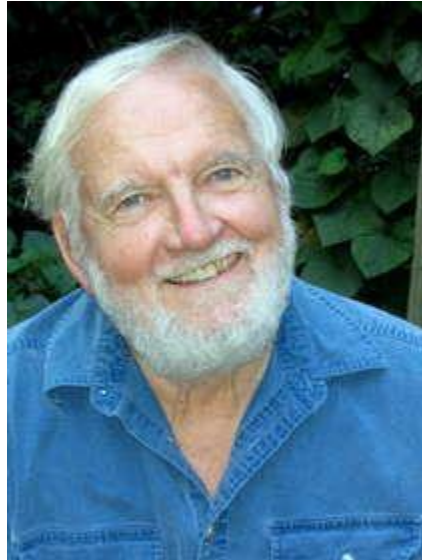


A grand celebration of children, reading and culture: El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day)

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Charlotte Mecklenburg Library, Children's Theatre of Charlotte and The Mint Museum celebrate with events in April.

In April, families and children will have the opportunity to celebrate El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day), with programs that take place in select Library branches and partnering locations. Also known as Día! Diversity in Action, this initiative provides an opportunity to showcase services that celebrate our nation's rich cultural tapestry.

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library has celebrated Día since 1998 as part of its commitment to connecting children and their families to multicultural books, bilingual services and educational resources. Nationally, Día is recognized on April 30, but local programs presented by the Library and its partners will take place throughout the month of April, culminating in a grand celebration at ImaginOn on Saturday, April 25, 2015.

Schedule of events:

Hats Around the World with Children's Theatre of Charlotte

Free events in select library branches! Come to the Library for celebrations of Día with Children's Theatre of Charlotte (ctcharlotte.org). Children will enjoy presentations of hat-themed stories and activities, including *The Cat in the Hat* and *Caps for Sale*.

4/6/2015 at 4:00 PM: [Mint Hill](#), 704-416-5200 [Learn More](#) (Grades K-6) Registration is required.

4/8/2015 at 11:30 AM: [Independence Regional](#), 704-416-4800 [Learn More](#) (Ages 3-5)

4/15/2015 at 10:30 AM: [Hickory Grove](#), 704-416-4400 [Learn More](#) (Ages 3-11)

4/24/2015 at 11:00 AM: [South County Regional](#), 704-416-6600 [Learn More](#) (Ages 3-11) Registration is required.

Meet the Author Laurence Pringle

Special Día reception with The Mint Museum

Friday, April 24, 7-8 p.m., Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Road, Charlotte

The Library and The Mint Museum (mintmuseum.org) invite you to meet and listen to Laurence Pringle, author of more than 100 children's books, including *Octopus Hug* and *Bear Hug*, and his 2015 release *Octopuses! Strange and Wonderful*. Pringle makes non-fiction tales gripping, enjoyable and educational. For information, call 704-337-2000.

El día de los niños/El día de los libros

Signature event at ImaginOn!

Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., ImaginOn, 300 North Tryon Street, Charlotte

The Library's biggest Día celebration takes place at ImaginOn with free family activities including Casey's Laugh and Learn, Mr. Nigel's Music, children's book author Laurence Pringle, and a visit from a beloved storybook character – the Cat in the Hat! For information, visit www.cmlibrary.org/children or call 704-416-0556.

Knott-a-Wrap Discover the art of art of covering your crown with fashionable head wraps. Local artist Daisy Shipp will lead an interactive workshop with practical techniques to style your head wrap from casual to elegant wear. *Audience: Adults, Teens (12-18)*

4/21/2015 at 6:00 PM: [Scaleybark](#), 704-416-6400 [Learn More](#)

Story Explorers Explore books and stories in creative ways through interactive activities including math, science, games, and more! This program is part of our month long celebration of Día; Diversity in Action. Día is a literacy experience that honors all children, books and cultures. *Audience: School Age (5-11), Preteen (10-11)*

4/23/2015 at 6:30 PM: [Beatties Ford Road](#), 704-416-3000 [Learn More](#)

Preschool Storytime Engage your preschoolers with books, activities, stories and songs that encourage language and pre-reading skill development in order to help them grow into successful readers. *Audience: Preschool (3-5)*

4/21/2015 at 10:15 AM: [West Boulevard](#), 704-416-7400 [Learn More](#)

Preschool Storytime: Listen and Move: Zumbini A multicultural dance experience for young children and parents. This special event is Zumbini, which is Zumba for little ones. Participate in songs and movement activities that build both gross and fine motor skills, which children need to develop in order to read and write. *Audience: Preschool (3-5), Toddlers (18-35 months), Babies (0-17 months)*

4/2/2015 at 4:30 PM: [Matthews](#), 704-416-5000 [Learn More](#)

4/18/2015 at 11:00 AM: [University City Regional](#), 704-416-7200 [Learn More](#)

Día programs support the mission of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library: to create a community of readers and empower individuals with free access to information and the universe of ideas. For more information on Library programs and services, visit cmlibrary.org.

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