

MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival

Thursday, Oct 1 6:00pm-8:45pm | Friday, Oct 2 1:00pm-3:45pm | Sunday, Oct 4 1:00pm-3:45pm

Your beloved film festival is back! The West Orange Public Library is a proud venue for the 29th Annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival, a worldwide event screening in 500+ locations across 6 continents this fall. We'll be screening all ten short films selected as finalists in three convenient screenings. Watch all ten films in one day, or split your viewings and watch a few one day and the rest on another. Each screening includes one 15-minute intermission. Attend and join over 100,000 film lovers around the globe in voting for the festival winners.



Scan the QR code for the full program

Business Lunch & Learn

Reference Solutions
Friday, Oct 2
11:00am-1:00pm

Learn how to use this powerful research database to find detailed information on businesses and consumers. *Pizza will be served.*

Music

Misti Peruvian Jazz Duo
Sunday, Oct 11
2:00pm-3:30pm

An intimate concert featuring Misti Peruvian Jazz Duo performing unique jazz improvisation with Andean and Afro-Peruvian music and showcasing Latin American musical diversity.

Arts & Crafts

Modern Calligraphy Workshop
Sunday, Oct 18, 2:00pm-4:00pm

Learn calligraphy fundamentals with The Spotted Canvas. All materials provided. *Registration required.*



Technology

Tech Talk
Wednesdays
2:00pm-4:00pm

Need help with your tablet, computer, cell phone, or other technology? Sign up for a 20-minute private session with our experts.

Book Clubs

October Book Club
Is This a Cry for Help?
Friday, Oct 23
11:00am-12:00pm
by Emily Austin

A librarian recovering from a mental health crisis triggered by grief and loss returns to work...only to be met by a community in crisis over book-banning. Austin brings her trademark heart and humor to this empowering story of love, new adulthood, queer identity, and the fight for intellectual freedom.

Romance Book Club
The Knight & the Moth
Wednesday, Oct 28
6:00pm-7:00pm
by Rachel Gillig
The Stonewater Kingdom #1

A young prophethess finds herself on an impossible quest with the one infuriating knight whose future is beyond her sight in this moody, gothic, slow-burn romantasy.

Language Learning

STEP English Program
September 12 -December 19
Saturdays, 11:30am-1:30pm
Intensive 15-week program for beginners. *Registration for the current session is closed.*

Drop-in English Classes
Wednesdays, 2:00pm-3:30pm
Saturdays, 3:00pm-4:30pm
Drop-in classes with instructor Jason Graves. All levels welcome.

English Conversation Group
Wednesdays, 1:00pm-2:00pm
Informal conversation group led by Frieda Zackin.

Rosetta Stone Lab
Mondays, 6:00pm-7:00pm
Hone language skills at your own pace with Rosetta Stone in the computer lab.

Games

Adult Game Night
Thursday, Oct 15
6:30pm-8:30pm
Looking for a place to play or people to play with? Drop by for some fun & friendly competition. A selection of board and card games will be available & feel free to bring your own as well.

Drop-in Mahjong
Thursdays
2:00pm-4:30pm
All levels welcome. Drop-in play. Bring your own sets.



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October 2026
ADULT PROGRAMS

PUBLIC HOURS

Mon: 10:00am - 9:00pm
Tue: 10:00am - 5:30pm
Wed: 10:00am - 9:00pm
Thur: 10:00am - 9:00pm
Fri: 10:00am - 5:30pm
Sat: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sun: 1:00pm - 5:00pm



ART EXHIBIT
TENJIN IKEDA
MY COSMOLOGY
Sept 8 - Oct 28

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Visit wopl.org or scan the QR code for a full list of programs and details.			 ART EXHIBIT TENJIN IKEDA MY COSMOLOGY Sept 8 - Oct 28	1 2:00pm-4:30pm Mahjong 6:00pm MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival	2 11:00am Reference Solutions 1:00pm MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival	3 11:30am STEP English Program* 3:00pm Drop-in English
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