



# December 2025

Happy Holidays from The Dalles Public Library!

As the year comes to a close, we're filled with gratitude for our wonderful community of readers, learners, and library friends. December is a month to celebrate togetherness, joy, and the many ways we share stories—whether through books, music, crafts, or special gatherings. Spend the holiday season with your friends at The Dalles Public Library!

Join us for a month full of fun and festivity! We're bringing holiday cheer to the historic Granada Theater with a beloved Christmas movie, perfect for families looking to enjoy a heartwarming classic together.

Have a busy schedule? No problem—enjoy library programs on your own time with holiday projects set out for you to explore all month long, including a gift-wrap station, card-making materials, and more.

We're also excited to host a Hanukkah Party for patrons of all ages—a chance to celebrate, learn about the Festival of Lights, enjoy traditional treats, and participate in hands-on crafts and games. Not Jewish? Come learn what the holiday is all about—everyone is welcome!

And don't miss our Holiday Sing-Along Concert featuring Victor Johnson and the Library Ukulele Players, sure to fill the library with joyful music and community spirit.

From all of us at The Dalles Public Library, we wish you peace, laughter, and plenty of good reading this holiday season.

Warm wishes,  
The Dalles Public Library Staff





## Family Craft Night Tie Blankets

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 PM**

Come and make a cozy lap blanket to prepare for the long winter nights!



## Candlemaking With Adventerous Aromas

● Teens ● Adults

**Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Drop in 5:30-7:30**

Join us in this unique experience of healthy candle making and set the scene for your holidays.



## Bob Ross Painting Class

● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Learn to paint the "Bob Ross way" with a certified Bob Ross instructor!

Seats are limited. Registration Required.



## Christmas Movie at the Granada Home Alone

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**12:00 pm**

Take a break from Holiday shopping and join us for a holiday movie classic! Free Pizza lunch is provided.  
Run time 102 minutes, Rated PG.



## Photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:00–3:00**

Come to the library to share the Christmas cheer with Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus. They just arrived for a visit from the North Pole, and they would love to see you!



## Cozy Christmas Concert With Victor Johnson

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 PM**

Mele kalikimaka everyone! Come to the library and celebrate the season with Victor Johnson. There will also be seasonal ukulele music by the library ukulele class!



## Colonel Wright Elementary Troubadors Caroling

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:30 AM**

Students from the elementary school will be at the library to warm your spirits with melifluous christmas carols. You don't want to miss this musical event!



## Hanukkah Party

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:00–5:30 PM**

We invite the community to join us in a celebration of Hanukkah, a Jewish festival of lights and resilience! There will be a storytime at 4:00 followed by games, crafts, delicious treats, and a candle lighting at 5:00. Chag sameach!



## Movie Matinee Holiday Classic

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 PM**

Get into the Christmas spirit with this animated classic holiday movie based on a beloved Dr. Seuss story!



## Snow Science Storytimes Weather, Winter Adaptations, and Water Science

● Kids

**Every other Monday in December (1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>)  
10:30 AM**

Join us every other Monday in December for a Snow Science Storytime! We'll read books, sing a song, and participate in a science experiment. We might also play a game or do some arts and crafts. Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!



## Puppet Workshop Fuzzy Sock Puppets

● Kids

**Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 PM**

A short musical puppet show and a craft! Take home your very own new puppet.



## Giggles and Wiggles

● Kids

**Every Wednesday (except December 24)  
from 11:00–11:30 AM**

Indoor and Outdoor Games, Music, and Crafts for Toddlers and Preschoolers. Snacks always provided and parent participation encouraged.





## **Snapdragon Yoga** **Story-based yoga for preschoolers!**

● Kids

**2nd & 4th Saturdays**  
**Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:30 to 12:30 PM**

Embark on magical adventures through story-based yoga! Each session blends movement, imagination, and mindfulness as we explore enchanted lands and playful tales. We finish with a themed craft that brings the story to life.



## **Winter Coat Exchange at the Library**

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

Support our winter coat drive by donating gently used winter coats!. All sizes are welcome. Donations will be accepted December 1<sup>st</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>. Drop off location is the circulation desk. Thank you for your donation!



## **Nintendo Switch & Xbox Gaming!**

● Teens

**Every Wednesday in December!**

**3:45-4:45 PM**

Head up to the teen room for some gaming! We have a Nintendo Switch and Xbox to fire up and play some games.

## **Open VR Gaming**

**Saturdays, December 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>**

**2:00-3:00**

Join us in the Teen Room for OPen VR Gaming! We have 6 available headsets to spread out in the library and game on.



## **Nature Journaling** **Winter Nature Journaling Workshop**

● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**3:00-4:30 PM**

Enjoy a beautiful winter day with guided nature journaling! We'll start in the library's new books section to pick up and decorate our journals, then head outside to practice observation skills and connect with the natural world.



## Pokémon GO! Club

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:00–5:30 PM**

### Registration Required

Join other Pokémon enthusiasts on a walk through downtown The Dalles. We'll form a party and complete challenges, walk to hatch eggs, follow routes, and use our teamwork to take down 5-star raid bosses!



## Fun Fridays

● Kids

**Every Friday in December!**  
**3:00–4:30**

Every Friday we will be making really fun stuff! we do it all. We may have prizes or cozy snacks to keep you happy all winter long. Just come and check it out!



## Hot Cocoa & Winter Fun

● Teens

**Every Tuesday in December**  
**3:00–4:00PM**

Join us every Tuesday in the teen room in December for hot cocoa, fun winter activities and crafts! Snow much fun!



## Ugly Sweater DIY Workshop & After Party!!

● Teens

**Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:15–6:30**

We will be decorating cozy sweaters for the season! You can wear the ugliest, tackiest, weirdest creation you can think of and no one will look at you sideways.....depending on the sweater. Drink hot coco, snack on some treats, and show off your sweater creations.



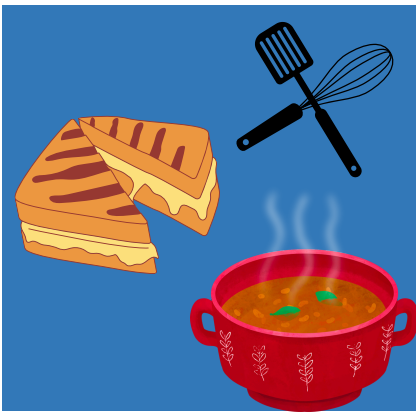


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Every Friday we will be doing something fun! Ranging from crafting, to gaming, to trivia- we do it all. We may have prizes or cozy snacks to keep you happy all winter long. Just come and check it out!



## DIY Culinary Crafts: Panini & Soup

● Teens

**Wednesday, December 10th  
4:30-5:30**

Join us in the meeting room for DIY sandwich making and soup. Teens will build their own panini and soup bowl; staff will operate heating equipment. Aprons will be provided, gloves and handwashing required.

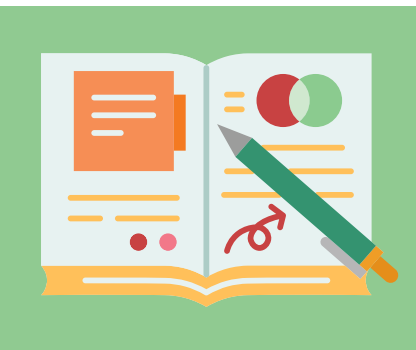


## Teen Library Council

● Teens

**Wednesday, December 17th  
2:30-3:30**

Teen Library Council is designed to earn volunteer hours towards graduating high school! Activities include community trash pick up, shelving/packaging books, general cleaning of the library, and more. Come and collaborate to earn volunteers, help your community in the process.



## Drop-in Homework Help Free Tutoring for Teens

● Tweens ● Teens

**Every Thursday  
3:30-6:00**

Need a little extra help with a class or assignment? Stop by the Teen Room at The Dalles Public Library for free tutoring and homework help in any subject! Open to middle and high school students ages 11 and up.



## RPG – Role Play Games

● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00–2:00 PM**

Step into a world of imagination and fun! Join us for tabletop role play games. Create characters, solve challenges, and explore exciting stories. Games are not serial so you can join anytime without needing to attend every session. Ages 10 to adult. Refreshments provided.



## Writing Clubs

### Youth Writing Clubs

● Tweens ● Teens

**Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Tweens (9–12) 3:00–4:30**  
**Teens (13–18) 4:30–6:00**

Join a community of young writers! Share your work, learn how to give and receive feedback, explore new writing styles and prompts, and get inspired. Plus, enjoy snacks and good company while making new friends who love to write too!



## The Write Room

### A writing club for adults!

● Adults

**Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:30 to 7:00 pm**

Join us each month for writing sprints, author talks, and a supportive space to share and encourage each other's progress. All types of writing are welcome, from fiction and nonfiction to journaling.



## Movie Night at the Library

### Audrey Hepburn

● Teens ● Adults

**Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00**

The Swoon Society Book Club is hosting a movie night. Everyone is welcome, even if you don't read the book. December's book is *When in Rome* by Sarah Adams. Join us as we watch Amelia's Favorite Audrey Hepburn movie.





# *Drop In Crafts for December!*

*Too busy for crafts? We have drop in  
Crafts that match your schedule*

*Quilling Cards - All Day 12/1-12/6*

*Snowman Tins - 10-5pm, 12/8-12/13*

*Surprise Holiday Crafts  
-10-5pm, -12/15-12/20*

*Card Making Station  
-All Day, 12/1-12/24*

*Gift Wrapping Station  
-All Day, 12/1-12/24*



# Health & Wellness

  
**FACE &  
CHAIR YOGA**  
WITH SHANNON RED CLOUD  
EVERY THURSDAY  
10:15  
THE DALLES LIBRARY

*Yoga*   
at The Library  
Mondays at Noon  
*With Shannon Red Cloud*

  
**TEA &  
TRANQUILITY**  
MEDITATION AND SELF-CARE CIRCLE  
WITH EMILY MARTIN  
EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH  
TUESDAY AT 11:00

# Arts & Crafts



## December Take & Make Kits

Needle Felt: Monday the 1st  
Spice Kit: Monday the 1st  
Herb Kit: Monday the 8th  
Meditative Mandala: Monday the 15th  
Make Your Own Flashlight: Monday the 22nd

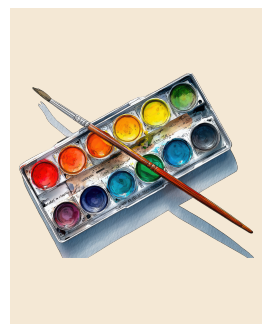


## Glue & Glitter Fireworks Craft Happy New Year!

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>  
4:30 PM

Cover a large sheet of paper with your very own dazzling, glittery fireworks display in honor of the coming New Year!



## Guided Watercolor

With Yvonne Pepin-Wakefield  
● Teens ● Adults

Third Thursdays  
Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>  
6:00  
Registration Required  
Learn new techniques or improve on your knowledge. Join us every third Thursday as Yvonne instructs us in watercolor painting.



## Needle Felt Holiday Trees

Take & Make  
● Teens ● Adults

December 1st

Kick off December with a fun festive craft project. One kit per person. While supplies last



## Adult Art Club

### Free Create

● Adults

Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>  
and 31<sup>st</sup>  
1:00 PM

Free Create using our supplies or bring your own project. Get feedback, share ideas or try something new.



## Art Club

### Print Making

● Teens ● Adults

Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Adults 1:00PM, Teens 2:30 PM

Create a stamp or print for the season. We will focus on holiday cards but you can make any print you like. We will have some fabric options.



## Coffee & Coloring

● Adults

Friday, December 5  
12:00PM

First Fridays at Noon  
Drop in for a relaxing time. Enjoy a cup of something warm and a lovely selection of coloring books, pens, pencils and crayons to express yourself with.



## Take & Make Embroidery with Steph Evans

● Teens ● Adults

Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>  
While Supplies Last

Create a festive wreath embroidery project using real twigs.



# Book Clubs, Storytimes, Etc.

## Book Clubs

### Together Book Club

*The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill  
Wednesday, December 10, 3:00

### Sci-Fi Book Club

*The Third Rule of Time Travel* by Philip Fracassi  
Tuesday, December 30, 5:00

### Rainbow Reads Book Club

*The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune  
Wednesday, December 10, 6:00

### The Final Chapter Horror Book Club

*The Only Good Indians* by Stephen Graham Jones  
Wednesday, December 3, 6:00

### Fantasy Book Club

*The Snow Child* by Eowyn Ivey  
Thursday, December 11, 6:00

### Swoon Society

Meet us at the Any Book Goes meeting  
Wednesday, December 17, 6:00

### Matter-of-Fact Book Club

*Invisible Women* by Caroline Criado Perez  
Tuesday, December 16, 6:00

### Any Book Goes

Wednesday, December 17, 6:00  
December's theme is: Baking Books

### Happiness Book Club

*The Well-Lived Life* by Dr. Gladys McGarey  
Tuesday, December 2, 5:30

### Third Thursday Book Club

*The dictionary of lost words*, by Pip Williams  
Thursday, December 18, 4:00

### Clean Reads Book Club

*Voice in the Wind* by Francine Rivers  
Tuesday, December 9, 6:00

## COMPUTER ASSISTANCE & COFFEE

Wednesday, December 17th  
6:00 pm

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## Storytimes

Baby Storytime  
Every Tue 11:15

Toddler Storytime  
Every Thu 10:30

Friday Morning  
Storytime  
Every Fri 10:30

Evening Storytime  
Thu, Dec 4&18, 6:00



● Kids

Tumi Tales with  
Tumi the Therapy  
Dog & Miss Kristen  
1st & 3rd Mondays  
3:30  
December 1st &  
15th

## Virtual Author Talks



Scheming Wives and  
High-Stakes Hilarity with  
Author Sue  
Hincenbergs (Virtual)

Tuesday, December 5,  
11:00am-12:30pm

Register at [wascocountylibrary.com](http://wascocountylibrary.com)



The Legacy of Julia  
Child's Kitchen with  
Author and Smithsonian  
Curator Paula J. Johnson

Tuesday, December 9,  
11:00am-12:30pm

## Early January Events

### Prince and Princess Tea Party

Friday, January 2nd, 3:00

Calling all Princess and Princes, Join us for the fourth annual Prince and Princess Tea Party! Meet princesses, enjoy royal tea and craft a crown.

### The Starlit Storykeepers' Ball

A fantasy ball for adults

Saturday, January 3rd, 5:30

Step beyond the veil of the ordinary and into an evening where stories come alive. Dancing, stories, music, refreshments and photos. Costumes or formal attire is REQUIRED. Registration is REQUIRED.

# December 2025

● All Ages ● Kids ● Teens ● Adults

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<div>1</div> <div><div>Take and Make Needle Felt Holiday Trees</div><div>Take and Make Spice Kit</div><div>Snow Science Storytime 10:30</div><div>Yoga Mondays! 12:00</div><div>Tumi Tales: Read with a Dog 3:30</div><div>*Mele Kalikimaka Ukulele Through the Holidays 6:00</div></div>	<div>2</div> <div><div>Virtual Author Event: Scheming Wives with Sue Hincenbergs 11:00</div><div>Baby Storytime 11:15</div><div>Hot Coco &amp; Winter Fun 3:00</div><div>Happiness Book Club 5:30</div><div>Language Lounge 6:00</div></div>	<div>3</div> <div><div>Giggles and Wiggles 11:00</div><div>Art Club-Block Printing 1:00</div><div>Tween Writing Club 3:00</div><div>Nintendo Switch/Xbox Gaming 3:45</div><div>Teen Writing Club 4:30</div><div>Candlemaking - Adventurous Aromas 5:30</div><div>The Final Chapter Horror Book Club 6:00</div></div>	<div>4</div> <div><div>Chair Yoga with Shannon Red Cloud 10:15</div><div>Toddler Storytime 10:30</div><div>Criminal Record Expungement 2:00</div><div>Drop-in Homework Help 3:30</div><div>Ugly Sweater DIY Workshop &amp; Party!! 5:15</div><div>The Write Room 5:30</div><div>Evening Storytime 6:00</div></div>	<div>5</div> <div><div>Friday Morning Storytime 10:30</div><div>Coffee and Coloring 12:00</div><div>Fun Fridays 3:00</div><div>Fun Friday Scandinavian Stars 3:30</div><div>*Beginner Tap (Ages 5-6), 4:15</div><div>*Beginner Tap (Ages 7-11), 5:00</div><div>*Intermediate Tap: (11+) 5:45</div></div>	<div>6</div> <div><div>Coat Exchange All Day Event</div><div>*Bob Ross Painter 11:00</div><div>Christmas Movie and Pizza at the Granada 11:30</div></div>
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<div>22</div> <div><div>Make Your Own Flashlight: Take and Make Kit</div></div>	<div>23</div> <div><div>Library Closed For Staff Development Day</div></div>	<div>24</div> <div><div>Library Closing Early For Christmas Eve</div></div>	<div>25</div> <div><div>Closed</div></div>	<div>26</div> <div><div>Friday Morning Storytime 10:30</div><div>Fun Fridays 3:00</div><div>Fun Fridays: Muddy Buddies 3:30</div></div>	<div>27</div> <div><div>Rock Collection: Take and Make Kit</div><div>Snaptadragon Yoga Exploring Our Emotions: Excited 11:30</div><div>Open VR Gaming 2:00</div></div>
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