



Sean Gaskell shares his knowledge of the West African kora, a 21-string harp, at the November Book Notes concert.

Manager's Report

This November the library fully embraced the start of the holiday season. We put up our holiday decorations as well as displays highlighting topics of interest as patrons prepare for family time, cooking, traveling, or the simple pleasure of settling in with a good book.

The library also hosted a friendly, non-partisan election night results party.

As we reflect on thankfulness this month, we are especially grateful for a community that values, celebrates, and utilizes the library.

-Shasta Barnes, Interim Library Director

Children's Services

Mr. Ben in Concert

Local performer Mr. Ben performed at Storytime during the week of Thanksgiving. At his performance, library staff handed out toy shakers for children to keep. The performance and shakers were paid for by a "Ready to Read" grant from the Oregon State Library.

UPCOMING:

- Santa is coming to the library! Children can look forward to meeting Santa at all youth programs during the week of December 3rd.
- Mexican Folk Dancing class for kids will have their performance on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 6:30 pm.
- "Science Zone" will be held on the West Linn-Wilsonville School District early release day (Wednesday, Dec. 5) at 1:30 pm.



Youth Services staff perform at the City's Harvest Festival



The Breakout Box used for the Teen After-Hours Event on November 9.

Teen Services

November Teen After-Hours Event

Teens in grades 6-12 solved puzzles, unraveled clues, and figured out how to unlock the secret of the Breakout Box at the Teen After-Hours Event on Friday, Nov. 9. This fun program was inspired by "escape room" challenges.

UPCOMING:

- Teen After-School Activities: fun for teens on early release day. Wednesday, Dec. 5, 4:00-6:00 pm.
- "Winter Lounge": Teens in grades 6-12 sing karaoke and compete in quiz tournaments. Friday, Dec. 12, 6:30-8:00pm.

Adult Services

Election Night Results Party

The library held a non-partisan, friendly election night results party on Tuesday, November 6, from 6-9pm. Staff kept the building open late for the event, which included live results coverage and hearty appetizers.

Card Making class ends

Over four weeks, eight students made greeting cards appropriate for each of the four seasons, and in the process learned techniques they can use in future projects.



Students make Christmas cards in the Card Making for Adults class.

UPCOMING:

- Book Club discusses "Code Girls" by Liza Mundy on Thursday, December 13
- Book Notes Concert featuring Jass Two Plus One performing holiday favorites in a jazz style on Saturday, December 8
- Adult Winter Reading Program begins January 2



Potential new chairs being tested in the library staff break room.

Around the Library

ODHS weekly hours at the library

The Oregon Department of Human Services started holding open hours on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 10am-12pm in the library's Rose Room. During those hours, an ODHS representative is available for the public to sign up for assistance.

New furniture plan in development

A furniture planning meeting with the renovation designers was held, and a new updated furniture plan is coming soon. Some example chairs were placed in the staff break room for testing.

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- Playgroup 10:30 am-12 pm

THE NUTCRACKER & SANTA VISIT
A SPECIAL STORYTIME THIS WEEK

- Toddler Time 10:30 am
- Baby Time 11:30 am-12:15 pm
- Stafford Cello Ensemble Holiday Concert 5-5:30 pm
- Family Storytime 6:30-7 pm
- ESL Conversation Group 6:30-7:30 pm

- Family Storytime 10:30-11 am
- Read to the Bunny 3:30-4:30 pm
- Science Zone 1:30-2:30 pm
- Teen After School Activities 4-6 pm
- Marriage of Art & Fiction 6-8 pm

- Family Storytime 10:30-11 am
- Redistricting Forum presented by the League of Women Voters 6-8 pm

- Booknotes Concert Series 2-3 pm Jass Two Plus One

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- ESL Conversation Group 6:30-7:30 pm

- Marriage of Art & Fiction 6-8 pm

- Book Club 6-8 pm *Code Girls* by Liza Mundyhe

- Teen Advisory Board Meeting 4:30-6:30 pm
- Teen After Hours Event 6:30-8:30 pm Teen Lounge Night

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- Genealogy Club 1-2:30 pm

- Great Books Discussion Group 6-8 pm *First Principles of Morals* by Immanuel Kant
- ESL Conversation Group 6:30-7:30 pm

- Lego Night 6:30-7:30 pm

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Christmas Holiday Library Closes at 2pm

Christmas Holiday Library Closed

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PROGRAM TYPE

- Children
- Teen
- Adult
- Special Storytime

