



STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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August Events at the Modesto Library

The Modesto Library will offer free crafts, activities, and informational programs this August, beginning with LEGO days on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. Children 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.

On Friday, Aug. 5 the library will host an All Ages Coloring program from 12 to 4 p.m. Crayons, colored pencils, and sports themed coloring pages will be provided. No registration is required for this drop-in program. All Ages Coloring is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

The library will host a Summer Reading Family Movie program on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 1 p.m. The movie will feature the story Michael "Eddie" Edwards, the British ski-jumper who competed in the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics. This film is rated PG-13. Popcorn and other refreshments will be served during the film, courtesy of the Friends of the Modesto Library.

Community members can take part in free computer classes this July. Computer Basics will be held on Monday, Aug. 8 and 22 at 1:30 p.m. Word Intermediate will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 9 at 5 p.m. Internet Basics will be offered on Thursday, Aug. 11 at 1:30 p.m. On Tuesday, Aug. 23 at 5 p.m. customers can take part in Excel Intermediate. Email Basics will take place on Thursday, Aug. 25 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.

Adults are invited to "A Matter of Balance" on Friday, Aug. 12, 19 and 26 from 10 to 12 p.m. This award-winning program, offered by the Healthy Aging Association, is designed to help adults manage falls and increase activity levels. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes and shoes for the approximately 20 minutes of gentle exercise per class. The program will be held in the Modesto Library Auditorium, and light refreshments will be provided, courtesy of the Friends of the Modesto Library. For more information, or to sign up, please call Kim Viviano, master trainer at (209) 523-2800.

Children can enjoy a Craft-a-Palooza on Tuesday, Aug. 16 at 3:30 p.m. A variety of materials will be provided for children to make unique creations during this crafting free-for-all.

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Scrapbooking Fun will take place on Saturday, Aug. 20 from 12:30 to 4 p.m. This drop-in program will teach scrapbooking techniques, while offering time for participants to work on their own scrapbooks. Some materials will be provided, however participants are encouraged to bring their own. Free prizes are given out at every meeting. Scrapbooking Fun is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

Children are invited Yoga Play on Saturday, Aug. 27 at 10:45 a.m. Following Bilingual Story Time, children will have the opportunity to learn simple yoga poses.

On Saturday, Aug. 27, the Modesto Library will host an Ekphrastic Poetry Workshop from 1 to 3 p.m. in partnership with the Modesto-Stanislaus Poetry Center (MoSt). Local poet Gary Thomas will lead this workshop on ekphrastic poetry, or poetry that is inspired by art. Participants will create poetry that reflects interprets, or “dialogues” with a painting, photograph, sculpture, or other artistic creation. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Modesto Library. For more information, please contact the Modesto Library Reference Department at (209) 558-7814.

Tasty Tips for Cake Decorating will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 6:30 p.m. Participants will learn the basics of decorating cakes and cupcakes, in addition to a few cake decorating tricks. The class is free and all materials will be provided.

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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