



## STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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### December Events at the Modesto Library

All ages are invited to participate in a variety of free programs taking place at the Modesto Library this December.

Children can celebrate International Ninja Day by visiting the library Dec. 5 through 9 to find the ninja hiding in the Children's Room. On Monday, Dec. 5 at 3:30 p.m. children can also take part in a ninja-themed craft.

LEGO days will be held 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. LEGO days are sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

On Monday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. local community members and professional actors from the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival will perform Shakespeare's comedy, *Twelfth Night*. The play tells the story 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 performance is open to all ages.

Children and their families are invited to a Storybook Sing-along on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 6:15 p.m. Participants can sing along to a number of well known storybook-themed numbers. Children may come in costume as their favorite princess, prince, or other storybook character, however costumes are not required. This all-ages program is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

"Color Yourself Calm: Coloring for Grown Ups" on will be held on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 1 to 3 p.m. The library will provide coloring sheets designed for adults, as well as colored pencils and crayons. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

The library will host a Dance and Play program on Monday, Dec. 19 at 10:15 a.m. Children can take part in a half-hour of music, shakers, scarves and more. This all-ages program is designed for fans of the musical favorites from Story Time.

Families are invited to enjoy a holiday movie at the library on Monday, Dec. 19 at 5 p.m. This film features the story of young Kevin McCallister, who protects his home after he is left alone during the holiday season. The movie is rated PG for Parental Guidance. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Modesto Library.

Children and their families are invited to a Glow in the Dark Story Time on Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 6:15 p.m. Library staff will turn off the lights in the auditorium and present stories that glow in the dark. Glow sticks will be handed out during the program. All ages are welcome but this program is best for children who are comfortable in

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the dark.

On Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 12 p.m. children and their families can enjoy "Fratello Marionettes: The North Pole Review!" This free production features such marionettes as the Russian Trepak Dancers, the ice skater Crystal Chandelier, and acrobatic penguins.

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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