November 2025 Events at Gallup's Octavia Fellin Public Library

Special Events

OFPL @ America Recycles Day Recycling & Craft Fair

November 1st | 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM | Community Service Center, 410 Bataan Veterans St Join us for the McKinley Recycling Council's Fall Craft & Recycling Fair! This family-friendly event celebrates creativity and sustainability with hands-on activities, recycled crafts, and fun for all ages. Stop by the library's booth to create your own adorable tin can pumpkins—a festive fall craft that gives new life to everyday materials!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Forkful of Knowledge: Sugar Skull Cookie Decorating Workshop November 1st | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Get creative this Day of the Dead at our Sugar Skull Cookie Decoration workshop! Learn decorating techniques from **Chef Sheila Begay** and the **NTU Culinary Department** as you transform cookies into colorful works of art. All ages welcome—supplies provided! Advance registration at <u>ofpl.online</u> is required.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

We READ, We TALK Book Club – The Inheritance of Orquidea Divina Explore Identity, History, and Resilience Through Literature

The **We READ**, **We TALK Book Club**, invites you to read and discuss *The Inheritance of Orquidea Divina* by **Zoraida Cordova**—The Montoyas are used to a life without explanations. They know better than to ask why the pantry never seems to run low or empty, or why their matriarch won't ever leave their home in Four Rivers—even for graduations, weddings, or baptisms. But when Orquidea Divina invites them to her funeral and to collect their inheritance, they hope to learn the secrets that she has held onto so tightly their whole lives. Instead, Orquidea is transformed, leaving them with more questions than answers.

Discussion Dates & Details:

■ Second Discussion: Nov 3 | 6:00 – 8:00 PM

P Location: Main Library & via Zoom

How to Participate:

Register now at https://ofpl.online/. Attend one of the discussions in person or via Zoom to keep the book at no cost!

#WeREADWeTALK #BookClub #HispanicHeritageMonth #OFPL #GallupReads

HelloTech! - We Help You Use Your Technology Tools for members of the Northside Senior Center

November 6th | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Northside Senior Center, 607 N 4th St.

Members can join **OFPL** at the **Northside Senior Center** for help with their technology. OFPL staff will provide individual technology assistance and answers to your technology questions. Learn about your electronic devices and feel more confident using them! Contact the Northside Senior Citizens Center for information on becoming a member at (505) 722-4740. #TechForSeniors #OFPL#GallupSeniors

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Friday Night Vibes - After-Hours for Teens (ages 12-18)

November 7th | 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

Teens ages 12-18, get ready for an epic after-hours hangout at the Children & Youth Library!

Unwind with video games, movies, and snacks, or compete in this month's special challenge: the Delicious in Dungeon Monster Bake Off! Grab your squad and register as a team to compete in our one-hour baking battle. You'll receive identical ingredient kits—your mission? Create the most impressive edible monster! Judges will crown the winners and award prizes to the top creations. Come for the competition, stay for the vibes!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

OFPL at Rio West Mall - Hands on STEM with ¡Explora!

November 8th | 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM | Rio West Mall, 1300 West I-40 Frontage Road Join us at the mall for hands-on STEM fun with Explora Children's Museum! Explore exciting science activities designed for all ages—from engineering challenges to creative experiments—with six interactive stations that will spark curiosity and imagination.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Lit Happens Teen Book Club - The Creeping Hand Murders

The **Lit Happens Teen Book Club** invites teens to read and discuss *The Creeping Hand Murder* by **Maureen Johnson and Jay Cooper** – *November 1933. London.* Seven people receive mysterious letters. Someone knows their terrible secrets. They are summoned to a posh townhouse where one is stabbed right in front of the others, but somehow no one sees a thing. Can you help Scotland Yard solve the mystery?

Discussion Dates & Details:

Second Discussion: Nov 8 | 4:00 PM

P Location: Children & Youth Library

How to Participate:

Register now at https://ofpl.online/

#LitHappens #TeenBookClub #OFPL #GallupReads

MakerSpace Workshop: Indigenous Heritage Sublimation Magnets

November 10th | 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

Celebrate Indigenous Heritage Month with us at the library! Join us for a hands-on MakerSpace workshop where you'll learn to use sublimation printing and heat press technology to create your own custom 4x6 fridge magnet featuring a figure from Native American history. All ages are welcome to explore this creative technology and honor the Indigenous heritage that is so important to our Gallup community. Each participant will take home their unique, personalized magnet!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Library Closure Notice

November 11th for Veterans Day

All library locations will be closed. Visit <u>ofpl.online</u> for ebooks, streaming media, and virtual programs.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information

Navajo Rug Weaving Workshop (Ages 19+)

November 14th | 10:00 AM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Explore the art of traditional Diné rug weaving with master weaver **Lois A. Becenti**. In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn essential techniques such as warping, carding, and spinning. Looms are available for public use—just bring your own supplies and current project.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Picasso Babies: Baby & Toddler Art Time

November 14th | 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave. Join us for a fun-filled morning of creativity at *Picasso Babies!* This free program is designed for toddlers and their caregivers. It is a beautiful opportunity to explore the world through art. Join experienced early childhood intervention therapists from *The Therapy Academy*, who will guide you and your little one in creating beautiful and unique pieces together. We hope to see you there!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

November 14th | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave. Teens are invited to join OFPL for our monthly Teen Advisory Board (TAB) meeting. The TAB advises the library on our teen collections, space, and events; all teens are welcome to attend. This is an excellent opportunity for students and student organizations to gain service hours and leadership experience. Food is served!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

MakerSpace Workshop: Laser Engraved Watercolored Wood Scenes

November 15th | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

Unleash your creativity this November with our Watercolored Wood Scenes workshop! Learn how to use our Xtool laser engraver to etch beautiful nature scenes onto basswood, then bring them to life with watercolor paints. We'll guide you step-by-step to create stunning personalized artwork that celebrates the natural beauty of the fall and winter seasons. All supplies provided. Space is limited—reserve your spot today at ofpl.online!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

MakerSpace Workshop: Sublimation Keychains

November 17th | 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

Design, Cut, and Personalize! Join us to unleash your creativity and craft personalized keychains in this hands-on workshop to make Cricut Keychains! All supplies provided. Space is limited—reserve your spot today at <u>ofpl.online</u>!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

MakerSpace Workshop - Fall Craft

Exclusive for members of the Northside Senior Center

November 20th | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Northside Senior Center, 607 N 4th St.

Northside Senior Center members are invited to get creative in this hands-on MakerSpace workshop!

This month, we celebrate the Fall season! Learn about OFPL MakerSpace machines and the many crafts that are possible. Not a member? Contact the Northside Senior Center at (505) 722-4740 to find out how to join.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Library Closure Notice

November 21st for Staff Development

The Octavia Fellin Public Library and the Children & Youth Library will be **closed on Friday**, **November 21, 2025**, for **All Staff Development Day**. This dedicated day allows our team to strengthen skills, explore new ideas, and enhance the services we provide to our community. Visit **ofpl.online** anytime for access to **eBooks**, **streaming media**, **and virtual programs**.

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Call (505) 863-1291 for more information

Junk Journaling Workshop

November 22nd | 1:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

A junk journal is a handmade book made up of recycled items such as papers from magazines, brochures, patterned paper, music sheets, envelopes, packaging, and more. With junk journaling, seemingly insignificant scraps are given new life and become a source of creativity. Join OFPL and local artist **Kim Esparza** for a junk journaling workshop, where you will learn what a junk journal is, ways to use one, and how to get started making your very own junk journals.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Loom Beading Workshop

November 24th | 4:00 AM - 6:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Join us for a relaxing and creative workshop where you'll learn the centuries-old technique of loom beading! This class is perfect for beginners—no prior experience with beading or weaving is required—we'll guide you through every step of the loom beading process. You'll leave with a beautiful, finished bracelet and the skills needed to continue your beading journey at home. All supplies provided. Space is limited—reserve your spot today at ofpl.online!

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Community Narcan Training

November 25th | 12:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Join **OFPL** and the **City of Gallup Behavioral Health Department** for a free training that could save a life. This session will cover how to recognize and respond to opioid overdoses using Narcan, while also connecting you with essential local support resources. Open to all ages, this event is designed to empower community members with vital, life-saving knowledge. Be part of the solution—come learn how you can make a difference.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Navigating AI Group

November 25th | 5:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Join us for Navigating AI, a monthly discussion group empowering you to use AI tools confidently. Each session blends educational content and guided discussions on AI's societal impact with practical, hands-on tutorials.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Library Closure Notice

November 27th and 28th for the Thanksgiving Holiday

All library locations will be closed. Visit <u>ofpl.online</u> for ebooks, streaming media, and virtual programs.

Makerspace Workshop: Tote-ally K-Pop Tote Bags

November 29th | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave. Calling all Kpoppies! In this hands-on workshop, you'll design a tote bag that shows off your favorite group, lyrics, or bias! Using our newest Makerspace equipment – DTF (Direct-to-film) Printer, you'll print your design and heat it onto a tote bag to keep. Fun, creative, and totally YOU! All supplies provided. Space is limited—reserve your spot today at ofpl.online! **Call (505) 863-1291** for more information.

Google Career Certificates through Gallup Career Academy

Winter 2025 Cohort: Open Registration

November 1st-November 15th. Scholarship Awardee notification by November 22nd. You must register within 10 calendar days of notification. Winter coursework must be completed by **February 10th, 2026.**

REMINDER: Fall 2025 Cohort Deadline: Coursework must be completed by November 11th.

Boost your career potential with Gallup Career Academy (GCA)—a partnership between OFPL's MakerSpace and Grow with Google. Through Google Career Certificates, you can train for high-demand jobs in just three months with a flexible, two-hour daily commitment. Courses cover nine in-demand fields and prepare you for roles with average starting salaries of \$63,600/year.

GCA members also gain exclusive access to OFPL's MakerSpace at the Children & Youth Library (Aztec & 2nd), featuring tools like:

- 3D printers & laser engravers
- Cricut die-cut machines (paper & vinyl)
- Button maker & heat transfer printing
- Sublimation and inkjet printers
- Studio space for painting, CAD, animation, and modeling
- Photographer and lighting equipment

Enroll at ofpl.online

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Main Library Weekly Events

Stress Reduction Clinics

Thursdays | 4:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

OFPL hosts *Acudetox* ear acupuncture clinics. Treatments can help relieve stress, insomnia, anxiety, depression, and irritability. Both seed and needle treatments are available. Thin, sterile needles are inserted into the outer ear for 30 minutes and can induce a relaxing calm. Acupressure using tiny seeds placed in the outer ear is an alternative to needles with similar benefits. Walk-ins are welcome.

No clinic on November 20, join us on Saturday, November 22nd, from 2 PM-4 PM instead! Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Midweek Matinee at OFPL

Wednesdays | 3:00 PM | Main Library, 115 West Hill Ave

Escape into the world of cinema with **OFPL's** *Midweek Matinee*! Enjoy weekly screenings of award-winning classics, documentaries, new releases, and hand-picked films.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information. Don't miss out on these movie moments!

November 5th - Crooked Arrows

2012 | PG-13 | 1 hrs. 45 mins.

A Native American named Joe Logan must coach a high-school lacrosse team after his traditionalist father disapproves of his attempts to modernize their reservation.

• November 12th - Smoke Signals

1998 | PG-13 | 1 hrs. 29 mins.

Two young Native American men from the same small town embark on an unexpected road trip together that becomes a journey of friendship and self-discovery.

• November 19th - Princess Diaries

 $2001 \mid G \mid 1 \text{ hrs. } 54 \text{ mins.}$

In this modern-day fable, a European queen travels to San Francisco to find her long-lost granddaughter to groom her for the throne.

• November 26th - Jurassic World: Rebirth

2025 | PG-13 | 2 hrs. 14 mins.

A covert team on a mission to collect genetic material from massive dinosaurs becomes stranded on an island with a civilian family, where they discover a sinister secret hidden for decades.

Children & Youth Library Weekly Events

Family Storytime (ages 0-5)

Mondays & Wednesdays | 11:00 AM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave Join OFPL for storytime activities, songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and read-aloud stories! This month, storytimes will focus on the themes of community and gratitude, as well as celebrating Indigenous Heritage Month.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Lego Club (ages 6-11)

November 3rd & 17th | 4:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave.

Let Your Imagination Click into Place at the Library's New LEGO® Club!

The Octavia Fellin Public Library invites kids ages 6–11 to join our **LEGO® Club**—a space where creativity, building, and fun come together! Young builders can gather **every other Monday afternoon** to design incredible structures, take on exciting challenges, and make new friends who love to create. The library provides all the LEGO® bricks—you just bring your imagination! Please note that all materials must stay at the library. We encourage families to bring a camera to capture their child's creations. To keep favorite sets safe, we ask that personal LEGO® pieces stay at home.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

OctaKnights Chess Club (all ages)

Tuesdays | 4:30 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave

Join **OFPL's** chess club, where members can bond and improve their chess skills! We learn and practice chess theory and strategy. Participants build their skills through play. All ages are welcome, although this is targeted at the **8-18 age range**. Participants do not need to attend every event.

No Chess Club on 11/11/25 due to library closure.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Open MakerSpace at the Children & Youth Library (Ages 6+)

Wednesdays | 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM | Fridays 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave

Let your imagination run wild in **OFPL's MakerSpace**! This open, hands-on environment is

perfect for young creators (ages six and up) to explore design and engineering through activities that utilize 3D printers, vinyl cutters, laser engravers, embroidery machines, and more.

No Open MakerSpace on 11/21/25 or 11/28/25 due to library closures.

Call (505) 863-1291 | rlasiloo@gallupnm.gov or tmoe@gallupnm.gov for more information

Crafty Kids (all ages)

Thursdays | 4:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave

Join **OFPL** for family-friendly crafts with step-by-step tutorials for all skill levels and ages. Supply kits are available at **OFPL** using the <u>Supply Request Form</u> at http://ofpl.online. Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

• November 6th - Sugar Skull Craft

Join us for a sugar skull craft activity in honor of Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), November 1, 2025, celebrating one of the world's most beloved cultural traditions.

- November 13th Pony Bead Bracelets
 - Join us in making pony bead bracelets in honor of Native American Heritage Month, celebrating Native American history and culture through hands-on crafts.
- November 20th Model Train Craft
 - Join us for a model train craft in honor of National Model Railroad Month, exploring the history of trains and railways as an important form of transportation.
- November 27th [VIRTUAL] Paper Roll Turkey Craft
 - Join us for a paper roll turkey craft, a fun and easy Thanksgiving activity perfect for displaying around the table.

Get up and Game (ages 6+)

Fridays | 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave

Join us at the **Children & Youth Library** to unwind from a busy week! *Get up and Game*, with video games and fun for the whole family, including the Nintendo Switch, Xbox Kinect, and our new Nex Playground system!

No Get Up & Game on 11/21/25 or 11/28/25 due to library closures.

Call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

Kidz Cinema (all ages)

Saturdays | 2:00 PM | Children & Youth Library, 200 West Aztec Ave

Looking for the perfect weekend outing? Bring the whole family to *Kidz Cinema*! Enjoy a screening of a fun, family-friendly film. It's a great way to relax and spend quality time together. Watch. Enjoy.

L For more information, call (505) 863-1291

• November 1st - Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron

 $2022 \mid G \mid 1 \text{ hr. } 25 \text{ mins.}$

A feisty stallion named Spirit is held captive by a cruel colonel. But Spirit manages to escape, and he befriends a Native American youth and a mare named Rain, and they set out to return to their rightful places in the West.

November 8th - Brother Bear

 $2003 \mid PG \mid 1 \text{ hr. } 25 \text{ mins.}$

When a boy named Kenai is magically transformed into a bear, he embarks on a journey through the wilderness alongside a lovable bear cub named Koda, learning valuable life lessons along the way.

November 15th - Bad Guys 2

2025 | PG | 1 hr. 44 mins.

In this action-packed sequel, the reformed Bad Guys are pulled into a high-stakes global heist masterminded by a new crew of criminals: The Bad Girls.

• November 22nd - Smurfs

 $2025 \mid PG \mid 1 \text{ hr. } 32 \text{ mins.}$

When Papa Smurf is taken by evil wizards Razamel and Gargamel, Smurfette leads the Smurfs on a mission to the real world to save him.

November 29th - Sonic the Hedgehog 3

 $2024 \mid PG \mid 1 \text{ hr. } 49 \text{ mins.}$

Sonic, Knuckles, and Tails reunite against a powerful new adversary, Shadow, a mysterious villain with powers unlike anything they have faced before.

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