



Read Watch Do

Summer

at the **Oakland Public Library**
May 27–August 5, 2023

Kids' Summer Reading, Ages 0–14

Read 20 days during the summer to win a free book, courtesy of the Kenneth Rainin Foundation. You'll also be eligible to enter our raffle for other fantastic prizes—check the back page for more details!

Starting May 27, sign up online at OaklandLibrary.org/Summer or in person at your local branch.



Performers & Special Guests

Find event dates, times, and locations inside.



Asheba

Oakland's own Asheba shares Caribbean music, providing fun for the whole family. Come sing and dance with us!

East Bay Vivarium



Join us as experts from the East Bay Vivarium share some of their scaly friends and teach us about the fascinating world of reptiles, amphibians, and bugs.



Kids Go Mandarin

Learn a little Mandarin this summer! Vita Hsieh will teach with song, dance, movement, and play.



Perry Yan Magic

Come and experience Perry Yan's amazing magic, laugh-out-loud comedy, and storytelling.

Breathe A Minute

During this 45-minute session, kids will practice breathing techniques and fun yoga shapes.

Build, Make, Play

Join us for an afternoon of activities ranging from crafts to exploration. Try something new every week!

East Bay Regional Parks Naturalist



Come learn about what hops, crawls, hides, flies, and grows, from the hills to the bay.

Little Explorers Petting Zoo



Visit the cute and cuddly animals from the Little Explorers Petting Zoo. This is a popular event the whole family can enjoy. Please be prepared to wait in line.



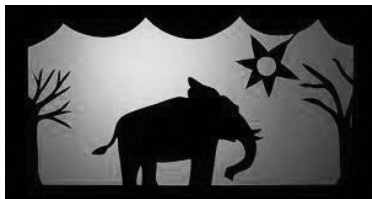
Puppet Art Theater Company

Join us for this wonderful puppet show. The humorous and clever plot will delight and engage the whole family!



Coventry & Kaluza

Join us for juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, and an amazing number of hula hoops!



Firelight Shadow Theater

Join us for folktales and rhymes from around the world. Delight in the original artwork, then learn how to make your own!



Mike the Magician

Mike Della Penna creates wonder and laughter with family magic performances that are equal parts playful and astonishing.

Decolonized Kitchen



Get ready to cook meals featuring native plants. Maribel Garcia will bring her decolonized kitchen to the library to explore indigenous foodways.

Germar the Magician

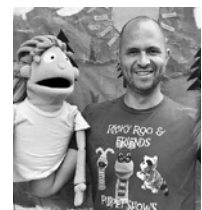


Germar's magic will amaze you one moment and have you laughing out loud the next! This bilingual (Spanish-English) program is fun for the whole family.

Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo



Oakland Symphony musicians will introduce us to string and percussion instruments. Hands-on exploration will be encouraged.



Ricky Roo Puppets

Chris Rachowicz and his puppet friend Ricky Roo will have silly jokes and fun amusement for the whole family.



Discovery Museum Try It Truck

The Try It Truck is the Bay Area Discovery Museum's engineering lab on wheels! Come and enjoy activities designed for learners PreK through 5th grade.

Insect Discovery Lab



Learn about the extraordinarily diverse world of insects and arthropods. SaveNature.org staff will share their knowledge about the role that insects and arthropods play in our lives.



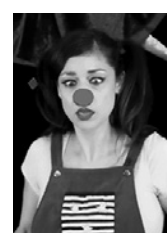
Per Sia's Drag Queen Storytime

Come and enjoy some stories and a little sparkle with local Latinx non-binary storyteller Per Sia.



Unique Derique

Learn about the African roots and rhythms of Hambone body percussion and its evolution in America in this lively performance.



Zany Zoe

Zany Zoe performs her one-of-a-kind magic show with engaging music, body movements, and plenty of humor.



81st Avenue Branch

1021 81ST AVENUE * (510) 615-5812

East Bay Vivarium	Wednesday, 5/31	1:30 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Wednesday, 6/7	1:30 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 6/14	2:30 pm
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Wednesday, 6/21	12:30 pm
Firelight Shadow Theater	Wednesday, 7/5	1:30 pm
Screen Printing	Tuesday, 7/11	1:30 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Wednesday, 7/12	1:30 pm
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 7/26	1:30 pm
Germar the Magician	Tuesday, 8/1	5:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Tuesdays	1:30 pm

Asian Branch

388 9TH STREET, SUITE 190 * (510) 238-3400

Coventry & Kaluza	Saturday, 5/27	11:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Tuesday, 5/30	2:00 pm
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Tuesday, 6/6	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Tuesday, 6/13	2:00 pm
Kids Go Mandarin	Saturday, 6/17	11:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Tuesday, 6/20	2:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Tuesday, 6/27	2:00 pm
East Bay Regional Parks	Tuesday, 7/11	2:00 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Tuesday, 7/18	2:00 pm

Brookfield Branch

9255 EDES AVENUE * (510) 615-5725

Zany Zoe	Tuesday, 5/30	4:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Tuesday, 6/6	4:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Friday, 6/9	4:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Tuesday, 6/13	4:00 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Tuesday, 6/20	4:00 pm
Screen Printing	Tuesday, 6/27	2:00 pm
Asheba	Tuesday, 7/11	4:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Friday, 7/14	4:00 pm

César E. Chávez Branch

3301 EAST 12TH STREET, SUITE 271 * (510) 535-5620

Zany Zoe	Saturday, 5/27	1:00 pm
LGBTQ Pride Celebration	Saturday, 6/3	11:00 am
East Bay Vivarium	Saturday, 6/17	1:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Saturday, 6/24	1:00 pm
East Bay Regional Parks	Saturday, 7/1	1:00 pm
Germar the Magician	Saturday, 7/8	1:00 pm
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Thursday, 7/13	12:30 pm
Breathe A Minute	Saturday, 7/15	1:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Wednesdays	6:30 pm

Dimond Branch

3565 FRUITVALE AVENUE * (510) 482-7844

Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 5/27	11:00 am
Unique Derique	Tuesday, 5/30	7:00 pm
Mike the Magician	Tuesday, 6/6	7:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 6/10	11:00 am
Asheba	Tuesday, 6/13	7:00 pm
Puppet Art Theater Company	Tuesday, 6/20	7:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 6/24	11:00 am
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Tuesday, 6/27	7:00 pm
Screen Printing	Saturday, 7/8	12:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Tuesday, 7/11	7:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 7/15	11:00 am
Perry Yan Magic	Tuesday, 7/18	7:00 pm

Eastmont Branch

7200 BANCROFT AVENUE, SUITE 211 * (510) 615-5726

Zany Zoe	Tuesday, 5/30	1:30 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Tuesday, 6/6	1:30 pm
Asheba	Tuesday, 6/13	1:30 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Tuesday, 6/20	1:30 pm
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Tuesday, 6/27	12:30 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Tuesday, 7/11	1:30 pm
Build, Make, Play	Tuesday, 7/18	1:30 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Tuesday, 7/25	1:30 pm

Elmhurst Branch

1427 88TH AVENUE * (510) 615-5727

Asheba	Wednesday, 5/31	2:00 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Friday, 6/9	2:30 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Wednesday, 6/14	2:00 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Wednesday, 6/21	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Wednesday, 6/28	2:00 pm
Mike the Magician	Wednesday, 7/12	2:00 pm
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Thursday, 7/20	12:30 pm
Breathe A Minute	Wednesday, 7/26	2:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Tuesdays	1:00 pm

Golden Gate Branch

5606 SAN PABLO AVENUE * (510) 597-5023

Unique Derique	Saturday, 5/27	10:30 am
Coventry & Kaluza	Saturday, 6/3	10:30 am
East Bay Regional Parks	Saturday, 6/10	10:30 am
Ricky Roo Puppets	Saturday, 6/17	10:30 am
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 6/24	10:30 am
Decolonized Kitchen	Saturday, 7/1	10:30 am
Firelight Shadow Theater	Saturday, 7/8	10:30 am
Insect Discovery Lab	Saturday, 7/15	10:30 am
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Saturday, 7/22	10:30 am
Mike the Magician	Saturday, 7/29	10:30 am

Lakeview Branch

550 EL EMBARCADERO * (510) 238-7344

Asheba	Thursday, 6/1	10:15 am
Build, Make, Play	Wednesday, 6/7	2:00 pm
East Bay Regional Parks	Thursday, 6/8	10:15 am
Ricky Roo Puppets	Thursday, 6/15	10:15 am
Build, Make, Play	Wednesday, 6/21	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Thursday, 6/22	10:15 am
Build, Make, Play	Wednesday, 7/5	2:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Thursday, 7/6	10:15 am
Mike the Magician	Thursday, 7/13	10:15 am
Build, Make, Play	Wednesday, 7/19	2:00 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Thursday, 7/20	10:00 am

LGBTQ Pride Celebration

CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ BRANCH
SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 11:00 AM–4:00 PM

11:00 am: Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime
1:00 pm: Coventry & Kaluza
3:00 pm: Queer Taiko Drumming

Also enjoy henna with Rachel Palacios, face painting, food, and fun activities for all ages!

Main Library Children’s Room

125 14TH STREET * (510) 238-3615

Asheba	Saturday, 5/27	10:30 am
Insect Discovery Lab	Saturday, 6/10	10:30 am
Breathe A Minute	Saturday, 6/24	10:30 am
Kids Go Mandarin	Monday, 6/26	10:30 am
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Saturday, 7/1	10:30 am
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Friday, 7/7	2:30 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Saturday, 7/8	10:30 am
Perry Yan Magic	Monday, 7/10	10:30 am
Screen Printing	Saturday, 7/15	2:00 pm
Firelight Shadow Theater	Saturday, 7/22	10:30 am
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Monday, 7/24	10:30 am
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Thursday, 8/3	12:30 pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

6833 INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD * (510) 615-5728

Unique Derique	Friday, 6/2	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Friday, 6/9	2:00 pm
Coventry & Kaluza	Friday, 6/16	2:00 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Friday, 6/23	2:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Friday, 6/30	2:00 pm
Mike the Magician	Friday, 7/7	2:00 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Friday, 7/14	2:00 pm
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Friday, 7/21	2:00 pm
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Thursday, 7/27	12:30 pm
Build, Make, Play	Wednesdays	1:30 pm

Melrose Branch

4805 FOOTHILL BOULEVARD * (510) 535-5623

Screen Printing	Saturday, 5/27	11:30 am
Asheba	Saturday, 6/3	11:30 am
Unique Derique	Saturday, 6/10	11:30 am
Decolonized Kitchen	Saturday, 6/17	11:30 am
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 6/21	2:30 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Saturday, 6/24	11:30 am
Germar the Magician	Saturday, 7/1	11:30 am
Mike the Magician	Saturday, 7/8	11:30 am
East Bay Regional Parks	Saturday, 7/15	11:30 am
East Bay Vivarium	Saturday, 7/22	11:30 am
Discovery Museum Try It Truck	Tuesday, 8/1	12:30 pm
Build, Make, Play	Wednesdays	2:00 pm

Montclair Branch

1687 MOUNTAIN BOULEVARD * (510) 482-7810

East Bay Regional Parks	Wednesday, 5/31	2:00 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Thursday, 6/15	2:30 pm
Coventry & Kaluza	Wednesday, 6/21	2:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Wednesday, 6/28	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Wednesday, 7/12	2:00 pm
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Wednesday, 7/19	2:00 pm
Mike the Magician	Wednesday, 7/26	2:00 pm

Piedmont Avenue Branch

80 ECHO AVENUE * (510) 597-5011

Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Wednesday, 5/31	6:00 pm
Kids Go Mandarin	Wednesday, 6/7	6:00 pm
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 6/14	6:00 pm
Coventry & Kaluza	Wednesday, 6/21	6:00 pm
East Bay Vivarium	Wednesday, 6/28	6:00 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Wednesday, 7/12	6:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Wednesday, 7/19	6:00 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 7/26	2:30 pm
Build, Make, Play	Saturdays	2:00 pm

Rockridge Branch

5366 COLLEGE AVENUE * (510) 597-5017

Movie Night	Tuesday, 5/30	6:30 pm
Firelight Shadow Theater	Tuesday, 6/6	6:30 pm
Kids Go Mandarin	Saturday, 6/10	10:30 am
Insect Discovery Lab	Tuesday, 6/13	6:30 pm
Unique Derique	Tuesday, 6/20	6:30 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Thursday, 6/22	2:30 pm
Ricky Roo Puppets	Tuesday, 6/27	6:30 pm
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Saturday, 7/8	10:30 am
Coventry & Kaluza	Tuesday, 7/11	6:30 pm
Oakland Symphony Petting Zoo	Tuesday, 7/18	6:30 pm
Mike the Magician	Tuesday, 7/25	6:30 pm
Build, Make, Play	Thursdays	4:00 pm

Temescal Branch

5205 TELEGRAPH AVENUE * (510) 597-5049

Zany Zoe	Saturday, 5/27	11:00 am
East Bay Vivarium	Saturday, 6/3	11:00 am
Asheba	Saturday, 6/10	11:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 6/17	11:00 am
Unique Derique	Saturday, 6/24	11:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 7/1	11:00 am
Insect Discovery Lab	Saturday, 7/8	11:00 am
Per Sia’s Drag Queen Storytime	Saturday, 7/15	11:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Saturday, 7/22	11:00 am

West Oakland Branch

1801 ADELINE STREET * (510) 238-7352

East Bay Vivarium	Thursday, 6/1	2:00 pm
Screen Printing	Thursday, 6/8	1:00 pm
Coventry & Kaluza	Thursday, 6/15	2:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Thursday, 6/22	2:00 pm
Insect Discovery Lab	Thursday, 6/29	2:00 pm
Build, Make, Play	Thursday, 7/6	2:00 pm
Little Explorers Petting Zoo	Wednesday, 7/12	10:00 am
Build, Make, Play	Thursday, 7/20	2:00 pm
Perry Yan Magic	Thursday, 7/27	2:00 pm

Summer Party

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 11:00 AM–3:00 PM
PERALTA HACIENDA HISTORICAL PARK
2465 34TH AVENUE, OAKLAND



Crafts, storytime, and fun for Kids, Teens, and Adults! Oakland-based Cunamacué, dedicated to promoting Afro-Peruvian culture through music and dance, will perform at 1:00 pm.

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Kids' Summer Reading

Ages 0–14

Read 20 days during the summer to win a free book of your choice* plus be eligible to enter our raffle for other fantastic prizes. The more you read, the more chances to win!

Grand Prizes:

- 3-night family stay at Oakland Feather River Family Camp**
- A Nintendo Switch
- A family membership to Children's Fairyland

Other Prizes include:

- Ticket vouchers to an Oakland A's game
- Passes to the MADE, Oakland's all-playable video game museum
- A Ukulele or a Science Kit
- Folkmanis puppets
- Bookmark Bookstore gift certificates
- San Francisco Bay Ferry tickets
- Oakland Zoo family passes
- Lake Merritt boat rentals
- East Oakland Sports Center pool passes
- And more!

*Book prizes courtesy of the Kenneth Rainin Foundation.

**Sign up by Wednesday, June 21 to be eligible for this special Grand Prize.

Ages 12-14?
You can participate in either Kids or Teens program or do both!



Find more
information
here!



Thank You!

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Free Lunch!

Free Summer Lunch for ages 0-18 will be available at the following locations:

81st Avenue Branch
César E. Chávez Branch
Eastmont Branch
Elmhurst Branch
Main Library
Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch
Melrose Branch

For dates of service, meal times, and other details, visit **OaklandLibrary.org/Summer** or call **(510) 238-3134**.



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Teens, Too!

Ages 12-17

Visit your neighborhood branch of the Oakland Public Library or sign up online to participate in the Teen Summer Program.

You can win big just for doing what you already love to do: volunteering, coming to library programs, writing reviews, and more! Get a prize just for signing up and another prize if you complete 20 activities! You also earn raffle tickets for a chance to win one of our grand prizes*:

- Nintendo Switch Lite
- Chromebook
- Beats Headphones
- \$150 gift certificate to the grocery store of your choice
- FujiFilm Instax Mini Camera

*Teen grand prizes courtesy of the Friends of the Oakland Public Library.

This summer you can find all of this at your local library:

Graffiti Workshops: In this one-hour workshop, you will learn about the legacy of Graffiti from ancient times to present and be shown various styles of Graf-Writing to create something that represents you in a bold and colorful way.

Breakdancing Workshops: You will be rockin' for an hour with this fun and fast-paced workshop. The instructor will show you basic break-dancing moves as well as other hip-hop dance styles.

Fashion Workshops: In this one-hour workshop, you will learn information about the connection between hip-hop, design, and fashion and get the chance to try your hand at designing a hip-hop inspired pair of shoes or t-shirt.

DJing Workshops: This one-hour DJ workshop shows how hip hop started by looping and mixing breakbeats back in New York during the early 70s. Learn how to blend, cut, and scratch records on live turntables to get the party started and keep it going!

Henna: Join us in learning more about henna and walk away with beautiful henna body art.

Jewelry Making: Come to the library and make your own piece of jewelry. Learn what tools are needed and what supplies are best to make different jewelry. All supplies included.

Heat Embossing: You get the opportunity to stamp and emboss raised imagery using heat to cure the embossing powder onto the paper. You can make prints and cards.

Tiny Art Making: Come in and make a mini masterpiece! Using acrylic paint and mini canvases, come create something special.

Super Smash Bros Tournament: Come join the Super Smash Bros Tournament! The top two finalists of each participating branch will receive early prizes and get a chance to compete in the FINAL Tournament where they will battle it out against contestants from other branches to see who wins the ultimate prize.

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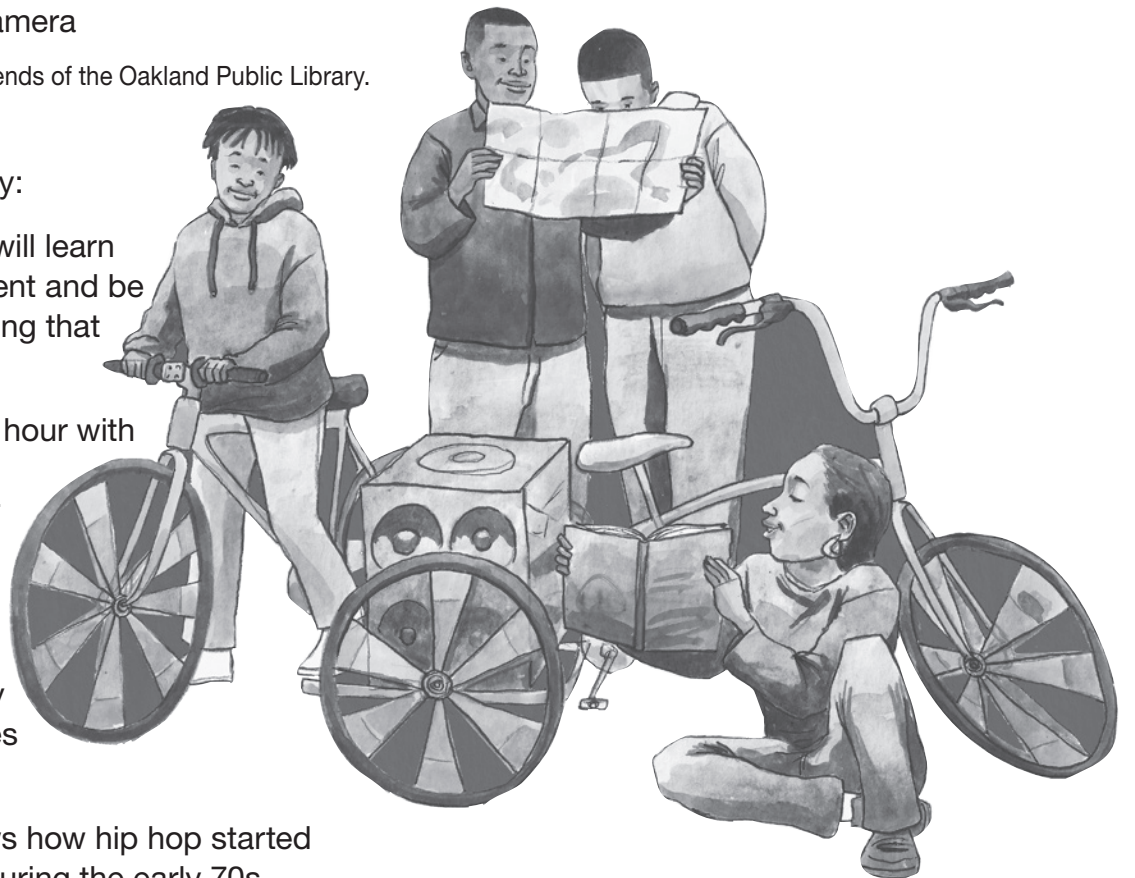
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Saturday, August 5



Peralta Hacienda
Historical Park
2465 34th Avenue,
Oakland

11:00 am–3:00 pm



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OaklandLibrary.org/TeenSummer for
dates and locations!

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Adult Summer Fun

Ages 18+

Review books and movies or log activities for a chance to win a prize. Use our online program or pick up review cards at your local library.

Grand Prizes:

- \$500 gift card to Laurel Cyclery
- A record player and record store gift card

Other Prizes include:

- Bookmark Bookstore gift certificates
- A beginning gardening kit
- Lake Merritt boat rentals
- San Francisco Bay Ferry tickets
- Grocery store gift cards
- And more!

Win just by signing up! While supplies last, choose between **Oakland A's game** vouchers and passes to the **Museum of Art and Digital Entertainment (the MADE)**. Visit your local library or OaklandLibrary.org/Summer to get started!

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Get Gardening!

Learn about OPL's culturally relevant gardening project. You'll find expanded seed libraries, helpful brochures, and even a gardening zine!

Summer Garden Events:

Saturday, June 3 at 2:00 pm, Elmhurst Branch

Grow your own herbal garden: healing & self-care with Claudia Noble-Levingston

Monday, June 12 at 5:00 pm, Eastmont Branch

African American Staples: Collards & Okra with Pollinate Farms

Wednesday, June 14 at 5:00 pm, Lakeview Branch

Caring for Yarrow with American Indian Child Resource Center (AICRC)

Saturday, June 17 at 1:00 pm, Golden Gate Branch

Grow your own herbal garden: healing & self-care with Claudia Noble-Levingston

Saturday, July 22 at 2:00 pm, César E. Chávez Branch

The Decolonized Kitchen with Maribel Garcia

Visit OaklandLibrary.org/Seeds to learn more.

This gardening project is supported in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Have You Tried Discover & Go?

Summer is a great time to book free passes to local attractions using the library's Discover & Go program. Reserve free and low-cost passes to museums, science centers, zoos, theatres, and other cultural destinations using your library card! Visit OaklandLibrary.org/DiscoverandGo

The program locations are wheelchair accessible. To request disability-related accommodations or to request American Sign Language (ASL), or other forms of interpretation, please call (510) 238-3134 or (510) 238-3254 (TTY) at least five (5) working days before the event. Please refrain from wearing scented products as a courtesy to attendees with chemical sensitivities.