

Heroes Regional Park Library

Free Book Bingo. Let's play bingo and learn about books, authors, movies and even the Dewey Decimal system! Also learn a little about Heroes Regional Park Library. Prizes will be free, like-new books of your choice. Registration is required.

Monday, December 6, 3:30-4:30 PM. Yucca Room.

Travel Safety. 2022 may be the year we travel again or start making our plans! This presentation will review safety tips and suggestions for securing your home and property prior to leaving, measures to be taken while en route, and ways to reduce risks while sightseeing at your destination. Presented by Joan Campbell, Community Affairs Coordinator with the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. Registration is required. **Wednesday, December 8, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM. Yucca Room.**

Adult Crafting: Mini Mad Hatter Hats. Create a unique mini top hat adorned with buttons and steampunk gears. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited and registration is required. **Saturday, December 11, 1-2 PM. Yucca Room.**

NF Book Discussion. Discover some of the most interesting non-fiction titles the library has to offer. This month's book is *Caste: The Origins of our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson. Registration is required. **Monday, December 13, 6-7 PM or Wednesday, December 15, 11 AM-12 PM. Yucca Room.**

First Teeth First: Oral Dental Screening. Maricopa County's First Teeth First program is a great opportunity for children to learn about the importance of oral health with a pain-free visual screening. Having a positive experience will help make children more comfortable at their next dental visit. This program is for children between the ages of 0-5 not enrolled in kindergarten and expectant mothers. **Friday, December 17, 10:30-11:30 AM.**

Live Musical Performance: Mike Greenleaf. Enjoy the finger-style guitar and smooth, warm, baritone voice of folk singer/songwriter Mike Greenleaf, who has been writing and performing for over 40 years. His songwriting is influenced by a wide variety of musical styles – at times heartfelt, at times humorous, but always deeply personal and intelligent. Registration is required. **Saturday, December 18, 1-2 PM. Youth Patio.**



Events for Adults at Glendale Public Library

Events

December 2021

623-930-3600

Foothills Library
19055 N. 57th Ave.

Heroes Regional
Park Library
6075 N. 83rd Ave.

Main Library
5959 W. Brown St.

Velma Teague
Library
7010 N. 58th Ave.

Velma Teague Library

Get Ready to Geek Out at LIBCON West!

The Glendale Public Library is proud to present its fifth annual comic convention in the heart of downtown Glendale at the **Velma Teague Library** and the surrounding **Murphy Park**. This free, all-ages celebration of all things pop culture will feature comic book creators, cosplay groups, dozens of vendors, live performances, games, prizes, and crafts for kids. Following the convention, experience the delicious restaurants, holiday shopping and festive lights in the downtown area. For more information, please visit www.libconwest.org. **Saturday, December 4, 12-5 PM. Murphy Park.**



Arts and Crafts Corner: Learn How to Knit and Crochet. Drop by to learn new stitches, review past lessons, share techniques, or work on personal projects. **Saturday, December 11, 1-4 PM.**

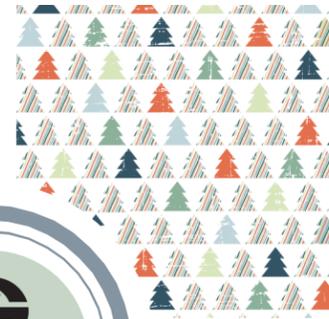
Arts and Crafts Corner: Lava Bead Bracelets. Create a beaded bracelet using black lava rock, reputed to be a grounding stone that fosters emotional balance. Space is limited and registration is required. **Saturday, December 18, 1-2 PM. Meeting Room.**

***58th Avenue Book Group.** Discuss different topics, cultures, and periods in time. This month's book is *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah. **Tuesday, December 21, 10:15-11:30 AM. Meeting Room.**

***Velma's Clues Cozy Mystery Book Club.** Discuss the first book in an ongoing cozy mystery series. This month's book is *Clammed Up* by Barbara Ross, the first in the Maine Clambake Mystery series. **Monday, December 27, 6:30-7:45 PM. Meeting Room.**

**This is a hybrid program, which offers both in-person and virtual attendance options. You must register to receive the Zoom link.*

 For special accommodations, please call the host branch at least one week prior to the event.



All Glendale Public Library locations will be closed on **Friday and Saturday, December 24 & 25**, in observance of Christmas. In addition, all locations will be closed on **Friday and Saturday, December 31 & January 1**, in observance of the New Year.

All events at the Glendale Public Library are public, and participants may be photographed by the media and/or City staff for future print and/or online publication.

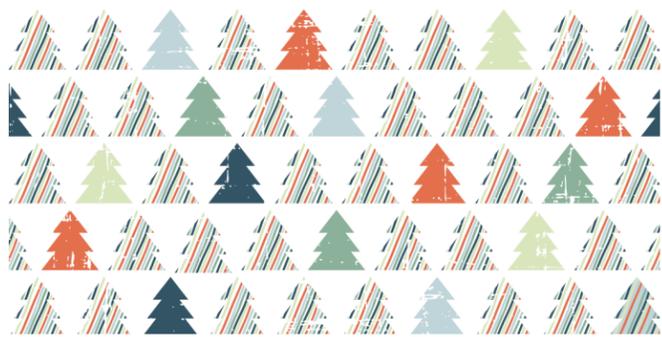
Please arrive on time for registered programs. If you are more than 10 minutes late, your space may be given to another.

Glendale Public Library is a division of the City of Glendale's Community Services Department: 623-930-3590.

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Foothills Library

***Borrow a Librarian: Computer Help, eBooks, and More.** Have a computer or eBook question? Sign up for a 30-minute session with librarian Erin via phone, Zoom, FaceTime, Skype, or in person. Legal assistance, job application or résumé review, and tax help will not be provided. Email egarred@glendaleaz.com or call 623-930-3847 to reserve your date and time.

***Gentle Reads Book Discussion Group.** Discuss emotionally uplifting and inspirational fiction. This month's book is *Wishin' and Hopin'* by Wally Lamb. **Wednesday, December 1, 10-11:30 AM. Hummingbird Room.**

Bluegrass Jam. Bring your acoustic instrument and play bluegrass, country, folk, gospel, and more, round-robin style! All levels of players, audience and singers are welcome. **Friday, December 3 & 17, 1-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Old-Time Music Jam. This jam focuses on traditional instrumental music, including Appalachian fiddle tunes, Celtic and Canadian reels, jigs, hornpipes and other roots music. All acoustical instruments, including dulcimers, fiddles, banjos, guitars, harps, mandolins, Dobros, Irish whistles, etc., are encouraged. Players of all ages and ability are welcome. Download a free tune book at www.azoldtimejam.com. **Saturday, December 4 & 18, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Glendale Writers Critique Group. Meet other writers who will critique your writing, provide feedback, and offer mutual support and guidance in the pursuit of publication. Compositions submitted at a session will be critiqued at the next. This group is open to all unpublished or published authors of any type of written work. **Sunday, December 5, 1-3 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Big Band Grandstand. Musicians who can sight-read charts are encouraged to become a part of our big band, rehearsing and performing popular big band tunes. Audience is welcome. Players must bring their own music stands and instruments. Email bigbandgrandstand@gmail.com to sign up. **Monday, December 6, 13, 20 & 27, 1-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Foothills Coffeehouse. Enjoy acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month: High Strung - dulcimers & holiday songs; Harry Zulch - old-time fiddle tunes. **Monday, December 6, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Big Band Grandstand Holiday Concert. Enjoy a live performance of popular standards and holiday music, including special tunes and surprises for the kids! Please note that the library will close at 6 PM, but the outer lobby will remain open for this event. **Thursday, December 9, 6:30-7:30 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Jam-Boree Acoustic Jam. Bring your acoustic instrument to play along, or join the audience at this round-robin, all-acoustic jam session. All are welcome. **Saturday, December 11, 2-4 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Vision Through Life: The Natural History of Your Eyes. Learn how the aging process affects your vision, and how age-related changes such as dry eye, blurred vision, cataracts, macular degeneration, and other issues can be corrected and treated via LASIK surgery, vision therapy, and other optometric methods. Presented by Robert Fintelmann, M.D. of Midwestern University. **Monday, December 13, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

A Novel Approach Book Discussion Group. Discuss engaging and thought-provoking popular fiction. This month's book is *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano. **Monday, December 13, 6:30-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Adult Crafting: Glass Gem Magnets. All supplies will be provided to make three different glass gem magnets. Space is limited and registration is required. **Tuesday, December 14, 2-4 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Readers Roundtable: Reading Recommendations Book Group. Bring along a book or two to recommend to other readers at this lively, informal discussion group, where participants take turns booktalking fiction, non-fiction, classics, best-sellers, old favorites, and recent reads. **Wednesday, December 22, 1-2 PM. Hummingbird Room.**



Main Library



Real to Reel Book Discussion. Talk about books that have been made into movies. This month's selection is *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles, made into the recent movie with Tom Hanks. **Wednesday, December 1, 11 AM-1 PM.**

Large Meeting Room.

Adult Crafting: Button Art. Create your own unique designs on canvas using buttons. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited and registration is required. **Monday, December 6, 6-7:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

An Afternoon of Music with Dan McCorison. Bring the family and come enjoy this special concert featuring the acclaimed country western singer/songwriter Dan McCorison. His band, the Dusters, headlined packed shows in the 1970s, opening for Merle Haggard, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings, Chris Hillman of the Flying Burrito Brothers, Flatt and Scruggs and Linda Ronstadt. Seating is limited to the first 100 audience members. **Sunday, December 12, 1-2 PM. Auditorium.**

Saharo Ranch Acoustic Jam. Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style in this self-led program. Audience welcome. **Sunday, December 12 & 26, 2-4 PM. Meeting Room Wing.**

Live @ the Library: Women in Song Present Holiday Favorites. Women in Song, ProMusica Arizona's community outreach chorale, will sing both sacred and popular holiday favorites. Bring the family and come enjoy the show! Seating is limited to the first 100 audience members. This performance is funded by a City of Glendale Performing Arts Grant. **Monday, December 13, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

Mystery Readers. Discuss mysteries on different topics. This month: 2020 award winners (written in 2019) or short story mysteries. **Tuesday, December 14, 11 AM-1 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Afternoon Book Discussion. Enjoy a fun discussion of literary fiction. This month's selection is *The Secret of Clouds* by Alyson Richman. **Thursday, December 16, 2-4 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Main Library Coffeehouse. Bring the family and enjoy acoustic music performed by local musicians. Seating is limited to the first 100 audience members. This month, numerous local musicians will take the stage to entertain the audience with sing-along holiday favorites. **Monday, December 20, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

Virtual Library

Socrates Café: A Virtual Philosophical Discussion Group. Gather with people who have different backgrounds and beliefs to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences. **Thursday, December 2 & 16, 10 AM-12 PM.**

Songs in Progress Virtual Workshop. Meet virtually with Arizona Songwriters Association members Jon Iger and Randy Brown to get constructive feedback on your song, finished or not, BEFORE you go into the studio! Perform it live or play a CD or tape. **Saturday, December 18, 1-4 PM.**

Virtual Writers Group Workshop. Meet fellow writers and hear thoughtful feedback on your work. All genres and writing styles welcome. **Wednesday, December 29, 6-8 PM.**

To register to receive the Zoom link for a virtual program, please visit <http://bit.ly/gplazevents> or call 623-930-3600.

To find more virtual options, look through this calendar for events marked with an asterisk (*). This symbol indicates hybrid programs, which offer both in-person and virtual attendance.