

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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May Events at the Modesto Library

Community members of all ages can enjoy free programs at the Modesto Library this May, beginning with "Crafts Trending on Pinterest," a new craft program inspired by crafts seen on the social media site, Pinterest. On Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m. crafters will make spring-themed baskets by upcycling cardboard and yarn. Crafts Trending on Pinterest will be held in the Modesto Library Auditorium, and is not intended for children under the age of 7. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

Children of all ages can enjoy LEGO days on Wednesday, May 11 and 18 at 3:30 p.m. Participants are invited to build LEGO creations, which will be placed on display in the library for one week. Duplo blocks will be available for children under the age of 4, however they must have direct parental supervision.

The library will host "On the Road to Citizenship" on Monday, May 16 at 6 p.m. This free informational program will focus on citizenship basics and the interview process. A representative from United States Citizenship and Immigration Services will give an overview of what it takes to become a citizen, as well as discuss the interview process in detail. Spanish translation will be available. Advance registration is required; please call the Modesto Library Reference Desk at (209) 558-7814 to sign up. This project was supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Community members can take part in free computer classes, beginning with Excel Intermediate on Tuesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. Email Basics will be offered on Thursday, May 19 at 1:30 p.m. Email Basics participants will need to create an email account prior to the beginning of the class. Advance registration is required for all computer classes; please contact the Modesto Library Reference Department at (209) 558-7814 to sign up.

Children ages 10 to 14 can take part in free STEAM* programs this month, beginning with Engineering Space on Monday, May 23 at 4 p.m. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) Children will learn about space exploration and discuss Mars rovers. Each child will have the opportunity to build a model rover or space shuttle. On Tuesday, May 24 at 4 p.m. participants can build remote-control vehicles. The Snap Circuits program will be held on Wednesday, May 25 at 4 p.m. during which children will assemble electrical circuits to power a voice changer and other toys. On Thursday, May 26 at 4 p.m. participants can learn about Magnets and Electricity. Children will conduct experiments with magnets and learn about magnetic levitation. Each participant can also build electric circuits to create an electromagnetic field. Advance registration is required; please contact the Modesto Library's

Children and Teen Services Department at (209) 558-7810 to sign up. These programs are supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Senior Awareness Day will be held on Thursday, May 26 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Community members are invited to visit booths along the library's portico to learn about the free resources available to senior citizens. Representatives from organizations and programs like CalFresh, Catholic Charities, HICAP, and others will be on hand to answer questions and help with enrollment into programs. Light refreshments will be served, and participants can enjoy a free raffle. Senior Awareness Day is sponsored by Stanislaus County Department of Aging and Veterans Services, HICAP, and the Friends of the Modesto Library.

"Color Yourself Calm: Coloring for Grown Ups" on will be held on Saturday, May 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. The library will provide coloring sheets designed for adults, as well as colored pencils and crayons. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

The Modesto Library is located at 1500 I St. in Modesto. Free parking is available in the parking lot behind the library and on surrounding streets. For more information, please contact the Modesto Library's Children and Teen Services Department at (209) 558-7810 or the Modesto Library Reference Department at (209) 558-7814.

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