

Stanislaus County Library

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Stanislaus County Libraries to celebrate TeenTober

Stanislaus County Library to join libraries nationwide in celebrating teens and teen library services

This October, libraries across the country are celebrating TeenTober, the Young Adult Library Services Association's (YALSA) month-long event in celebration of teens, teen services, and the ways those services help teens develop new skills and pursue their passions. Stanislaus County Library will join in the celebration by offering a variety of programs created especially for TeenTober, including the library's annual Teen Anime Day celebration on Saturday, Oct. 19.

A month of TeenTober events will kick off at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the Oakdale Library. Teens are invited to paint the bookends in the library's Teen section. On Tuesday, Oct. 22 the Oakdale Library will host a DIY calming jar craft at 3 p.m. Teens will create and customize their calming jars using glass jars filled with glitter. These events are sponsored by the Friends of the Oakdale Library. The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. For more information, please call the library supervisor, Karina Mendoza, at 209-847-4204.

On Tuesday, Oct. 1 the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library will begin their TeenTober programming with an unveiling of their new maker cart, which will be permanently stationed in the library's Teen Corner and stocked with supplies for teens to craft and build. Teens are invited to visit the library at 6:30 p.m. for the unveiling, giveaways, and pizza while supplies last. On Thursday, Oct. 10 the library will host a teen game day at 4 p.m. featuring the Nintendo Wii, board games like Exploding Kittens, and more. During the game day, ages 13 and up can test out the library's Oculus Rift virtual reality headset. Later in the month the library will host a special TeenTober movie showing of *A Quiet Place* on Monday, Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. Teens can watch the PG-13 rated movie while enjoying candy, while supplies last. These events are sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library. The Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please contact the library supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at 209-543-7353.

Teens at the Ceres Library can enjoy a game day on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 3:30 p.m. The library will provide card games, board games, and puzzles for participants to play with and enjoy. Program participants ages 13 to 18 will be entered into a free drawing to win a pair of Skull Candy headphones. The Ceres Library is located at 2250 Magnolia Street. For more information, please contact the library supervisor, Megan Mizuno, at 209-537-8938.

On Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 3 p.m. teens at the Hughson Library are invited to a special craft, sponsored by the Friends of the Hughson Library, in which they can paint, decorate and manipulate toilet paper rolls to create creepy-looking masks. The following week, the library will host the "Urban Legends and Myth Busters" event on Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 3 to 5 p.m. Ages 10 to 18 will have an opportunity to test their knowledge with an urban legend trivia contest. The Hughson Library is located at 2412 A Third St. For more information, please contact the library supervisor, Heather Bailey, at 209-883-2293.

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The Stanislaus County Library's annual Teen Anime Day event will be held in the Salida Library Community Room from 12 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 19. The event will feature anime, food, crafts, and activities. Cosplay is welcome, but not required. The winner of the anime bookmark contest will be announced during the event at 1 p.m. Anime Day is sponsored by the Stanislaus Library Foundation. For more information, please contact the Children and Teen Services Department at 209-558-7810.

Teens at the Modesto Library are invited to dress up for a costume party and craft night on Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. A variety of crafts will be available, including origami, button making, and skull bracelets. Costumes are not required to attend the event. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library. The party will be held downstairs in the library auditorium, located at 1500 I Street. Free parking is available in the parking lot behind the library and on surrounding streets. For more information, please contact the Modesto Library Reference Department at 209-558-7814.

"The programs offered throughout TeenTober are meant to highlight services, as well as build trust and start conversations with our local teens," said Michele Machado, a librarian in the Modesto Library Children's and Teen Services Department. "We are here for them and want them to feel comfortable and seen. Our community libraries are excited to celebrate TeenTober with the rest of the country, but we are most excited to have this opportunity to remind the community of the services and resources our libraries provide to our local teens throughout the year."

All TeenTober programs are free, and do not require advance registration to participate. Information about regularly occurring programs can be found on the Stanislaus County Library website, under the "Events and Classes" tab.

About the Stanislaus County Library

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers free access to a diverse collection of materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library's wide array of programs and services, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org.