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# City Events Provide a Sense of Community



Mayor John Rees

The City of Winter Garden is able to retain its small-town feel despite being home to more than 50,000 people. If I had to put my finger on a major contributing factor as to how we are able to accomplish that, I would say it is because of the City's outstanding community events which provide the opportunity for everyone to come together. When alongside fellow residents you watch a parade, sing along to music, ooh and ahh at fireworks, or witness downtown light up for the holidays, the shared experience unites us one and all.

Fortunately, the infrastructure of our scenic downtown serves as the ultimate gathering venue for events, attributing to the City's small-town feel. Often called the City's "living room," Centennial Plaza organically creates a familial atmosphere to comfortably hang out, strike up a conversation, and collectively create emotional connections to your hometown.

City staff work tirelessly year-round to execute the annual special events. The passion and dedication shows in the decorations, quality entertainment, and attention to detail. The signature events are considered a gift of fun and enjoyment to the residents as there is never an admission charge; and, of course, parking is always free. I encourage all residents to come out to enjoy the festivities, create shared memories with family, gather with friends or meet new ones, and relish the feeling of being a part of this wonderful community we call home.

Year-round, the City hosts Fridays on the Plaza with live music and the Winter Garden Farmers Market, both providing weekly communal opportunities to gather. The City's annual special event calendar is off to a great start with the recent success of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Celebration and Winter Garden Music Festival. Be sure to take note of the dates of more community events to come this year. Hope to see you there!

## UPCOMING 2025 EVENTS:



**April 5 & 6**  
Spring Fever in the Garden



**June 21**  
Juneteenth Community Celebration



**July 4**  
All American Kids Parade  
Party in the Park & Fireworks Display



**August 2**  
Back to School Bash



**October 23 – 31**  
Halloween Experience



**November 29**  
Small Business Saturday  
Sale & Celebration



**December 5:** Light Up Winter Garden  
**December 6:** Winter Garden Christmas Parade  
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*Cover photo: Newton Park, 31 W. Garden Avenue, is home to several events throughout the year including the upcoming Evening at the Pops (March 29) and Party in the Park (July 4). Year round, the park offers a number of amenities including a public boat ramp, grill, picnic tables and areas, and a playground. Located on the shores of Lake Apopka, it is an ideal location to watch a sunset. Leashed pets are welcome.*

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## Earth Day - Let's Talk Trees

### Register for Free Workshop - April 22

On Earth Day, come learn more about the trees in Winter Garden. Find out their history and how you can do your part to take care of them, whether in your yard or on your street. Discover who is responsible for some of those troublesome trees you encounter: is it you, your neighbor, the HOA, or the City? Learn the steps required to get a permit in the event you need to cut down a tree. You will also find out how tree debris should be placed at the curb for the Solid Waste crews to pick it up efficiently.

Three trees will be given away in a raffle. You must be present to win.

*Earth Day – Let's Talk Trees Workshop*  
 Tuesday, April 22 | 11:00 am – 1:30 pm  
 Winter Garden City Hall, 300 W. Plant Street | Free  
 To register, call 407.877.5193 or email dcorbus@cwgdn.com.



## Celebrate Earth Day at the Farmers Market on April 19

### Free Reusable Tote Bag Giveaway

Commemorate Earth Day at the Winter Garden Farmers Market by getting a free reusable Winter Garden tote bag to curb use of plastic bags. Stop by the City of Winter Garden table, next to the Pavilion, for the free tote bag and to find out ways you can continue to keep our planet clean.

Use the bag for your purchases at the Farmers Market and bring it back to use each Saturday. The rest of the week, use the bag at retailers across our area. Saying no to plastic bags is one way to remember and honor our dear Mother Earth.

Earth Day at the Farmers Market  
 Free Bag Giveaway (while supplies last)  
 Saturday, April 19  
 8:00 am – 1:00 pm



## Lessons Learned from Last Hurricane Season

### Trim Trees in the Spring

Last hurricane season, many residents cut trees a few days before the hurricanes approached and that debris was left at the curb to become flying projectiles, potentially damaging property. As a reminder, the Solid Waste Division cannot accommodate special pickups days before a storm. At that time, City crews are busy with citywide storm preparation.

#### SPRING is the time to prepare for storm season by doing the following:

- Identify and trim the overgrown trees on your property.
- If you want to have a tree cut down, you must first secure a permit at City Hall, per City code. Allow time for this process.
- If you hire a contractor to trim/cut trees, remind the contractor that it is their responsibility to remove and dispose of that debris (do not place curbside).
- Cut tree limbs to no more than four inches in diameter and four feet in length, per City code, so they can be collected. Yard debris is limited in volume to three cubic yards placed at the curb, per yard waste collection day. That is about the size of three washing machines sitting side by side. Extra charges may be applied for piles larger than the maximum size so plan ahead and make trimmings over several collection days.
- Place yard waste at the curb or the edge of the road (but not on top of fire hydrants or storm drains) to allow for easy pickup. Be a good neighbor and do not place curbside until at least the day before your scheduled collection day.
- Put leaves and small sticks in bags (not loose) and place separate from tree debris at the curb.

Trimming trees and discarding the debris before storm season arrives will avoid last-minute panic and keep your home safer.

## Water Less - Five Easy Ways to Save Water Outdoors

1. Are you odd? Or even? Know your watering days.
2. Check your sprinkler system to make sure it is working efficiently.
3. Turn off your sprinkler if there is rain in the forecast.
4. Think “smart” irrigation technology.
5. Right plant, right place.

Apply moderate amounts of water to create a healthy, drought-and-stress-tolerant lawn. For most Florida soils, applying no more than three-quarters of an inch of water per application is enough to revitalize the grass. Saturate the root zone, then let soil dry to encourage healthy, deep root growth. Overwatering promotes weed growth, disease, and fungus.

More information about your lawn and water use can be found on the St. John's Water Management District website, sjrwmd.com.

### Know your Days to Water Your Lawn

Water only when needed and not between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.

### City of Winter Garden Conservation Ordinance for Landscape Irrigation

*Daylight Saving Time (Second Sunday in March until the first Sunday in November)*

Odd # Homes	Wednesday/Saturday
Even # Homes	Thursday/Sunday
Nonresidential Properties	Tuesday/Friday

## Low Income Seniors Can Now Save Up to 90% on Utility Bills Revamped Utility Bill Assistance Program Commences

The City of Winter Garden has revamped its long-standing Utility Bill Assistance for Low Income Seniors Program, lowering the residency and income requirements to increase its reach and provide greater savings.

Changes to the program include reducing the resident requirement to 12 continuous months, updating the income eligibility threshold to mirror federal poverty income guidelines, and providing a reduction of up to 90% of base charges on City utility bills.

To enroll in the program, residents must complete an application and provide required documentation no later than 5:00 pm on May 1, 2025, as well as meet eligibility requirements. Qualified residents will receive the cost savings in their May 2025 through April 2026 utility bills. Only applicants that do NOT qualify will be notified. Residents must apply annually for this program.

### Program Eligibility Requirements:

- 65 years of age, or
- 62 years of age and receiving Social Security benefits, and
- CITY resident continuously for the past 12 months, PRIOR to your application date, and
- Utility bill must be in applicant's name and billed directly to applicant, and
- Gross household income for ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD MUST NOT EXCEED 60% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines. View Income Guideline Chart. \*

\*These figures are based on the 2024 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Guideline published in the Federal Register on January 17, 2024.

### Submit copies of the following with application:

- 2025 Social Security Benefit Statement, or
- 2024 Federal Income Tax Return, and
- ALL other proof of income for entire household

The application is available to complete and return at the Winter Garden City Hall Reception Desk, 300 W. Plant Street, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, or by contacting Utility Billing Customer Service, 407.656.4100.

**APPLICATION & PROOF OF INCOME DEADLINE: May 1, 2025, at 5:00 pm.**


## MOBILE CITIZEN APP DELIVERS QUICK SERVICE

The Mobile Citizen App is a great way to get quick service when reporting nonemergency service requests to the City. This is due to the app's ability to route requests to the appropriate service area for immediate attention. In fact, on average, 91% of app service requests are resolved within five days.

With just a few clicks and a snap of a photo, an array of service requests can be submitted through the app. This includes a damaged streetlight, sidewalk defects, bothersome potholes, code enforcements, or even a missed trash pickup. During hurricane season, the app is an excellent way to report a fallen tree, flooding, traffic light outages, or downed power lines.

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

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



## Voice Your Opinion Winter Garden! To Shape City Services, Your Quality of Life, and City's Overall Direction

It is that time again for you to weigh in with your voice and participate in our 2025 National Community Survey™ (The NCS). Every two years, in partnership with an independent consultant, the City of Winter Garden conducts a randomly selected and scientifically-based survey to gauge the opinions of residents regarding the quality of our community characteristics, services, and governance. This means there is high confidence that the survey results are accurate, reliable, and representative of the overall views of our community.

Surveys will be mailed out randomly in spring/summer. Should you receive this survey, please be sure to complete it quickly and offer your voice to make Winter Garden an even better place to live, work, and play. Surveys may be submitted by mail or online option.

### Did You Know...?

- Your voice sets community priorities and directs the City's Strategic Plan.
- Your voice has impacted improvements over the last 14+ years in *Public Safety, Mobility, Community Engagement, Code Enforcement, Community Design, Utility Infrastructure, Economy, Recreation & Wellness, and the Natural Environment.*
- Your Winter Garden was recognized nationally earning top awards for rating excellence over multiple years compared to 300+ communities.



## 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.cwgdn.com](http://www.cwgdn.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 [wgrecriuter@cwgd.com](mailto:wgrecriuter@cwgd.com).

# Winter Garden Public Safety

## COMMUNITY CLASSES

### 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.

Registration Dates:

Friday, March 28 | 2:30 - 4:30 pm and Friday, August 29  
2:00 - 4:00 pm

Winter Garden Police Department (back parking lot off  
Henderson Street), 251 W. Plant Street | Free

Questions, call 407.656.3636 ext. 5416.

### National Prescription Drug Take Back Day – April 26

Dispose of unused, expired, and unwanted pharmaceutical controlled substances and unwanted household medications at the DEA National Take Back Day, hosted by the Winter Garden Police Department.

The drugs will be disposed of in a safe and environmentally conscious way.

Saturday, April 26 | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Collection Site: Winter Garden Police Department, 251 W. Plant Street

### Citizens CPR Class

Interested in learning how to take a hands-on approach towards 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. Preregistration is required, and space is limited to 12 participants. To register, visit <https://enroll.wgplay.com> and click on "Recreation Classes."

Class Dates (select one):

Saturday | March 15

Saturday | May 17

Saturday | July 19

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

### 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.

Class Dates (select one):

Thursday | April 24

Thursday | August 28

6:00 – 8:30 pm

Eligible Participants | Women only, ages 13 and up

Winter Garden Police Department Training Room, 251 W. Plant Street  
Free

To register, contact Officer Gail Michaud at 407.656.3636 ext. 4405 or at [gmichaud@wgpd.com](mailto:gmichaud@wgpd.com). Classes fill quickly so reserve your spot today.



### Citizens Police Academy

#### Apply Now for 2025 Classes

If you are curious about police department operations, you can learn firsthand about crime prevention, investigations, and police procedures at the Winter Garden Citizens Police Academy. This free, nine-week course covers these topics and more during weekly discussions hosted by Winter Garden police officers and staff. Class participants will also be eligible to go on a ride along with an officer!

Academy Dates (select one):

March 5 – April 30 (makeup date, if needed: May 7)

August 13 – October 8 (makeup date, if needed: October 15)

Wednesdays Only | 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Winter Garden Police Department, Training Room,  
251 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 submit your application today.

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

### Winter Garden PAL Youth Summer Camp

The Winter Garden Police Athletic League (WGPAL) will host an eight-week summer camp for qualifying youth. The camp is available AT NO COST to children ages 5-15 residing within the City limits and receiving government assistance.

The camp's mission is to create and build relationships among camp staff, Winter Garden police officers, area youth, and their parents. The camp provides a safe, welcoming, and fun place to interact through sports, communication, and the introduction of experiences that encourage community ownership, leadership, education, and personal growth.

Camp Dates | June 9 – August 1 | Free

Monday – Friday | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Location | TBD

When registering for the WGPAL Youth Summer Camp, the following documents are required:

- child's birth certificate or court/custody paperwork — only parent or legal guardian can register a child (Children must be ages 5-15 and have completed Kindergarten.)
- child's medical insurance card
- current water or utility bill for the Winter Garden address residence
- proof of government assistance (WIC, food stamps, etc.)
- form of identification (driver's license, ID card, passport, etc.)
- camp application

Visit the following locations on dates specified to complete an application and bring the required documents:

**West Orange Recreation Center:** May 5 | 3:00-5:00 pm  
May 6 | 3:00-5:00 pm

**Westside Townhomes:** May 7 | 3:00-5:00 pm

**Country Gardens:** May 8 | 3:00-5:00 pm

**Palm Crossing:** May 9 | 3:00-5:00 pm

**Village Grove:** May 12 | 3:00-5:00 pm

**West Pointe Villas:** May 13 | 2:00-5:00 pm

**Winter Garden Police Dept.:** May 15 | 3:00-5:00 pm  
(Back Parking Lot-Office Door is on Henderson St.)  
May 16 | 3:00-5:00 pm

Deadline to register is May 16, 2025. Space is limited so do not delay.

# Spring & Summer Events

## EVENING AT THE POPS

The shore of Lake Apopka with twinkling stars above is the perfect setting for an outdoor concert featuring the Plant Street Pops Orchestra. Pack a picnic, along with a chair or blanket (no outside alcoholic beverages permitted). Refreshments and nonalcoholic/alcoholic beverages will be available onsite for purchase.

Evening at the Pops is presented by the Rotary Club of Winter Garden, with co-sponsorship from the City of Winter Garden.

Saturday, March 29 | 6:30 – 9:00 pm (Rain Date: March 30)  
 Newton Park, 31 W. Garden Avenue  
 General Admission: \$10 per person / VIP Admission: \$85  
 Children 8 and under: Free  
 Tickets and details: [rotaryclubofwintergarden.org](http://rotaryclubofwintergarden.org)



## SHOP, DINE & STROLL RAFFLE MAY-NIA & LIVE MUSIC

Downtown is in a frenzy for Raffle MAY-nia! While you shop, dine, and stroll, look for the raffle signs in the windows of participating shops and restaurants for chances to win multiple prizes including a \$500 grand prize. An outdoor live music concert adds to the day's festivities! Great outing to celebrate and shop for upcoming Mother's Day.

Saturday, May 3 | All Day  
 Historic Downtown



## JUNETEENTH COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Community celebration in honor of Juneteenth with fun family activities, entertainment, merchandise/food vendors, and more. Hosted by the City of Winter Garden, stay tuned to [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) for more information.

Saturday, June 21 | 10:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Charlie Mae Wilder Park, 1203 E. Plant Street  
 Free Admission

## Spring Fever IN THE Garden

The 23rd annual, two-day festival transforms downtown's Plant Street into a celebration of spring with gardening vendors lining the downtown streets, entertainment for all ages, and much more!

Saturday, April 5 | 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
 Sunday, April 6 | 11:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Historic Downtown Winter Garden  
 Free Admission  
 Rain or shine event - no rain dates.



### FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Vendor Booths selling thousands of a wide array of flowers and foliage
- Chalkin' It Up Sidewalk Art Contest (application deadline: March 15)
- Live Music & Entertainment
- Kid Zone Area
- Arts and Crafts
- Ask the Experts Booth
- Avian Reconditioning Center Birds of Prey
- And Much More!

Hosted by the Bloom & Grow Garden Society in conjunction with the City of Winter Garden and presenting sponsors Orlando Health and Healthy West Orange, the festival stands as the cornerstone of Bloom and Grow's fundraising efforts. Proceeds support local higher education scholarships as well as local planting and educational initiatives.

For up-to-date event schedule, visit [springfeverinthegarden.org](http://springfeverinthegarden.org).



## ALL AMERICAN KIDS PARADE

Kick off Independence Day with the 21st Annual All American Kids Parade! Kids of all ages (adults too!) wear red, white, and blue and parade through historic downtown following a kids-eat-free pancake breakfast.

Hosted by the Winter Garden Masonic Lodge in conjunction with the City of Winter Garden, the celebration includes free patriotic decorations for the parade, activities, and a variety of community booths including free (limited) bike helmets by the Winter Garden Police Department.

Friday, July 4  
 Pancake Breakfast | 8:00 – 10:00 am  
 Kids eat free!  
 Parade Kickoff | 10:00 am | Free  
 Winter Garden Masonic Lodge, 230 W. Bay Street





**PARTY IN THE PARK & FIREWORKS DISPLAY**

One of West Orange County’s most spectacular fireworks displays is right here in Winter Garden! Enjoy live music, family-friendly activities, food vendors, and amazing fireworks on the shore of Lake Apopka. Bring a chair, blanket, or cozy up on the grass for this beloved Winter Garden tradition!

Hosted by the City of Winter Garden, all ages will enjoy this fun-filled evening. Parking is available at Dillard Street Elementary.

Festivities begin at 6:00 pm  
 Fireworks show begins at 9:15 pm  
 Newton Park, 31 W. Garden Avenue  
 Free Admission



**SUMMER SIDEWALK SALE & LIVE MUSIC**

The Summer Sidewalk Sale is a great time to snag boutique apparel, accessories, home décor, and more at discounted prices as downtown merchants close out their summer season merchandise. Live music in the center of downtown makes this a fun summer outing for all.

Saturday, August 2 | All Day | Historic Downtown



**Back to School Bash**

**Backpacks & School Supplies Giveaway**

A fun end-of summer celebration including a foam party, water activities, interactive DJ, community vendors, and more! Plus, free backpacks and school supplies giveaway (while supplies last)!

Saturday, August 2  
 11:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Zanders Park & Boulder  
 Pool, 362 11th Street  
 Free Admission



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

# Weekly Events

**FRIDAYS ON THE PLAZA**

Enjoy live music under the stars every Friday night in the charming historic district of downtown Winter Garden. Presented year-round by the City of Winter Garden with a different musical genre featured each week. View the musical lineup at [cwgd.com/324/Fridays-on-the-Plaza](http://cwgd.com/324/Fridays-on-the-Plaza).

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



**WINTER GARDEN FARMERS MARKET**

Held every Saturday year round, the award-winning farmers market is a fun way to connect with your community. The market boasts more than 100 vendors offering a variety of fresh produce, baked goods, gourmet provisions, artisan crafts, and more. Live music contributes to the festive atmosphere.

A variety of special events throughout the year provide complimentary family-friendly fun.

**SPECIAL EVENT SCHEDULE (9:00 am – 12:00 pm):**

- March 8 | Farm Day at the Market/Petting Zoo
- March 15 | St. Patrick’s Day Celebration

- April 12 & 19 | Arts in April Kids’ Crafts
- April 19 | Earth Day Reuseable Tote Bag Giveaway
- May 10 | Mother’s Day Cards Kids’ Craft
- June 7 | Farmers Market 17th Birthday Party
- June 14 | Father’s Day Cards Kids’ Craft
- July 5 | Independence Day Celebration
- August 9 | National Farmers Market Week Celebration

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



**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 for details.

# Nutrition, Health & Wellness

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

Enroll at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. Questions, call 407-656-4155. Program dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgdh.com](http://cwgdh.com) for the most current information

Enjoy  
the basics of  
gentle yoga!

## 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

Age | 16 years & older

\$9 City Resident / \$10 Nonresident, per class

\$32 City Resident / \$36 Nonresident, per month

## BOOT CAMP WITH BRAD

Looking for cardio and strength training exercises that utilize both weights as well as 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 doesn't involve any drums! It will raise your heart rate, help you burn hundreds of calories, improve your coordination and ability to focus, and help strengthen many muscle groups, including your core. Advance registration required; space is limited.

Wednesdays (starting on April 16) | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

April 16 – May 14 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N Dillard Street

May 21 - August 13 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

Age | 16 years & older

\$4 City Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

## 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

Age | 12 years & older

\$20 Resident / \$25 Nonresident, per class

\$64 City Resident / \$69 Nonresident, 12 classes per month

## TAI CHI & CHI KUNG

Ancient Chinese exercises that emphasize relaxation, breath control, correct posture, balance, and flexibility to develop the mind and body. This program promotes meditation for health.

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

Age | 16 years & older

\$60 City Resident / \$65 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

Age | 18 years & older

\$6 City Resident / \$7 Nonresident, per class

\$45 City Resident / \$51 Nonresident, per month

## ZUMBA GOLD

Open to those 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

Age | 16 years & older

\$4 City Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

## ZUMBA TONING

Continue moving your hips and exercising in disguise! An exciting, 30/30 blended dance-fitness class that features the same exotic rhythms set to high energy international beats of a Zumba format with also the use of light weights!

Saturdays | 9:00 – 10:00 am

Age | 18 years & older

\$6 Resident / \$7 Nonresident, per class



Advance reservations required at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>.

Camp dates are tentative and subject to change. Questions, call 407.656.4155.

### SPRING BREAK SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

The qualified, well-trained Winter Garden Parks & Recreation staff host a fun camp full of activities, arts and crafts, sports, and much more! Campers must bring a packed lunch, snacks, and a water bottle to camp every day.

#### CAMP DATES:

March 14, 17 - 21 | 7:00 am – 6:00 pm | Age | Kindergarten - 8th grade  
\$26 City Resident / \$32 Nonresident, per day  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

### SUMMER DAY CAMP

Summer Day Camp 2025 is almost here! Mark the registration dates on your calendar as space is extremely limited. To avoid any registration issues, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department by March 28 to verify your camper's information is correct.

This extremely popular camp is a fun way for youth to spend their summer. Campers will enjoy a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, as well as field trips on select dates.

#### REGISTRATION:

Day camp registration will begin for City residents the week of April 7 and will open to nonresidents on April 21. Please see schedule below for grade level specific dates of availability. Each grade will open at 8:00 am on their corresponding day. Registration will be available online at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>, as well as at Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street.

Grade	Registration Dates

\$140 City Resident / \$170 Nonresident, per week  
(Half the total payment is due at time of registration. Minimum payment not made will result in cancellation of weeks registered.)



May 21, 6:30 pm | Parent Information Meeting  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

#### CAMP DATES:

June 2 – August 8 (no camp on July 4), 10 weeks  
Monday – Friday | 7:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Age | Entering 1st - 8th grade  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

*Limited scholarships are available through the Winter Garden Parks & Recreation Department. Scholarships are based on the Income Eligibility Guidelines. Applications for scholarship will be available beginning February 17, 2025, and must be returned by March 21, 2025. Scholarships will be awarded on March 28, 2025. To obtain an application, please contact the Recreation Office: 407.656.4155, [recinfo@cwgdnc.com](mailto:recinfo@cwgdnc.com).*

### SUMMER DAY CAMP COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM

The Counselor-in-Training (CIT) program is specifically designed to develop the skills needed to be a positive leader and role model for the Parks & Recreation Summer Day Camp program. All interested teens must apply and interview for an opportunity to participate in this program. For more information, please email the Recreation Office [recinfo@cwgdnc.com](mailto:recinfo@cwgdnc.com).

June 2 – August 8 (no camp July 4), 10-weeks  
Monday – Friday | 7:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Age | 14\*– 16 (\*Eligible CIT's must be age 14 by June 2, 2025, or entering 9th Grade at start of 2025 – 2026 school year)  
Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street  
\$120 supply fee and \$35 each field trip week

# 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 [cwgdnc.com](http://cwgdnc.com) for the most current information.

### AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE

AARP is offering free tax help to low-to moderate-income taxpayers, especially those 60 and older, at the Jessie Brock Community Center. Appointments available at [tinyurl.com/JBrockWG](http://tinyurl.com/JBrockWG).

Wednesdays | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
February 5 – April 9 | Free

### 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.

Age | 13 years & older  
Session 1 | March 26 – April 23  
Session 2 | April 30 – May 28  
Wednesdays | 10:30 – 11:30 am  
\$80 City Resident / \$85 Nonresident, per 5-week session



**CREATIVE MOVEMENT**

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. Advance registration required.

Age | 2 – 4 years old  
 Wednesdays | 9:30 – 10:15 am  
 Session 1 | March 26 – April 23  
 Session 2 | April 30 – May 28  
 Saturdays | 10:15 – 11:00 am  
 Session 1 | April 5 – May 3  
 \$70 City Resident / \$75 Nonresident, per 4-week session

**INTRO TO SPANISH**

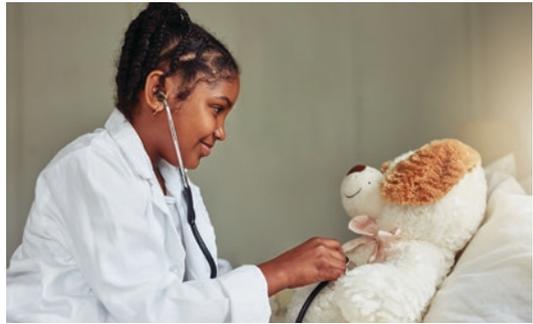
This class is a 1.5-hour long course, placing emphasis on the basics of Spanish and helping to develop basic conversations in Spanish. In this course, students will learn to greet others, introduce themselves and others, ask information, identify professions, and talk about basic people, places, and things.

Age | 18 years & older  
 Session 1 | April 8 – 29  
 Session 2 | May 6 – 27  
 Tuesdays | 5:30 – 7:00 pm  
 \$180 City Resident / \$195 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



**LITTLE MEDICAL SCHOOL**

Little Medical School (LMS) is the pioneer and leading developer of hands-on interactive programs for children with a focus on healthcare. Our unique approach helps children explore the benefits of careers in healthcare – whether human or animal, while simultaneously educating and entertaining them. Our 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.

**Equine Medical School**

Students will adopt and name their plush horse and learn the anatomy and maintenance of a horse. They will also learn basic horse nutrition, riding styles, gaits and role-play, and basic key responsibilities of an equine veterinarian.

Age | 5 – 11 years old  
 Mondays | March 3 – April 14 (no programming March 17)  
 6:30 – 7:30 pm | \$259, per 6-week session

**Little Vet Dog School**

Part 2: Students will role-play the key staff functions performed at a veterinary office and how to keep their “adopted” plush puppy healthy. These future veterinarians will explore digestion, the different parts of the canine eye, animal body language, and how X-rays are used to diagnose and treat common illnesses.

Age | 5 – 11 years old  
 Tuesdays | March 4 – April 15 (no programming March 18)  
 6:00 – 7:00 pm | \$259, per 6-week course section



Enjoy snacks, crafts, face painting, and photos with the Easter Bunny! Conclude the morning with an egg hunt. Hosted by the Parks & Recreation Department, all preschool children and their friends are welcome. Interested preschool classes must register in advance at 407.656.4155.

Friday, April 11  
 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Easter egg hunt starts at 11:30 am)  
 Age | 3 – 5 years old | Free  
 Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

# 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 capacity. Questions, call 407.656.4155. Athletic program dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.com) for the most current information.

**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 love of the sport. Together, we explore three sports (basketball, flag football, & baseball) with concentrated play & practice, followed by a finale game. Your Amazing Athlete will have the opportunity to develop skills with practice, apply what they’ve learned with confidence, have fun with gameplay, and discover sports they love! This program is an indoor program but may move outdoors if weather permits.

Age | 2 – 4 years old  
 Basketball | Thursdays, March 6 – 27 / June 5 – 26  
 Flag Football | Thursdays, April 3 – 24 / July 10 – 31  
 Baseball | Thursdays, May 1 – 22 / August 7 – 28  
 5:30 – 6:20 pm  
 \$64 Resident / \$70 Nonresident, per one sport  
 \$120 City Resident / \$132 Nonresident, per two sports  
 \$180 City Resident / \$198 Nonresident, per three sports

**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.

Age | 7 years old - adult  
 Session 1 | March 5 & 6  
 Session 2 | May 21 & 22  
 6:00 – 6:50 pm  
 \$25 City Resident / \$30 Nonresident, per class  
 \$50 City Resident / \$60 Nonresident, per two-class session

**KARATE ZOO**

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 and 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, immediate, and advanced modifications, allowing each student to progress at their own pace in a mixed ability group setting. Inspired by the traditions and 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!

Age | 3 – 6 years old  
 Session 1 | Mondays, March 10 – May 5 (no programming March 17)  
 Session 2 | Mondays, May 19 – July 14 (no programming May 26)  
 5:30 – 6:20 pm  
 \$191 City Resident / \$201 Nonresident, per 8-week session  
 (belt included in fee) Optional purchases | \$30 Karate Zoo Jersey,  
 \$40 Karate Gi Uniform



**KICKBALL – ADULT LEAGUE**

Gather your friends and come out to play the game we all remember from grade school which has evolved into today's hottest get-together sport for adults. Anyone can play from the less experienced to the die hard. 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. Number of league games varies each season.

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

**SPRING LEAGUE**

League begins March 20  
Registration | January 29 – February 21

**FALL LEAGUE**

League begins August 14  
Registration | July 9 – August 1

**PICKLEBALL 101**

This course introduces players to pickleball beginning with the very basics. The course consists of three classes, each 1.5 hours in length. It includes instruction on rules, paddles and balls, basic 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 necessary technical and tactical skills for open and/or doubles play.

Tuesdays | March 4 – 18      Saturdays | April 5 – 19  
Saturdays | March 8 – 22      Tuesdays | April 29 – May 13  
Tuesdays | April 1 – 15      Saturdays | May 3 – 17

12:30 – 2:00 pm  
\$100 City Resident / \$125 Nonresident, per 3-week session  
Veterans Memorial Park, 420 S. Park Avenue

**PICKLEBALL 102**

This course builds on the fundamentals that were learned in Pickleball 101 and delves deeper into various shots, court positions, strategy, and rules to increase the skill level of the players. The course consists of three classes, each 1.5 hours in length. It is designed for players who have been playing for less than a year or desire to elevate their game. These players are interested in improving their shots, knowledge of the game, developing game strategies, working on techniques, and gaining confidence to a point they feel they are participating equally with players during open and/or doubles play. Equipment to play available as needed.

Tuesdays | March 4 – 18      Saturdays | April 5 – 19  
Saturdays | March 8 – 22      Tuesdays | April 29 – May 13  
Tuesdays | April 1 – 15      Saturdays | May 3 – 17

2:30 – 4:00 pm  
\$100 City Resident / \$125 Nonresident, per 3-week session  
Veterans Memorial Park, 420 S. Park Avenue

**PICKLEBALL ADVANCEMENT**

Each 1.5-hour class focuses on advancing your game by working on the strategy and theory of pickleball. It provides in-depth discussion and explanation during simulated games and specific scenarios. The classes are designed to assist players who consistently play and are interested in elevating their game by providing a better understanding of the nuances of pickleball. Equipment to play available as needed.

Thursdays | March 13, March 27, April 10, April 24, May 8, May 22  
12:30 – 2:00 pm  
\$30 City Resident / \$40 Nonresident, per class  
Veterans Memorial Park, 420 S. Park Avenue

**RUNNING AND CONDITIONING PROGRAMS**

\$100 City Resident / \$120 Nonresident, per 4-week program

**YOUTH RUNNING AND CONDITIONING PROGRAM**

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.

Age | 5 – 13 years old  
Tuesdays | April 22 – May 13 | 6:00 – 6:50 pm

**MIDDLE SCHOOL RUNNING AND CONDITIONING PROGRAM**

Program conditions athletes to be able to compete in a Versatility Contest that will test their abilities in the 100 meter and 1-mile race. The program concludes with the Versatility Contest. Participants will receive training that develops speed, stamina, and develops an understanding of fast-twitch/slow-twitch muscle fibers. Athletes will get a unique opportunity to develop as a sprinter and distance runner.

Age | 10 – 14 years old  
Tuesdays | March 4 – April 1 (no programming March 18)  
6:00 – 6:50 pm

**SOCCER – YOUTH FALL LEAGUE**

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, a team jersey, and team socks.

Age | 4 – 13 years old (age as of September 1, 2025)  
City Resident Registration | June 11 – July 18  
Nonresident Registration | June 25 – July 18  
Registration may close early due to limited availability in each age division.



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

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

U8 & U10 Skills Evaluation | July 19  
Practices | Begin the week of August 25 | Games | Start Saturday, September 6.

\$115 City Resident / \$145 Nonresident | Braddock Park, 13460 Lake Butler Boulevard

**SUPER SOCCER STARS - YOUTH**

For children 12 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 is an outdoor activity but may move indoors in the event of inclement weather.

**Session 1**      **Session 2**  
Tuesdays | April 8 – June 10      Tuesdays | June 24 – August 26  
Saturdays | April 12 – June 14      Saturdays | June 21 – August 30 (no programming July 5)

Parent & Me | 12 months – 2 years old | Weekdays 5:00 – 5:40 pm,  
Weekends 9:00 – 9:40 am  
2– 3 years old | Weekdays 5:50 – 6:30 pm, Weekends 9:50 – 10:30 am  
3– 4 years old | Weekdays 5:00 – 5:40 pm, Weekends 9:00 – 9:40 am  
\$170 City Resident / \$180 Nonresident, per 10-week session  
Optional purchase! \$30 Super Soccer Stars Jersey

**USSSA SOFTBALL - ADULT LEAGUES**

Spring and fall adult softball leagues are available for all skill levels. 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 in each league. Number of league games varies each season.

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

**SPRING LEAGUE**

League begins the week of March 24  
Returning Team Registration\* | January 29 – February 21  
New Team Registration | February 5 – February 21

**FALL LEAGUE**

League begins the week of August 11  
Returning Team Registration\* | July 9 – August 1  
New Team Registration | July 23 – August 1

\*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.

**TENNIS LESSONS - YOUTH & ADULT**

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

Age | 5 years old – adult  
Session 1 | March 31 – May 9, 6-week session with meeting dates available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Fridays  
Session 2 | June 3 – June 19, 3-week morning session on both Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Session 3 | July 8 – July 24, 3-week morning session on both Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Time and fees vary, please visit [cwgd.com/Parks & Recreation/Athletics](http://cwgd.com/Parks & Recreation/Athletics) for details.  
Chapin Station Park, 501 Crown Point Cross Road

**VIDEO GAME CLUB**

Gamers meet and practice weekly to train for a team tournament that will be held on the last class of each session. Upon joining the club, children 6 – 14 years old will build friendships while also learning and developing leadership, sportsmanship, and teamwork while engaging in video game play.

**Session 1**  
Mondays | Rocket League Team | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
March 31 – May 19 (8-week session)  
Wednesdays | Fortnite Team | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
April 2 – May 21 (8-week session)

**Session 2**  
Mondays | Rocket League Team | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
June 2 – June 30 (5-week session)  
Wednesdays | Fortnite Team | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
June 4 – July 2 (5-week session)

**Session 3**  
Mondays | Rocket League | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
July 7 – August 4 (5-week session)  
Wednesdays | Fortnite | 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
July 9 – August 6 (5-week session)

Age | 6 – 14 years old  
\$75 City Resident / \$80 Nonresident, per 5-week session  
\$120 City Resident / \$128 Nonresident, per 8-week session  
Optional Purchase | \$45 Esports Team Jersey

For both pools: Any group admission must be scheduled in advance. Pool hours are subject to change.

<b>Farnsworth Pool Hours</b> 1 Surprise Drive	<b>May 3 – August 16</b>	<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>1:00 – 5:00 pm</b>
	<b>May 29 – August 8</b>	<b>Monday – Thursday Fridays Only</b>	<b>2:00 – 6:00 pm 2:00 – 5:00 pm</b>
General Admission: \$2 ages 12 & up   \$1 ages 2 – 11 Family Pass: \$55 City Resident / \$80 Nonresident (up to 6 family members) Adult Individual Pass: \$30 City Resident / \$35 Nonresident			
<b>Bouler Pool Hours</b> 362 11th Street	<b>May 3 – August 16</b>	<b>Saturdays Only</b>	<b>1:00 – 5:00 pm</b>
	<b>May 29 – August 8</b>	<b>Tuesday – Friday</b>	<b>1:00 – 5:00 pm</b>
General Admission: Free			

Advance reservations required at <https://enroll.wgplay.com> for all types of swim lessons, swim league, water polo clinic, and junior lifeguarding. Questions, call 407.656.4155. Aquatic program dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check [www.cwgdn.com](http://www.cwgdn.com) for the most current information.

### AQUA BOOT CAMP

Based on speed, power, and strength rather than rhythm and choreography, Aqua Fitness Boot Camp incorporates pyramid training, kickboxing drills, interval training, power drills, speed bursts, and strength exercises. While this class requires no coordination, it does demand a lot of stamina and is great for participants who need a new challenge and prefer intense, athletic workouts. This class will push you to your limits!

Age | 16 years & older  
 Monday – Thursday  
 June 2 – August 7 | 12:00 – 12:45 pm  
 \$4 per visit / \$42 – Aqua Flex Pass, 12 visits

### AQUA FITNESS

A stress-free exercise, that works the cardiovascular system, respiratory system, and major muscle groups in one workout. Water surrounds the body resisting every move, and muscle workouts are balanced at your own level. Aqua fitness provides a great workout while putting minimal stress on the body.

Age | 16 years & older  
 Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 May 6 – August 7 | 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
 Saturdays | May 3 – August 2 | 8:00 – 9:00 am  
 \$4 per visit / \$42 – Aqua Flex Pass, 12 visits

### AQUA ZUMBA

Activate your urge for variety! Aqua Zumba offers fun, shallow-water movement to improve agility and flexibility while addressing cardiovascular, strength, and endurance conditioning. This 60-minute class combines some of the traditional elements of aqua fitness with the upbeat, Latin-infused dance moves. You don't want to miss this pool party!

Age | 16 years & older  
 Mondays | May 5 – August 4 | 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
 \$4 per visit / \$42 – Aqua Flex Pass, 12 visits

### JUNIOR LIFEGUARDING

This program helps teens build the knowledge, attitude, and skills that are required to be a responsible future lifeguard. Participants learn skills such as swimming, leadership, rescue response, drowning prevention, professionalism, and teamwork. Give your child the opportunity to train as a lifeguard and prepare for their first summer job! Advance registration required.

Age | 13 – 15 years old | \$134 City Resident / \$150 Nonresident  
 Monday – Thursday, 3-weeks  
 June 2 – June 12 | 12:00 – 2:00 pm  
 June 16 – June 19 | 12:00 – 3:00 pm  
 Monday – Thursday, 3-weeks  
 June 30 – July 10 | 12:00 – 2:00 pm  
 July 14 – July 17 | 12:00 – 3:00 pm

### LAP SWIMMING

The outdoor lap swim program gives adults the chance to take to the water for health and fitness without interruption from other swimmers. Participants who swim 25 miles or more over the summer will receive a free Aqua Exercise Flex Pass for the following summer.

Age | 16 years & older  
 Monday – Thursday | May 5 – August 7  
 5:00 – 7:00 pm  
 Monday – Thursday | June 2 – July 24  
 8:00 – 9:00 am  
 Saturdays | May 3 – August 2  
 8:00 am – 10:00 am  
 \$4 per visit / \$42 – Aqua Flex Pass, 12 visits

### PRE-SUMMER RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS

These sessions are designed as refresher courses for young swimmers who have been out of the water since the previous summer. Each session offers four classes to help the participants regain confidence in the water. Advance registration required.

Monday – Thursday  
 Session 1 | May 5 – May 8  
 Session 2 | May 12 – May 15  
 Session 3 | May 19 – May 22  
 \$44 City Resident / \$60 Nonresident

### PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

One-on-one swim instruction is perfect for those who need more instructor attention. Private lessons are available for all ages and swimming levels. Each session includes four 30-minute classes. Space is extremely limited, advance registration required.

Monday – Thursday | May 5 – July 24  
 \$144 City Resident / \$166 Nonresident

### RED CROSS LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

The Learn to Swim Program is designed to teach children, teens, and adults to swim in a positive, fun, and safe environment. Lessons emphasize skill progression, water safety awareness, and endurance. Please visit the Aquatics webpage at [cwgdn.com/251/Aquatic-Programs](http://cwgdn.com/251/Aquatic-Programs) for more detailed information. Advance registration required.

Age | 6 months old – adult  
 Beginning June 2 | Weekday mornings, evenings & Saturday mornings available  
 Morning Sessions | \$88 City Resident / \$104 Nonresident, 8-class session  
 Evening Classes | \$44 City Resident / \$60 Nonresident, 4-class session

### SWIM TEAM INDIVIDUAL CONDITIONING

The swim team individual conditioning program gives those swimmers a great way to stay in shape or get ready for swim team tryouts. Prerequisite: Participants must be able to swim 50 yards without stopping and can follow a workout schedule board.

Age | 11 – 18 years old  
 Monday – Thursday | June 2 – July 24  
 8:00 - 8:45 am  
 \$4 per visit / \$42 – Aqua Flex Pass, 12 visits

### WATER POLO CLINIC

Learn how to pass, catch, dribble, and shoot a water polo ball this summer. This four-week clinic is designed to introduce your child to water polo or give them the extra experience needed to play at the high school level. This is a great introduction to the exciting game of Water Polo! Advance registration required.

Age | 11 – 14 years old  
 Mondays & Wednesdays | 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
 June 2 – July 23 | \$122 City Resident / \$138 Nonresident, 16 classes  
 June 2 – June 25 | \$72 City Resident / \$88 Nonresident, 8 classes  
 June 30 – July 23 | \$72 City Resident / \$88 Nonresident, 8 classes

### YOUTH SWIM LEAGUE

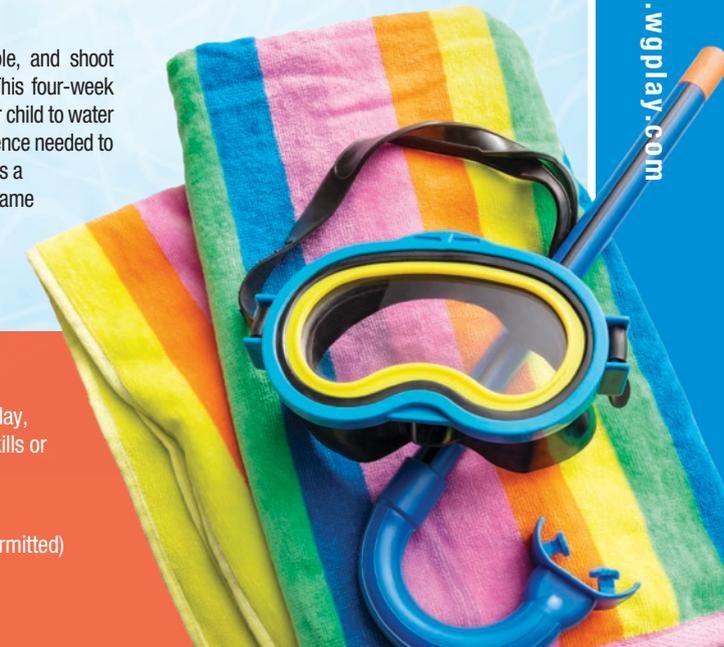
Join the team! Participants will learn about sportsmanship, team camaraderie, endurance, and stroke development, while enjoying a fun and healthy environment. Prerequisite: Participants must be able to swim 50 yards without stopping. Advance registration required.

Age | 6 – 16 years old  
 Monday – Thursday | 11:00 – 11:45 am  
 June 2 – July 24 | \$122 City Resident / \$138 Nonresident, Full Summer Session  
 June 2 – June 26 | \$72 City Resident / \$88 Nonresident, 1st half of Summer Session  
 June 30 – July 24 | \$72 City Resident / \$88 Nonresident, 2nd half of Summer Session

### FAMILY SWIM NIGHT | Every Wednesday Night

Join us Wednesday nights for Family Swim Night! A great way to relax after a busy day, enjoy your children, and have fun in the water. Let your kids show you their latest skills or just splash in the pool together!

Wednesdays | May 7 – August 6 | 6:30 – 8:00 pm  
 Fee | \$2 for 12 years & older / \$1 for 2 - 11 years old (Family & Individual Passes permitted)



Since 2010, Crealdé School of Art, in partnership with the City of Winter Garden, has offered a selection of Painting & Drawing, Ceramics, and Photography classes for adults and youth at the Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street.

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.

## SPRING/SUMMER/FALL | 2025 CLASS SCHEDULE

Spring Session: March 17 – May 11 • Summer Session: June 9 – August 3 • Fall I Session: August 18 – October 12

### YOUTH CLASSES

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

WG/YAP101

Instructor: *Mike Goodge*

Spring, Summer, & Fall | 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*

Spring, Summer, & Fall | 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 Castonovo*

Spring & Fall | Tuesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 6 Weeks  
\$155 Member/WG Resident | \$175 Nonmember

Celebrate the wonders of spring! Use hand-building techniques to create nature inspired pottery and whimsical art for the garden. Embellish with glaze and fire for charming garden treasures.

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

WG/YAP303

Instructor: *Mike Goodge*

Spring & Fall | 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!

### ADULT CLASSES

#### FUNCTIONAL POTTERY

WG/TD137

Skill Level: All

Instructor: *Camille Castronovo*

Spring & Fall | Tuesdays, 12:30 – 2:30 pm | 8 weeks

Spring, Summer, & Fall | Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | 8 weeks  
\$260 Member/WG Resident | \$280 Nonmember

Learn basics or increase current skill. Explore form and surface decoration, as you create pottery vessels to gather, store, and present. Join a class of all levels- from first time clay-makers to established creators. All levels of hand builders and throwers are welcome!



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

#### DRAWING I

WG/PD103

Skill Level: Beginner

Instructor: *Prayong Deeying*

Spring | 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.

#### INTRO TO OIL PAINTING

WG/PD119

Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Instructor: *Cathy Hempel*

Spring, Summer, & Fall | 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 to Intermediate

Instructor: *Cathy Hempel*

Spring, Summer, and Fall | 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.

#### WATERCOLOR

WG/PD104

Skill Level: All

Instructor: *Prayong Deeying*

Spring | 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.

All Active 50+ 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. Programs are tentative and subject to change. Please check [cwgd.com](http://cwgd.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 can be cancelled due to low enrollment.

Select one, two-day class option:

Monday, April 28 & Tuesday, April 29 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (both days)

Little Hall, 31 W. Garden Avenue

Monday, June 23 & Tuesday, June 24 | 5:00 – 8:00 pm (both days)

Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

Monday, August 4 & Tuesday, August 5 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (both days)

Little Hall, 31 W. Garden Avenue

\$20 AARP Members / \$25 Non-AARP Members

### 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, March 10 | 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Monday, May 5 | 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Monday, July 14 | 10:30 am – 12:00 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

March – May | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

June – August | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

\$15 fee to be paid on day of class

Tuesday, March 11 | *Goddess Bracelet*: You will use 8mm round beads that are separated with jump ring spacers. Using 2 strands, you will alternate the beads so there is an offset look to the pattern. Choose the color of beads to match your personality.

Tuesday, April 8 | *Shadow Box Doll*: Using cardstock, you will learn to make a layered shadow box within a frame. You will create a beautiful scene with a Santoro Gorjuss Girl paper doll and pretty ephemera. The paper dolls will be premade, and you can choose the one you like the best for your Vinette.

Tuesday, May 13 | *Hammered Wire Earrings*: You will use aluminum wire to bend and twist into shapes and swirls. Then you will hammer it to harden the metal before adding jump rings and French ear wires. You will make three pairs of earrings.

Tuesday, June 10 | *Sea Glass Wind Chime*: You will use wire and string with recycled sea glass beads to hang from a bamboo rod that will magically catch the light and twinkle in the wind.

Tuesday, July 8 | *Stamped Leather Bracelet*: You will use metal stamps on a piece of leather to create words or design. You will then use cold enamel paint to accent this piece.

Tuesday, August 12 | *Finger Knit Baby Octopus*: You will choose your favorite color of chunky yarn to finger knit a cute baby octopus. You will learn the basics of knitting in the round and then add eyes to bring it alive.

### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

It's time to party! Come celebrate your life's achievements with a deserving celebration! If anyone deserves a birthday party, it's a senior citizen who has lived a rich, full life. Any 50+ resident is invited to attend and enjoy the celebration. It does not have to be your birth month to attend.

Friday, April 11 & Friday, July 18  
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 | March 4 – May 13

11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

Thursdays | May 22 – August 14

11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

Free

### BUNCO

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

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

March – May | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

June – August | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

### 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 doesn't actually involve any drums! It will raise your heart rate, help you burn hundreds of calories, improve your coordination and ability to focus, and help strengthen many muscle groups, including your core. Advance registration is required as space is limited.

Age | 50 years & older | Mondays | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

March 3 – May 12 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

May 19 – August 11 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

\$4 City Resident / \$5 Nonresident, per class

### CARD-OLGY

In this make and take card-making class, you will create one or 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

March – May | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

June – August | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

\$8 for two cards (fee to be paid on day of each class)

### CHAIR BEACH BALL VOLLEYBALL

Seniors are excited about 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! Come and join in on the fun.

Wednesdays | 9:00 – 10:00 am | Free

March 5 – May 14 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

May 21 – August 13 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

### 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

March 3 – May 12 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

May 19 – August 11 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

### 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

March 4 – May 15 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

May 20 – August 14 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

### 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

March 5 – May 14 | Jessie Brock Community Center, 310 N. Dillard Street

May 21 – August 13 | Tanner Hall, 29 W. Garden Avenue

### 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

March 25 | *Probate, Wills, and Estates, Guardianship* by Inns of Court Elder Law Project Committee: Pamela G. Martini, Arti Hirani, Stacey Felter, and Dave Cannella

April 29 | *Winter Garden's Love Affair with our Honeybee*: A whole lotta shaken' going on by Max Croft – Local Beekeeper and Honey Maker

May 27 | *It is all About the Weather and Hurricanes* by a WFTV Channel 9 Meteorologist

**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

**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—UNIFIED REHABILITATION, PLLC, WINTER GARDEN**

Join us for an insightful presentation on “Functional Therapy and Performance Rehab for the 55+ Community.” Innovative approaches to enhance mobility, strength, and overall wellness tailored specifically for older adults will be explored. This session will cover practical strategies to improve daily function and promote an active lifestyle, empowering participants to maintain independence and vitality. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn how functional therapy can make a positive impact on your health and well-being! Presenters: Jeremiah Bradford, PT, DPT and Kelli-Ann Wallace, Community Relations Director. Lunch will be provided.

Friday, April 4 | 11:30 am | 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.

Wednesdays | 10:00 – 11:30 am | \$10 per year (paid at court)  
Trailer City, 21 E. Crest Avenue, Winter Garden.

**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 partner before the first week of bowling.

Session 1 | March 10 – May 16 (10 weeks)

Session 2 | June 9 – August 15 (10 weeks)

Startup meeting | March 7 and June 6 at 1:30 pm

\$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 March and April | 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

**Active 50+ Day Trips**

Register online at <https://enroll.wgplay.com>. Questions, call 407.656.4155. Trips are tentative and subject to change. Please check cwgd.com for the most current information. Trip fees are subject to change dependent upon venue and number of participants. All registrations are final one full week prior to the trip.

Transportation is included in fee for all Day Trips listed. Transportation in accordance with ADA regulation is available upon request. To provide accommodations, please have your request ready upon registration, at least 10 business days prior to scheduled trip date.

**FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL – PLANT CITY, FL**

Crafts, booths, rides, vendors, music, and your favorite carnival food! Enjoy the famous Florida Strawberry Shortcake! Lunch is on your own at the festival. Trip cost includes transportation and festival admission.

Thursday, March 6 | 8:30 am – 5:30 pm  
\$25 City Resident / \$29 Nonresident

**CAPE CANAVERAL LIGHTHOUSE – CAPE CANAVERAL, FL**

The Cape Canaveral Lighthouse is a long-standing icon of the area. It was built in 1868 and is located on Cape Canaveral Space Force Station. It is the only working lighthouse owned by the United States Space Force. The Keepers Cottage now houses a museum that walks you through the history of the lighthouse and how the lighthouse played a part in our space program. You will be touring the lighthouse and Launch Complex 26. Because this is located on a secure military installation, when registering we will need your driver’s license number, name on your license and state it was issued. In lieu of an entrance fee, you can help support the Lighthouse by donations. Walking and steps involved. Fee includes transportation. Dutch treat lunch.

Tuesday, April 15 | 7:45 am – 5:30 pm  
\$15 City Resident / \$19 Nonresident

**BRIGHTLINE TRAIN – ORLANDO TO WEST PALM BEACH, FL**

Experience a roundtrip ride with Brightline’s rail service from the Orlando station to West Palm Beach. Enjoy your ride with spacious, hand-stitched leather seats, free Wi-Fi, and onboard food and drink options (Dutch treat). After arrival, we will have Dutch treat lunch and do a little shopping. Fee includes ride to and from the Orlando Station and your train fare.

Thursday, May 15 | 8:30 am – 6:00 pm  
\$71 City Resident / \$75 Nonresident

**ROUTE 66 – WINTER PARK PLAYHOUSE**

Jump in the car and enjoy a high-octane musical celebration along the iconic ROUTE 66! Beginning with the sounds of 1950s Chicago and traveling along the “Main Street of America” to the California coast with surf music of the 1960s, this exciting musical revue features four men singing 34 of the greatest “Rock ‘n’ Road” hits of the 20th century. Songs include “Dead Man’s Curve,” “King of the Road,” “Little Old Lady from Pasadena,” “Beep Beep,” “Little GTO,” “Fun, Fun, Fun,” and many more. Get your kicks with this smash coast-to-coast hit musical! Dutch treat lunch before the performance. Cost includes transportation and admission.

Thursday, June 5 | 10:30 am – 5:30 pm  
\$55 City Resident / \$59 Nonresident

**TOWN OF MURALS – LAKE PLACID, FL**

There are so many things that make Lake Placid, Florida, a unique and wonderful place to visit, including its 47 beautiful murals around town depicting the area’s history. While visiting, we will stop by the Chamber of Commerce to view a video and the gallery where you can view the artist’s original renderings. You will then return to the coach and ride through the streets to view the murals while your coordinators describe a bit of history. Fee includes transportation. Dutch treat lunch.

Tuesday, July 15 | 8:30 am – 5:00 pm  
\$15 City Resident / \$19 Nonresident

**THE HOOP DEE DOO MUSICAL REVUE – DISNEY’S FORT WILDERNESS RESORT**

Join the Disney Pioneer Hall Players for two hours of rousing dancing, singing, and zany comedy. Get ready to clap, move your feet, sing along, or just have a good time at rustic Pioneer Hall in Disney’s Fort Wilderness Resort & Campground. In between skits and song standards, chow down on all-you-care-to-enjoy fried chicken and smoked BBQ pork ribs, as well as a tossed green salad, cowboy beans, fresh-baked cornbread, macaroni and cheese, and creamy coleslaw. Save room for the grand finale... strawberry shortcake! Unlimited soft drinks, draft beer, wine, and sangria are available. Fee includes transportation, entertainment, and meal.

Thursday, August 14 | 2:30 – 7:15 pm  
\$89 City Resident / \$93 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 located 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, which provides public access to art and culture.

## GALLERY EXHIBITIONS

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

### Carnival of Color

The mixed-media exhibition bursts with color of vibrant hues and creative energy.

Now – March 29

### Top Choice Annual Art Awards

SOBO's Annual Awards Exhibition highlights the finest and most captivating works, chosen for their exceptional creativity and artistic quality. This showcase celebrates standout pieces that resonate with originality and skill.

April 1 – May 31

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

For more exhibit themes, visit [wgart.org](http://wgart.org) and explore how you can be a part of our creative showcases.

## CALL TO ARTISTS

Are you 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

Registration and details, visit [wgart.org/adults](http://wgart.org/adults).

### Custom Adult Paint Parties

Available upon request. Call 407.347.7996.

### 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)

### Technique Tuesdays at Two: Sponsored by Duke Energy

A different instructor and technique are 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

### Friends & Family Valentine

Personalize your valentines during this open studio to create something special for someone special. Sponsored by Duke Energy.

Saturday, February 8 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Open to All | \$5 per person

### Chalk Techniques Open Workshop

For all ages, come learn sidewalk chalk techniques and plan for possible participation in Spring Fever in the Garden's Chalkin' It Up Contest on April 5 ([springfeverinthegarden.org/chalk](http://springfeverinthegarden.org/chalk)).

Saturday, March 1 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Open to All | \$5.00 per person

### Mother's Day CreativTEA

For all ages, gather the important women in your life and create a special art project together as you enjoy high tea snacks and beverages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Limited enrollment.

Saturday, May 10 | 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Open to All | \$20 per person

## ART FOR KIDS

Registration and details, visit [wgart.org/kids](http://wgart.org/kids).

### Preschool Art Group

Young artists are invited (accompanied by an adult) to story time followed by a fun craft.

Age | 3 – 5 years old  
Last Wednesday of each month | 1:00 – 1:45 pm  
\$10 per adult/child team

### Young Illustrator's Club

Each session will begin with a read aloud of a favorite children's book and then guided to create an illustration based on the story. Limited enrollment.

Age | Kindergarten – 2nd grade  
Wednesdays | 3:00 – 3:45 pm  
\$10 per adult/child team

### Wednesday Art Clubs

2nd - 5th grade | 4:00 – 5:00 pm  
Age | Middle and High School | 4:00 - 5:00 pm  
\$15 each session, includes all materials

## Homeschool Art Classes

Custom art classes can be scheduled at SOBO Art Gallery, instructed by Lenore Eastham, Certified Art Educator. Sessions start at \$90 an hour for up to six artists.

## SPRING BREAK ART CAMP

March 17 - 21 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Age | 2nd Grade – Middle School  
(one age group)  
Fee | \$160, per week / \$45, per individual day  
Space fills quickly. Register at [wgart.org/kids](http://wgart.org/kids).

## SUMMER VACATION ART CAMPS

### Camp Dates & Themes

June 2 – 6 | Wide World of Animals  
June 9 - 13 | Art through the Ages  
June 16 - 20 | Earth, Wind, Fire & Water  
June 23 – 27 | Travel Around the World  
July 7 – 11 | Just My Imagination  
July 14 – 18 | It's Only Natural



## EXHIBITIONS

### Top Choice Annual Art Awards

April 1 – May 31  
SOBO ART GALLERY | Free Admission  
Opening Reception | April 3, 5:30 - 8:00 pm  
Public Invited

### Young Creatives Showcase Art Awards

April 1 – May 30  
Art in Public Places Gallery at City Hall  
Free Admission

9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Age | 2nd Grade – Middle School  
(one age group)  
Fee \$160, per week / \$45, per individual day  
Space fills quickly. Register at [wgart.org/kids](http://wgart.org/kids).

## CUSTOM SPECIAL EVENT CELEBRATIONS

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

Celebrate a birthday, a milestone, or any special time with a custom-designed group 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.

## 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 membership is \$45, and a family membership is \$65.

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.

Visit [wgart.org](http://wgart.org) for upcoming special events and schedules.

In celebration of World Art Day, the Winter Garden Art Association annually hosts a series of Arts in April events throughout the month for the community to explore and create art.

For up-to-date Arts in April event schedule and details, please visit [wgart.org](http://wgart.org).

### Arts in April Kids' Art Tent at Winter Garden Farmers Market

Children of all ages welcome to come create a variety of complimentary art activities during the Farmers Market.

Saturdays | April 12 & April 19  
Art Activity | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm | Free  
Winter Garden Farmers Market  
Parking Garage Plaza

### Urban Sketchers Competition

Sketchers, get your pencils ready to sketch the sights of the Winter Garden Farmers Market or downtown Winter Garden at this annual plein air

event. Free to participate or come by to watch the artists at work.

Saturday | April 12 | Free  
Check-in starts at 9:00 am at SOBO Art Gallery

### Enchanting Winter Garden Gala

A special one-night art experience at Winter Garden's beautiful pavilion. Dining, dancing and auctions to fund-raise for the Winter Garden Art Association.

Saturday, April 26 | 6:30 – 10:00 pm  
Downtown Pavilion, 104 S. Lakeview Avenue  
Ticket: \$125



# WINTER GARDEN HERITAGE FOUNDATION

21 E. PLANT STREET | 407.656.3244 | WGHF.ORG

For over 30 years, the **Winter Garden Heritage Foundation** has preserved and documented the heritage and architectural legacy of West Orange County. We present our history and further our mission at three sites: the Winter Garden Heritage Museum at 1 North Main Street; the Central Florida Railroad Museum at 101 South Boyd Street; and the Healthy West Orange Heritage and Cultural Center at 21 East Plant Street, which includes a Visitors' Information Center, Gift Shop, and Heller Hall, our rental and events space.

## WINTER GARDEN HERITAGE MUSEUM

1 N. Main Street | Tuesday – Saturday, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission

### Exhibitions

#### House Calls to Hospitals: Caring for West Orange County

Now - March 29

The people of our region did not enjoy convenient hospital care until 1952 with the opening of West Orange Memorial Hospital in Winter Garden. Sponsored by Orlando Health, 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.



^ West Orange Memorial Hospital, Winter Garden

#### Tempests and Tornadoes

A retrospective of catastrophic weather in West Orange County | April 1 – June 28

Settled West Orange County has experienced its share of catastrophic weather over the past 130

years. Tornadoes, hurricanes, and devastating citrus freezes all have played a part in shaping the region. The exhibit features photographs and documents detailing extreme weather events and the people they impacted.

#### Trailblazers: A Journey through West Orange County's Scouting History

A History of Scouting in West Orange County  
July 1 – September 30

Since its earliest days, scouting has been a big part of the social and educational life of our youth. They learn valuable skills over the course of their experience, skills that can be applied beneficially to the entire community. Featuring donated uniforms, medals, patches, guidebooks, photographs, personal recollections, and more, we are proud to present this history of a vital human resource.



^ Boy Scouts c. 1920

## HEALTHY WEST ORANGE HERITAGE AND CULTURAL CENTER

### Special Events

#### Gathering Local History

These special events will serve to invite the residents of West Orange County to share their documents, photographs, family histories, and more.



^ Family Photos from Archive

Identifying people in our vast store of photographs will be part of the fun! Stop by, enjoy refreshments, and help add to our Archive of local history!

Fridays | May 16, June 20, August 15

6:30 pm | Public Invited  
Heller Hall, 21 East Plant Street

#### SPEAKER SERIES at HELLER HALL

Friday, March 21 | Dr. James Clark - Florida History  
Friday, April 18 | Iserman and Co.- Heritage Builders

Friday, July 18 | Author and Florida Historian - Rick Cronin

6:30 – 8:00 pm | Free Admission  
Healthy West Orange Heritage and Cultural Center  
21 E. Plant Street



# CENTRAL FLORIDA RAILROAD MUSEUM

101 S. BOYD STREET | 407.656.0559 | CFRHS.ORG

TUESDAY – FRIDAY, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM | SATURDAY, 10:00 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

### MAGIC ON THE RAILS: THE TRAINS OF WALT DISNEY WORLD

Journey through time as we look at the history of the trains at the Magic Kingdom. These century-old locomotives pull millions of guests annually on their grand circle tour at Walt Disney World.

Now – August 30

Tuesday – Friday, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Saturday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### ARCHIVE DAY AT THE MUSEUM

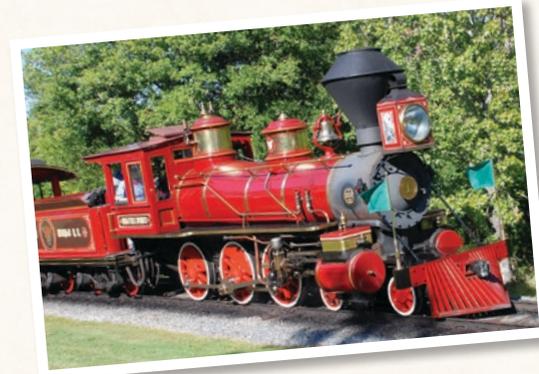
Visit our Library and Archives and see some of the latest additions to our collection.

Saturday, April 19  
Saturday, July 19  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm | Free Admission

### COMMUNITY DAY

Each year, a community organization is invited to exhibit on one Saturday in our meeting room. Themes range from history, tourism, to outdoors, model railroading, and more. Come see what's in store this year.

Saturday, May 17  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm | Free Admission



Visit [cfrhs.org/events](http://cfrhs.org/events) for more information on these events as well as an up-to-date list of events and presentations.

## PRESENTATIONS

### SATURDAY HISTORY SERIES

These special presentations feature the history of local railroads, the communities they served, plus topics of regional interest. Visit [cfrhs.org/events](http://cfrhs.org/events) for upcoming presentation topics.

Saturday, March 15 | Saturday, June 21  
1:30 – 3:00 pm | Paid admission may be required.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

Visitors are welcome to attend the Central Florida Railway Historical Society monthly meetings. Each meeting features a railroad-related presentation. Visit [cfrhs.org/events](http://cfrhs.org/events) for upcoming presenters.

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





**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 Art in Public Places Gallery to display various art mediums. Presented by the City of Winter Garden, the exhibits highlight the places and people of Winter Garden and West Orange County with original artwork of paintings, photography, and ceramics.

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.

**EXHIBITIONS**

**West Orange Women:  
Making History – Part Three**  
March 3 – 31

This exhibit features women, from all walks of life, who have worked to make West Orange County the special place that it is for all its residents. Presented by the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation, be sure to visit to see the amazing women who have made an impact on our community.

**Young Creatives Showcase  
Art Awards**  
April 1 – May 30

In celebration of Arts in April, this exhibition celebrates the outstanding talent of emerging young artists in the community. Curated by Winter Garden Art Association/SOBO Art Gallery, this special showcase highlights the best and most creative

works selected through the annual awards process, representing a diverse range of artistic expression and skill.

Visitors will have the opportunity to witness firsthand the passion and innovation of young artists as they share their unique perspectives and artistic voices.

**Winter Garden's Renaissance:  
A Historic Timeline**  
June 2 – July 31

A collaboration between the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation and Crealdé School of Art, the exhibit tells the story of the City's remarkable revitalization efforts. From virtual desolation to today's vibrant stretch of successful business ventures, it is an incredible story of a downtown that was not allowed to die.

**Just Imagine:  
Children's  
Art Exhibit**

August 1 – 29

Works of art from the children that participated in the 2025 SOBO Art Gallery Summer Vacation Art Camps will brighten the walls of City Hall. Under the guidance of Certified Art Educator Lenore Eastham, these budding artists explored various techniques and themes throughout summer to produce a vibrant collection of work. A fun end-of-summer outing, stop in City Hall to celebrate children's imaginations.



# 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 (April – September 2025)

**Good Friday (April 18):**

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Friday, April 18.
- There will be Regular Solid Waste Collection Services on Friday, April 18.

**Memorial Day (May 26):**

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Monday, May 26.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services on Monday, May 26 (trash, yard waste, bulk items). Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.

**Independence Day (July 4):**

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Friday, July 4.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services on Friday, July 4 (trash, yard waste, bulk items). Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.

**Labor Day (September 1):**

- All City Government Offices will be closed on Monday, September 1.
- There will be NO Solid Waste Collection Services on Monday, September 1 (trash, yard waste, bulk items). Services will resume on your next scheduled collection day.

**REMINDER ABOUT FIREWORKS USAGE:** Recreational use of fireworks is legal only on New Year's Day (January 1), Independence Day (July 4), and New Year's Eve (December 31), per Florida Statute 791.08.

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