



HOLIDAY FUN FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS AT BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARY

Children and teens can enjoy a whole month of holiday fun at Broward County Library with special story times, holiday movies, crafting programs, cookie decorating and more. With programs for all ages and interests, BCL is the perfect place to have fun, make a homemade gift or ornament, grab a great book, DVD or CD, or learn something new. BCL will also keep regular hours during December (except for Christmas Day), so you can visit the library during school vacation time to read, go online, catch up on school projects or play games.

Young children can enjoy a number of story times especially for kids such as the Let It Snow and Winter Games story time at Alvin Sherman Library at Nova Southeastern; Jan Moran Collier City Learning Library's Books-In-Action program featuring Christmas Around the World by Emily Kelley; Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, and Christmas stories at Lauderdale Lakes Branch; a Happy Holidays! story time with crafts and snacks at Pembroke Pines Branch; and holiday- and winter-themed stories at Sunrise Dan Pearl Branch and West Regional libraries.

Making and decorating tempting sweets is always popular during December; teens and children can decorate holiday cookies at Century Plaza Branch or Southwest Regional or gingerbread houses at North Regional/Broward College. Teens are invited to learn candy-making at West Regional - perfect for gift-giving, eating yourself, or sharing with friends and family.

Catch a great, free holiday film at BCL this month with everything from cartoons (Peanuts, Dr. Seuss) to feature films such as *A Christmas Story* or *Fred Klaus*. You can also catch a free performance of excerpts from *The Nutcracker* or a holiday concert by children from the Suzuki Music Academy. Get hands-on during craft workshops and make cute ornaments for your Christmas tree, a calendar for New Year's, a beaded ishaka for Kwanzaa or a spinning dreidel for Hanukkah.

There will also be some special guests making appearances this month at Broward County Libraries. You can sit down to a story time with Santa himself at Weston Branch, or join Nanny Gingerbread for stories, songs and more at Lauderdale Lakes.

Young adults can enjoy special teen-only school's out/holiday parties at Dania Beach Paul DeMaio Branch, Main Library, North Regional/Broward College and Tamarac Branch. Teens can call each library for details. There are also teens-only craft programs for more advanced cookie decorating and gift/ornament making.

Of course, BCL will also present its regular story times, Wags & Tales programs, chess and anime clubs, and book discussions this month along with special seasonal events. Please check our Web site, www.broward.org/library for a complete list of BCL's December 2008 programs for children and teens.

Holiday Programs & Displays For Children and Teens at Broward County Library

Please call library for information and registration for all programs.

African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, 2650 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311, 954-625-2800

December 17 - Holiday Craft: Create a wonderfully festive decoration just in time for the holidays, ages 12-18, 4 p.m.

December 18 - Holiday Craft, ages 6-12, 2:30 p.m.

Alvin Sherman Library, Research and Information Technology Center at Nova Southeastern University, 3100 Ray Ferrero, Jr. Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314, 954-262-5477

December 13 - The Miami City Ballet School performs excerpts from *The Nutcracker* at the Miniaci Performing Arts Center adjacent to library. Free tickets available in library while supplies last until December 11. Call ahead for details and availability. Suggested age is 4 and up with caregiver.

December 18 - Story Time Fun "Let It Snow," ages 3-5 with caregiver, 10:30 to 11 a.m.

December 18 - Little Learners Lab "Winter Games": Children ages 3-5 with caregiver can explore educational Web sites in a relaxed, one-on-one environment, 11:15 a.m.

Tyrone Bryant Branch, 2230 N.W. 21 Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311, 954-497-1675

December 20, 27 - Christmas movies for all ages, 2 p.m.

December 24 - Holiday Open House for all ages, 2 to 4 p.m.

Century Plaza Branch, 1856A W. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach, FL 33442, 954-360-1330

December 20 - Holiday Cookie Decorating: Decorate cookies for Hanukkah or Christmas, ages 8-12, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Jan Moran Collier City Learning Library, 2800 N.W. 9th Ct., Pompano Beach, FL 33069, 954-968-3820

December 1 - Books-In-Action Program based on the book *Christmas Around the World* by Emily Kelley, grades K-5, 3 p.m.

Dania Beach Paul DeMaio Branch, 255 E. Dania Beach Blvd., Dania Beach, FL 33004, 954-926-2420

December 15 - Young Adults' Christmas Party, ages 12-17, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

December 22 - Happy Holiday Movie Night @ Your Library with drinks and popcorn.

Deerfield Beach Percy White Branch, 837 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441, 954-360-1380

December 13 - Holiday Concert: Enjoy refreshments and a musical presentation by talented members of the community. Please contact the Youth Services librarian if you wish to perform in this concert, ages 10 and up, 2 to 4 p.m.

Hollywood Branch, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, FL 33020, 954-926-2430

December 6 - Tween Craft: "O Deer!" Create a reindeer ornament, ages 9-12, 2 p.m.

Imperial Point Branch 5985 N. Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308, 954-492-1881

December 17 - Holiday Ornament Workshop, ages 11 to 16, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.



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Lauderdale Lakes Branch, 3521 N.W. 43 Ave., Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33319, 954-497-3627

On Display: Holiday Books for Children.

December 9 – Holiday Crafts Make & Take: Make a holiday craft to give or keep, ages 6-12, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

December 15 – Holiday Stories: For Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, and Christmas, ages 6-12, 4:30 p.m.

December 16 – Teen Holiday Crafts Make & Take, ages 12-18, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Lauderhill Mall Branch, 4257 N.W. 12 St., Lauderhill, FL 33313, 954-791-1000

December 18 – Holiday Craft, ages 3-11, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Lauderhill Towne Centre Library, 6399 West Oakland Park Blvd., Lauderhill, FL 33313, 954-497-1630

December 6 – Holiday Program with Suzy Hammer as Nanny Gingerbread, all ages, 3 p.m.

Main Library, 100 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, 954-357-7444

December 13 – Saturday Morning Craft: Make a Christmas craft to take home and display for the holidays, ages 6-12, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

December 22 – Teen Holiday Party: Join us for food, fun and friends, ages 13-18, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

December 26 – Weird and Wacky Winter Movie: *Fred Klaus*, rated PG, ages 13-18, 3:30 p.m.

December 27 – Saturday Morning Craft: Make a New Year's color calendar panel, ages 6-12, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

December 30 – It's a Mad Libs New Year! Come play Mad Libs and get silly, ages 12-18, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Miramar Library and Education Center, 2050 Civic Center Place, Miramar, FL 33025, 954-437-1806

December 20 – Holiday Craft, ages 5-11, 2 p.m.

North Regional/Broward College Library, 1100 Coconut Creek Blvd., Coconut Creek, FL 33066, 954-201-2600

December 6 – Holiday Craft Special @ Your Library: Decorate gingerbread houses, make beaded ishakas (gourd musical instruments) for Kwanzaa, and spinning dreidels for Hanukkah, ages 5-11, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

December 17 – Holiday Music Concert with the Suzuki Music Academy's child violinists, all ages, 6 to 7 p.m.

December 20 – School's Out Teen Holiday Party, ages 12-18, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Pembroke Pines Branch/Walter C. Young Resource Center, 955 N.W. 129 Ave., Pembroke Pines, FL 33028, 954-437-2635

December 17 – Happy Holidays Story Time: Join us as we celebrate the winter holidays with stories, crafts and refreshments, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Pompano Beach Branch, 1213 E. Atlantic Blvd., Pompano Beach, FL 33060, 954-786-2181

December 17 – Pompano Beach Library's Holiday Celebration: Come with the whole family and enjoy music as we celebrate the holidays, 6 to 8 p.m.

South Regional/Broward College Library, 7300 Pines Blvd., Pembroke Pines, FL 33024, 954-201-8825

December 4 – Holiday Film Fest: Join us to hear Sam the Snowman's take on the most famous reindeer of all, then stay for a Halloween twist on Christmas, all ages, 4 p.m.

December 6 – Winter Holidays and Craft: Make a centerpiece for your holiday table, ages 6 and up, 2 p.m.

December 11 – Holiday Film Fest: Join us for a special Dr. Seuss treat followed by a slightly scary movie featuring a cute little Gizmo, ages 10 and up, 4 p.m.

December 18 – Holiday Film Fest: Enjoy the Peanuts holiday special followed by Ralphie's quest for an official Red Ryder BB gun, all ages, 4 p.m.

December 29 – Kwanzaa Craft: Make a fun craft to celebrate Kwanzaa, all ages, 6 p.m.

Southwest Regional Library, 16835 Sheridan St., Pembroke Pines, FL 33331, 954-538-9996

December 3 – It's Snow Time: Make a snowman decoration, all ages, 7 to 7:30 p.m.

December 16 – Icing, Jimmies, and Sprinkles! Decorate cookies for the holidays; supplies included, grades 9-12, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Stirling Road Branch, 3151 Stirling Road, Hollywood, FL 33312, 954-985-2689

December 20 – Holiday Music Concert for the whole family. Children from the Suzuki Academy will perform classics by Bach, Mozart, Handel, and Brahms along with traditional holiday music, 3 to 4 p.m.

Sunrise Dan Pearl Branch, 10500 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise, FL 33351, 954-749-2521

December 2 – Family Story Time: Jolly Snowman and Snowflakes, ages 3 and up, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

December 9 – Family Story Time: Sleigh Bells and Santa story and craft, ages 3 and up, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Tamarac Branch, 8701 W. Commercial Blvd., Tamarac, FL 33351, 954-720-2282

December 2 – Pine Cone Christmas Tree Craft: ages 11-18, 4:30 p.m.

December 16 – Holiday Party: Celebrate the holidays with games and refreshments, ages 11-18, 4:30 p.m.

West Regional, 8601 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation, FL 33324, 954-382-5860

December 1 – Kid's Corner Stories & Craft: Snow Daze, ages 6-11, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

December 15 – Kid's Corner Stories & Craft: Gingerbread Baby, ages 6-11, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

December 20 – Candy Making & Holiday Treats: Treats to make and give, ages 12-18, 2 to 3 p.m.

Weston Branch, 4205 Bonaventure Blvd., Weston, FL 33332, 954-389-2098

December 11 – Story Time with Santa, ages 3-6, 11 a.m.