

## 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. **Thursday, July 18, 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, July 20, 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, July 31, 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.

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All Glendale Public Library locations will be closed on Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

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

# Events

## July 2024



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

## Hooray for Bollywood

**Bollywood Dances and Culture from India.** Prepare to be enthralled by the vibrant choreography, dynamic movements and expressive gestures of Kirti Dance. Come celebrate Indian culture through the lens of Bollywood. For all ages. **Sunday, July 14, 2-3 PM.**  
**Foothills Library Roadrunner Room.**

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## Crafting with Cricut

**DIY Cricut Travel Bags.** The Fourth of July may have come and gone, but summer isn't over yet! Come craft a DIY travel bag with the Cricut vinyl cutter and learn the basics of using text on a project. Registration is required. **Tuesday, July 9, 2-4 PM.**  
**Foothills Library Hummingbird Room.**

**Cricut Creations: Vinyl Application on Aprons.** Have fun selecting and editing images, then cutting, weeding and applying vinyl designs onto your apron in this step-by-step class. Choose images for grilling, cooking, gardening and more. Make one for one for yourself or for a loved one. We'll supply the materials, so all you need to bring is your creativity and enthusiasm! For adults aged 17 and up; no children are allowed. Please register for only one session.  
**Tuesday, July 16, 12-2 PM or Thursday, July 25, 5-7 PM.**  
**Heroes Regional Park Library Yucca Room.**

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

## Foothills Library

**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](mailto:bigbandgrandstand@gmail.com) to sign up. **Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 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, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 10-11:30 AM. Hummingbird Room.**

**Gentle Reads Book Discussion Group.** Discuss emotionally uplifting and inspirational fiction. This month's book is *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett. 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, July 3, 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 are welcome, as well as audience and singers. **Fridays, July 5 & 19, 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](http://www.azoldtimejam.com) to download a free tune book. **Saturdays, July 6 & 20, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM. Roadrunner Room.**



## Heroes Regional Park Library

**Family Fun Painting!** Spend quality time together with your family while exploring watercolor painting in a relaxed and festive atmosphere. **Saturday, July 6, 1-2 PM. Yucca Room.**

† **Virtual Reality Afternoon.** Are you curious about virtual reality, but haven't had the chance to experience VR firsthand? Now's your chance! Reserve a 20-minute time slot in advance and strap into the Oculus "First Steps" experience. Learn how to navigate a virtual space, interact with VR objects and even try your hand at a few mini-games. Registration is required for participants, ages 12 and up. Observers are welcome! **Sunday, July 14, 2-4 PM. Yucca Room.**

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**Unlocking Well-Being: An Introduction to the Havening Techniques.** This new psycho-sensory modality is designed to help alleviate stress and other anxiety issues. Havening practitioners claim the techniques promote emotional well-being and resilience through gentle touch and body movements. Presented by Steven Lopez, certified Havening Techniques Practitioner and Master Hypnotic Coach. For ages 18 and up. Registration is required. **Thursday, July 18, 6-7 PM. Yucca Room.**

**Learn How to Write With AI.** Are you curious to learn how artificial intelligence (AI) can support your writing project? This workshop is designed to empower those interested in leveraging AI to enhance content and communication. Building on the foundations set in "Using ChatGPT 101," this session delves deeper into the application of AI for writing and content creation. Whether you're looking to draft your next novel, create engaging content or simply streamline your writing process, this workshop is for you. No technical background or expertise is required. Participants will use laptops provided by the library. Presented by Ms. Philips, Chief Impact Officer, AI & Digital Skills Training. For ages 17 and up. Registration is required. **Monday, July 22, 5-6 PM. Yucca Room.**

## Velma Teague Library

**Tech Help @ VTL.** Are you looking for a one-on-one session where you can learn how to type, use your new phone or use hoopla? Call Sonia at 623-930-3432 to schedule a 30-minute session to help you get comfortable using a device or an app. **Fridays, July 5, 12, 19 & 26, 4:30-5:30 PM. Meeting Room.**

**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, July 6, 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-deucey, 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, July 8, 5:30-7:30 PM. Meeting Room.**

† **58th Avenue Book Group.** Discuss different topics, cultures and periods in time. This month's book is *The Tiffany Girls* by Shelley Noble. 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](mailto:jcoon@glendaleaz.com) to obtain the Zoom login information. **Tuesday, July 16, 10:15-11:30 AM. Meeting Room.**

† **Arts and Crafts Corner: 3D Diamond Art Painting Bookmarks.** Diamond painting combines cross-stitch and paint-by-numbers techniques to create stunning works of art. Learn the basics as we guide you through selecting the right materials and placing the diamonds to make a shimmering 3D bookmark. No matter what your level of experience is, this is an engaging and fun-filled artistic hobby. Join us for a repeat of this popular program. Registration is required. **Saturday, July 20, 1-3 PM. Meeting Room.**

**Sunday Afternoon Bingo.** Play bingo with other adults. There will be small prizes and books for the winners! **Sunday, July 21, 1:30-3:30 PM. Meeting Room.**

**Velma's Clues Cozy Mystery Book Club.** Discuss the first book in an ongoing cozy mystery series. This month's book is *Paw Enforcement* by Diane Kelly, the first novel in the Paw Enforcement series. This is a hybrid program, meaning that we will also have a Zoom option. Please email the coordinator at [jcoon@glendaleaz.com](mailto:jcoon@glendaleaz.com) to obtain the Zoom login information. **Monday, July 22, 6:30-7:45 PM. Meeting Room.**

† **Virtual Reality @ the Library.** Teens and adults aged 14 and up are encouraged to sign up for a 20-minute session to get some hands-on experience using our virtual reality headsets! After a brief tutorial to get you comfortable with the controls, you can move on to one of the many preloaded games and activities. Space is limited and registration is required. **Monday, July 29, 5-7:05 PM. Meeting Room.**



**The Importance of Early Pediatric and Orthodontic Dental Treatment.** Learn about the importance of early dental treatment, including specific ages when it will benefit a child, what to expect, and the benefits. Presented by Karen Berrigan, D.M.D., and Sabita Rao, D.M.D., of Midwestern University. **Monday, July 8, 6:30-7:30 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

**A Novel Approach Book Discussion Group.** Discuss engaging and thought-provoking popular fiction. This month's book is *The Marriage Portrait* by Maggie O'Farrell. **Monday, July 8, 6:30-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

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**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, July 13 & 27, 2-4 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

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† **Virtual Reality Afternoon.** Are you curious about the new virtual reality technology? Register for a 15-minute session to try out a different game or app each month and discover what the excitement is all about. Ages 13 and up. Anyone is welcome to come and watch! **Thursday, July 18, 2-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

## Main Library

**Rock the Summer Paint Party!** We're painting "All-Things-Summer" rocks! Fireworks, watermelons and the beach are perfect fits for your little rock palette. We supply the materials, and you supply the creativity. For adults, teens, tweens and families, ages 10 and up. Registration is required. **Monday, July 1, 6-7:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

**Mystery Readers.** Discuss mysteries on different topics. This month's topics are amateur sleuths or historical mysteries. **Tuesday, July 9, 11 AM-1 PM. Small Meeting Room.**

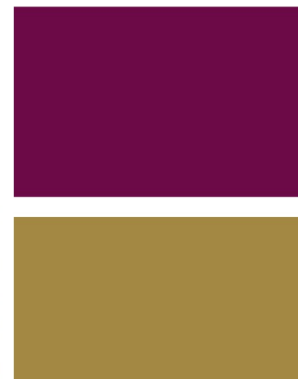
**Main Library Coffeehouse.** Enjoy acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month, Ken Doerfler performs '50s and '60s rock 'n' roll, Mike Krzyston plays fingerstyle guitar, and Steve Miller offers covers in a variety of genres as they share their music in the round. **Thursday, July 11, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

**Sahuaro Ranch Acoustic Jam.** Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style in this self-led program. Audience is welcome. **Sundays, July 14 & 28, 2-4 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

**A Sunday Afternoon of Country Music.** Enjoy performances from members of the West Valley Country Music Association, including George & Georgia (Americana/folk), Prickly Pear with Paul Wilson & Diane Elrod (country), Mike McGuire (country western) and Dan McCorison (western/folk). **Sunday, July 21, 2-4 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 *If I Stay* by Gayle Forman. **Wednesday, July 24, 11 AM-1 PM. Creative Space.**

**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, July 27, 2-4 PM. Large Meeting Room.**



## Readers Concierge



Let the Glendale Public Library help you find your new favorite reads! We've created an online Readers Concierge service to help you with your reading selections. Just complete a short survey to give us a sense of what you like and library staff will email you a personalized list of five to 10 titles within three to five days.

Visit <https://gplaz.org/readersconcierge> to get started!

## Borrow Books with MAX

Can't find your desired book at the Glendale Public Library? Expand your reading horizons with MAX, connecting you to partner libraries across Maricopa County. Visit <https://gplaz.org/aboutmax> to learn more about MAX and link to the catalog.

Place your request and the partner library will send it directly to your preferred Glendale Public Library location for easy pickup. Start browsing the MAX catalog now to uncover a wealth of literary treasures!



In Partnership with Maricopa County Library District

# ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY™

**Last Chance for Summer Reading!** It's not too late to join the Glendale Public Library's 2024 Summer Reading program! Just sign up for "Adventure Begins at Your Library" at [www.maricopacountyreads.org](http://www.maricopacountyreads.org) and get reading before the program ends on **August 1.**

It's simple! Just log your reading minutes on the website as you go. When you hit milestones like 250, 500, 750 or 1,000 minutes, head over to any Glendale Public Library location to claim your well-deserved prizes! These include coupons for free food at local restaurants, Phoenix Mercury tickets, Arizona State Park passes, books and more. Prizes are available while supplies last.

The best part? Everyone is invited to participate, regardless of age or reading preference. That's right, whether you're a bookworm or an audiobook aficionado, all reading counts! Don't forget to finish the program to be automatically entered into a grand prize drawing for amazing rewards!

So, what are you waiting for? Visit <https://gplaz.org/summerreading2024> for more information before the sun sets on our summer of reading, prizes and adventure!

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