



## STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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### December Events at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library

The Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library will host free programs for all ages this December.

Community members and professional actors from the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival will meet to prepare and rehearse a production of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, Monday, Dec. 5 at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 10 at 11 a.m. The play will be performed for the public on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. *Twelfth Night* tells the store of the shipwrecked Viola who, having lost her twin brother in the storm, disguises herself as a boy and becomes a page in the service of Duke Orsino. This free play is open to all ages.

Children are invited to take part in a special architecture-themed STEAM\* program on Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 4 p.m. (STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Following a story, children can enjoy STEAM activities including constructing different houses and testing their strengths, crafting gingerbread-style houses, and building with LEGO bricks.

Tweens ages 9 to 12 can enjoy a duct tape craft on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 4 p.m. Crafters can choose from the library's supply of colorful duct tape to make a variety of projects, including flowers, wallets, and more.

The Modesto Money Mavens will host a free couponing class on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. Participants will learn tips to save money and find bargains while shopping for the holidays.

The Salida Library Book Club will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. to discuss *Clara and Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland. Interested parties can visit the library's circulation desk to take advantage of the copies available for checkout, though please note that supplies are limited. Call Isabel at (209) 284-2327 for more information.

"Wee Move and Play" will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m. This program features unstructured play time, during which toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy music, movement and sensory play.

A free Computer Basics class will be offered on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 10:30 a.m. Participants will be introduced to the parts of a computer, receive a tour of Windows, and learn simple tasks. Advance registration is required; please call (209) 543-7315 to sign up.

Family Dinner and Movie Night will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 6 p.m. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner to a showing of the film *The Muppet Christmas Carol*. Participants are encouraged to bring a blanket on which to sit, and children may come in pajamas. The library will provide a beverage and popcorn.

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The Salida Tween Book Club will meet on Thursday, Dec. 22 at 4 p.m. This program will feature a book discussion, games, and activities. This month's selection is the graphic novel *Awkward* by Svetlana Chmakova. This program is designed for ages 9 to 12. Please contact the Salida Library at (209) 543-7353 to reserve a copy of *Awkward*.

A LEGO Day will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 4 p.m. DUPLO blocks will be available for children under the age of 4, however they must be supervised by a parent or adult guardian.

Children's programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library. The Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please call the Salida Library's branch supervisor, Carol Blomquist, at (209) 543-7353.

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