

WINTER GARDEN BULLETIN  
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# Revitalization of Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood is Underway

Many exciting projects are happening on the east side of our community. Officially designated as Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood in February 2024, this area is rich in culture and significance, and thanks to Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) funds granted by the Orange County Board of Commissioners, the neighborhood is being revitalized while maintaining its heritage. I encourage residents to read below about the upcoming neighborhood infrastructure projects. Additional information about Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood can be found on the newly refreshed CRA extension of the City of Winter Garden website: [www.HistoricEWG.com](http://www.HistoricEWG.com).



Mayor John Rees



## Charlie Mae Wilder Park

Located in east Winter Garden, the City recently named its newest public park, Charlie Mae Wilder Park, after 91-year-old community activist, former City of Winter Garden Commissioner, and longtime resident of Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood. Located at 1203 E. Plant Street, Charlie Mae Wilder Park is adorned with lush Florida landscape and features a lighted walking trail, picnic tables and benches, an open turf area, water fountain and bottle filling station, pet waste station, and a bike rack.



## West Orange Boys & Girls Club of Central Florida

Winter Garden is getting a Boys & Girls Club! Thanks to the City's partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of Central Florida and Orange County, a 20,000-square-foot facility on 2.44 acres will provide flex space, services, and activities for kindergarten – 12th grade students, as well as meeting space for residents and the local non-profit community. To be located at 459 Ninth Street, construction will commence this fall.

## Zanders Park Renovations

Zanders Park, located at 362 11th Street, is getting a face lift! Slated to begin late summer, the park will undergo significant improvements that include new playground equipment, picnic tables and benches, open use gathering space, a perimeter fence, as well as landscape and signage improvements. The park's amenities also include basketball courts and Boulder Pool.

## Dyson's Plaza Commercial Revitalization

Dating back decades, the Dyson's Plaza commercial property within Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood is the only existing family-owned business in what was once a thriving commercial district. Currently vacant, revitalization improvements to the property at 215 Center Street will commence late summer, and once completed, the renovated 2,300-square-foot building will



provide space for two businesses to conduct commerce to both the immediate area and our entire community.

## Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements

An aesthetic and functionality makeover are coming to North Street, 10th Street, Center Street, and East Bay Street. These streets will be transformed to be more accommodating to pedestrians. Improvements will include sidewalks, landscaping, commercial parking improvements, decorative streetlights and benches, and placement of historic markers to honor the heritage of the neighborhood. The conceptual design for these improvements will be completed by fall.

## Housing Opportunities & Improvements

The City is currently investing and proactively engaging partners to increase homeownership and affordable housing options within Historic East Winter Garden Neighborhood. This includes the rehabilitation and revitalization of existing homes within the neighborhood.

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Cover photo: Winter Garden City Hall, 300 W. Plant Street, is part of downtown's annual HolidayWonderland transformation.

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## Free Shredding Event to Commemorate America Recycles Day

It's time to start gathering your documents for the **annual free document shredding event** for Winter Garden residents. Hosted by the City of Winter Garden, Crown Information Management will provide safe and secure document shredding. Participants are welcome to watch the shredding of their documents. After the event, all the paper will be recycled!

You must be a Winter Garden resident to participate. Please bring proof of residency with you.

Saturday, November 9 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm | Free  
848 E. Plant Street (across from the Winter Garden Library)

### SHRED EVENT GUIDELINES

YES, these items are allowed	NO, these items are NOT allowed
Paper Clips	No Binder Clips
Rubber Bands	No Batteries
Chart Fasteners	No 3-Ring Binders
Spiral Notebooks	No Medication
Staples	No Plastics
Credit Cards	No Sharps or Needles
Paper	No Biowaste
Envelopes with Fasteners	No Large Metal Objects



**Annual  
FREE Document  
Shredding Event  
for Winter  
Garden  
Residents**

## Trash It, Don't Flush It!

The City's sanitary sewer system is continuously getting clogged, leading to backups and overflows. Most items that are found inside the pipes should have never been flushed down the toilet. Wipes are the number one culprit -- yes, even the "flushable" ones. They do not break down in the water like toilet paper, so they get stuck in your plumbing or in the City's pipes and pumps. City crews spend many hours each week removing items that residents flush. This can lead to sewer backups for your entire community.

Remember, only toilet paper and human waste goes in the toilet; otherwise, *Trash It, Don't Flush It!*

### DO NOT FLUSH THE FOLLOWING:

Flushable Wipes (baby & cleaning)	Toys
First-Aid Supplies	Product Packaging
Latex Gloves	Contraceptives
Medications	Cat Litter
Dental Floss	Toothpaste Tubes
Cotton Swabs	Wash Cloths and Towels
Hair	Bottles
Diapers	Paper Towels
Slime	Facial Tissue
Hygiene Products	Cooking Oil and Grease

## Learn More About Your Water with Our Water Plant Tours

**February 7 & 8**

Are you curious about how your tap water gets to your house and into your faucet? Come learn more about this precious resource, and what you can do to conserve it, by taking a tour of the City's water plant.

The tours are scheduled for Friday, February 7, and Saturday, February 8. Several tours will be offered each day. Come alone or bring your entire family!

The tours are free, but advance registration is required. Space is limited. To register, send email to [dcorbis@cwgd.com](mailto:dcorbis@cwgd.com) or call 407.877.5193.

For information about recycling; water conservation; and sustainability programs, events, and community participation opportunities, call 407.877.5193.

## November 3: Time to Reset Your Irrigation System

When you set your clock back for Eastern Standard Time on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, it's also a good time to reset your irrigation system. From November until March, it should run only one day a week to comply with City of Winter Garden Conservation Ordinance Sec. 94-163 for Landscape Irrigation. Remember: water only when needed, not between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm, and irrigate no more than one hour per zone. Automatic lawn sprinkler systems must have a functioning rain sensor device.

**Water Lawns Once a Week during Eastern Standard Time**  
(First Sunday in November until the Second Sunday in March)

Odd # Homes	Saturday
Even # Homes	Sunday
Nonresidential Properties	Tuesday

## Live Christmas Tree Disposal

Live Christmas trees will be picked up by City solid waste personnel on your regularly scheduled yard debris collection day. Before placing curbside, make sure the tree stand and all ornaments, lights, and garland are removed.

Your tree will be recycled into mulch for landscapes around your community.





## Mobile Citizen App is Handy to Report Storm-Related Requests

**Download Today**

Hurricane season is upon us, and now is a great time to download the Mobile Citizen App for your convenience in reporting non-emergency Storm-Related Requests. With the snap of a photo and a few clicks, you will be able to connect with the right service area for immediate attention on an array of service needs, including a fallen tree, flooding, damaged light pole, traffic light outages, or downed power lines.

Outside of reporting hurricane damages, the App can also be utilized to report a bothersome pothole, a damaged street sign, or even a code enforcement issue. The Mobile Citizen App is really the best way to get speedy resolution to your service request needs.

For all emergencies, please dial 9-1-1.

Scan the QR code to download your Mobile Citizen App today. *It's Free!*



## WORK FOR YOUR HOMETOWN

*City of Winter Garden is Hiring*

**City of Winter Garden** has amazing job opportunities available right now! Shorten your commute, save time and money, work for the city you live in, and be rewarded with an impressive benefits package!

Check out all the employment opportunities available at [www.cwgd.com](http://www.cwgd.com) or scan the QR code with your mobile device. We look forward to hearing from you!

Have questions? Call 407.877.5428 or email [wgreclruiter@cwgd.com](mailto:wgreclruiter@cwgd.com).



# Winter Garden Public Safety

## Submit Anonymous Crime Tips Electronically

Residents can conveniently submit anonymous, nonemergency crime tips to the Winter Garden Police Department 24/7 via any of the following three options:

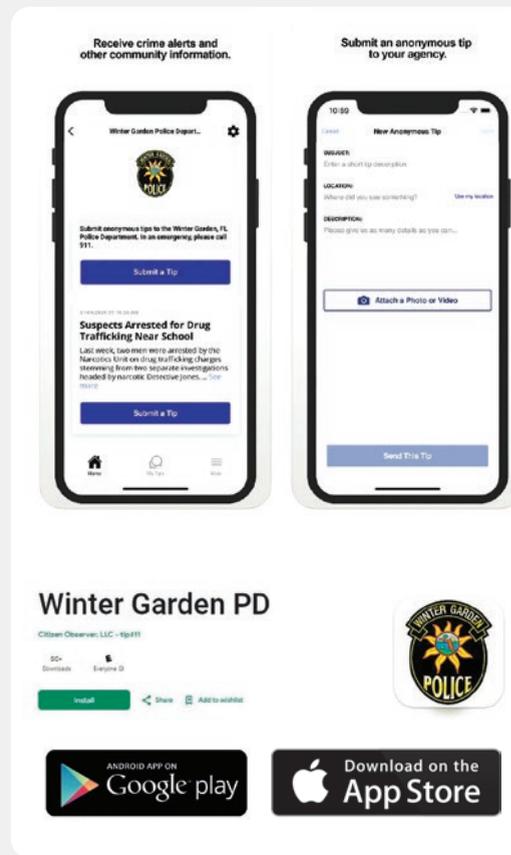
- Download the free “WINTER GARDEN PD” APP from Apple Store or Google Play to your cell phone and submit through the app.
- Submit via TEXT MESSAGE to the Winter Garden Police Department by texting the keyword WGPD and your tip to 847411.
- Submit ONLINE through the Winter Garden Police Department ([wgpd.com](http://wgpd.com)) or the City of Winter Garden ([cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com)) websites.

Residents can also sign up to receive WGPD alerts through the app or website.

The technology utilizes a third party to protect your identity and contact information, keeping tips anonymous. The tip411 service is strictly for nonemergency use. For emergencies, always contact 911.



Scan QR Code to download the Winter Garden PD App



Be alert, watch for and obey speed limit signs. Speed limits are designed to protect all – driver, passengers, and pedestrians. Thank you for helping to keep your community safe.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### National Night Out



Join the Winter Garden Police Department for a Night Out Against Crime. The free annual event includes children’s activities, food, music, raffles, meet and greet with your local police officers, crime prevention tips, and lots of fun!

Tuesday, October 1 | 6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Downtown Pavilion, 104 S. Lakeview Avenue | Free

### Donut Dash 5K Run/Walk



Hosted by Winter Garden Police Athletic League, Inc. (WGPAL)

Run or walk – and eat donuts – through the timeless neighborhoods of historic Winter Garden. Start and finish at scenic Lake Apopka and enjoy live music, sponsor tents, and giveaways. Prizes awarded for top runners plus a prize for best donut costume! Every donut eaten subtracts 30 seconds from final run time!

Fee includes a t-shirt, race medal, and free Krispy Kreme donuts. Kids (5-10 years old) race free in a half-mile mini-donut fun run with adult entry.

Proceeds from this event support WGPAL in providing programs to underprivileged and at-risk kids in your community.

Saturday, November 2 | Race starts at 8:00 am  
Event ends at 11:00 am  
(Kids Fun Run, 8:15 am – while regular race is in progress)  
Newton Park, 1 Surprise Drive

Online Registration: Now – October 31  
Sign up at [wgpal.org](http://wgpal.org) or [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com)  
In-person registration available starting at 6:00 am on race day.

Questions, call 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

### Golf Cart & Bicycle Registration

The Winter Garden Police Department offers designated days throughout the year for residents to register golf carts and/or bicycles. It is important to have this information on file in case your golf cart or bicycle is stolen.

Bring golf cart/bicycle and proper form of identification for verification.

Thursday, October 10 | 2:30 - 4:30 pm  
Winter Garden Police Department, 251 W. Plant Street  
(back parking lot off Henderson Street) | Free

Questions, call 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

### Smoke Alarm Program

The Winter Garden Fire Rescue Department offers a Smoke Alarm Program, a community outreach initiative to improve fire safety. A smoke alarm is provided at no cost, while supplies last, to residents meeting the following requirements:

1. Reside within the City limits of Winter Garden.
2. Do not currently have a working smoke alarm in your home.
3. Agree to let the Winter Garden Fire Rescue Dept. personnel install the smoke alarm.
4. Agree to test and maintain the smoke alarm once it is installed.
5. Agree to follow the smoke alarm instructions found in the owner’s manual at all times.

As a reminder, be sure to test your home’s smoke alarms when you reset your clocks for Daylight Saving Time on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Push the test button on your smoke alarms to make sure the units are functioning. Smoke alarms older than 10 years should be replaced.

If you are in need of a smoke alarm, batteries, or would like your smoke alarm tested, please contact the Office of the Fire Marshal at [OFM@cwgdn.com](mailto:OFM@cwgdn.com) or 407.877.5175.

## COMMUNITY CLASSES



### Citizens CPR Class

Interested in learning how to take a hands-on approach toward saving lives? The City of Winter Garden Fire Rescue Department is offering a free, 90-minute Citizens CPR Class to the community.

The program will cover:

- Hands Only Adult and Child CPR
- Proper AED use
- Adult and Child Choking

Upon completion, participants will earn a certificate acknowledging their successful demonstration and learned concepts detailed in the program.

Saturday | September 21, November 16, January 18,  
March 15 (select one date)

9:30 – 11:00 am or 11:30 am – 1:00 pm (select one session)  
Fire Department Headquarters Training Room, 1 East Cypress Street  
Free

Preregistration is required and available one-month prior to class date. Space is limited to 12 participants. To register, visit <https://enroll.wgplay.com> and click on “Recreation Classes.”

### Citizens Police Academy

During this free, nine-week course, Winter Garden police officers and staff host weekly discussions on such topics as crime prevention, investigations, and police procedures. Class participants will also be eligible to go on a ride along with an officer!

Curious about what goes on inside your police department? Get your questions answered at the next Citizens Police Academy class!

Class Dates | March 5 - April 30  
Wednesdays Only | 6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Winter Garden Police Department, Training Room,  
25 W. Plant Street | Free

Eligibility requirements:

- at least 18 years old
- live or work in City of Winter Garden
- no criminal record

Applications are available at [wgpd.com](http://wgpd.com) and at the Winter Garden Police Department, 251 W. Plant Street. Seats fill quickly so act now.

Questions, contact Officer Gail Michaud or Officer Timothy Thatford at 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

### Women’s Basic Self Defense Class

The Winter Garden Police Department hosts free basic women’s self-defense classes throughout the year. The class is instructed by a police officer certified using S.A.F.E. self-defense techniques.

Thursday, October 24 | 6:00 – 8:30 pm | Free  
Winter Garden Police Department Training Room, 251 W. Plant Street  
Eligible Participants | Women only, ages 13 and up

To register, contact Officer Gail Michaud at 407.656.3636 ext. 4405 or [gmichaud@wgpd.com](mailto:gmichaud@wgpd.com). Reserve your spot today as class fills quickly.

# HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR KIDS PROGRAM

Presented by Winter Garden Police Athletic League, Inc. (WGPAL)

WGPAL annually conducts a Holiday Gifts for Kids program to provide presents to Winter Garden youth in need (newborn – 12 years old).

## Registration dates: November 11 - December 6

To register, pick up and return an application at one of the following locations or hand it to a police officer on patrol.

Winter Garden Police Department – 251 W. Plant Street  
 City Hall – 300 W. Plant Street  
 Maxey Center – 830 Klondike Street  
 Mildred Dixon Activity Center – 303 S.W. Crown Point Road  
 Jessie Brock Community Center – 310 N. Dillard Street

When registering, ALL the following documents are required and must be verified:

- Birth certificate or court/custody paperwork (only parent or legal guardian can register a child)
- Current water or utility bill for the Winter Garden address they reside
- Proof of government assistance (WIC, food stamps, etc.)
- Some type of identification (driver's license, ID card, passport, etc.)
- Child must be age 12 or younger

Note: You are not registered for the program until you have been contacted by the Community Liaison Unit and given a HGFK ticket with a scheduled pickup date and time.

If you have any questions about Holiday Gifts for Kids, please call 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

## HOW TO DONATE

WGPAL fundraisers held throughout year partially fund the Holiday Gifts for Kids Program, but donations from our generous community are needed to bring smiles to all the kids in need.

Please donate new, unwrapped gifts.  
 Donations are tax deductible.

### Donation Ideas:

- Toys • Board Games • Sport Balls • Puzzles • Toy Cars & Trucks • Legos • Matchbox Cars • Dolls • Bicycles for All Ages • Arts & Crafts Sets • Jewelry Kits • Infant Toys • Action Figures • Gift Card

### Donation Drop Off:

November 1 - December 13  
 Winter Garden Police Department, 251 W. Plant Street



# Fall Events

## WINTER GARDEN HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE

Why celebrate Halloween on one day when the fun can last 14 days? The City's Halloween Experience provides daily frightening family-friendly festivities in downtown Winter Garden, including a hay maze, holiday-themed photo locations, spooky and fall decorations and light displays, a fall-themed Farmers Market, as well as the fan favorite – seven nights of an outdoor animated Halloween Light Show on City Hall!

October 18 – October 31  
 Historic Downtown | Free

Halloween Light Shows | 7:00 – 9:00 pm  
 October 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 31  
 City Hall, 300 W. Plant Street | Free to attend

## CITY OF WINTER GARDEN HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE 2024



## CRAFT AFFAIR

Arts & crafts lovers will enjoy shopping for one-of-a-kind items made exclusively by our 50+ creative friends. Although our vendors are 50 or older, all ages are invited to shop the fair for unique hand-crafted items. If you are interested in being a craft vendor at this event and you are age 50+, please call 407.656.4155.

Saturday, November 9 | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
 Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street | Free to attend



## DOWNTOWN SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY SIDEWALK SALE

The Downtown Small Business Saturday Sidewalk Sale provides a fun holiday shopping kickoff experience, as well as the opportunity to support local small businesses.

Stroll the outdoor sale racks and take advantage of special sales and promotions as you check items off your gift list. Festivities include outdoor live music, festive decorations, and holiday photo ops.

Remember to love local and show support to all independently owned Winter Garden businesses on Small Business Saturday – and throughout the year!

Saturday, November 30 | All Day | Historic Downtown



Events are subject to change. Visit [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) and [downtownwg.com](http://downtownwg.com) for up-to-date event information.

'TIS THE SEASON  
TO  
**MAKE MEMORIES**

Historic downtown is the perfect gathering spot to make holiday memories with family and friends. From December 6 - January 5 (31 days), the sights and sounds of the season come to life at this Holiday Wonderland. The City provides colorful light displays and decorations, themed photo locations, holiday music, and a variety of holiday events and entertainment for the community to enjoy.

## HOLIDAY EVENTS

### Light Up Winter Garden

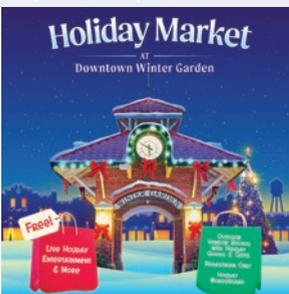
Join us in welcoming the holiday season with this annual event to kick off the City's 31 days of 'Tis the Season. Enjoy live entertainment, children's activities, vendors, shopping; and, of course, the lighting of downtown. Sponsored by Duke Energy.

Friday, December 6 | 6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Ceremony begins at 6:00 pm | Street Lighting at 6:15 pm  
Historic Downtown | Free to attend

### Winter Garden Christmas Parade

This long-standing Winter Garden holiday tradition will delight spectators and bring in holiday cheer! Bring a lawn chair or blanket and head to your favorite viewing spot for this annual event. Look for the Big Guy himself at the end of the parade!

Saturday, December 7 | 10:00 am  
South Dillard Street & West Plant Street, Historic Downtown | Free to attend



### Holiday Market at Downtown

Roam freely through the holiday wonderland of downtown as booths of festive treats, décor, and gift items line the pedestrian-only streets. Holiday-themed live entertainment and activities add to the festivities. Fun for all ages, gather friends and family for this merry experience.

Saturday, December 7 | 4:00 – 8:00 pm  
Historic Downtown | Free to attend

### Winter Garden Christmas Golf Cart Parade

Prepare to be amazed by the holiday-themed decorated golf carts as they parade through historic downtown. Get a good viewing spot along West Plant Street. Look for golf cart registration information on [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) in late fall.

Saturday, December 7 | 6:00 pm  
Historic Downtown | Free to attend

### A Merry Winter Garden Light Show

Spectacular animated holiday-themed light show synchronized to music projected onto the front façade of Winter Garden City Hall. A holiday tradition in Winter Garden!

December 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22  
6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Winter Garden City Hall, 300 W. Plant Street | Free to attend

## HOLIDAY EVENTS CONTINUED

### Horse Drawn Holiday Carriage Tours

A 20-minute magical tour experience through festive downtown amidst twinkling lights and holiday decorations.

December 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 26  
5:30 – 9:30 pm | Downtown Pavilion, 104 S. Lakeview Avenue  
Fee and reservation required: [soulhavenranch.com](http://soulhavenranch.com)

### Holiday Fridays on the Plaza

Musical acts take the outdoor stage in December for special holiday performances:

- December 6 – Light Up Winter Garden
- December 13 – Juniper Club

- December 20 – Safia Valines
- December 27- L & G Live

Fridays | 7:00 – 9:00 pm | Centennial Plaza, Historic Downtown  
Free to attend

### A Very Merry Farmers Market

Visit with Santa to take photos and share your wish list. Write a letter to Santa and hand deliver it to him. Visit the festive-decorated market every Saturday in December to shop for gifts, seasonal décor and treats, as well as fresh produce, desserts, and artisan foods for your holiday celebrations.

Visit with Santa | December 14 and 21 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Market Open Every Saturday | 8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
Downtown Pavilion, 104 S. Lakeview Avenue | Free Admission

## SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN | Winter Garden Fire Rescue Annual SANTA RUN

The Winter Garden Fire Rescue annual "SANTA RUN" brings Santa and his sleigh through neighborhoods located within City limits. This moving parade takes place on select nights as Santa – along with elves of firefighters, police, and City staff – spread holiday music, treats, and good cheer along the way!

Santa will be in the following areas from 5:45 – 9:00 pm on the following dates:

- Monday, December 9 – North West Winter Garden
- Tuesday, December 10 – North East Winter Garden
- Wednesday, December 11 – South Winter Garden: CR 545 Corridor (West Side)
- Thursday, December 12 – South Winter Garden: CR 545 Corridor (East Side)

- Friday, December 13 – South Winter Garden: CR 535 / Daniel's Road Corridor
- Saturday, December 14 – South Winter Garden: Beulah / Windermere Road Corridor

*An alternate date is scheduled for December 16 if weather interrupts one of Santa's visits.*

Due to safety concerns, please refrain from parking on the street during your neighborhood's Santa Run. Street parking, especially parking on both sides of street, may prohibit the parade from going down a street.

Santa's nightly route maps will be available on [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) closer to the event. Please check to see the estimated time of Santa's arrival and/or to find a nearby viewing location. Due to significant community growth, not all neighborhoods/streets can be accommodated.

## DE-LIGHT-FUL DECORATIONS CONTEST

Drag out the lights, hang up the garland, put up the glowing Santa, and enter your home in the De-Light-Ful Decorations Contest.

Contest categories: ❄️ Best Overall ❄️ Best Theme ❄️ Most Original ❄️ Best Apartment or Townhome

- Prizes are awarded in all categories:*
- Best Overall winner - 1st Place: \$100 and recognition yard sign / 2nd Place: \$50
  - 1st place winners: \$75 and recognition yard sign / 2nd place winners: \$50
  - The winning displays will be posted on the City's website.

Hosted by Winter Garden Parks & Recreation, the annual contest is free to enter, and all residences must be within City limits. Judging | Tuesday, December 10 & Wednesday, December 11 | 5:30 pm • Questions, call 407.656.4155. Registration form available at [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) in late fall. Deadline to enter is December 6.

*Holiday happenings listed are limited to those sponsored/co-sponsored by the City of Winter Garden. For additional downtown holiday happenings, continue to monitor [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) and [downtownwg.com](http://downtownwg.com). Events are subject to change.*

# Winter Events

## MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

Commemorate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a community celebration! The City's signature annual event includes a parade, live music performances, family friendly activities, and food vendors.

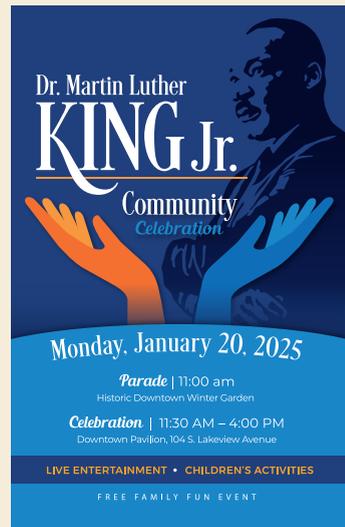
Participants and spectators alike will enjoy the parade that kicks off the celebration at 11:00 am. For those attending, bring a lawn chair or blanket and secure a good viewing spot along West Plant Street to watch and cheer. Organizations wishing to participate in the Parade must submit a required preregistration no later than Tuesday, January 14 (space is limited). All entries

are eligible to win the Parade Spirit Award. The parade application will be available at [cwgd.com/SpecialEvents](http://cwgd.com/SpecialEvents) closer to the event or call 407.656.4155.

Following the parade, the celebration continues at the Downtown Pavilion with a lineup of live entertainment, fun activities, and refreshments available for purchase.

*No personal coolers are permitted. This is a rain or shine event.*

Monday, January 20  
 Parade 11:00 am | Celebration 11:30 am – 4:00 pm  
 Historic Downtown / Downtown Pavilion,  
 104 S. Lakeview Avenue | Free to attend



# Weekly Events



## FRIDAYS ON THE PLAZA

Kick-off your weekend with live music in picturesque historic downtown Winter Garden! Grab a nearby seat or swing and sing along as music fills the air. Hosted by the City of Winter Garden, Fridays on the Plaza is held weekly year-round and features a variety of genres. Entertainment schedule is available at [cwgd.com/Special Events](http://cwgd.com/SpecialEvents).

Fridays | 7:00 - 9:00 pm | Centennial Plaza, 101 W. Plant Street | Free to attend

## WINTER GARDEN FARMERS MARKET

More than 100 vendors provide a variety of fresh produce, baked goods, gourmet provisions, artisan crafts, and more at this weekly community hub. The live music and family-friendly atmosphere make this award-winning market a fun weekend outing for all (including the four-legged).

Every Saturday Year-Round  
 Market | 8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Downtown Pavilion, 104 S. Lakeview Avenue | Free Admission

Upcoming FREE special events at the Farmers Market (9:00 am – 12:00 pm):

- Halloween at the Market | October 26
- Health & Harvest Festival | November 2
- Thanksgiving at the Market | November 23
- Visit with Santa at A Very Merry Farmers Market | December 14 and December 21
- Valentine's Day Celebration at the Market | February 8



## SNAP BENEFITS AVAILABLE AT WINTER GARDEN FARMERS MARKET

The Winter Garden Farmers Market accepts EBT/SNAP helping to provide nutrition benefits to supplement the food budgets of those in need. Visit the EBT/SNAP Tent located at Pavilion entrance. In addition, select produce vendors accept Fresh Access Bucks.

## WINTER GARDEN MUSIC FESTIVAL

This 11-hour outdoor concert features a variety of high caliber musicians performing across six stages throughout historic downtown. Hosted by the City of Winter Garden, you will not want to miss this spectacular free community event right in your hometown!

Bring a chair to enjoy in comfort. No personal coolers and no outside alcoholic beverages are permitted. This is a rain or shine event. Stay tuned to [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) and [downtownwg.com](http://downtownwg.com) for entertainment schedule.

Saturday, February 22  
 11:00 am – 10:00 pm  
 Historic Downtown | Free to attend



# Nutrition, Health & Wellness

Health and Wellness Programs are held at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street, unless noted otherwise. Questions, call 407.656.4155.

Program dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) for the most current information.

## BOOT CAMP WITH BRAD

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

Mondays & Thursdays | 5:30 - 6:20 pm | 16 years & older  
\$16 City Resident / \$18 Nonresident, per class  
\$55 City Resident / \$65 Nonresident, per month (8 classes)

## CARDIO DRUMMING

This Cardio Drumming beginner's class is a cardiovascular-based, full-body workout that requires you to move and play drums along to music. Except it does not actually involve any drums! It will raise your heart rate, burn hundreds of calories, improve coordination and ability to focus, and help strengthen many muscle groups, including your core. Advance registration required, must contact prior to start of class for cancellations. Space is limited.

Mondays | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm  
\$4 Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

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

## JAZZERCISE

Jazzercise is the original dance party workout. Blending dance with Pilates, yoga, kickboxing, and strength training, one 55-minute session can burn up to 800 calories. The results? Long, lean muscles and an undeniable mood boost.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Saturdays | 8:30 – 9:30 am  
16 years & older  
\$20 City Resident / \$25 Nonresident, per class  
\$69 City Resident / \$79 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 [returntogoodehealth.20fr.com](http://returntogoodehealth.20fr.com).

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

## ZUMBA

Move your hips and exercise in disguise! An exciting, dance-fitness class that features exotic rhythms set to high energy international beats!

Mondays & Wednesdays | 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Saturdays | 9:00 – 10:00 am  
\$6 City Resident / \$7 Nonresident, per class  
\$45 City Resident / \$51 Nonresident, per month

## ZUMBA GOLD

Active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower-intensity. Zumba Gold introduces easy-to-follow Zumba choreography that focuses on balance, range of motion, and coordination.

Thursdays | 11:15 am – 12:00 pm  
\$4 City Resident /  
\$5 Nonresident,  
per class



# Recreation Programs

All programs are held at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street, unless noted otherwise.

Advance reservations required at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. Questions, call 407.656.4155.

Program dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) for the most current information.

## LITTLE MEDICAL SCHOOL

Little Medical School (LMS) is the pioneer and leading developer of hands-on interactive programs for children, ages 1-16, with a focus on healthcare. Its unique approach helps children explore the benefits of careers in healthcare – whether human or animal, while simultaneously educating and entertaining them. LMS' extensive library includes more than 400 hours of age-appropriate classes in a variety of comprehensive courses using educational role-play, real medical instruments, and original curriculum.

### Little Doctor School

**Section 1 | Basic Anatomy, Medical Instruments and Prepping for Surgery** – Through role-play and activities, students will learn the key responsibilities of a doctor and explore the heart, lungs, and digestion. Students will use real medical instruments (stethoscope, reflex hammer, and blood pressure cuff) and practice scrubbing, suturing, and tying knots like a real surgeon.

**Section 2 | Basic First Aid, Prescribing Medications & Exploring Key Organs** – These future doctors will learn about prescriptions, explore the brain and spine, and learn about vital bodily functions through hands-on activities and role-play. Students will build a first aid kit and create models of the brain and spine.

Mondays | 6:00 – 7:00 pm  
Course Section 1 | October 7 – November 11  
Course Section 2 | January 6 – February 17  
(no class January 20)  
6 – 10 years old  
\$259, per 6-week course section

### Little Veterinarian School

**Section 1: Dog/Veterinarian** – After “adopting” their very own plush puppy, students will role-play the key responsibilities of a veterinarian, including how to properly perform a nose-to-tail exam. These future veterinarians will learn how to sew stitches, remove ticks, make healthy treats, and vaccinate their dog.

**Section 2: Cat/Veterinarian** – Students will role-play the key responsibilities of a veterinarian and perform a whiskers-to-tail exam on their newly “adopted” plush cat. These future veterinarians will learn about animal body language, maintaining a healthy environment such as proper litterbox placement, create a cat toy, and design a vet clinic.

Tuesdays | 6:00 – 7:00 pm  
Course Section 1 | October 8 – November 12  
Course Section 2 | January 7 – February 18 (no class January 21)  
6 – 10 years old  
\$259, per 6-week course section



**BABYSITTING 101**

This 2.5-hour course is for students aged 11+ interested in babysitting. It covers basic childcare, safety, first aid, understanding of developmental stages and relevant activities, health, nutrition, sleep information, Heimlich maneuver, and EpiPen usage. Students also create a babysitting ad and earn a certificate. This class can also be used to earn the Girl Scouts babysitting badge.

Mondays | 6:00 – 8:30 pm  
 Course Date 1 | November 18  
 Course Date 2 | February 24  
 Ages 11+ | \$89, per individual course date

**BALLET BASICS FOR ADULTS**

A basic level traditional ballet class for teens and adults with no previous experience or those looking to rediscover ballet after a long break. Class concentrates on proper body mechanics and barre work.

Wednesdays | 10:30 – 11:30 am  
 Session 1 | September 11 – October 9  
 Session 2 | October 16 – November 13  
 Session 3 | January 8 – February 5  
 Session 4 | February 12 – March 12  
 Teens & Adults  
 \$80 City Resident / \$85 Nonresident, per 5-week session

**CREATIVE MOVEMENT - YOUTH**

This unique program introduces basic dance ballet technique and movement through dance, games, and song. Class focus is on gross motor skills, left/right, body awareness, ballet positions, and beginner ballet technique and language.

Wednesdays | 9:30 – 10:15 am  
 Session 1 | September 11 – October 9  
 Session 2 | October 16 – November 13  
 Session 3 | January 8 – February 5  
 Session 4 | February 12 – March 12  
 Saturdays | 10:15 – 11:00 am  
 Session 1 | September 7 – October 5  
 Session 2 | January 11 – February 8

2 – 4 years old  
 \$70 City Resident / \$75 Nonresident, per 5-week session

**INTRO TO SPANISH**

This course places emphasis on the basics of Spanish and helps to develop basic conversations in Spanish. Students will learn to greet others, introduce themselves and others, ask information, identify professions, and talk about basics, people, places, and things.

Saturdays | 9:00 – 10:15 am  
 Session 1 | October 5 – 26  
 (October 12 class will meet at 8:45 am)  
 Session 2 | November 2 – 23  
 (November 9 class will meet at 8:45 am)  
 Session 3 | January 4 – February 1  
 (January 11 class will meet at 8:45 am and no class January 18)  
 Ages 18+ | \$225 City Resident / \$245 Nonresident, per 4-week session

**SEWING**

Have you always wanted to be able to sew on a button or make your own clothes? Now is the time to learn! Please bring your own fabric and patterns.

Mondays & Tuesdays | 3:00 pm | Free  
 Little Hall, 31 W. Garden Avenue

**PRESCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

All preschool holiday programs are free! Programs are for children ages 3 to 5. Bring a friend or a group. Please call 407.656.4155 in advance for any interested preschool group registration.

10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Free



**Halloween Spooktacular  
 Friday, October 18**

Enjoy fall carnival games while dressed in your spookiest costume. Finish the morning off with holiday-themed crafts and trick or treating!

**Cocoa & Cookies with Santa  
 Friday, December 20**

Come enjoy a cup of hot cocoa and story time with Mrs. Claus, holiday-themed crafts, and a meet and greet with Santa Claus.



**Little Cupid's Carnival  
 Friday, February 14**

Join us for arts & crafts, fun games, face painting, and fun holiday-themed activities!

# Athletic Programs

All programs are held at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street, unless noted otherwise.

Advance reservations required at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. Registration may close early for all programs due to limited availability. Programs are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgdn.com](http://cwgdn.com) for the most current information. Questions, call 407.656.4155.

**AMAZING ATHLETES SPORTS DISCOVERY - YOUTH**

Explore, learn, develop, and play with Amazing Athletes Sport Discovery! For ages 2 – 4 years old, this four-week mini season is designed to empower kids to discover their inner athlete and their love of the sport. Together, we explore three sports (basketball, football, & baseball) with four weeks of concentrated play & practice, followed by a finale game. Your Amazing Athlete will have the opportunity to develop skills with practice, apply what they have learned with confidence, have fun with gameplay, and discover sports they love! This is an indoor program but may move outdoors if weather permits.

2 – 4 years old | 5:30 – 6:20 pm  
 Basketball | Thursdays, September 5 – 26 / January 9 - 30  
 Flag Football | Thursdays, October 3 – 24 / February 6 – 27  
 Baseball | Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 / March 6 - 27  
 \$56 City Resident / \$60 Nonresident, 1-Sport Rate  
 \$112 City Resident / \$120 Nonresident, 2-Sport Rate  
 \$168 City Resident / \$180 Nonresident, 3-Sport Rate

**BEGINNER ARCHERY - YOUTH & ADULTS**

This is a course for youth (age 7+) and adults in barebow category archery (without sighting devices). All equipment is provided. Class welcomes beginner and advanced Archers and provides a variety of skill development training and fun archery games.

Session 1 | November 6 & 7  
 Session 2 | February 5 & 6  
 7 years old - adult | 5:30 – 6:20 pm  
 \$25 City Resident / \$30 Nonresident, per class  
 \$50 City Resident / \$60 Nonresident, per 2-class session

**ESPORTS CLUB - YOUTH**

Look no further, Esports Club Orlando has made it to Winter Garden. Upon joining the program, children 8 - 14 years old will learn leadership, sportsmanship, teamwork, and the opportunity to interact with other peers their age, all while engaging in video game play. Children will be coached by trained Rocket League and Fortnite coaches.

Session 1:  
 Saturdays | 10:00 – 11:00 am  
 September 7 – November 23 (no programming November 9 and 16)  
 Mondays | 5:30 – 6:30 pm | Rocket League  
 September 30 – December 9 (no programming November 25)  
 Wednesdays | 5:30 – 6:30 pm | Fortnite  
 October 2 – December 11 (no programming November 27)

Session 2:  
 Saturdays | 10:00 – 11:00 am  
 January 4 – March 15 (no programming January 18)  
 Mondays | 5:30 – 6:30 pm | Rocket League  
 January 6 – March 17 (no programming January 20)  
 Wednesdays | 5:30 – 6:30 pm | Fortnite  
 January 8 – March 19 (no programming January 22)

8 – 14 years old  
 \$150 City Resident / \$160 Nonresident, 10-week session  
 Optional purchase | Esports Jersey (\$45)

**KARATE ZOO – YOUTH**

In Karate Zoo, we teach the fundamentals of martial arts to children ages 3 – 6 years old in a high-energy progression-based program. Students learn & practice the traditions and skills of the sport and receive colored belts and stripes for their achievement. Each skill introduced is designed for progression with beginner, intermediate, and advanced modifications allowing each student to progress at their own pace in a mixed ability group setting. Inspired by the

traditions & practices of martial arts, Karate Zoo is designed to benefit a child's physical, social, and emotional development while building confidence and teaching practical life lessons. Hi-yah!

3 – 6 years old | 5:00 – 5:50 pm  
Mondays | September 30 – November 18  
Mondays | January 6 – March 3 (no programming January 20)  
\$191 City Resident / \$201 Nonresident, per 8-week session (belt included in fee)  
Optional purchases | \$25 Karate Zoo Jersey | \$40 Karate Gi

### KICKBALL – ADULT LEAGUE

The playground game we all remember from grade school has evolved into today's hottest get-together sport for adults. Anyone can play from the less experienced to the diehard. This is a great way to stay in shape, meet new people, and have fun! Come out and KICK IT with our Thursday night co-ed league.

Registration may close early due to limited availability in each league.

Games | 6:45 pm, 7:45 pm, 8:45 pm  
\$325 per team for season | Braddock Park, 13460 Lake Butler Boulevard

#### POLAR BEAR LEAGUE

League begins Thursday, January 9  
Registration | November 13 – December 4

#### SPRING LEAGUE

League begins Thursday, March 20  
Registration | January 29 – February 21

### PICKLEBALL GROUP LESSONS

\$100 Resident / \$125 Nonresident, per 3-class session  
Veterans Memorial Park, 420 S. Park Avenue

#### Beginners

This course will introduce players to pickleball beginning with the very basics. It will include instruction on rules, equipment, shots, strategies, skills, and techniques associated with pickleball. The goals of the course are to enable the students to participate confidently, with an understanding of the game along with possessing the skills necessary for open play.

12:30 – 2:00 pm  
Tuesdays | September 3 – 17  
Saturdays | September 7 – 21  
Tuesdays | October 1 – 15  
Saturdays | October 5 – 19  
Tuesdays | November 5 – 19  
Saturdays | November 2 – 16

#### Advanced Beginners

Course is for players who have been playing for less than a year or desire to elevate their game, improve their shots and knowledge of the game,

develop game strategies, work on techniques, and gain confidence to a point they feel they are participating equally with players during open play.

2:30 – 4:00 pm  
Tuesdays | September 3 – 17  
Saturdays | September 7 – 21  
Tuesdays | October 1 – 15  
Saturdays | October 5 – 19  
Tuesdays | November 5 – 19  
Saturdays | November 2 – 16

### RUNNING AND CONDITIONING PROGRAMS

\$100 City Resident / \$120 Nonresident

#### Youth Running and Conditioning Program

This four-week program uses games and activities focused on developing skills when attempting short and long-distance running. Emphasis is placed on breathing techniques, gait analysis, core and strength, injury prevention, and overall running mechanics for speed and endurance.

6 – 12 years old  
Tuesdays | October 8 - 29 | 6:00 – 6:50 pm

#### Middle School Running and Conditioning Program

Participants will receive training that develops speed, stamina, and an understanding for fast-twitch/slow-twitch muscle fibers. The four-week program will conclude with an in-class versatility contest that will test their abilities in the 100 meter and a 1-mile race.

11 – 14 years old  
Tuesdays | September 10 – October 1 | 6:00 – 6:50 pm

### USSSA SOFTBALL - ADULT LEAGUE

Hit, run, and slide with the adult USSSA softball leagues. Church, Men's, and Co-ed leagues offered Monday – Thursday. Play, be active, and most importantly, have fun! Registration may close early due to limited availability.

Games | 6:45 pm, 7:45 pm, 8:45 pm  
\$500 per team for season  
Braddock Park, 13460 Lake Butler Boulevard  
Veterans Memorial Park, 420 S. Park Avenue

#### POLAR BEAR LEAGUE

League begins January 6  
Returning Teams Registration\* | November 13 – December 4  
New Team Registration | November 20 – December 4

#### SPRING LEAGUE

League begins week of March 17  
Returning Teams Registration\* | January 29 – February 21  
New Team Registration | February 5 – February 21

\*A returning team is classified as a team that has participated in any of our softball leagues within one of the past three consecutive seasons.

### SOCCER - YOUTH SPRING LEAGUE

Cheer your child on while they have a great time with friends! This recreational program emphasizes an environment that is fun for all ages. We focus on each child through positive coaching, teamwork, sportsmanship, skill development, and more! Fee includes an eight-week season, an end of season award, and a team jersey and socks.

City Resident Registration | December 4 – January 3  
Nonresident Registration | December 18 – January 3  
Registration may close early due to limited availability in each age division.

Practices begin the week of January 27  
Games begin February 8  
4 – 13 years old (age as of September 1, 2024)  
\$110 City Resident / \$140 Nonresident  
Braddock Park, 13460 Lake Butler Boulevard

We want you!  
Head Coaches pay  
only \$10 for one  
child's registration.  
Paid officials are  
also needed.

### SUPER SOCCER STARS - YOUTH

Super Soccer Stars is a soccer development program for children 18 months – 4 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. This activity is an outdoor activity but may move indoors in the event of inclement weather.

Tuesdays | September 17 – November 19  
Saturdays | September 21 – November 23  
Tuesdays | January 21 – March 25  
Saturdays | January 25 – March 29

18 months – 3 years old | Weekdays 5:00 – 5:40 pm,  
Weekends 9:00 – 9:40 am  
3 – 4 years old | Weekdays 5:50 – 6:30 pm,  
Weekends 9:50 – 11:30 am  
\$150 City Resident / \$160 Nonresident, per 10-week session  
Optional purchase at start of program  
Super Soccer Stars Jersey (\$25)

### TENNIS LESSONS – YOUTH & ADULT

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

Session 1 | September 16 – October 25  
Session 2 | November 4 – December 20  
(no classes week of November 25)  
Session 3 | January 27 – March 7  
5 years and older | Lesson time and fees vary, please visit  
cwgd.com/Parks & Recreation/Athletics for details.  
Chapin Station Park, 501 Crown Point Cross Road



## Youth Camps

Arts and crafts, activities, sports, and much more! Spend school holiday break with friends, camp counselors, and the Winter Garden Parks & Recreation staff for a fun time. A qualified, well-trained staff will provide a safe and outstanding break for your child. Camp is open to children in kindergarten through 8th grade. Campers must bring a packed lunch, snacks, and a water bottle to camp every day.

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

7:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Grades | Kindergarten through 8th grade  
\$26 City Resident / \$32 Nonresident, per day  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

### Fall Camps

Student Holiday | October 14 and October 25  
Thanksgiving Break | November 25 - 27

### Winter Camps

Winter Break | December 23, 24, 26, 27, 30, 31 and January 2, 3  
Student Holiday | January 6  
President's Day | February 17

Advance registration required at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>.  
Questions, call 407.656.4155

Camp dates are subject to change. Please check cwgd.com for updates.

Crealdé School of Art, in partnership with the City of Winter Garden, offers a selection of Painting & Drawing, Ceramics, and Photography classes for adults and youth at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street. The partnership first began in 2010, and the classes continue to be popular with residents.

Register through Crealdé School of Art at [crealde.org](http://crealde.org) or by phone 407.671.1886 (first-time students are eligible for a Winter Garden resident discount when calling). With parental permission and a signed waiver, self-motivated young adults (ages 16-17) are welcome to enroll.

## FALL/WINTER 2024-25 CLASS SCHEDULE

Fall II Classes: October 21 • December 15, 2024 • Winter Classes: January 13 – March 9, 2025

### YOUTH CLASSES

#### PINT-SIZE PICASSOS (AGES 4-8)

WG/YAP101

Instructor: *Mike Goodge*

Fall II & Winter I Saturdays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | 6 weeks

\$135 Member/WG Resident | \$155 Nonmember

Like to draw and paint? Explore the many ways to make art by using pastels, paints, watercolors, and other materials. A fun introductory experience for fledgling artists.

#### PAINTING & DRAWING I (AGES 8-12)

WG/YAP202

Instructor: *Mike Goodge*

Fall II & Winter I Saturdays, 9:00 – 10:30 am | 6 weeks

\$155 Member/WG Resident | \$175 Nonmember

Learn the fundamentals of artmaking and discover how to see as an artist. Create with a variety of painting and drawing media and explore new techniques to enhance your artistic skills!



#### CREATING WITH CLAY (AGES 8-13)

WG/YAP204

Instructor: *Camille Castronovo*

Fall II | Tuesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 6 weeks

\$155 Member/WG Resident | \$175 Nonmember

A squishy ball of clay and your imagination can create animals, objects, and more. This fall let's get into the holiday spirit as we create holiday keepsakes and gifts for your family and friends!

#### WHEEL THROWING AND MORE! (AGES 11-16)

WG/YAP208

Instructor: *Camille Castronovo*

Winter I Tuesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 6 Weeks

\$155 Member/WG Resident | \$175 Nonmember

Experience the magic of the potter's wheel as you create clay forms then combine and embellish them with hand building to create decorative sculptures or functional ware. Pottery, it's more than a pretty vase!

#### BRUSH AND PEN FOR TEENS (AGES 11-16)

WG/YAP303

Instructor: *Mike Goodge*

Fall II & Winter I Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 6 Weeks

\$185 Member/WG Resident | \$205 Nonmember

Calling all young artists who love to paint and draw! Explore your creative potential through acrylic paint, watercolors, charcoal, and pastels on canvas and paper. Experiment with painting and drawing techniques, composition, and color theory. Say it with art!

REGISTER  
FOR CLASSES ONLINE  
AT [CREALDE.ORG](http://CREALDE.ORG)  
OR CALL  
407.671.1886



### ADULT CLASSES

#### FUNCTIONAL POTTERY

WG/TD137

Skill Level: All

Instructor: *Camille Castronovo*

Fall II & Winter I Tuesdays, 12:30 – 2:30 pm | 8 weeks

Fall II & Winter I Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | 8 weeks

\$260 Member / WG Resident | \$280 Nonmember

Jars, jugs, platters, and bowls! Explore form and surface decoration as you create pottery vessels to gather, store, and present food. Suitable for all levels. Hand builders and throwers are welcome!

#### DRAWING I

WG/PD103

Skill Level: Beginner

Instructor: *Prayong Deeying*

Fall II & Winter I Mondays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | 8 weeks

\$260 Member/WG Resident | \$280 Nonmember

Develop skills for measuring proportions and angles, drawing tones to show light and volume, perspective, and composition. The goal is to learn techniques to draw realistically and develop perceptual awareness.

#### WATERCOLOR

WG/PD104

Skill Level: All

Instructor: *Prayong Deeying*

Fall II & Winter I Mondays, 3:00 – 5:00 pm | 8 weeks

\$260 Member/WG Resident | \$280 Nonmember

Explore the classical world of watercolor and develop a firm grounding in traditional approaches and techniques. Intermediate and advanced students will work independently on personal projects with instructor's guidance.

#### INTRO TO OIL PAINTING

WG/PD119

Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Instructor: *Cathy Hempel*

Fall II & Winter I Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | 8 weeks

\$260 Member/WG Resident | \$280 Nonmember

Learn basic techniques and methods used in a representational oil painting by developing skills of observing, rendering, color matching, and applying paint through practice. Demonstrations and discussions will emphasize the importance of composition, shapes, edges, brushwork, and ways to manipulate the value and intensity of color.

#### INTRO TO DRAWING/PAINTING

WG/PD102

Skill Level: Beginner

Instructor: *Cathy Hempel*

Fall II & Winter I Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | 8 weeks

\$270 Member/WG Resident | \$290 Nonmember

Explore the fundamentals of drawing and painting. Sample various drawing and painting techniques using different media, including watercolors, acrylics, and oils. Most supplies are provided.

All Active 50+ programs are held at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street, unless noted otherwise.

Enroll at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. Questions, call 407.656.4155. Programs are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgdh.com](http://cwgdh.com) for the most current information.

### AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

Insurance reduction and driver refresher course! Up to 10% discount after completion of course depending on your insurance provider. Advance registration required as classes could be cancelled due to low enrollment.

Select one, two-day class option:

Monday, October 28 & Tuesday, October 29 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (both days) | Little Hall, 31 W. Garden Avenue

Monday, November 18 & Tuesday, November 19 | 5:00 – 8:00 pm (both days) | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street  
Monday, January 27 & Tuesday, January 28 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (both days) | Little Hall, 31 W. Garden Avenue

Monday, February 24 & Tuesday, February 25 | 5:00 – 8:00 pm (both days) | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street  
\$20 AARP Member / \$25 Non-AARP Member

### AARP SMART DRIVER TEK WORKSHOP

Learn how new high-tech features in today's cars can help make driving safer and easier. You will learn how the benefits of these technologies may enhance your driving safety and extend your safe driving years. You will receive a technology checklist and learn to identify the safety technologies that best suit your needs. Space is limited, so register now for this course by calling 1.877.805.0458.

Monday, September 30 | 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  
Monday, November 4 | 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm  
Monday, January 13 | 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  
Monday, February 10 | 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm  
Free

### ADVENTURES IN CRAFTDOM

Let your creativity run wild as you create a unique craft item each month. Supplies furnished. You will walk out with a finished product. Registration required as availability is limited.

Second Tuesday of every month | 1:30 – 3:30 pm  
\$15 fee to be paid day of each class

Tuesday, September 10 | *Notepad Booklet*: Using vintage/distressed paper, you will make a 3x4 notebook that will hold a post-it pad. The notebook also holds a pen for convenience.

Tuesday, October 8 | *Brass Feather Bracelet*: Using cold enamel paints, you will add layers of color to a natural brass feather. Then attach chain and beads to make a beautiful 'boho' bracelet.

Tuesday, November 12 | *Multi-Strand Beaded Necklace or Bracelet*: Using Pony Beads in a variety of colors mixed with silver pewter beads, you will make a five-strand bracelet or add chain to the ends for a 30-inch necklace that looks great with any casual outfit.

Tuesday, December 10 | *Mini Holiday Village (3 pieces)*: You will make a cute little set of houses made from sturdy chipboard, decorate with paper and holiday ephemera, and place them on a base with a tiny tree.

Tuesday, January 14 | *Resin Gemstone Pendant*: You will use pre-mixed resin and gemstone chips, metal flakes, and enamel paint, and then add it to a large brass pendant, and hang the pendant on a chain or leather cord.

Tuesday, February 11 | *Cookie Recipe Booklet*: Using preprinted recipe cards, create a useful little booklet with pockets and cute cooking details to put your favorite cookie recipes in.

### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

It's time to party! Come celebrate your life's achievements with a deserving celebration! Any senior citizen resident is invited to attend and enjoy the celebration. It does not have to be your birth month to attend.

Friday, November 1 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm  
Friday, February 7 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm  
Free

### BOCCIA BALL

Boccia is a precision ball sport like Bocce Ball and is played inside. You sit next to your opponent on the Boccia Court. It can be played one-on-one or in teams. The object of the game is to throw or roll leather-like balls so that they land as close as possible to the target ball.

Tuesdays | 11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Free

### BUNCO

A fun and entertaining dice game for all to play! No skill required! Participants may bring a "sealed" snack to share and personal non-alcoholic beverage.

First Wednesday of each month | 1:30 – 4:00 pm | \$3 per person

### CARDIO DRUMMING

This Cardio Drumming beginner's class is a cardiovascular-based, full-body workout that requires you to move and play drums along to music. Except it does not actually involve any drums! It will raise your heart rate, burn hundreds of calories, improve coordination and ability to focus, and help strengthen many muscle groups, including your core. Advance registration required, must contact prior to start of class for cancellations. Space is limited.

Mondays | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm  
\$4 Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

### CARD-OLGY

In this make and take card-making class, you will create two beautiful greeting cards each month. There will be cards designed for you, but you are welcome to add your own twist. There is nothing like receiving a handmade card, which is a gift in its own right. Registration must be completed by the Thursday prior to each class.

First Tuesday of each month | 1:30 – 3:30 pm  
\$8/two cards (fee to be paid day of each class)

### CHAIR BEACH BALL VOLLEYBALL

Come and join the fun with Indoor Chair Volleyball! Using a beach ball, it is an activity that includes physical activity, social interaction, competition, and most of all, lots of laughs!

Wednesdays | 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | Free

### CHAIR YOGA

Start experiencing the many benefits of yoga. This instructor led chair yoga exercise video is safe and gentle and includes low impact stretching, strengthening, and breathing routines.

Mondays | 9:00 – 10:00 am | Free

### CHAIR-O-BICS

Get moving in this recreational, self-guided chair exercise class! Participants are encouraged to use light hand weights to build strength. Use of weights is not required and is at your own risk.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:00 – 10:00 am | Free

### CRAFT AFFAIR

Arts & crafts lovers will enjoy shopping for one-of-a-kind items made exclusively by our 50+ creative friends. Although our vendors are 50 or older, all ages are invited to shop the fair for unique hand-crafted items. If you are interested in being a craft vendor at this event and you are age 50+, please call 407.656.4155.

Saturday, November 9 | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street | Free to attend

### GAMES, CARDS, & MORE

Enjoy an afternoon with friends who are playing Mexican Train Dominoes, Hand and Foot, Liverpool Rummy, Euchre, Rummikub, Mah Jongg, and more! Participants may bring a "sealed" snack to share and personal non-alcoholic beverage.

Second, Third, Fourth, & Fifth Wednesday each month  
1:30 – 4:30 pm | Free

### THE INK AND QUILL WRITING GROUP

Enjoy writing? Regardless of your ambitions or goals, you will find stimulating fellowship and writing encouragement. Learn different styles of writing and share ideas to develop plots, characters, and scenes to bring stories to life. Writers below the age of 50 who are looking to improve their writing skills are also welcome to attend.

First & Third Monday of each month | 2:00 – 4:00 pm | Free

### I WANT TO KNOW

This activity will address different topics that may be of interest to you. Register for one or multiple presentations below and walk away with a new idea, a new thought, and/or just a reminder of something you once knew and want to know more about. Bring a brown bag lunch if you wish.

Last Tuesday of each month  
12:00 – 1:00 pm | Free

September 24 | "Cell Phone Basics 101" by Ethan Watford, Orange County Library System

October 29 | "How to Take Quality Photos with a Cell Phone" by Ethan Watford, Orange County Library System

November 26 | "How to Safeguard your Home" by Winter Garden Police Officers Gail Michaud and Timothy Thatford

December 31 | "Effects of Music Therapy" by Abby Marotta, Music Therapy Intern at Orlando Health Hospital

January 28 | "From Casting to Curtain: What it Takes to Put on a Show at the Garden Theatre" by Amanda Payne, Garden Theatre

February 25 | "Creating your small space into a pollinator oasis" by Kasey Thomas, City of Winter Garden Parks Supervisor - Horticulture

### LITERARY LADIES BOOK CLUB

Join friends to read the top 10 and the classics.

Second Saturday of each month | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Free

**LUNCH AND LEARN**

Stay tuned to [cwgd.com/219/Programs-H---Z](http://cwgd.com/219/Programs-H---Z) for announcement of topic and venue.

Friday, October 11 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm | Free

**A MATTER OF BALANCE**

This four-week Matter of Balance class is a nationally recognized program that emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. Empowering the participant to view falls as controllable, the class will teach exercises specifically designed to help prevent falls, as well as the small changes one can make which will increase confidence in the future. Space is limited; advance registration required.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | February 4 - 27 | 1:30 – 3:30 pm | Free

**MY CRITIC'S CHOICE**

Travel each month to a new restaurant for a casual lunch and critique the overall dining experience. Trip cost includes transportation only. Lunch is Dutch treat. Advance registration required.

Last Friday of each month | 10:30 am  
\$8 City Resident / \$10 Nonresident

**SHUFFLEBOARD**

In this fun outdoor game, the players use cues to push weighted discs, sending them gliding down a narrow court, with the purpose of having them come to rest within a marked scoring area. No registration needed, just show up at the courts located in Trailer City at 21 E. Crest Avenue, Winter Garden.

Wednesdays | 11:00 am – 12:30 pm | \$10 for the year  
Trailer City, 21 E. Crest Avenue

**SIT, STITCH 'N GIVE**

Does life have you all tied up in knots? Join us for a chance to unwind. Come chat, knit, crochet, embroider, etc., and laugh with those who understand your desire to take a long piece of thread fiber and create a beloved “work of heart.” Beginners are welcome.

Wednesdays | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Free

**SWITCH BOWLING LEAGUE**

Do you still have a passion for bowling, but do not have the time, energy, or strength to make it to the lanes? Teams of two are forming now for a new Switch bowling league. Teams will choose their weekly bowling time and partners at the first meeting and pay their fees.

Session 1 | September 16 – November 22 (10 weeks)  
Session 2 | January 6 – February 28 (10 weeks)  
\$1 per person, per week (due first week of bowling)

**TRAVEL WITH US!**

Our community has been around the world and back. Each month, someone from the senior community will share photos and interesting facts from their excursions. Come and travel with us around the world! Dessert and coffee/tea will be available. To be a presenter, please call 407.656.4155 ext. 4311.

Fourth Monday of each month | 1:30 – 3:00 pm | Free

**WEST ORANGE PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB**

Bring a friend and discover current and classic authors. New members and titles are always welcome.

Second Monday of each month | 1:30 – 4:00 pm | Free

**WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE CLASS**

The Winter Garden Police Department will host a free basic women's self-defense class for the Active 50+ senior women. The class is instructed by a police officer certified using S.A.F.E. self-defense techniques. Registration required.

Thursday, September 26 | 1:00 - 3:30 pm | Free

**ZUMBA GOLD**

Active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower-intensity. Zumba Gold introduces easy-to-follow Zumba choreography that focuses on balance, range of motion, and coordination.

Thursdays | 11:15 am – 12:00 pm  
\$4 City Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

**Active 50+ Day Trips**

Transportation is included in fee for all Day Trips listed except for local “Shine and Dine.” Transportation in accordance with ADA regulation is available upon request. To provide ADA accommodations, please have your request ready upon registration, 10 business days prior to scheduled trip date.

Trips and fees are subject to change dependent upon venue and number of participants. Please check [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) for the most current information.

Register online at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. All registrations are final one full week prior to the trip. Questions, call 407.656.4155.

**SHINE AND DINE – WINTER GARDEN, FL**

Winter Garden Parks & Recreation Department presents lunch and a matinee at the Historic Garden Theatre. Come join us for this fun filled afternoon with friends. Meet at the fountain/gazebo on Plant Street at

11:45 am. Group lunch is Dutch treat at 12 pm, at a local restaurant, with the performance immediately following at 2 pm. Program cost includes theatre ticket only. No transportation is available.

September 22 | *Legacy-Motown and More*  
October 6 | *Sail On Beach Boys*  
October 13 | *Boy Band Project*  
November 3 | *Foreigners & Journey Rock Anthems and Ballads*  
Sundays | \$40.50 City Resident / \$42.50 Nonresident

December 15 | *Scrooge!*  
February 16 | *The Play That Goes Wrong*  
Sundays | \$45.00 City Resident / \$47.00 Nonresident

**THE MOREAN ARTS CENTER CHIHULY COLLECTION AND GLASSBLOWING - ST. PETERSBURG, FL**

Enjoy a docent lead tour of the CHIHULY COLLECTION at the Morean Arts Center. This is a stunning, permanent collection of world-renowned artist Dale Chihuly's unique artwork. This presentation is unique as it is the first installation of Chihuly art in a building designed specifically for that purpose including his spectacular large-scale installations such as Ruby Red Icicle Chandelier, created specifically for the Collection. You'll also get behind the scenes and observe resident glass artists creating unique works of art during a live demonstration. Dutch treat lunch.

Thursday September 19 | 8:00 am – 6:00 pm  
\$33 City Resident / \$38 Nonresident

**POLYNESIAN FIRE LUAU - ORLANDO, FL**

Polynesian Fire is an authentic Polynesian dinner show company serving Orlando. They are a Samoan family coming to you from the village of Nu'uuli on the island of Tutuila, American Samoa. The performers of Polynesian Fire will captivate you during live Polynesian music, ethnic dances, and Samoan fire knife performances. Take a journey with us through the Pacific Islands at our luau dinner show.

Friday, October 18 | 5:00 – 9:30 pm  
\$95 City Resident / \$100 Nonresident

**DAYTONA INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY - DAYTONA, FL**

Venture behind-the-scenes and discover what makes Daytona International Speedway, the “World Center of Racing.” You will have a guided tram tour of Daytona International Speedway, which includes a digital photo package. Take a ride through Daytona International Speedway's infield, see the 31-degree high banks, and pass through the garages as you learn about the history of Daytona International Speedway. Travel along Pit Road and discover how NASCAR's top drivers prep for the largest motorsports event of the year. All tours conclude with access to the Motorsports Hall of Fame of

America and a close-up look at the winning DAYTONA 500 car! Dutch Treat lunch. \*Experience may vary due to track events.

Thursday, November 14 | 10:00 am – 4:30 pm  
\$38 City Resident / \$43 Nonresident

**SUNCOAST BROADWAY THEATRE SUNKICKS HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR - HUDSON, FL**

Celebrate the excitement, humor, and nostalgia of the Yuletide season with this all-new holiday spectacular. This dazzling new production features the best mix of today's holiday hits and timeless Christmas classics sung by Broadway's best voices and starring the precision kick-line choreography of Florida's toe-tappin', dancin'-n-prancin" SUNKICKS! Be swept away on a journey that will bring you home just in time for the holidays with stops along the way through a quiet country snow, the magic of New York City at Christmas, and maybe even the North Pole! With magical costumes, state-of-the-art sets, lighting, and sound, Suncoast Broadway is sure to deliver a magical Christmas feast for the eyes and ears, warming every heart in the theatre!

Thursday, December 19 | 10:00 am – 5:00 pm  
\$79 City Resident / \$84 Nonresident

**HISTORIC YBOR CITY – TAMPA, FL**

Come with us to enjoy a day in historic Ybor City, FL. Enjoy a Dutch treat lunch at The Columbia Restaurant, the oldest restaurant in Florida. After lunch, you can explore the charming city while soaking up its rich history, architecture, and shops.

Thursday, January 16 | 10:30 am – 5:30 pm  
\$15 City Resident / \$19 Nonresident (transportation only)

**SOLOMON'S CASTLE AND LIPIZZANER STALLIONS – ONA, FL**

Experience a guided tour of the home, galleries, and workshop of internationally renowned artist Howard Solomon. Enjoy the visually delightful Castle and more than 80 interpretive stained-glass windows and countless metal sculptures, followed by lunch at The Boat-in-the-Moat restaurant.

After visiting Solomon's Castle, we will proceed to watch Herrmann's Royal Lipizzaner Stallions perform. The Lipizzan is one of the rarest breeds in the world and are known for being the “ballerinas of the horse world.” The Herrmann's have proudly trained and shown these horses right here in Florida for you to see.

Thursday, February 20 | 8:00 am – 5:30 pm  
\$78 City Resident / \$85 Nonresident

## SOBO Art Gallery & Studio

127 S. BOYD STREET | [wgart.org](http://wgart.org) | 407.347.7996

Tuesday – Friday, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Free Admission

SOBO Art Gallery & Studio is in a historic building that once served as the City's original fire station. It houses the galleries, classes, educational programs, and events of the Winter Garden Art Association to provide public access to art and culture.

### EXHIBITIONS

Visit the SOBO Art Gallery to see the following lineup of exhibits. Admission is always free.

#### Form & Figure

Now – September 28

#### Harvest Palette

October 1 – November 30

A Celebration of Fall – an exhibit dedicated to the vibrant essence of autumn. Submissions open September 1-8.

Opening Reception | October 3, 5:30 - 8:00 pm | Public Invited

#### Reflections of Joy

December 3 – February 1

Art that captures the essence of joy.

Opening Reception | December 5, 5:30 - 8:00 pm | Public Invited

#### Carnival of Color

February 4 – March 29

Opening Reception | February 6, 5:30 - 8:00 pm | Public Invited

### CALL TO ARTISTS

Are an artist? Would you like to see your art on display at SOBO Art Gallery? The rotating exhibits at the SOBO Art Gallery are comprised of artwork submitted through a Call to Artists. Interested artists may submit works for consideration between the FIRST and EIGHTH of the month prior to an exhibition.

Visit the "Call to Artists" website page regularly for exhibition themes and to submit, [wgart.org/artists/call-to-artists](http://wgart.org/artists/call-to-artists).

### WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

For details and to register for workshops, visit [wgart.org/adults](http://wgart.org/adults).

**September 5:** Weekly Drawings Fundamentals class with *Marta Crawford* | \$125 per month

**September 14:** Color Pencil Workshop with *Mary Beth Lesko* | \$75

**November 9:** Fiber Arts with *Mirjana Cesar* | \$140

#### Artist Night Studio: Life Drawing

Model is available to draw every session. Bring your own drawing/painting materials.

Wednesdays | 6:30 – 9:00 pm | 18 years and older only  
\$10 Member / \$15 Nonmember (collected at sign-in)

#### Artist Night Open Studio

Mondays | 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm | Studio Room



#### Technique Tuesdays at 2PM: Sponsored by Duke Energy

A different instructor and technique is featured every week. Pick up new tips and techniques while enjoying Open Artist Studio Space. For schedule and details, [wgart.org/Tuesdays](http://wgart.org/Tuesdays).

Tuesdays | 2:00 – 4:00 pm | Open to All  
Free to Members & First-Time Visitors

### HOLIDAY FAMILY EVENTS

Register at [wgart.org/kids](http://wgart.org/kids).

#### CREATE A HAUNTED HOUSE

Work together to turn a prepared cereal box on a base into an awesome "Haunted House." You will be amazed by your finished creation! All materials and step-by-step guidance are provided. This popular family event fills up quickly!

Sunday, October 20 | 3:00 – 4:30 pm

\$38 per house for 1 adult with 1 child

#### CREATE A GINGERBREAD HOUSE

Create a Gingerbread House together – a perfect decoration for the holiday! SOBO provides one preassembled base, house, and EVERYTHING you could want to design your masterpiece! Step-by-step guidance is provided. Always a sold-out event so reserve your spot quickly.

Sunday, December 8 | 3:00 – 4:30 pm

\$52 per house for 1 adult with 1 child

\$6 each for additional artists working on the same house



### ART FOR KIDS

For updates and to register, visit [wgart.org/kids](http://wgart.org/kids).

#### Wednesday Art Clubs

2nd grade – Middle School | 4:00 - 5:00 pm

\$15 each session, includes all materials

#### Offsite Classes

Custom classes can come to your location | Instructed by Lenore Eastham, Certified Art Educator | Sessions start at \$75 per hour

### BECOME A MEMBER, DONATE, AND/OR VOLUNTEER

[wgart.org/join](http://wgart.org/join)

Members of the Winter Garden Art Association receive discounts on classes and programs as well as additional benefits. Annual individual annual membership is \$45, and a family membership is \$65.

Please donate to the Winter Garden Art Association (501c3) to support local arts.

Volunteers are needed to assist in the gallery and with programs. It is a great opportunity to get to know this vibrant art community.

### OCPS STUDENT HOLIDAY CAMP!

Monday October 14

2nd grade - Middle School artists will love this Autumn/Halloween themed half-day camp (9:00-am 12:00 pm).

2D and 3D projects will be featured.

This is a unique opportunity you won't want your young artist to miss! \$40 per student (limited enrollment)



### ATTENTION HOME SCHOOLERS!

SOBO is excited to offer Standards Based Art classes for small groups of Home School students led by Lenore Eastham, Certified Art Educator.

\$15 per child, per 55-minute session.

Minimum 8 children (subject to room and staff availability)

### SMALL GROUP CUSTOM CLASSES AT SOBO

We are excited to offer custom classes on your schedule (including weekends) for your groups of any age artists.

\$15 per child, per 55-minute session

Minimum 8 students (limited availability)

### CUSTOM SPECIAL EVENT CELEBRATIONS

[wgart.com/custom](http://wgart.com/custom)

Celebrate a birthday or a milestone with a custom-designed experience at SOBO Art Gallery. Your child can choose their theme and age-appropriate media options will be presented. All art-related supplies, tables and chairs, inspiration, and a certified art educator are included. Food, decorations, and set up are the responsibility of the individual booking the event.

Basic Celebration Packages: \$200 for 2.5-hour room rental including 30-minute set up and 30-minute clean up. Package is for up to 10 artists. The art activity generally lasts 50-55 minutes. Additional time and artists may be added for a fee.

Visit [wgart.org](http://wgart.org) for call to artists, workshops, events, and more.





# WINTER GARDEN HERITAGE FOUNDATION

21 E. PLANT STREET | 407.656.3244 | WGHF.ORG

The Winter Garden Heritage Foundation preserves the heritage and architecture of West Orange County, while creating cultural experiences. The Foundation operates three locations in the heart of Downtown Winter Garden: Winter Garden Heritage Museum, which features exhibits on the rich history of West Orange County; the Healthy West Orange Heritage and Cultural Center, which houses an extensive archive of the area's past and a Visitors Center; and the Central Florida Railroad Museum, which showcases the influence of the railroad in the development of Florida.

## Winter Garden History Hunt is a Fun Quest for All

Embark on the Winter Garden History Hunt and uncover hidden treasure boxes scattered throughout the Downtown Historic District. Explorers successfully complete the challenge earn a prize!



To start, purchase the History Hunt Map (\$2.00 each) at Healthy West Orange Heritage and Cultural Center. Follow the Map's clues to find 12 hidden treasure boxes. Scan the QR code on each box, write your answer to the history question on the map, mark an "X," and continue until all 12 clues have been solved. (Please help keep the boxes hidden for other explorers to uncover.) When done, return the Map to the Center to claim a prize.

Hosted by the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation, the Winter Garden History Hunt is for ALL ages, an ideal family-friendly activity, and a fun way to learn about the community's history!

Healthy West Orange Heritage and Cultural Center  
21 E. Plant Street  
Tuesday – Saturday | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

## WINTER GARDEN HERITAGE MUSEUM

### Exhibitions

**Seminole Attire: History and Culture through Design**  
September 1 – December 31

Since the 19th century, the indigenous people we know as Seminoles established a presence in our region. From a Creek word meaning outcast, the name Seminoles came to signify the Native Americans expelled from Georgia and Alabama and driven into Florida. Three Seminole wars in the 19th century forced them further south, into the Everglades. The style of clothing displayed here originated in the 1920s and continues to develop today with its trademark, intricate patchwork designs.



^ A painting by Bess Tribble of a Seminole couple

**From House Calls to Hospitals: Caring for West Orange County**  
January 1 – March 31

The people of our region did not enjoy convenient hospital care until 1952 with the opening of West Orange Memorial Hospital in Winter Garden. The exhibit traces the evolution of healthcare from the days when doctors drove horse-drawn wagons to their patients' homes, to today's state-of-the-art medical facilities. Related professions such as nursing and dentistry are also honored.



^ A postcard showing West Orange Memorial Hospital

Winter Garden Heritage Museum  
1 N. Main Street | Tuesday – Saturday | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission



# CENTRAL FLORIDA RAILROAD MUSEUM

101 S. BOYD STREET | 407.656.0559 | CFRHS.ORG  
TUESDAY – SATURDAY | 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM | FREE ADMISSION

Located in an over 100-year-old train depot, the Central Florida Railroad Museum boasts multiple galleries of extensive local and nationwide railroad artifacts and memorabilia. Its model train display is a fan favorite for all ages.

## EXHIBITION

### IT'S ABOUT TIME: HOW THE RAILROADS CREATED OUR TIME ZONES

The four time zones of the United States were created in 1883 by the railroads to standardize schedules and improve safety. This exhibit looks at how the railroads influence the way we schedule our lives, and the tools we use to keep us "on time."

Now - February 1  
Tuesday – Saturday, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### ARCHIVES DAY AT THE MUSEUM

Visit our Library and Archives and see some of the latest additions to our collection.

Saturday, October 19  
Saturday, January 18  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm | Free Admission

### LEGO DAY AT THE MUSEUM

Join us for a frightfully fun time as we host the Greater Florida Lego User Group and their wonderful Halloween- and Holiday-themed Lego model railroad layout. (Event takes place during Downtown Winter Garden Halloween Experience.)

Saturday, October 26 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (extended museum hours)  
Free Admission

## PRESENTATIONS

### SATURDAY HISTORY SERIES

These one-hour presentations feature the history of local railroads, the communities they served, plus topics of regional interest. Some events may require paid admission. Visit [cfrhs.org/events](http://cfrhs.org/events) for upcoming speakers and times.

Saturday, September 21 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm | Free admission

*Florida: A History in Pictures - Railroads Edition* presented by Mike McGinness and Jeff Davies, authors and administrators of the Facebook Group: Florida: A History in Pictures (The Group), which has over 288,000 members.

Saturday, December 21 | 1:30 – 2:30 pm | Free admission

*Railroad Ghost Towns and Phantom Trains* presented by Rick Cronin, author and Central Florida historian.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

Visitors are welcome to attend the Central Florida Railway Historical Society monthly meetings. Each meeting features a railroad-related presentation.

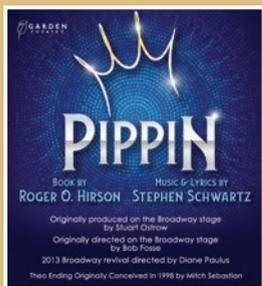
Second Monday Monthly  
7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Free Admission



Visit [cfrhs.org](http://cfrhs.org) for event details and list of upcoming events and presentations.

## LIVE THEATRE

Visit [gardentheatre.org](http://gardentheatre.org) for more information and to purchase tickets! Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more, military, first responders, teachers, seniors, and students.



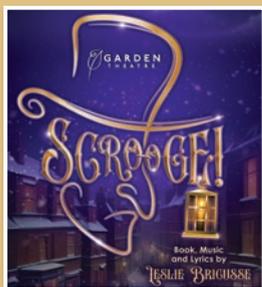
### PIPPIN

Book by ROGER O. HIRSON, Music & Lyrics by STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

Now - September 15 | Matinee and Evening Performances

Join us and discover the story of Pippin, a young prince who searches for the secret to true happiness and fulfillment in Stephen Schwartz's iconic and unforgettable musical masterpiece. He seeks it in the glories of the battlefield, the temptations of the flesh, and the intrigues of political power. At the journey's end, Pippin finds that happiness lies not in extraordinary endeavors, but rather in the unextraordinary moments that happen every day. (Rated PG-13)

Nominated for numerous Tony Awards in 1973 and again in 2013 with the show's revival, *PIPPIN* continues to captivate audiences around the world.

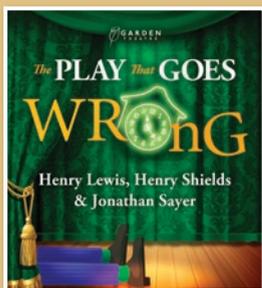


### SCROOGE!

Book, Music, and Lyrics by Leslie Bricusse

November 22 – December 22 | Matinee and Evening Performances

In this timeless musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' beloved novella, *A Christmas Carol*, miserly Ebenezer Scrooge undergoes a profound experience over the course of a Christmas Eve night. Visited by the ghost of his former business partner and guided by three spirits, Scrooge discovers the true meaning of Christmas as he confronts his past, present, and potential future. Set to a delightful musical score by Leslie Bricusse, this mesmerizing production captures the essence of redemption, compassion, and the power of human connection. Bring your family and experience the warmth of holiday spirit as one man who was once described as hard and sharp as flint is transformed into a generous and kind-hearted man, full of the Christmas spirit. (Rated G)



### THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

Henry Lewis, Henry Shields & Jonathan Sayer

February 14 – March 2 | Matinee and Evening Performances

Welcome to opening night of the Cornley Drama Society's newest production, *The Murder at Haversham Manor*, where things are quickly going from bad to utterly disastrous. This 1920s whodunit has everything you never wanted in a show—an unconscious leading lady, a corpse that can't play dead, and actors who trip over everything (including their lines). Nevertheless, the accident-prone thespians battle against all odds to make it through to their final curtain call, with hilarious consequences! Part Monty Python, part Sherlock Holmes, this Olivier Award-winning comedy has been called "the funniest play Broadway has ever seen" (*Huffington Post*) and is guaranteed to leave you aching with laughter! (Rated PG-13)

## CONCERTS

### LEGACY: MOTOWN & MORE

September 20 - 22

LEGACY, an international male vocal group hailing from New York City, boasts members from Broadway's acclaimed production, *Motown: The Musical*. These remarkable entertainers deliver show-stopping performances featuring iconic concert hits spanning from the Beatles to Bruno Mars and everything in between.



### SAIL ON: THE BEACH BOYS TRIBUTE

October 4 - 6

Sail On, the premier tribute band, plays all the Beach Boys' classic hits, plus some treasures from the band's brilliant extended catalog, recreating the soundtrack to an "Endless Summer" completely live and in rich detail. Their authentic, harmonious sound creates a show full of "Good Vibrations" and is for anyone who wants to have "Fun, Fun, Fun!"

### THE BOY BAND PROJECT

October 11 - 13

The Boy Band Project is the award-winning contemporary boy band experience with all the moves, music, and magic of your favorite boy bands from the 1990s, 2000s, and beyond featuring the music of NSYNC, Backstreet Boys, Hanson, One Direction, 98 Degrees, O-town, BoyzIIMen, Jonas Brothers, and more. The group is composed of Broadway boys direct from hit Broadway shows such as *Wicked*, *Hairspray*, *Mamma Mia*, *The Book of Mormon*, *Altar Boyz*, and *Rock of Ages!*

## MOVIES

Visit [gardentheatre.org](http://gardentheatre.org) for details and to purchase movie tickets.

### HALLOWEEN DOUBLE-FEATURE MOVIES!

*Carrie* (1976, R)

Tuesday, October 29 at 7:30 pm

*Scream* (1996, R)

Tuesday, October 29, at 10:00 pm

*Young Frankenstein* (1974, PG)

Wednesday, October 30 at 7:30 pm

*The Blair Witch Project* (1988, R)

Wednesday, October 30 at 10:00 pm

*Get Out* (2017, R)

Thursday, October 31 at 7:30 pm

*Garden After Dark: The Rocky Horror Picture Show* (1975, R) Interactive Movie

Thursday, October 31 at 10:30 pm



### HOLIDAY MOVIES

*How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (2000, PG)

Wednesday, December 4 at 7:30 pm

*It's a Wonderful Life* (1946, PG) | Wednesday,

December 11 at 7:30 pm

*Elf* (2003, PG)

Wednesday, December 18 at 7:30 pm

### FOREIGNERS JOURNEY

November 1 - 3

Foreigners Journey amazes audiences worldwide with their high-energy authentic tribute to Rock 'n' Roll's iconic legends Foreigner and Journey. Featuring legendary top hits and power ballads such as "Feels Like the First Time," "Hot Blooded," "I Want to Know What Love Is," "Separate Ways," "Anyway You Want It," and "Don't Stop Believing," this show delivers a powerhouse performance and an unforgettable experience!

### GARY ROLAND & THE LANDSHARKS BAND

January 24 – 26

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! Gary Roland & The Landsharks: This Jimmy Buffett Tribute Band has been widely known as one of the most entertaining and interactive party bands in the world, having performed for millions of people all over the globe. If you're looking for fun, there is nothing like a Landsharks concert. A Landsharks performance is more than just music... it's an experience!



## EDUCATION

Performing Arts Classes & Workshops  
Fall, Winter, and Spring

Garden Theatre's fun and exciting education offerings continue all year round! Classes focus on movement, dance, acting, improv, and include accessible programming, and a fall and spring production.

Be sure to stay up to date on all the great offerings by visiting [gardentheatre.org/education](http://gardentheatre.org/education).



## ART IN PUBLIC PLACES GALLERY IN CITY HALL

300 W. PLANT STREET  
MONDAY - FRIDAY  
7:30 AM – 5:30 PM | FREE

The **Art in Public Places (AIPP) program** provides rotating exhibits throughout the year that are easily accessible to the community using the first floor of City Hall as the Arts in Public Places Gallery to display various art mediums.

Presented by the City of Winter Garden, the AIPP program features original artwork of paintings, photography, and ceramics, the exhibits highlight the places and people of Winter Garden and West Orange County.

Regular contributors to the program include the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation, Crealdé School of Art, and the Winter Garden Art Association. In addition, the City of Winter Garden periodically hosts an Artists' Call encouraging the public to submit specified-theme art, which is juried and showcased.

The Art in Public Places Gallery at City Hall is open during regular operating hours (Monday – Friday, 7:30 am – 5:30 pm). The public is invited to come see the amazing artwork that fills the walls of the City Hall lobby.



# Holiday Office Closures and Solid Waste Collection Services Schedule

For handy reference, below is the City Government Office Closures and Solid Waste Collection Services Schedule for upcoming holidays (September 2024 – January 2025).

### Labor Day: (September 2):

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Monday, September 2.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services (trash, recycling, yard waste, bulk items) on Monday, September 2. Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.

### Thanksgiving Day (November 28) and Friday after Thanksgiving (November 29):

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29.
- On Thursday, November 28, there will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services (trash, recycling, yard waste, bulk items). Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.
- On Friday, November 29, there will be Regular Solid Waste Collection Services.

### Christmas (December 25):

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Wednesday, December 25.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services (trash, recycling, yard waste, bulk items) on Monday, December 25. Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.
- There will be a Recycling Only Makeup Collection Day on Saturday, December 28.

### New Year's Day (January 1):

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Monday, January 1.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services (trash, recycling, yard waste, bulk items) on Monday, January 1. Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.
- There will be a Recycling Only Makeup Collection Day on Saturday, January 4.

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 20):

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20.
- There will be Regular Solid Waste Collection Services on Monday, January 20.

## EXHIBITIONS

### *¡Viva El Arte!*

September 3 – October 31

Curated by the Winter Garden Art Association, this exhibit features various forms of 2D and 3D artistic expressions from Central Florida Hispanic Artists. These colorful works of art are sure to brighten your day!

### *It's a Wonderful Life in Winter Garden*

November 1 – January 3

The exhibition tells the visual story and written narrative of contemporary life in Downtown Winter Garden, one of Central Florida's most authentic and picturesque small towns, through the lenses of 10 experienced Crealdé master class students. Black and white photographs highlight Winter Garden's history; its diverse community of residents and business owners; and Winter Garden's unique way of connecting historic preservation, economic development, and overall quality of life.

### *Reflections of Time III*

January 6 – February 28

This exhibition highlights African American artists from Winter Garden and the surrounding areas and demonstrates how their works serve as a testament in preserving time. Curated by Patrick Noze, Crealdé School of Art Senior Curator of Exhibitions, this exhibit displays artwork of a variety of disciplines.



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