

July 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.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 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.us

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

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

PHONE REGISTRATION

Call (562) 916-1388

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

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

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

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

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., July 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. Only children registered for storytime may be brought to the program.

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

- 13071 Mon., July 8
- 13072 Mon., July 15
- 13073 Mon., July 22
- 13074 Mon., July 29

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

- 13075 Thurs., July 11
- 13076 Thurs., July 18
- 13077 Thurs., July 25
- 13078 Thurs., Aug. 1

Saturdays at 11:15 a.m. for ages 5-8

- 13079 Sat., July 13
- 13081 Sat., July 20
- 13082 Sat., July 27
- 13083 Sat., Aug. 3

SLIME MAKING CLASS FOR KIDS

Join us for an afternoon of slime-making. Space is limited to 12 participants.

- 12878 Mon., June 10 3:30-4:15 p.m.
Ages 7-9 Art Studio

RAINBOW LOOM BRACELETS CLASS

Children will learn to weave and create colorful rubber band bracelets to take home and wear. Space is limited to 15 participants.

- 13084 Wed., July 10 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Ages 7-13 Skyline Room A

FAMILY CARTOON CLASS WITH DAVE BOATMAN

This educational and creative hour of cartoon instruction will inspire and motivate families in their love of cartoons and drawing. Space is limited to 75 participants.

- 13085 Thurs., July 11 11 a.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.

- 13086 Fri., July 12 11 a.m.-noon
Ages 2-4 Little Theater

POKÉMON OLYMPICS DRAWING CLASS

Learn to draw Pokémon based on the Paris 2024 Olympic sports! Space is limited to 15 participants.

- 13087 Fri., July 12 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 7-12 Hi-Tech Lab

LITTLEBITS WORKSHOP

Students will be introduced to littleBits, electronic building blocks that snap and work together, allowing children to build and invent. Space is limited to 12 participants.

- 13088 Wed., July 24 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 7-10 Skyline Room A

SHARPIE MUG ART AND CLAY PHOTO HOLDERS

Unleash your creativity as we decorate and personalize our own mugs and clay photo holders using Sharpie pens. Materials will be provided. Space is limited to 14 participants.

- 13089 Thurs., July 25 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Ages 11-17 Skyline Room A

Afternoon Programs for all ages

All children and accompanying adults must be registered to attend the following programs.

FAMILY STEM FAIR WITH STEMUP4YOUTH

Families are invited to join in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Fair. Families will explore science concepts via hands-on projects and demonstrations led by STEMup4Youth.

STEMup4Youth is a non-profit organization dedicated to inspiring the next generation to pursue the elements of STEM by bringing children fun, hands-on STEM activities through interactive programs, events and performances. Space is limited to 120.

- 13090 Tues., July 9 3:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

ABBIE THE AVERAGE

Join in the fun of an above average comic and juggling variety show. Space is limited to 200.

- 13091 Tues., July 16 3:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

MICHAEL RAYNER JUGGLING SHOW

Michael Rayner, juggler extraordinaire, will juggle found objects. Rayner is a highly skilled and hilarious entertainer who will delight the entire family. Space is limited to 200.

- 13092 Tues., July 23 3:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

THOR'S REPTILE FAMILY LIBRARY SAFARI

Enjoy an entertaining and educational show featuring arthropods, amphibians and reptiles of all sizes. You will be taken on a safari around the world learning about the various animals, with an emphasis on their feeding habits. Space is limited to 200.

- 13093 Tues., July 30 3:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

FAMILY LEGO BLOCK PARTY

Join us for an afternoon of Lego building, bingo, and crafts in the Children's Library. To be a part of this fun party be sure to register for the following programs.

LEGO DUPLO BUILDING

Children will build and create their own LEGO DUPLO creations using DUPLO building blocks. Little ones will build and create while improving their motor skills. The library will provide the DUPLOS. Space is limited to 15 participants

- 13094 Thurs., Aug. 1 2-2:45 p.m.
Ages 2-4 Little Theater

LEGO DRAWING FOR KIDS

Children will learn to how draw two popular Lego characters. Space is limited to 15 participants.

- 13095 Thurs., Aug. 1 2-2:45 p.m.
Ages 8-12 Art Studio

LEGO BUILDING

Children will build, create and share their very own LEGO creations based on a chosen theme. The library will provide the LEGOS, you provide the imagination! Space is limited to 15 participants.

- 13096 Thurs., Aug. 1 3-3:45 p.m.
Ages 5-8 Little Theater

LEGO FIGURINE FAUX STAINED GLASS FOR TWEENS & TEENS

Tweens and teens will create a faux stained glass piece using a picture frame, acrylic markers and a Lego figurine template. Materials will be provided. Space is limited to 15 participants.

- 13097 Thurs., Aug. 1 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 11-17 Art Studio

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LEGO MOVIE

Join us for a screening of “Lego DC Shazam: Magic & Monsters.” Space is limited to 50 participants. The movie runs for 81 minutes. All children and accompanying adults must be registered to attend the program.

13098 Thurs., Aug. 1 4:15 p.m.
All Ages Little Theater

The following Library programs do not require advance registration:

SUMMER CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Free hands-on crafts featuring a summer theme for children ages 2-12 will be held in the Skyline Room from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. These glue-and-go crafts take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.

Wed., July 10
Wed., July 17
Wed., July 24
Wed., July 31
Wed., Aug. 7

BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book “The Ride

of Her Life” by Elizabeth Letts. For more information, call the Adult Reference desk at (562) 916-1342.

Wed., July 17 11 a.m.-noon Skyline Room

BOARD GAMES FOR ALL

Everyone is invited to play the Library’s board games with friends, family, or teen volunteers. Children ages 6 and under should bring a parent with them to help with the games.

Thurs., July 18 3:30-4:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

FAMILY LOTERÍA AFTERNOON

Lotería is a traditional Latin American game of chance, similar to bingo, but using images on a deck of cards instead of plain numbers. Learn to play this Mexican bingo-style game with the whole family. Space is limited to 35 participants.

Fri., July 19 3:30-4:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: “NOTORIOUS” (1946)

Theo Siegel will discuss the making of “Notorious,” starring Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman, followed by a screening of the film. This film is not rated and has a running time of 102 minutes.

Thurs., July 25 6 p.m.
Ages 18 & Over Skyline Room

GAMES & MORE FOR TWEENS & TEENS

Join us for an afternoon of open play featuring Mario Cart, Super Smash Brothers, 3D Printing and various board games. All games will be used on a first-come, first-serve basis. Snacks will be provided.

Fri., July 26 2-3:30 p.m.
Ages 11-17 Skyline Room

SUPER SUMMER SALADS

Chef Vina demonstrates how to make healthy scrumptious entrée salads the entire family is sure to love.

Wed., July 31 6 p.m.
18 & Over Skyline Room

FAMILY MOVIE & CRAFT NIGHT

Join us for a screening of “Elemental” and a selection of two glue-and-go crafts. This film is rated PG.

Fri., Aug. 2 5:30 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

YUKI SHIBAMOTO INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Instrumentalist Yuki Shibamoto will perform classical, popular and original music. Yuki Shibamoto is a Los Angeles-based Japanese recorder player, who studied under world-famous recorder player Minoru Yoshizawa for over 25 years. Yuki has won the gold prize in the solo artist category in the Japanese Nationwide Recorder Competition three times.

Tues., Aug. 6 7:00 p.m.
All Ages Skyline Room

Library Displays

In celebration of the Library’s 49th Summer Reading Program, “Read for the Gold,” the Cerritos Library staff proudly displays a collection of autographed sports memorabilia. The display will be featured in the main lobby of the Cerritos Library throughout July and August.

Cerritos Library seeks teen volunteers

The Cerritos Library Volunteer program is seeking responsible, dependable and enthusiastic teens to help with library programs, shelving and monitoring of computer workstations.

Applications for the 2024 Fall session will be available starting Monday, July 8, 2024. The session runs from Tuesday, September 3, 2024 through Saturday, December 21, 2024.

The program is open to students ages 13 years and older attending grades 7-12 during the Fall 2024 school year. Applicants must have a Cerritos Library card in good standing and are required to pass a criminal background assessment, in accordance with City policy. For more information, call (562) 916-1338 or email volunteer@cerritos.us. ■

City of Cerritos names new Director of Community and Cultural Services

The City of Cerritos has named Annie Hylton the new Director of Community and Cultural Services.

As Director of Community and Cultural Services, Hylton is responsible for overseeing the Community Participation/Senior Center, Library and Recreation Services Divisions. She will lead the newly reconstituted Department of Community and Cultural Services in setting up systems for improved City staff collaboration and ensuring a consistent approach to providing services to the Cerritos community among the City’s many public facilities.

Hylton joined the City of Cerritos in 1991 as a Communications Assistant. She was promoted to the

position of Public Information Manager in 1995, in which she led the Communications team through several new initiatives including the launch of the City’s first website. She was promoted to City and Theater Marketing Manager in 2005 and to City Librarian and Marketing Manager in 2014. Hylton has held several leadership roles throughout her Cerritos career, having simultaneously managed the Communications Division, Theater Marketing and the Cerritos Library.

Hylton received her bachelor of arts degree in communications from California State University, Fullerton. ■

Building permits required for home improvements

City approval and a building permit are required for most home-improvement projects in Cerritos. City staff and inspectors ensure that updates to a property enhance its value and are appropriate for the neighborhood and safe for residents. Among the projects that require a permit are:

- Air conditioners
- Dishwashers
- Electrical changes
- Landscaping
- New block walls

- New fences
- New wood siding
- New windows/trim
- Painting
- Patios/Patio covers
- Paving
- Plumbing changes
- Roofing
- Room additions
- Spas
- Sprinkler systems

- Stucco work
- Swimming pools
- Water heaters

If you are considering any other home-improvement projects, contact the Community Development Department at (562) 916-1201 to find out if there are any City requirements that apply. For more information, visit the City’s website at cerritos.us. Click on the “Residents” tab and go to “Home Care/Regulations.” Planning approval and building permits are available online. ■