestream Series

Tuesdays, June 1–29, 2 p.m.

Your family can enjoy wild and fun entertainment from the comfort of home this summer with these livestreams featuring a special guest performer on the OCLS YouTube and Facebook pages.

https://www.ocls.info/classes-events?search_api_views_fulltext=Summer%20Livestream%20Series&sort_by=timestamp

Supporting Survivors in the LGBTQ+ Community

Thursday, June 3, 6:30 p.m.

This training provides an overview of the LGBTQ+ Community, and the barriers to care that they face, consent and how to support survivors. Presented by Victim Service Center of Central Florida (VSC).

Featuring Kevin Fox, LGBTQ+ Victim Advocate and Crisis Counselor at VSC, and Emilie Mitchell, VSC Education Coordinator. To learn more about VSC, visit VictimServiceCenter.org.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5102607>

The Story of the Blues: Finding Your Voice

Friday, June 11, 3–4:30 p.m.

The Blues is a unique style of music with a rich history. This 90-minute workshop features the history of the Blues and will teach participants how to write their own Blues style song.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5042131>

Men's Health

Monday, June 14, 11 a.m.

Jessica Daly, Consumer Health Librarian with Orlando Health, will discuss why men should have yearly checkups and take part in preventative care.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5044672>

Qigong Summer Cooldown

Tuesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.

Jasmine Win shows basic qigong techniques and how using them in your daily life can benefit your health. Qigong is a crucial tool in Chinese medicine which involves movement, breathing and meditation.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5110113>

Digital Marketing for Authors

Saturday, June 19, 2 p.m.

Author and marketing professional Chelsea Mueller will provide an overview of digital marketing for authors including leveraging your website, the power of email marketing, social media and more.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5085163>

Summer Birds of Central Florida

Wednesday, June 23, 7:30 p.m.

Summer is the best time of year to see uniquely Floridian birds. Members of the Orange Audubon Society teach us which species to look for this time of year and answer questions about our favorite birds.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5054794>

Cuisine Corner: Jamaican Beef Patty

Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.

A Jamaican patty is an essential cuisine for many Jamaicans. Join culinary expert, Dianne Morin as she demonstrates how to make a traditional patty filling and crust.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5044680>

Matthew Gurnsay – The Kilted Man

Friday, June 25, 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a performance by Matthew Gurnsey, The Kilted Man. Matthew Gurnsey delights audiences with his rousing performances of traditional Irish and Scottish music.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5025443>

Meet the Authors of EVERY BODY SHINES

Saturday, June 26, 2 p.m.

Join contributors of EVERY BODY SHINES to discuss underrepresentation of fat bodies, trans bodies, and disabled bodies in YA literature. Authors: Cass Newbould, Rebecca Sky, Nafiza Azad & Claire Kann.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5085246>

Pride at Home: A Pride Month Celebration

Saturday, June 26, 4 p.m.

Celebrate all things Pride with inclusive stories, rainbow experiments and a quick dive into Pride history!

Recommended ages 9–12.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5088253>

Sloth Conservation

Wednesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.

Monique Pool, Founder and Director of Green Heritage Fund Suriname, Member, IUCN/SSC Anteater, Sloth and Armadillo Specialist Group, and CNN Hero, will share her journey with sloths.

<https://attend.ocls.info/event/5032702>

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