

Virtual Library

Socrates Cafe: A Virtual Philosophical Discussion Group. Gather with people from different backgrounds and beliefs to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences. This group will be facilitated by Renee Kirschner. Registration is required. **Thursdays, March 7 & 21, 10 AM-12 PM. Online via Zoom.**

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 recording. Randy and Jon have had songs placed in many movies and TV shows. Randy is a songwriting coach, and Jon is President of the Arizona Songwriters Association. Registration is required. **Saturday, March 16, 1-4 PM. Online via Zoom.**

Virtual Writers Group Workshop. Meet fellow writers and hear thoughtful feedback on your work. All genres and writing styles are welcome. Registration is required. **Wednesday, March 27, 6-8 PM. Online via Zoom.**

Please register with an email address so the event host can send you a link for the virtual program via Zoom.

*The Foothills Library's **Gentle Reads Book Discussion Group** as well as the Velma Teague Library's **58th Avenue Book Group** and **Velma's Clues Cozy Mystery Book Club** are hybrid programs which offer a virtual Zoom option in addition to in-person attendance. Please check the program descriptions for more details.*



Looking for more to do in Glendale? Scan the QR code for the Parks and Recreation calendar or visit <https://gplaz.org/3J50dgZ>

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† Full STEAM Ahead & VR Experience @ GPL: These projects are supported by the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

All Glendale Public Library locations will be closed on Sunday, March 31, in observance of Easter.

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

Programs for Adults at the Glendale Public Library

Events

March 2024

Ready, Set, Grow!

To register for a program, please visit <https://gplaz.org/events> or call 623-930-3600. All programs are free

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.

623-930-3600

Monday	10 AM-8 PM
Tuesday	10 AM-4 PM
Wednesday	10 AM-4 PM
Thursday	10 AM-8 PM
Friday	10 AM-6 PM
Saturday	10 AM-5 PM
Sunday	1 PM-5 PM

Resourceful Desert Gardening. Grow your garden on a budget! Propagating desert cacti, succulents, and herbaceous plants is one of the most cost-effective ways to grow your garden while saving money. Jonathan Manning, Manager from Elgin Nursery and Tree Farm, will share everything you need to know, from seed saving and starting plants, to harvesting "pups" and softwood cuttings, to dividing and splitting plants. Visit linktr.ee/glendalecs to register. **Thursday, March 7, 6-7:30 PM. Main Library Auditorium.**

† **Get Smart & Get Planting!** Want to start your spring garden, but aren't sure where to begin? Looking to plant sustainably and avoid water waste? Library and Water Conservation staff will share free resources! Seasonal seeds from the seed library will be available, with instructions, as well as a make-and-take plantable sunflower seed bookmark. **Monday, March 11, 4-5:30 PM. Main Library Large Meeting Room.**

Drought Resilient Landscapes. Protect your landscape investment! Is your landscape equipped to thrive in our region's climate? Andrew Pirrone, Water Conservation Coordinator for the City of Goodyear, will showcase practical methods to increase the resiliency and health of your landscape, as well as providing other valuable irrigation tips. Visit linktr.ee/glendalecs to register. **Monday, March 25, 6-7:30 PM. Main Library Auditorium.**

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Main Library Coffeehouse. Enjoy acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month features Bob Sampson playing folk, country, and popular music, plus Michael Littwin with Irish, country, folk, and originals. **Thursday, March 14, 6:30-7:30 PM. Main Library Auditorium.**

A Sunday Afternoon of Music. You may feel like you're in a pub as you relax to the Celtic folk and flute of Thorn & the Rose, made up of husband-and-wife duo Doug and Barbara Barnett and friend Jim Whitaker. Half Way Home rounds out the afternoon with fiddle, guitar, and lots of harmony as husband-and-wife duo Dave Baumann and Barbara Herber share traditional folk and songs from the contemporary singer-songwriter catalog. **Sunday, March 17, 2-4 PM. Main Library Auditorium.**



For special accommodations, please call the host location at least one week before the event.

Foothills Library

Bluegrass Jam. Bring your acoustic instrument and play bluegrass, country, folk, gospel, and more, round-robin style! All levels of players are welcome, as well as audience and singers. **Fridays, March 1 & 15, 1-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Old-Time Music Jam. This jam focuses on traditional instrumental roots music, including Appalachian fiddle tunes, Celtic and Canadian reels, jigs and hornpipes. All acoustical instruments are encouraged, such as dulcimers, fiddles, banjos, guitars, harps, mandolins, Dobros, Irish whistles, etc. Players of all ages and ability are welcome to join in the time-honored tradition of gathering and playing music. Visit www.azoldtimejam.com to download a free tune book. *Please note that the March 2 Jam will take place at the Glendale Folk and Heritage Festival at Sahuaro Ranch Park.* **Saturdays, March 2 & 16, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM. Sahuaro Ranch Park (3/2) & Roadrunner Room (3/16).**

Big Band Grandstand. Musicians who can sight-read charts are encouraged to become a part of our big band, rehearsing and performing a variety of popular big band tunes. Audience is welcome. Players must bring their own music stands and instruments. Email bigbandgrandstand@gmail.com to sign up. **Mondays, March 4, 11, 18 & 25, 1-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

"Shut Up and Write!" Northwest Valley. Discover how helpful it can be to write alongside other writers. All skill levels and types of writing are welcome — a book, blog, script, essay, dissertation, resume, song, poem, or even work. No one will see what you've written (unless you ask them to) or give you unsolicited advice. After a silent hour of writing, participants will have time to connect with other writers, discuss writing projects and hurdles, share recommendations, and participate in a monthly critique group. Please bring along whatever you'll need to write — earbuds, earplugs, laptop or tablet, notebook and pencil, etc. **Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26, 10-11:30 AM. Hummingbird Room.**

Gentle Reads Book Discussion Group. Discuss emotionally uplifting and inspirational fiction. This month's book is *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes. If you are interested in attending this meeting virtually instead of in person, please register with an email address so the event host can contact you with a Zoom invite. **Wednesday, March 6, 10-11:30 AM. Hummingbird Room.**

† **Spring Flowers for Adults.** It's springtime, so that means flowers! Join the fun as we decorate flower pots and learn all about native Arizona flowers. Registration is required. **Wednesday, March 6, 2-4 PM. Hummingbird Room.**



The Glendale Public Library is teaming up with Camelback Ranch-Glendale Stadium to offer chances to win free tickets to a Dodgers or White Sox Spring Training baseball game!

Just read or listen to a book of your choice, then visit any Glendale Public Library location through **Sunday, March 10** to complete an entry for weekly game ticket drawings. Attending a library program or event is another way to earn a weekly drawing entry.

All participants will also be eligible to win a drawing for a grand prize bundle that includes four dugout box tickets to the March 23 season finale, one ceremonial first pitch during the March 23 season finale, and two autographed baseballs. Baseball fans of all ages are invited to participate!



Heroes Regional Park Library

Parents Meetup. Come learn about our programs for children. We can provide you with access to the latest technology, homeschool curriculum ideas or simply spaces to learn something new together. **Sunday, March 3, 1-2 PM. Yucca Room.**

† **Line Dance Class: All Levels.** Have fun with your friends and neighbors as a professional instructor with over 15 years of experience teaches you to line dance. No partner is necessary; just wear comfortable clothes and shoes. For adults aged 18 and up. Registration is required. **Thursday, March 7, 5-6 PM. Yucca Room.**

† **Glass Pendants.** Create unique glass pendants with glass fusion instructor Beth Maggio. Glass fusion bonds pieces of glass by melting them at a high temperature. Because it takes a special kiln, participants will design the jewelry during the session, then return to pick up their creations. For adults aged 18 and up. Please register for only one session. **Tuesday, March 19, 1-2 PM or 2:30-3:30 PM. Yucca Room.**

Native Flute Circle. Learn how to play the Native flute in a friendly, relaxed environment. Bring your own flute or just come to listen. Everyone aged 16+ is welcome, from those who are accomplished players to those who have never touched a flute. For more information, contact Tim Holloway at 623-313-0421. **Thursday, March 28, 6:30-7:45 PM. Yucca Room.**



Velma Teague Library

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, March 2, 1-4 PM. Meeting Room.**

Name Your Game for Adults: Classic Board, Card, and Word Games. Remember when we used to play games with family and friends in person? Those days are back! Play some old favorite games and learn new ones. Bring old friends and make new ones. Games include acey-ducey, backgammon, Boggle, canasta, checkers, chess, Chinese checkers, cribbage, dice, dominoes, euchre, gin rummy, hearts, Mille Bornes, Monopoly, pinochle, Rack-O, Rummikub, rummy 500, Scrabble, spades, Uno, Upwords, and Yahtzee. **Monday, March 11, 5:30-7:30 PM. Meeting Room.**

† **Arts and Crafts Corner: Wooden Robots.** Put your engineering skills to the test by building your own wooden robot. Piece together an animal, car, or dinosaur and watch your robot come to life! All materials will be provided. Ages 18 and up. Registration is required. **Saturday, March 16, 1-3 PM. Meeting Room.**

Sunday Afternoon Bingo. Play bingo with other adults. There will be small prizes and books for the winners! **Sunday, March 17, 1:30-3:30 PM. Meeting Room.**

58th Avenue Book Group. Discuss different topics, cultures and periods in time. This month's book is *The Garden of Lost Secrets* by Kelly Bowen. This is a hybrid program, meaning that we will also have a Zoom option for those who prefer to attend virtually rather than in person. Please email the coordinator at jcoon@glendaleaz.com to obtain the Zoom login information. **Tuesday, March 19, 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 *An Appetite for Murder* by Lucy Burdette, the first novel in the Key West Food Critic Mystery series. This is a hybrid program, meaning that we will also have a Zoom option. We are meeting early at 6 PM for this month only, because will be joined by the author via Zoom. Please email the coordinator at jcoon@glendaleaz.com to obtain the Zoom login information. **Monday, March 25, 6-7:45 PM. Meeting Room.**



Foothills Coffeehouse. Enjoy acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month features singer-songwriters The Lost Earbuds with special guest Lon Austin, playing folk and folk originals. **Thursday, March 7, 6:30-8 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. **Saturdays, March 9 & 23, 2-4 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

A Brain-Friendly Life: How to Manage Mental Overload. Have you ever forgotten to attend an important appointment, or pick the kids up from practice? Maybe you found your car keys in the fridge? Don't worry — you are not alone! Modern life has become "brain-unfriendly," and we are flooded with excessive cognitive demands that make our brains "glitch." Learn concrete strategies to help improve the functioning of our overwhelmed brains. Presented by Marisa Menchola, Ph.D., ABPP(CN) of Midwestern University. **Monday, March 11, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

A Novel Approach Book Discussion Group. Discuss engaging and thought-provoking popular fiction. This month's book is *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. **Monday, March 11, 6:30-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Art Is for Everyone: Creative Collages. Try something new at this multigenerational program, whether that be making a sculpture out of discarded treasures, collaborating with others to make a doodle masterpiece, or flinging paint like Jackson Pollock! Bring clothes you can get messy in, and we'll bring the supplies for fun, expressive art making. This month, we will be creating multimedia collages, pulling from inspirational quotes, images, textures, and colors to represent ourselves or our hopes and aspirations. Feel free to bring printouts of quotes, poems, images, or anything else you'd like to use in addition to the library's supplies. Registration is required. **Thursday, March 14, 6-7 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

† **Virtual Reality Afternoon.** Are you curious about the new virtual reality technology? Come register for a 15-minute session to try out a different game or app each month and discover what the excitement is all about. Anyone is welcome to come and watch! **Thursday, March 21, 2-4 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

† **Archaeology's Deep Time Perspective on Environment and Sustainability.** The deep time perspective that archaeology, geology, and related disciplines provide is often ignored when societies today make decisions affecting social sustainability and human safety. Learn how studies of ancient peoples and natural events can help modern society deal with problems of environmental and social change, overpopulation, and sustainability. Presented by archaeologist Allen Dart. This program is provided in partnership with Arizona Humanities. **Monday, March 25, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**



Main Library

Artistry Workshop: Faux Stained Glass Bookmark. Add a little beauty to your reading with a faux stained glass bookmark! Learn how to create a mini masterpiece with acrylic paint and glue. For adults 18 and up. Registration is required. **Monday, March 4, 6-7:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Resourceful Desert Gardening. See the front page of this calendar for details about this event. **Thursday, March 7, 6-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

Sahuaro Ranch Acoustic Jam. Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style in this self-led program. Audience is welcome. **Sundays, March 10 & 24, 2-4 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

† **Get Smart & Get Planting!** See the front page of this calendar for details about this event. **Monday, March 11, 4-5:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Mystery Readers. Discuss mysteries on different topics. This month's topics are mysteries set in cold climates or mysteries involving museums or art. **Tuesday, March 12, 11 AM-1 PM. Small Meeting Room.**

Main Library Coffeehouse: Bob Sampson & Michael Littwin. See the front page of this calendar for details about this event. **Thursday, March 14, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

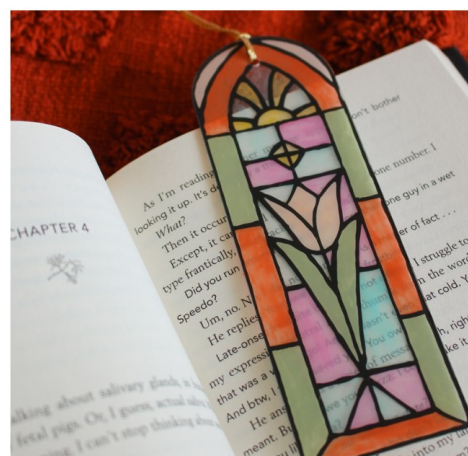
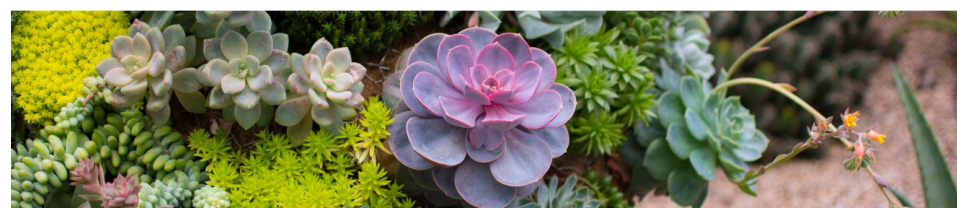
A Sunday Afternoon of Music: Thorn & the Rose and Half Way Home. See the front page of this calendar for details about this event. **Sunday, March 17, 2-4 PM. Auditorium.**

Socrates Cafe in Person. Gather with people from different backgrounds and beliefs to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences. This group will be facilitated by Renee Kirschner. **Saturday, March 23, 2-4 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Drought Resilient Landscapes. See the front page of this calendar for details about this event. **Monday, March 25, 6-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

Real to Reel. Come talk about books that have been made into movies. Everyone who has read the book or seen the movie is welcome to join! This month's title is *Apple Tree Yard* by Louise Doughty. **Wednesday, March 27, 11 AM-1 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Live @ the Library: Mill Ave Chamber Players. Celebrate works by underrepresented composers, including William Grant Still, Arturo Marquez, Valery Coleman and more. This concert is funded by a City of Glendale Performing Arts Grant. **Thursday, March 28, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**



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The Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival is a celebration of folk music, culture, and history that brings together a diverse community of artists, musicians, and storytellers. Held at the historic Sahuaro Ranch Park, this event showcases a wide array of folk and bluegrass music performances across multiple stages, offering attendees an immersive and authentic musical experience.

The festival also features workshops where visitors can learn about traditional crafts, folk art, and musical instruments, inviting hands-on participation for all ages. Storytelling sessions and historical demonstrations add an educational aspect to the festival, providing insights into the rich cultural heritage of the region. Artisans and vendors are on site with a variety of handcrafted goods, from pottery to jewelry, making it a great place to find unique gifts and souvenirs. For those looking to savor local flavors, a selection of food vendors offers delicious treats and meals.

Visit www.glendaleaz.com/events to view the events calendar for all performance stages, including the Main Library's Auditorium.