



May 2023

Orange County Public Library presents...

# Auto-Renewals



Library items checked out or renewed after 4/25/2023 will be renewed automatically!

- Library items renew 2 days before due date
- Up to 2 renewals, if item is not on hold
- Does NOT apply to Lucky Day books
- Renew your items or check out something new today to get started with auto-renewals!



### Automatic Renewal is Here

Orange County Public Library now has auto-renewal! Any items which can be renewed will now renew automatically. You will continue to get email reminders of items coming due, which will include the new due date of any items that were renewed. Remember that most items can renew twice if they have not been requested by someone else.



### Afternoon Tea and Teacup Garden

Join us for a lovely afternoon tea on Saturday May 6 from 2-3:30. Bring your favorite teacup for tea and snacks, then select one of our teacups to create your own teacup garden to take home. This event is for adults and teens; registration is required.

[Register for Afternoon Tea](#)

### Keeping Kids Safe!



Celebrate Safe Kids Week with the library and **Safe Kids Orange County**. Drop by to explore a firetruck, meet Sparky the Firedog, hear stories, and more! Representatives from OC EMS, Insight Human Services, Orange Fire and Life Safety Division, OC Sheriff's Office and more will be present to share safety information with caregivers. No registration required. Thursday, May 11 from 4-5:30 p.m.

[More safety information and tips](#)



### Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

We'll be celebrating Asian & Pacific Islander Heritage all through the month of May! Stop by the library for [AAPI books for kids](#) or Adult/Teen books by [Asian & Pacific Islander authors](#).



### Plants, plants,

Share health, hope, and joy throughout our communities by planting pollinator-friendly wildflowers that are native or naturalized to our area. This month's seed is **Purple Coneflower** and can be picked up from the Main Library while supplies last.



### and more plants!

From May 22-31, you can bring healthy plants rooted in soil and labeled to the library and exchange them for an equal number of plants. What a great way to expand your collection. Containers should be no bigger than 8" or 1 gallon and should be pots you're willing to part with.



### Gaming Tournney for Teens & Tweens

Come to the library Saturday May 27 to mingle, snack, & test your skills for prizes! There'll be separate prizes for beginner & intermediate match ups. Come to play or watch. This is a parent-free event. Registration is required.

[Register for Smash Bros. Tournney](#)



**ATTENTION:**  
3rd -5th graders  
**CONSTRUCTION ZONE**  
TUESDAYS IN MAY  
4:00 - 4:45 (Exception: May 16)  
Register Online or Call 919-245-2532

## Under Construction

Kids in Grades 3-5 are invited to join us for a new building challenge on Tuesdays in May. With different parameters and materials, we'll build structures to achieve a new goal. We will discuss our projects to learn how to make our structures taller, stronger, or with the least amount of materials. Call 919-245-2532 to register or click below.

[Register for Construction Zone](#)

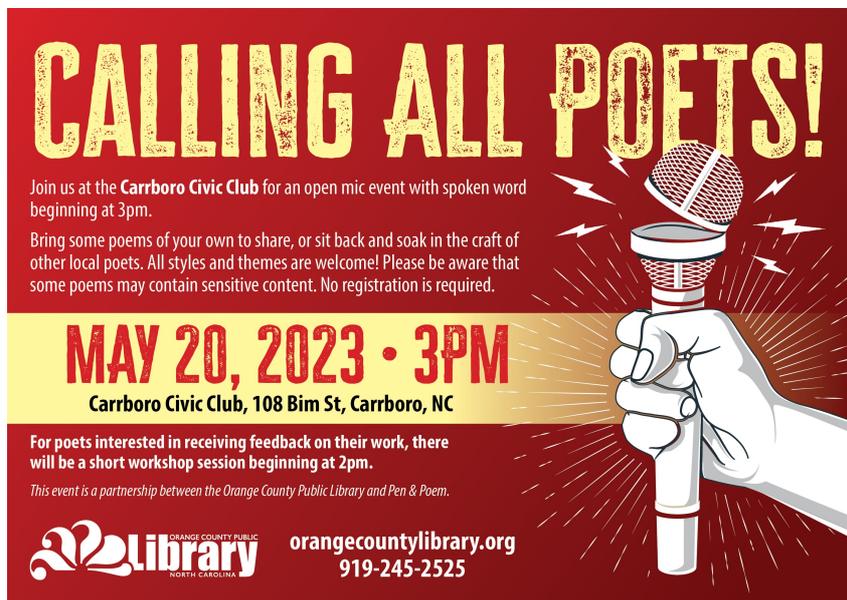


**KIDS EXPLORE**  
FOR GRADES K-2  
Join us at Main Library to explore stories and activities with weekly changing topics!  
**THURSDAYS 4-4:45PM** **REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
5/4 Celebrate Japan's Children's Day!  
• Explore the holiday (celebrated 5/5) and make Koinobori kites  
5/25 Chocolate!  
• Explore cacao, how chocolate is made, and make cocoa dirt cake!

## Kids Explore

Kids in Grades K-2 will have fun this month learning about Japan's Children's Day on May 4 and make Koinobori kites. Then, on May 25, we'll learn all about how chocolate is made and even make our own cocoa dirt cake! Register for one or both of these programs by calling 919-245-2532 or clicking below.

[Register for Kids Explore](#)



**CALLING ALL POETS!**  
Join us at the **Carrboro Civic Club** for an open mic event with spoken word beginning at 3pm.  
Bring some poems of your own to share, or sit back and soak in the craft of other local poets. All styles and themes are welcome! Please be aware that some poems may contain sensitive content. No registration is required.  
**MAY 20, 2023 • 3PM**  
**Carrboro Civic Club, 108 Bim St, Carrboro, NC**  
For poets interested in receiving feedback on their work, there will be a short workshop session beginning at 2pm.  
*This event is a partnership between the Orange County Public Library and Pen & Poem.*  
orangecountylibrary.org  
919-245-2525

## Poetry Open Mic and Workshop

The library is joining with Pen & Poem to present this open mic event May 20 beginning at 3 p.m. at the Carrboro Civic Club. Bring your own poems to share or just sit back and enjoy. A short workshop session is available before the event.

[More info](#)



**SLAYERS**  
Hunt monsters. Get paid. Go home.

## D&D & RPGs

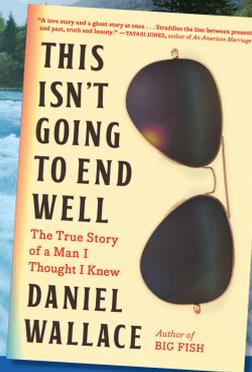
There are lots of opportunities to join in some Role Playing Games at the library. Our newest tabletop RPG is Slayers, a game of mercenaries and monster hunters for hire. Like Dungeons & Dragons, but with simpler rules and a quicker style of play, Slayers is perfect if you're new to role-playing games or if you just want a change of pace. We'll be playing Sunday May 28 from 1:30-5:45 p.m. And don't forget our regular D&D series every other Saturday. See our [event calendar](#) for details.

[Register for Slayers](#)

# Daniel Wallace

Join us for a book signing and reading of *This Isn't Going to End Well* with local author **Daniel Wallace**, in conversation with **Jill McCorkle**.

Due to limited capacity, registration is required for the event. Go to [orangecountync.gov/Wallace](http://orangecountync.gov/Wallace) to sign up. Books will be available for purchase.



## Tuesday, May 9, 6:30-8pm

Orange County Public Library, 137 W. Margaret Lane, Hillsborough, NC



[orangecountync.gov/LibraryEvents](http://orangecountync.gov/LibraryEvents)



## Daniel Wallace Book Reading & Signing

Local author Daniel Wallace joins us at the Main Library for a signing and reading of his newest book *This Isn't Going to End Well: The True Story of a Man I Thought I Knew*

**Tuesday May 9 at 6:30 p.m.** He will be joined by local author Jill McCorkle. Books will be available for purchase from Purple Crow Books. *Space is limited; registration required.*

[Register for Daniel Wallace event](#)



## Meet Libby

Readers who have been using the Overdrive app to download e-books and audiobooks will need to make the switch to the Libby app beginning May 1.

Some tips for making the switch from Overdrive to Libby can be found [here](#), along with a [video walk-through](#). As always, get in touch with us if you need any help making this transition.

## Leyendo con El Centro Hispano

Our friends from El Centro will be here on Thursdays from 6-7 p.m., teaching reading habits, techniques, comprehension, and exchange of experiences through reading groups for preschool children (ages 0-5), where the parents guide them through reading for an experience that will lead them to love reading for a lifetime. This program is entirely in Spanish. No registration required.



## Can't make it to a program?

Please be sure to call the library at 919-245-2525 or go online to cancel your registration. Many of our programs fill up and have a waiting list. Canceling your registration will allow someone else to attend the program.

### More programs coming up:

- 5/01 [Cybrary computer classes in English](#)
- 5/03 [Hillsborough technology class](#)
- 5/06 [Cybrary computer classes in Spanish](#)
- 5/11 [Not a Book Club](#)
- 5/15 [Cedar Grove technology class](#)
- 5/16 [Family Lego Time](#)
- 5/18 [Building Buddies](#)
- 5/19 [Page Turners Book Club](#)
- 5/20 [¡Hora de Cuentos en el Cybrary!](#)
- 5/23 [4th Tuesday Carrboro Book Club](#)
- 5/29 [Closed for Memorial Day](#)

[Visit our calendar](#)



## Summer Learning coming soon!

Our Youth Services staff will take a brief programming break May 29-June 2 as we prepare for this year's Summer Learning activities. Stay tuned for more information!

### Memorial Day

***The libraries will be closed Monday May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.***

#### **Orange County Public Library**

919.245.2525

library@orangecountync.gov



#### **Library Locations and Hours**

##### **Hillsborough, Main Library**

137 W. Margaret Lane

Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sundays, Noon-6 p.m.

##### **Carrboro, Cybrary**

100 N. Greensboro Street

Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Closed Sundays

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