

September Library News

LIBRARY HOURS

Cerritos Library Increases Weekend Hours

Monday–Friday
11 a.m.–7 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday
11 a.m.–5 p.m.

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.us.

CLASSES/RACER ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS

To check the availability or to register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at cerritos.us and look for the Classes/RACER link. 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.us

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

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

PHONE REGISTRATION

Call (562) 916-1388

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

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

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

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



SAFETY REMINDER

It is strongly recommended that everyone age 2 and older wear a face covering when inside the Cerritos Library, per the Los Angeles County Health Officer Order.

COVID-19 WAIVER

Program participants will be required to complete a COVID-19 waiver.

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. Only children registered for storytime may be brought to the program. Space is limited to 15 participants.

Thursdays at 11 a.m. for ages 2-5

9067	Thurs., Sept. 15
9068	Thurs., Sept. 22
9069	Thurs., Sept. 29
9070	Thurs., Oct. 6

Second Saturday of the month at 1:15 p.m. for ages 5 and under

9072	Sat., Sept. 10
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VIRTUAL READ TO THE DOG PROGRAM

Join our BARK volunteer dog and practice reading. This program is designed to build confidence and improve reading skills by reading aloud to a therapy dog. Each participant will receive 10 minutes at an assigned time to read to our furry friend. Children should have a book available as reading material. Participants will be emailed the Zoom information and individual scheduled reading times. Space is limited to 10 participants.

9071	Mon., Sept. 12	3:30 p.m.
	Ages 4-10	Via Zoom

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY FOR ADULTS

Muckenthaler Teaching Artist Stephanie Pratt will teach creative tips and tricks for taking the best photos with your smartphone and tablet, including posing, lighting and editing. Printing tips will also be covered. Space is limited to 12 participants.

9094	Mon., Sept. 12	6-7 p.m.
	Ages 18 & Over	Hi-Tech Lab

RESEARCH DATABASES FOR KIDS

In this hands-on workshop, students will learn the basics of searching many of the Library's online databases for kids. Space is limited to 15 participants.

9079	Mon., Sept. 19	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 8-12	Hi-Tech Lab

SPACETACULAR STORYTIME & CRAFT

Join us for a space-themed storytime and craft. Space is limited to 15 participants.

9080	Tues., Sept. 20	5:30-6:30 p.m.
	Ages 3-6	Little Theater/ Art Studio

ANIME FILM: "PRINCESS MONONOKE"

Cerritos Library will be screening the film "Princess Mononoke" (1997). Popular Japanese snacks will be provided, while supplies last. This film is rated PG-13 and has a running time of 134 minutes. Space is limited to 60 participants.

9083	Wed., Sept. 21	3:45 p.m.
	Ages 13 & Over	Skyline Room

CREATIVE WRITING FOR TEENS

Teens will learn the basics of creative writing and how to improve dialogue in fictional stories. Space is limited to 12 participants.

9081	Fri., Sept. 16	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 14-17	Hi-Tech Lab

CREATIVE WRITING FOR TEENS

Teens will learn how to create and develop original characters. Space is limited to 12 participants.

9082	Fri., Sept. 30	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 14-17	Hi-Tech Lab

"ENCANTO" MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a family movie night featuring the fun family flick, "Encanto." This film is rated PG and has a running time of 99 minutes. Space is limited to 30 participants.

9087	Fri., Sept. 30	5:30 p.m.
	All Ages	Little Theater

HOMEWORK HELP

An after-school homework help program will be offered for Cerritos residents. Students should bring their homework and a book to read. A parent or designated individual is required to sign students in and out of each class meeting. Space is limited to 10 participants per class.

9088	Mon., Sept. 12-Nov. 14	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Grades 1-3	Art Studio
9089	Wed., Sept. 14-Nov. 16	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Grades 4-6	Art Studio

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Children and adults will participate in stories, songs, rhymes and a simple craft activity. The class is limited to 22 participants.

9090	Tues., Sept. 13-Nov. 15	11 a.m.
	Ages 3-5	Art Studio/ Little Theater

MATH HOMEWORK HELP

An after-school mathematics homework help program will be offered for Cerritos residents. Students should bring their math homework and a book to read. A parent or designated individual is required to sign students in and out of each class meeting. Space is limited to 10 participants per class.

9091	Tues., Sept. 13-Nov. 15	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Grades 3-5	Art Studio

CHILD & TEEN READ ALOUD

Children who are able to read are invited to participate in special read aloud sessions to improve their skills. These children will be teamed up with energetic teens during this weekly program. To be eligible for this program, participants must attend the first day of class for testing. Space is limited to 15 participants.

9092	Thurs., Sept. 15-Nov. 17	3:30 p.m.
	Ages 6-8	Little Theater

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT MONDAYS

Children and parents will participate in 30-45 minutes of songs and movement activities that enhance the fine motor skills of the child. The class is limited to 20 participants.

9093	Mon., Sept. 19-Nov. 21	5:15 p.m.
	Ages 4-6	Little Theater

OBSERVING WITH NASA ASTROPHOTO WORKSHOPS

Have you ever wondered how those amazing NASA images are created? Students will have an opportunity to create astrophotos with Observing with NASA. Students' astrophotos will be displayed at the library in support of the Observing with NASA kiosk. Space is limited to 20 participants.

9075	Wed., Sept. 14	3:30-5 p.m.
	Ages 8-11	Hi-Tech Lab
9076	Wed., Sept. 21	4-5:30 p.m.
	Ages 12-17	Hi-Tech Lab

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PLANETARIUM: NIGHT SKIES

Through an immersive planetarium experience, students will take a journey through the night sky. Students will explore our galaxy and learn about the planets, moons, stars and constellations. Space is limited to 30 participants.

9084	Thurs., Sept. 22	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 5-7	Skyline Room
9085	Wed., Sept. 28	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 8-13	Skyline Room

GALAXY MAZE WITH CERRITOS CODER SCHOOL

Code your own Space Galaxy themed animations, games and simulations using Scratch! Campers will learn coding's logic (loop, conditions, variables, events, cloning) and create algorithms without typing a single line of code! Aimed at beginner to intermediate coders and space lovers! Recommended for children with intermediate reading skills and an interest in games and coding. Space is limited to 20 participants.

9086	Mon., Sept. 26	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 8-12	Hi-Tech Lab

INTERNATIONAL OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT

The library invites patrons to participate in "International Observe the Moon Night." Patrons will view the moon through a telescope, enjoy moon-related activities for children and use the OWN kiosk to create a photo of the moon or other celestial objects.

	Sat., Oct. 1	5:30-7 p.m.
	All Ages	Front of Library and Main Street

OBSERVING WITH NASA (OWN) KIOSK AT THE CERRITOS LIBRARY

The Cerritos Library will host "Observing With NASA," an exhibit kiosk from the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory that engages visitors in the art and science of NASA imagery throughout the months of September, October and November of 2022. "Observing with NASA" offers an introduction to the tools, data and skills that NASA space scientists and data visualization experts use to create the images of deep space that we all know and love.

The above programs and display are part of the Observing with NASA (OWN) project that is a partnership between the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory and Smithsonian Affiliations, supported by NASA award number 80NSSC19M0158.

The following Library programs do not require advance registration:

KALEIDOSCOPE TRIO

The Kaleidoscope Trio is a unique, award-winning ensemble that performs a wide array of music from Bach to The Beatles and Schubert to Sinatra.

	Tues., Sept. 13	7 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

LUIVETTE RESTO POETRY READING

Poet Luivette Resto will read from her book "Living on Islands Not Found on Maps." Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

	Mon., Sept. 19	7 p.m.
	18 & Over	Skyline Room

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book "The Immortal Irishman" by Timothy Egan. For more information, call Jo-Anne Alvarez at (562) 916-1340.

	Wed., Sept. 21	11 a.m.-noon	Skyline Room
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FAMILY LOTERÍA NIGHT

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an evening of Lotería! Lotería is a traditional Latin-American game of chance, similar to bingo, but using images on a deck of cards instead of plain numbers on ping pong balls. Learn how to play this Mexican bingo-style game with the whole family.

	Wed., Sept. 21	6 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on fall craft will be held for children ages 2-12. This glue-and-go craft will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

	Fri., Sept. 23	11 a.m.-noon & 5-6 p.m.
	Ages 2-12	Art Studio

NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: "BREAKING AWAY" (1979)

Theo Siegel will discuss the making of "Breaking Away," followed by a screening of the film. This film is rated PG and has a running time of 101 minutes.

	Fri., Sept. 23	6 p.m.
	Ages 18 & Over	Skyline Room

LA CASA DE ADOBE: STORIES AND SONGS FROM ALTA CALIFORNIA

Dr. Gloria Arjona explores the history of Spanish and Mexican California through stories, photography and songs. The songs presented in this program are largely based on the work of American journalist and collector, Charles Fletcher Lummis, who compiled old Spanish-language songs in the early 20th century.

	Tues., Oct. 4	6 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

CELLO RECITAL YINGYING ZHANG AND HER STUDENTS

The students of Yingying Zhang, a well-known cellist, will perform a recital of cello and string music.

	Fri., Oct. 7	7:30 p.m.
	All Ages	Skyline Room

CHILDREN'S ART & SHORT STORY CONTESTS

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will conduct the 19th Annual Art Contest for children in grades K-6 and a Short Story Contest for children in grades 3-6. "Your Dream Park" is the theme for the art contest and "Your Favorite State/National Park Family Memory" is the theme for the short story contest. Participants must have a valid Cerritos Library card. The deadline to turn in all entries is **Friday, October 14** before 7 p.m.

Draw or paint a picture of "Your Dream Park." Artwork must be no larger than 12"x18" and unmounted. Only one art entry is allowed per child.

Short stories about "Your Favorite State/National Park Family Memory" must be original, using no more than 500 words and preferably typed on white letter-sized paper. Only one short story entry is allowed per child.

Application forms are available at the Children's Help Desk and on the Library's website. Winners will receive gift cards from Target at a special reception. For more information, contact Librarian Curita Tinker at (562) 916-1343.

Library Exhibition

Hand Fans, Artifacts of History Exhibition

The Cerritos Library will host an exhibition of hand-held fans from the collection of Tracy Winkler. The hand fans have been collected from around the world and cover a time period from the 1850s to the present day. The exhibition includes a wide variety of fans from Asia, Spain, Europe and the Americas. On display are examples of fixed, folding, cockade and brisé fans. These fans are constructed from a wide variety of materials, including feathers, fabric, lace, plastic, shell and bone. This exhibit will run September 3 through October 30, 2022.

City adopts resolution implementing emergency water conservation regulations

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Following are additional water conservation tips:

- Refer to drought-tolerant plant guidelines recommended by the City. A brochure is available in the Community Development Department, and information is also online at cerritos.us.
- Run only full loads in clothes washers and dishwashers.
- Avoid flushing toilets unnecessarily; dispose of tissues, insects and other similar waste in the trash instead.
- Don't leave the water running when washing dishes, brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Wash your produce in the sink or a pan that is partially filled with water instead of running water from the tap.

- Store drinking water in the refrigerator rather than letting the tap run to get a cold glass of water.
- For fish owners, when you clean your fish tank, use the water you've drained on your plants. The water is rich in nitrogen and phosphorus, providing you with a free and effective fertilizer.

Committed to the preservation of the environment and conservation of water, the City of Cerritos has taken steps to conserve natural resources through a recycled-water distribution system. Cerritos irrigates more than 200 acres of City-owned property – including most parks, parkways, decorative fountains and medians – with recycled water.

The use of recycled water saves about 722 million gallons of potable drinking water annually and is billed monthly at about half the cost of drinking water. In addition to being used on City-owned property, the recycled water is used to irrigate schools, a county park, a City of Lakewood park, cemeteries, freeway landscaping and some privately owned landscaped areas. Originating from industries, businesses and homes, the waste water is treated by a three-stage process by the Sanitation District facility located in Cerritos before being used for irrigation.

For more information about the City's recycled water system or water conservation, call the Water Division at (562) 407-2674. ■