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Smile, #CityHallSelfie Day is August 15

Join the worldwide celebration of local government service by participating in the annual online picture-sharing holiday, #CityHallSelfie Day, on Monday, August 15.

Participation is easy:

1. Take a picture of yourself or with a group in front of Winter Garden City Hall or any local government building.
2. Post the picture on social media with the hashtag #CityHallSelfie.
3. Tag @ELGLNetwork on Facebook, @ELGL50 on Instagram/Twitter.

Engaging Local Government Leaders (ELGL), the professional network that hosts the global holiday, will award recognition and prizes for the posts displaying the most local pride and creativity. For more information, please visit elgl.org/cityhallselfie.



National Farmers Market Week Celebration – August 13

The Winter Garden Farmers Market will celebrate National Farmers Market Week on Saturday, August 13, with a host of fun activities for all ages to enjoy.

Market vendor Fat & Happy Catering will conduct a food demo at 10:00 am in front of the Pavilion. The recipe features freshly harvested summer produce and seasonal ingredients from the market. The first 50 guests to visit the Information Tent at Pavilion entrance will receive a free reusable market tote bag.

Additional festivities include live music, lawn games, and a kids' craft station. Come out to support the local farmers and assortment of vendors that make your neighborhood market award winning.

Saturday, August 13 | 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
Downtown Pavilion,
104 S. Lakeview Avenue

LOCAL ARTISTS' CALL: Art in Public Places Exhibit to feature *Holidays in Winter Garden*



The City of Winter Garden announces *Holidays in Winter Garden* as the theme of its Arts in Public Places exhibit featuring local artists. The theme will showcase November and December holidays in Winter Garden.

Artwork must relate to Winter Garden and holidays that occur in November and December to be accepted. All mediums of art are welcome. A total of 20 - 25 pieces of art will be chosen. The exhibit will be on display November 1 - December 30, 2022, in the Art in Public Places Gallery located in the lobby of Winter Garden City Hall.

To enter, submit original artwork, and an application, **no later than Monday, October 3**. Application and artwork should be dropped off to the front desk of Winter Garden City Hall on weekdays, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Winners will be notified via email on October 18.

The application is available at City Hall or by request. For more information, call 407.656.4111 ext. 5193 or send email to dcorbus@cwgd.com.

Currently on Display at City Hall *At the Movies: Winter Garden's Silver Screens*

Now - August 31

For over a century, residents have enjoyed cinematic fare and more at a variety of venues, from the days of Norma Shearer's silent films through today's high tech live performances. Presented by the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation, the exhibit features photographs that bring to life the history of Winter Garden's theaters.

Art in Public Places Gallery at City Hall | Monday – Friday | 7:30 am – 5:30 pm
300 W. Plant Street

WGPAL DONUT DASH 5K REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration for the 2022 Donut Dash 5K Run/Walk hosted by WGPAL is now open. The annual event will be held on **Saturday, November 5**, 8:00 – 11:00 am, in historic Winter Garden. Run or walk – and eat donuts – through the timeless neighborhoods as you start/finish at Lake Apopka.

Registration fee is \$30 and includes a t-shirt, race medal, and free Krispy Kreme donuts. Kids (5-12 years old) race free in a mini-donut fun run with every adult entry. Fee increases after August 28 so sign up now.

Prizes will be awarded for top runners plus a prize for best donut costume! There will also be live music, sponsor tents, and giveaways.

Proceeds from this event support the Winter Garden Police Athletic League (WGPAL) in providing programs to underprivileged and at-risk kids in your community.

For more information and to register, visit wgpal.org/donut-dash-5k. Questions, call 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

WGPAL Donut Dash 5K | November 5, 8:00 – 11:00 am | Newton Park, 1 Surprise Drive

Tips for an Earth-Friendly School Year

It's August and almost time to head back to the classroom. Soon you will get lists of items needed for the school year. With these tips, and a little planning, you can be more sustainable and save some money too.

- Check the school supplies you already have that can be used again. Only buy what you truly need.
- Pack a waste-free lunch. The average elementary school disposes of 20,000 pounds of lunch waste each year. Reduce waste by using reusable lunch boxes/bags, drink bottles, snack bags, and utensils. Purchase inexpensive cloth napkins that can be washed and reused.
- Buy food and snacks in bulk. It is less money and less packaging than single item purchases.
- Purchase fewer plastics. If you have to buy new products, choose durable wooden or metal rulers, and metal pencil sharpeners and scissors.
- Shop at thrift stores for back-to-school clothing.
- Buy products that are produced in a sustainable manner.

For more information, call 407.877.5193.

What Time Should Waste Containers be Placed Out for Collection?

Garbage containers and recycling carts should be placed out no later than 7:00 am on collection day. Yard waste and bulk material should also be placed curbside no later than 7:00 am on collection day. This is according to City Code.

Remember, items should be placed out no earlier than the evening prior to your collection day.

Please help our waste workers stay on schedule by having your trashcan, recycling cart, yard waste, and bulk items out at the correct time for collection.

For more information, call 407.877.5193.



WE'VE GOT MAIL: A Postal History of West Orange County

Now - August 31

The current exhibit at the Winter Garden Heritage Museum highlights the post offices that served as lifelines to a pioneer population living hundreds or even thousands of miles from major cities. Also included are letters and announcements heralding births, weddings, and the beginning of World War II in the United States. Collectors will enjoy viewing philatelic items related to moving our mail efficiently and quickly over the years.

Winter Garden Heritage Museum

1 N. Main Street | wghf.org | 407.656.3244 | Tuesday – Saturday

11:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission

REGISTER YOUR GOLF CART

The Winter Garden Police Department is hosting a golf cart registration day on **Friday, August 26, 2:00 - 4:00 pm**. Bring your golf cart and proper form of identification for verification to the Winter Garden Police Department at 251 W. Plant Street (back parking lot off of Henderson Street).

It is important to have this information on file in case your golf cart is ever stolen.

For questions, contact Officer Michaud or Officer Velasquez at 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

SUMMER FUN with PARKS & RECREATION!

Tai Chi, Yoga, Systema, Tennis, Softball, 50+ Activities & Trips, Art Classes, Kickball, Pre-School Activities, Cardio Drumming, Zumba, and more! For details about programs, classes, and athletic leagues, visit the "Parks & Recreation" page at cwgdn.com. Register at enroll.wgplay.com. Questions, call **407.656.4155**.

Umpires and Scorekeepers Needed

The City of Winter Garden is currently looking for paid Adult Slowpitch USSSA Softball Umpires and Scorekeepers to participate in games at Braddock Park (13460 Lake Butler Blvd.) and Veterans Memorial Park (420 S. Park Ave.) on the evenings of Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Experience for these roles is preferred but not mandatory. Training will be provided. These positions are open to ages 18 and up.

For more information on these positions, please contact the Winter Garden Parks and Recreation office at 407.656.4155 or email recinfo@cwgdn.com.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Registrations may close early due to limited availability.

Super Soccer Stars

Super Soccer Stars is a soccer development program for children 18 months - 3 years old. All classes teach soccer skills in a fun, non-competitive, and educational environment. Through our age-specific curriculum, we use soccer to nurture and build self-confidence and teamwork. Each session lasts four weeks. Jerseys are optional and may be purchased at any time for \$25 by emailing orlando@soccerstars.com.

Starting August 6

18 - 24 months | weekdays 5:15 - 5:45 pm,
weekends 10:00 - 10:30 am

2 - 3 years | weekdays 5:50 - 6:35,
weekends 10:40 - 11:20 am

\$56 City Resident / \$64 Nonresident
Jessie Brock Community Center,
310 N. Dillard Street

Youth & Adult Tennis Lessons

Highly skilled instructor brings years of experience and knowledge to participants. Class space is limited, advanced registration required.

Session 1 | September 12 - October 21

Session 2 | October 31 - December 16

Session 3 | January 23 - March 3

5 years and older

Lesson time and fee varies - visit [cwgdn.com/Parks & Recreation/Athletics](http://cwgdn.com/Parks%20%26%20Recreation/Athletics)
Chapin Station Park, 501 Crown Point Cross Road

WELLNESS CLASSES

Jessie Brock Community Center,
310 N. Dillard Street

Boot Camp with Brad

Looking for cardio and strength training exercises that utilize both weights and body weight? Join this bi-weekly boot camp to learn how to develop a more physically healthy body and the mental well-being that comes with exercise.

Mondays and Thursdays | 5:00 - 5:50 pm
16 years and older

\$16 City Resident / \$18 Nonresident, per class
\$55 City Resident / \$65 Nonresident, per month
(8 classes)

Gentle Yoga

Great for beginners or anyone that wants to learn the basics of yoga. Yoga involves stretching and strengthening exercises, breathing techniques, and relaxing meditation.

Tuesdays | 7:15 - 8:15 pm
16 years and older

\$9 City Resident / \$10 Nonresident, per class
\$32 City Resident / \$36 Nonresident, per month

Systema

This Russian Martial Art focuses on self-defense methods, greater strength and endurance, patience, and working with others. Winter Garden is the only place in Central Florida to practice this art used by Russian Special Forces!

Mondays | 7:00 - 8:30 pm
18 years and older

\$15 per class
\$45 City Resident / \$55 Nonresident,
per 4-week session

Tai Chi

An ancient Chinese exercise that emphasizes relaxation, breath control, correct posture, balance, and flexibility to develop the mind and body. One free introductory lesson in Tai Chi is offered for all first timers. For more information, visit returntooodhealth.20fr.com.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:00 - 10:00 am
\$50 City Resident / \$55 Nonresident, per month



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AUGUST 2022



SOBO Art Gallery

127 S. Boyd Street | wgart.org | 407.347.7996
Tuesday – Saturday | 10:00 am – 6:00 pm | Free Admission

EXHIBITION

Objects of Affection

August 2 – October 1

Opening Reception | August 4, 5:30 – 8:00 pm
Public Invited

The exhibition features the things we love, adore, and obsess over in life.

CALL TO ARTISTS

Would you like to see your art on display at SOBO Art Gallery?

September 1 – 8 | Submit 2D & 3D artwork featuring representation of what the following words mean to you or the world around you: “good,” “bad,” and “ugly.” Send online submissions to wgart.org/artists/call-to-artists. Visit the “Call or Artists” website page regularly for themes of upcoming exhibitions, and submit online the FIRST through the EIGHTH of the month prior to an exhibition.

WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

Details and registration, wgart.org/adults.

ARTIST NIGHT STUDIO: LIFE DRAWING

Model is available to draw every session.

Wednesdays | 6:30 – 9:00 pm

18 years and older only

\$10 member / \$15 nonmember

OPEN ARTIST STUDIO

Come in and create your art surrounded by other local artists.

Tuesdays | 11:00 am – 4:00 pm | Open to all
Free

TECHNIQUE TUESDAYS @ TWO

A different instructor & technique is featured every week.

Tuesdays | 2:00 – 4:00 pm

(during Open Artist Studio)

Open to all | Free for members & 1st time visitors
Schedule and details, wgart.org/Tuesdays.

VOLUNTEER

Currently accepting applications for volunteer opportunities at SOBO for Saturdays. Sign-up at wgart.org/volunteer.

JOIN WGAA

Annual individual membership is \$35 and a family membership is \$50. To join or donate to the arts, visit wgart.org/join.

LIVE MUSIC PROGRAM FOR ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA ADULTS

Musical Minds with Central Florida Community Arts

Free live music sing along program for adults with early stages of dementia and Alzheimer's Disease and their care partners.

Thursdays | 10:30 – 11:30 am

For more information and to RSVP, visit cfcart.com/musicalminds or call 407.937.1800 ext. 719.



Garden Theatre

160 W. Plant Street | gardentheatre.org | 407.877.4736

LIVE THEATRE | gardentheatre.org/plays

PAPER THIN

October 7 - 23 | Matinee and Evening Performances

by T.K. Lee

Tickets start at \$20. Discounts available for youth, seniors, groups, and military members.

It's just another Tuesday night, Lucrece is tired, and she's ready to call in the favor that her husband Gerald promised on their wedding night all those years ago: Divorce. The time has come, and now Lucrece is on the roof, taking swigs from the whiskey bottle and doing her best to explain it to their son, Charlie. They've had a picture-perfect family, so why would she want to end that now? Sometimes, the only way to keep a family together is to tear them apart.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE 2022 - 2023 SEASON ARE NOW ON SALE!

See all six shows in our exciting season, including *Paper Thin* and *Dreamgirls*, or pick three of your favorites with a Garden Theatre subscription. Purchase at gardentheatre.org/subscribe.

EDUCATION | gardentheatre.org/classes

Talent is blooming at the Garden! Classes are tailored to fit the needs of each grade or skill level, and are taught by experienced local theatre professionals. Courses are available year-round for students in grades 1 - 12, as well as adults ages 18+.

For health and safety information, please visit gardentheatre.org/plan-your-trip.