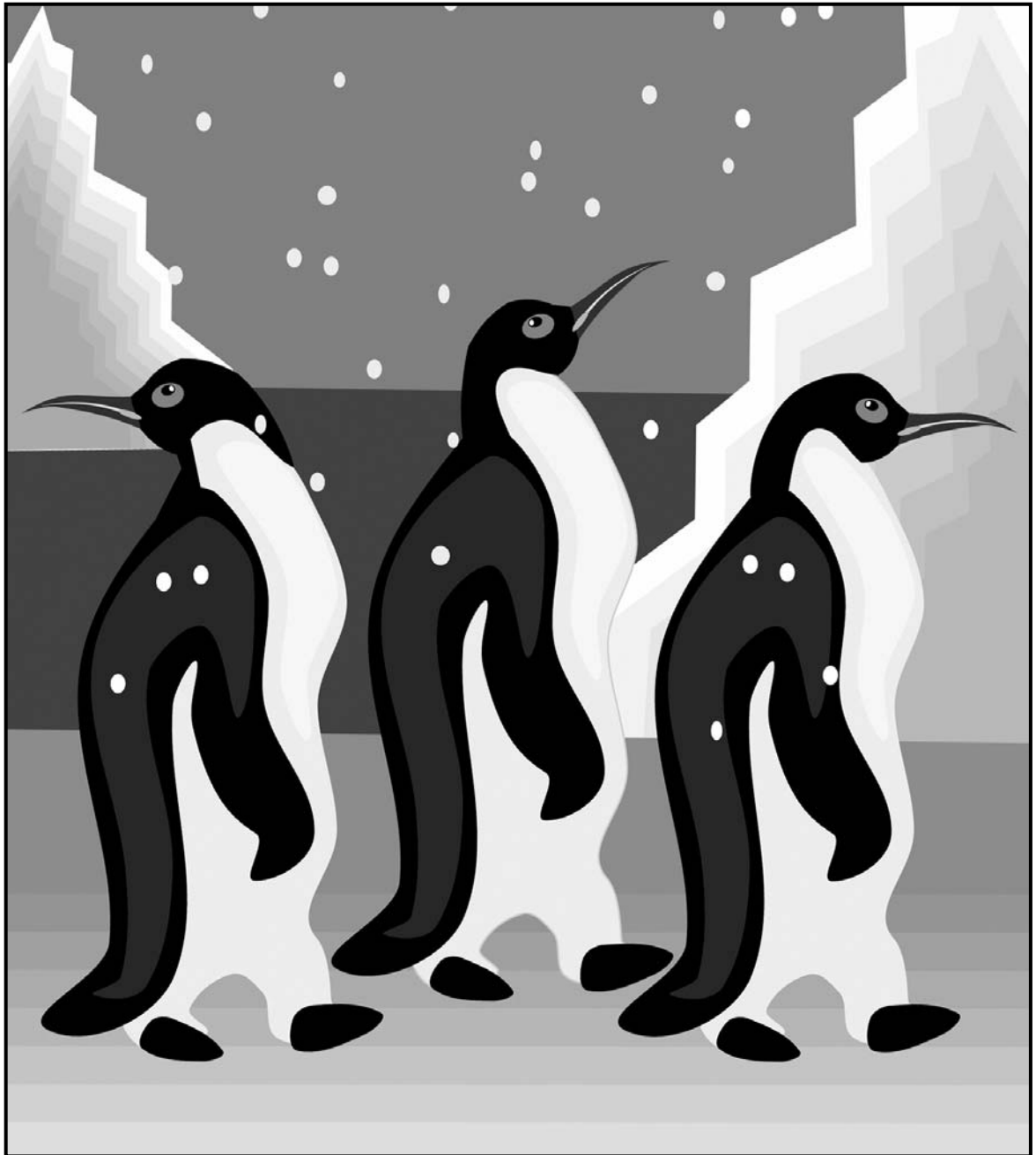


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# PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



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## MAIN LIBRARY

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All programs are held in the Activity Room unless otherwise noted.

### Baby Time

Story series for babies ages 0 to 23 months.

Tuesdays at 10:15 and 11:00 am  
Through Dec. 8 / Jan. 5–Feb. 9

### Story Time for Twos

Story series for toddlers ages 24 to 35 months.

Thursdays at 10:15 and 11:00 am  
Through Dec. 10 / Jan. 7–Feb. 11  
[NO STORY TIME NOVEMBER 26]

### Preschool Story Time

Story series for 3 to 5 year olds.

Wednesdays at 11:15 am  
Through Dec. 9 / Jan. 6–Feb. 10

### Winter Musical Story Time

Thursday, December 17  
at 10:15 and 11:00 am

Celebrate Winter with stories, music and rhythm fun. Ages 2 to 5.

### MUSICAL PREVIEW:

## THE AMAZING BONE

Saturday, January 23 at 3:00 pm

Join Pearl (a pig) and her friend (a bone!) when Santa Monica's Morgan-Wixson Y.E.S. children's theatre presents scenes and songs from its new musical "The Amazing Bone," based on the book by Caldecott-winner William Steig.



### Creative Kids Club

A once a month stories and crafts program at 3:45 pm. Grades K to 4.

■ WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

#### Sunshine Drum Circle Stories with Ina and Chazz

Celebrate Black History Month early with an interactive story adventure.

■ WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

#### Grrr! It's the Year of the Tiger!

Chinese New Year stories and craft.

### ◆ Winter Break Family Flicks

Wednesday, December 30  
at 3:00 pm / MLK Jr. Auditorium

Fun for everyone! Featured flick:  
*The Tale of Despereaux*. Rated G.

### FOR PARENTS: An Introduction to Homeschooling

Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 pm

Expert Deborah Markus will discuss the basics of homeschooling in California: the legalities, the academics, and how to get started.

### Family Fun with Ceramics!

Saturday, January 30 at 2:00 pm

Create a work of art with help from local ceramist Moyer Thompson. For 1st to 5th graders and their parents. Register January 11 to 18 at the Youth Reference desk or call 310-458-8621.

### Valentine's Day Hearts & Crafts

Wednesday, February 10 at 3:45 pm

Listen to Valentine's themed stories and make an old-fashioned Valentine's card. Ages 5 and up.

## OCEAN PARK BRANCH LIBRARY

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### Baby Time

Six-week series of stories and songs for babies ages 0 to 23 months.

Thursdays at 9:20 and 10:20 am  
January 7–February 11

### Story Time for Twos

Story series for ages 24 to 35 months.

Tuesdays at 10:00 and 10:30 am  
Jan. 5–Feb. 9 REGISTRATION STARTS DEC. 16  
Feb. 23–Mar. 30 REGISTRATION STARTS FEB. 10

### Spanish Stories for Little Ones

Stories and songs in Spanish for 2 to 5 year olds.

Wednesdays at 11:20 am  
Through Dec. 9 / Jan. 6–Feb. 10

### NEW DATES:

#### Preschool Twilight Story Time

Six-week series for preschoolers ages 3 to 5 and their families. Enjoy stories, puppets, songs and crafts together.

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm  
Dec. 30–Feb. 3 / Feb. 24–Mar. 31

#### Youth and Family Chess

Wednesdays from 3:00 to 6:00 pm  
For all levels and ages. Parents too!

#### Holiday Hoopla Puppet Show

Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 3:30 & 4:30 pm  
Join Mr. Jesse and his puppet pals for seasonal fun and holiday stories. Tickets required. Ages 3 to 7.

### The International Magic Bus!

Thursday, January 14 at 3:30 pm

Join Makinto and take a musical journey with songs and music from all over the world. Ages 4 and up.

### A Heart Full of Laughter Valentine Puppet Show

Thursday, Feb. 9 at 3:30 & 4:30 pm

Join Mr. Jesse and his puppet pals. Tickets are required.  
Ages 3 to 7.



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Through December 1  
January 5–February 9

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Story series for toddlers  
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Wednesdays at 9:30 am  
Through December 2  
January 6–February 10

**Preschool Story Time**

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Wednesdays at 10:30 am  
Through December 2  
January 6–February 10

**Cuentos Para Pequeños**

Los martes a las 10:00 am  
Hasta el 1 de diciembre.  
Del 5 de enero hasta el 9 de febrero.

**Toddler Story Time in Spanish**

Tuesdays at 10:00 am  
Through December 1  
January 5–February 9

**Homeschoolers' Book Club**

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Share a book on a selected topic.

■ DECEMBER 9

**Family Stories**

■ JANUARY 13

**California Young Reader Medal nominees**

■ FEBRUARY 10

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**Lego Club**

Saturdays from 3:00 to 5:00 pm  
Dec. 5, Jan. 2 and Feb. 6

Come and build with our library Legos. Ages 4 to 14.

◆ **Kids' Craft Club**

Monday, January 11 at 3:30 pm

Registration begins December 7.  
Ages 6 to 10.

◆ **Rhythm Child**

Monday, January 25 at 4:00 pm

A unique opportunity for young children to experience the pulse of drum-based world music. Ages 2 and up.

**Make your own Valentine's Day Cards**

Monday, February 8 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm / Ages 3 to 18.

◆ **Sunshine Drum Circle Stories with Ina and Chazz!**

Saturday, February 27 at 2:30 pm

Celebrate Black History Month with this highly interactive storytelling adventure. Ages 5 and up.

*Special Holiday Programs*

**Make your own Holiday Cards and Ornaments**

Monday, December 14 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm  
All ages are welcome.

◆ **Holiday Handbell Concert**

Saturday, December 19 at 3:00 pm  
Ring in the season and share in the fun. All ages welcome.

**TWEENS**  
GRADES 4 TO 7

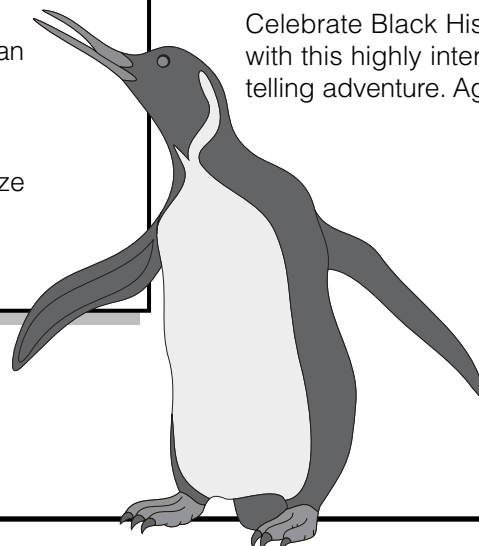
**Book Club**

Mondays / 4:30 to 5:30 pm / A monthly book discussion group.

- DEC 7 ***The Ear, the Eye and the Arm*** by Nancy Farmer
- JAN 4 ***The White Mountains*** by John Christopher
- FEB 1 ***The Dark Side of Nowhere*** by Neal Shusterman

◆ **Make Your Own Avatar**

Saturday, February 6 from 2:00 to 3:30 pm  
Learn how to make a character that you can personalize and use when interacting with friends online. Registration begins January 11. Space is limited.



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Thursdays at 10:15 am

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January 7–February 11

### **Preschool Story Time**

Weekly story time for 3 to 5 year  
olds. Thursdays at 11:15 am

[NO STORY TIME NOVEMBER 26]

### **NEW Family Night at the Library!**

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm / Once a month.

Stories, crafts and games for the  
whole family. All ages welcome.

■ TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

#### **Bubbly Bubble Bathtime**

■ TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

#### **What Are You Wearing?**

### **Preschool Club**

A monthly story and craft program  
for 3 to 5 year olds at 3:00 pm

■ TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

#### **Llama, Llama, Red Pajama**

Stories and a craft about llamas.

■ TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

#### **Roar with the Dinosaurs!**

Roar along with dinosaur stories  
and make your own dinosaur  
to take home.

■ TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

#### **Valentine's Day**

Come for a Valentine's celebration.

### **Afternoon Kids' Club**

A monthly program of stories,  
crafts and fun for K to 4th graders.

Once a month at 3:45 pm

■ TUESDAY, JANUARY 26

#### **Trickster Tales**

Listen to some stories about  
tricksters from China and Africa.

### ◆ **Drumming in the Library!**

Tuesday, February 23 at 3:45 pm

Be prepared for a lively time with  
Marcus Miller and his drums.

All ages welcome.

## *Special Holiday Programs*

### **Hanukkah Program**

Tuesday, December 15 at 3:45 pm

A Hanukkah puppet show with Ilene Cohen. Ages 3 and up.

### **Ornament Workshop**

Tuesday, December 22 at 2:30 pm

Make ornaments to hang on your holiday tree. All ages.

## **TWEENS**

GRADES 4 TO 7

### ◆ **Talk About It**

A monthly book discussion group for 5th, 6th and 7th graders.

Wednesdays at 5:00 pm

■ DEC 9 ***The Gollywopper Games*** by Jody Feldman

■ JAN 13 ***Kiki Strike: Inside the Shadow City*** by Kirsten Miller

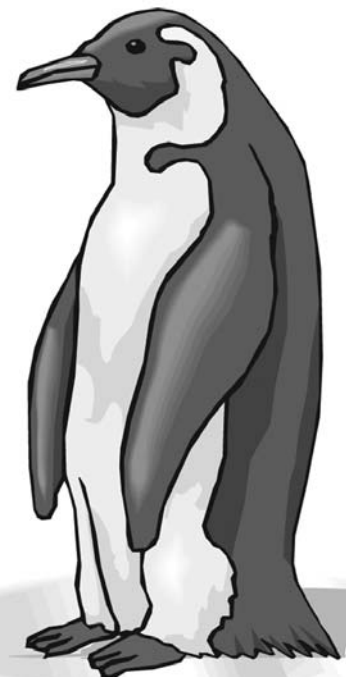
■ FEB 10 ***Swindle*** by Gordon Korman

### **Create a Magazine Bowl**

Monday, February 8 at 4:00 pm

Use magazines to make a colorful bowl. Limited space.

Sign up at the desk. Grades 4 to 8.



**All programs are free and the public is cordially invited to attend.**

Organized children's groups wishing to attend library programs are requested to make arrangements in advance with a children's librarian.