

MAY 2023

OKEECHOBEE LIBRARY

MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU!

Celebrate **National Space Day** and **Star Wars Day** on **May 4th @ 3:30 p.m.** by joining our **movie showing** of **Star Wars Episode 4: A New Hope!** Enjoy **free giveaways** while supplies last of snacks, inflatable lightsabers, and Yoda Magnet take home kits!

CHARACTER SCAVENGER HUNT!

Join us for a **Book Character Scavenger Hunt** at the Okeechobee Library on **Saturday, May 13th.** Stop by the front desk to grab your character sheet, then explore around the outside of the library to **find the hidden popular book characters** for your chance to **win a small prize!**

SENSORY JAR CRAFT!

May is **National Mental Health Awareness Month.** Help your mental health and get a little stress relief with our **Sensory Jar Craft class** on **May 20th @ 4:00 p.m.** Perfect for all ages, join us for this fun and calming craft. All supplies will be provided. **Spaces limited; registration opens Saturday, May 6th. Please call 863-763-3536.**

GET CAUGHT READING MONTH!

May is **National Get Caught Reading Month!** To celebrate, the Okeechobee Library will be **raffling off a gift basket** perfect for any Book Lover. Just **take a photo of yourself reading** during the month of May and **tag us on Facebook with #okelibrary** for your chance to win!

MAY STORYTIMES!

Storytimes are back at the Okeechobee Library! **May's storytimes will be held Thursdays, May 4th & 11th, @ 11:00 a.m.** Perfect for infant to preschool ages, join us for stories, crafts, and snacks!

BUDDY READS BOOK CLUB!

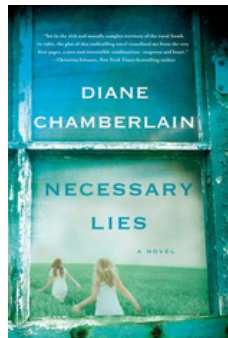
Are you new to reading and would like someone to talk about books with? Try our **Buddy Reads Book Club!** During May, choose from a selection of **very short books** and have a **1-on-1 book club with a librarian** over Zoom or in-person! **Perfect for beginner adult readers** and anyone who's trying to **get back into reading as a hobby. To sign up please call 863-763-3536.**

BOOK BOXES!

Calling readers of all ages to check out our **FREE monthly Book Boxes! May's theme is Outer Space.** Each box contains a book selected just for you, **snacks, stickers, and other fun giveaways!** Keep everything inside the box for free, just return the box and book at the end of the month. Available for all ages with our Children's, Teen, and Adult Book Boxes. **Spaces limited; registration opens Saturday, May 6th. Please call 863-763-3536.**

BOOK CLUB!

Join us this month to discuss our latest read and receive a **small gift bag** with items related to this month's book! Book Club will meet **Thursday, May 25th @ 2:00 p.m.** to discuss **Necessary Lies** by Diane Chamberlain.



CRAFT KITS!

Want to try a new craft? Check out one of our **new monthly craft kits!** Each **Craft Kit Box** will contain all necessary materials and instructions to complete your own creation. **May's craft kit will be Lavender Painting & Planting!** Craft kits are limited and available while supplies last.

UPCOMING DATES!

- **Wednesdays, All month @ 1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.**
Crochet Club
- **Wednesdays, All month @ 10:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.**
Scrapbook Club
- **Thursdays, All month @ 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**
Crafting & Coloring Club
- **Wednesdays & Fridays, All month @ 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.**
Homework Help - Study Hall
- **Saturdays, All month @ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Tech Time - Technology Help
- **Thursday, May 4th & May 11th @ 11:00 a.m.**
Storytime
- **Thursday, May 4th @ 3:30 p.m.**
Star Wars movie showing
- **Saturday, May 13th All day**
Book Character Scavenger Hunt
- **Saturday, May 20th @ 4:00 p.m.**
Sensory Jar Craft
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Book Club - Necessary Lies

TAKE HOME KITS!

Stop by the Library all month long for a **FREE Take Home Craft Kit!** April's craft kit will be a **Paperplate Spaceship!** All kits will have necessary materials and instructions. Follow along with our online tutorials at tinyurl.com/okelibrary or [facebook.com/okelibrary!](https://facebook.com/okelibrary)

STUDY HALL!

Need a quiet space to study or do homework? Stop by the Okeechobee Library on **Wednesdays & Fridays, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.** for our **Homework Help Study Hall!** Get **basic homework help** and resources, grab a snack, and have some quiet time to get work done. **This is NOT a tutoring service,** basic assistance will be provided.

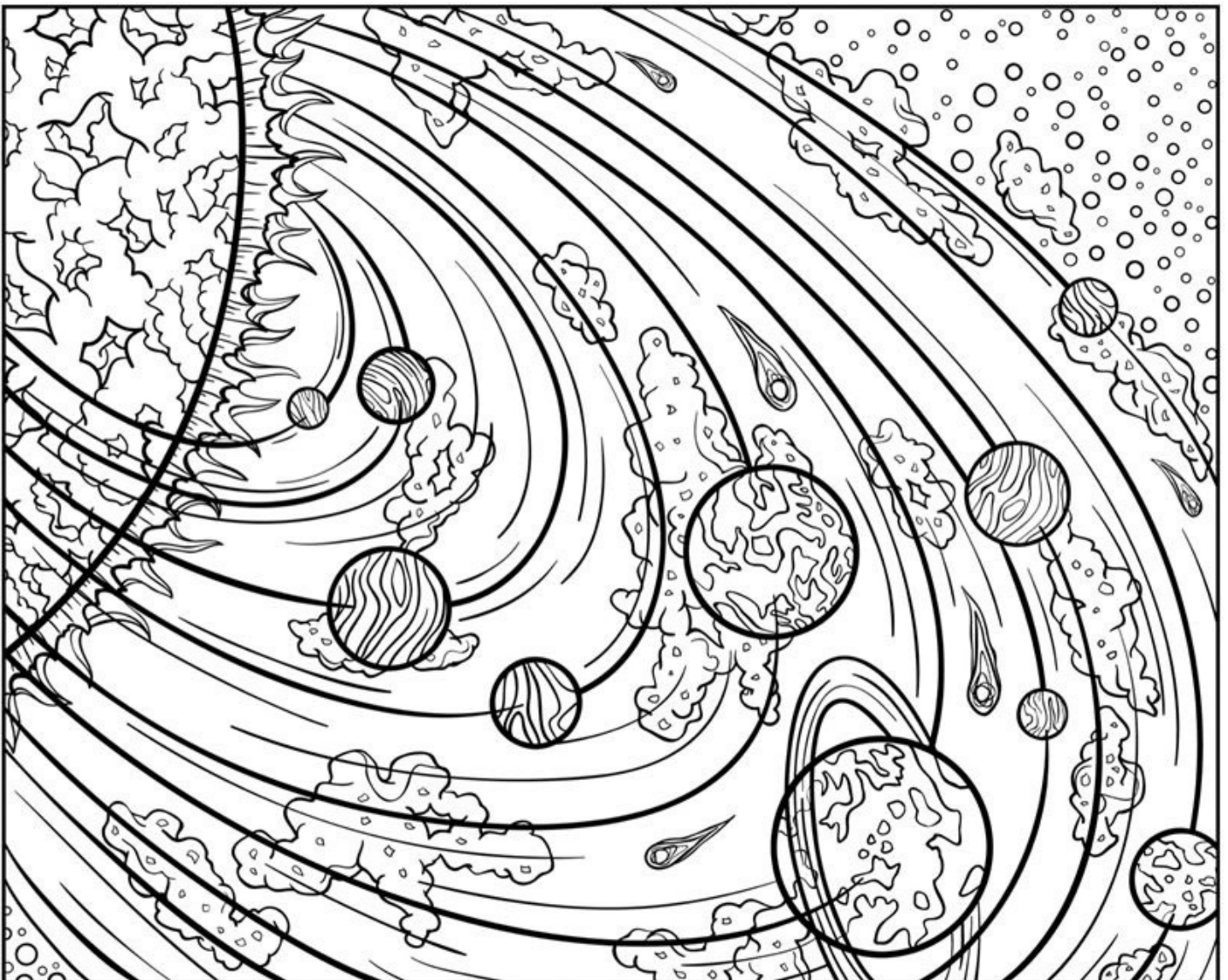
TECH TIME!

Looking for assistance with your technology needs? Sign up for a **one-on-one session with Librarians** to receive **basic help on a variety of tech** including iPads, Androids, computer basics, email, internet searching, and digital Library services! **Tech help will be available Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** **Call 863-763-3536 for more details and to register.**



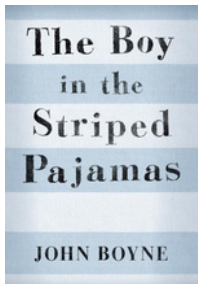
STRESS-FREE COLORING!

Take a moment this month to relax and color, and let your mind wander in space.



JEWISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH!

Celebrate the contributions of Jewish Americans by reading and sharing Jewish and Jewish-American stories and authors this month!



The Boy in the Striped Pajamas



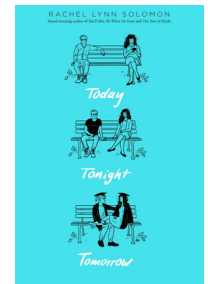
The Librarian of Auschwitz



Spinning Silver



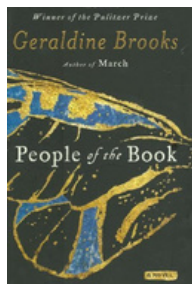
The Golem and the Jinni



Today, Tonight, Tomorrow



The Matzah Ball



People of the Book



The Passover Guest



The Matchmaker's Gift



Sick Kids in Love

EXPLORE A UNIVERSE OF STORIES!

Celebrate National Space Day by exploring some of our favorite science fiction and space-themed stories!



The Martian



Sleeping Giants



Aurora Rising



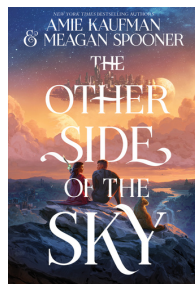
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The Space Walk



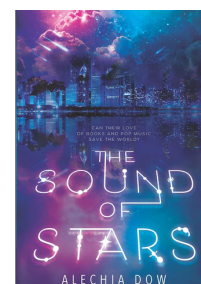
We Dream of Space



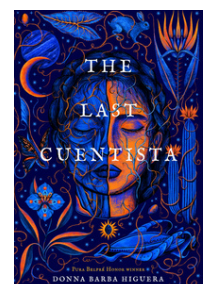
The Other Side of the Sky



Star Daughter



The Sound of Stars



The Last Cuentista