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### **OCLS acknowledges Women's History Month in March**

This March the Orange County Library System will have programming in honor of Women's History Month. The Orlando Public Library will host Celebrating the Genius of Women in Art exhibition through April, featuring local, national and international female artists up for consideration in the annual Women of the Arts competition. Find out who will win the top prize on March 28 during the reception and award ceremony at Orlando Public Library.

On March 14, the Orlando Book Festival returns to the downtown Orlando library. Come and enjoy a day-long celebration of books featuring panels, writing workshops, book signings and more, with featured authors Tim Dorsey, Dhonielle Clayton and Isabel Ibañez. Visit [ocls.info/obf](http://ocls.info/obf) for more information.

If you have any questions about the information shared below, contact us as 407-835-7323 and check us out online at [ocls.info](http://ocls.info) for a complete listing of all library events.

#### **English Conversation Hour**

Orlando Public Library, Fourth Floor, 101 E. Central Blvd.

*Sundays, March 1–29, 4:30 p.m.*

South Creek Branch, 1702 Deerfield Blvd.

*Mondays, March 2–30, 7:30 p.m.*

Winter Garden Branch, 805 E. Plant St., Winter Garden

*Mondays, March 2–30, 10:15 a.m.*

Chickasaw Branch, 870 N. Chickasaw Trail

*Wednesdays, March 4–25, 7:15 p.m.*

*Fridays, March 6–27, 12:15 p.m.*

West Oaks Branch, 1821 E. Silver Star Road., Ocoee

*Thursdays, March 5–26, 6:30–8 p.m.*

Alafaya Branch, 12000 E. Colonial Drive

*Tuesdays, March 17–31, 6:30 p.m.*

Come practice your English speaking skills during the English Conversation Hour. All proficiency levels are welcomed!

**Tertulia Cuatro Gatos / Spanish Book Club**

Chickasaw Branch, 870 N. Chickasaw Trail

*el martes, 3 de marzo, 6:30–8:30 p.m.*

South Creek Branch, 1702 Deerfield Blvd.

*el miércoles, 18 y 25 de marzo, 6:30–8:30 p.m.*

Fairview Shores Branch, 902 Lee Road, Suite 26.

*el jueves, 19 de marzo, 6:30–8:30 p.m.*

Southeast Branch, 5575 S. Semoran Blvd.

*el jueves, 26 de marzo, 6–8:45 p.m.*

La Tertulia Cuatro Gatos se reúne para compartir y discutir poesía, literatura, arte e historia. Este programa es presentado en español.

**Citizenship Inspired**

Windermere Branch, 530 Main St., Windermere

*Thursday, March 5–26, 4:30–7:30 p.m.*

South Creek Branch, 1702 Deerfield Blvd.

*Tuesday, March 17–31, 2:30–5 p.m.*

During this four-week program, students will meet once each week to prepare for the U.S. Naturalization (Citizenship) Test and Interview.

**English for Families**

South Trail Branch, 4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail

*Thursdays, March 5 & 12, 5:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.*

English for Families is a series of interactive classes for parents and children ages 6–12 that focuses on developing English vocabulary and literacy skills through strategic and fun story reading.

**Library Pop-Up: Horizon West****Prime Time Family Reading Time-Bilingual: English & Spanish**

Waterleigh Community Clubhouse, 16150 Pebble Bluff Loop

*Thursdays, March 5 & 12, 6–8 p.m.*

Join us for a six-week reading and discussion program that inspires thought and conversation between children and families. Meals will be provided. Registration required.

**Celebrating the Genius of Women in Art**

Orlando Public Library, First Floor, 101 E. Central Blvd.

*On Display March 7–April 24*

The Celebrating the Genius of Women art exhibition features local, national and international artists who have entered artwork for consideration in an annual competition hosted by Women in the Arts Inc. Winners of the competition will be announced at the Women in the Arts Awards on Saturday, March 28, 2 p.m. For more information, visit [ocls.info/womeninthearts](http://ocls.info/womeninthearts).

**The Anatomy of Music: Guitar Basics**

West Oaks Branch, 1821 E. Silver Star Road., Ocoee

*Sunday, March 8, 2 p.m.*

*Sunday, March 29, 2 p.m.*

Learn the basics of guitar. Library staff presents an overview of guitar and things to know before learning to play the guitar. Attendees are welcome to bring their guitar and play along.

**Exploring the Genealogy Book Collection at West Oaks**

West Oaks Branch, 1821 E. Silver Star Road., Ocoee

*Wednesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.*

*Thursday, March 12, 11 a.m.*

Learn how to make the most of the genealogy book collection at the West Oaks Branch.

### **Women Make History**

Chickasaw Branch, 870 N. Chickasaw Trail

*Friday, March 13, 3:30 p.m.*

Orlando Public Library, 101 E. Central Blvd.

*Friday, March 13, 3:30 p.m.*

Herndon Branch, 4324 E. Colonial Drive

*Saturday, March 21, 3:30 p.m.*

Washington Park Branch, 5151 Raleigh St., Suite A.

*Wednesday, March 25, 4 p.m.*

South Trail Branch, 4600 S. Orange Blossom Trail

*Monday, March 30, 4:30 p.m.*

Recognize the impact of powerful women who made awesome contributions to our history with stories, crafts and activities. Recommended for children.

### **Orlando Book Festival**

Orlando Public Library, Library Central, 101 E. Central Blvd.

*Saturday, March 14, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.*

A day-long celebration of books at Orlando Public Library. Join us for panels, writing workshops, book signings, and more from bestselling authors from all over the country. [ocls.info/obf](http://ocls.info/obf).

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

North Orange Branch, 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka

*Saturday, March 21, 2 p.m.*

Herndon Branch, 4324 E. Colonial Drive

*Saturday, March 28, 2 p.m.*

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

### **Cuisine Corner: Tostones**

Southeast Branch, 5575 S. Semoran Blvd.

*Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m.*

Eatonville Branch, 200 E. Kennedy Blvd., Eatonville

*Thursday, March 26, 6 p.m.*

Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and of Breaking Bread with Mira, will demonstrate how to make tasty tostones.

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