

Heroes Regional Park Library

* **Around the World with Jungle Jill & Friends. Saturday, June 1, 1-2 PM. Yucca Room.**

Meet eight animals from around the world, including reptiles, amphibians, crustaceans, insects and arachnids, while Jungle Jill shares fascinating facts about their adaptations. Some lucky volunteers will get to assist, making it a fun, interactive experience for everyone!

† **STEAM Kids Club. Mondays, 2-3 PM. Yucca Room.**

Kids aged 6-12 can get involved in a STEAM project every week!

June 3: Canvas Bag Creations. Paint canvas book bags with colorful acrylics and learn about vinyl heat transfer with the Cricut machine, adding even more creativity to your designs!

June 10: Pool Noodle Periscope. Dive into an underwater adventure, learning about optics and crafting your own periscope using pool noodles. Explore reflection and refraction, making waves of fun along the way!

June 17: Ecosystem Exploration with Mad Science of N.E. Phoenix. Discover the secrets of ecosystems, from energy webs to human impacts. Create ecosystem drawings and build mini ecosystems to take home!

June 24: 3D Print Bubble Wands. Explore technology in this live demonstration. Watch your creativity take shape through the magic of 3D printing, as your very own bubble wand is crafted right before your eyes!

Family Literacy Night. Monday, June 3, 6-7 PM. Yucca Room.

This family reading event for parents and their children, ages 2-4 (siblings are welcome), is movement-based and inclusive for kids with disabilities. We read, craft, sign and learn tips in both Spanish and English to make reading fun for everyone! Join us for a lively and engaging experience!

Storytimes

Baby Rhyme and Playtime

- Foothills Library: Tuesdays at 10 AM

Baby and Toddler Time

- Velma Teague Library: Wednesdays at 11 AM
- Main Library: Thursdays at 10:30 AM & 11:15 AM
- Heroes Regional Park Library: Fridays at 10:15 AM

Preschool Storytime

- Main Library: Tuesdays at 10:30 AM & 11:15 AM
- Velma Teague Library: Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
- Foothills Library: Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Heroes Regional Park Library: Fridays at 11 AM

Toddler Time

- Foothills Library: Tuesdays at 11 AM

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.

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* Maricopa County Reads is the award-winning online summer reading program provided by the Maricopa County Library District to all public libraries within Maricopa County.



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June 2024 Programs for Kids & Families

All Libraries

Summer Reading Is Back for All Ages! Saturday, June 1 - Thursday, August 1.

Join the fun by signing up for "Adventure Begins at Your Library" at www.maricopacountyreads.org. Log your reading minutes to win exciting prizes like free food coupons, Phoenix Mercury tickets, Arizona State Park passes, books and more! All reading counts, whether you prefer books or audiobooks. Finish the program to be entered into a grand prize drawing. Visit gplaz.org/summerreading2024 for details and embark on a summer of reading, prizes and adventure!

Adopt an Emoji Bear. Throughout June and July.

Looking to add some excitement to your summer? Come to the Public Service Desk to adopt an emoji bear! Each pet will come with its own activity journal so you can track all the fun things you and your new friend do together. When you return to show us your completed journal, you'll earn a small prize. Available while supplies last. For ages 5 and up.

Celebrate Juneteenth! Grab & Go Craft Kits. Monday, June 17 - Wednesday, June 19.

Did you know that June 19, known as "Juneteenth," is a special day that celebrates the end of slavery in the United States? People also call it Emancipation Day or Juneteenth Independence Day. If you're between 5 and 11 years old, you can join the celebration by grabbing a Juneteenth craft kit while they last!

African Music and Arts Village

Explore African music, storytelling and dance in this series of performances and interactive workshops with South African recording artist Baba Shibambo. Become part of our village as we celebrate the rhythms and harmonies that hold traditional societies together. This program is funded by a City of Glendale Performing Arts Grant.

Opening Concert. Monday, June 3, 6:30-7:30 PM. Main Library Auditorium.

Baba Shibambo will introduce the music of traditional African instruments, including djembes, dun duns, handmade wooden marimbas, shakers, bushman bow, kalimbas and others. He will include storytelling and an interactive song and dance component. For all ages.

Youth/Caregiver Workshops. Baba Shibambo will demonstrate how to build and tune a djembe drum. Try your hand at playing multiple indigenous instruments, including djembes, marimbas and shakers, then work with Baba Shibambo as he orchestrates a multi-instrument musical piece, accompanied by volunteer dancers. You can come show what you've learned at the finale concert on June 9! For kids under age 12, plus caregivers.

Tuesday, June 4, 2-3 PM. Main Library Large Meeting Room.

Wednesday, June 5, 1-2 PM. Foothills Library Roadrunner Room.

Thursday, June 6, 2-3 PM. Velma Teague Library Meeting Room.

Friday, June 7, 2-3 PM. Heroes Regional Park Library Yucca Room.

Finale Concert. Sunday, June 9, 2-3 PM. Main Library Auditorium.

This performance will include a wide variety of music, dance and stories co-performed by workshop participants and orchestrated and choreographed by Baba Shibambo. For all ages.

Foothills Library

Foothills Chess Club. Mondays, June 3, 10, 17 & 24, 10 AM-12 PM. Hummingbird Room.

Knight to F3! Build your chess skills, meet other players, or just learn a little bit more. Geared toward ages 8 and up.

Family Literacy Night. Thursday, June 6, 6-7 PM. Storytime Room.

This family reading event for parents and their children, ages 2-4 (siblings are welcome), is movement-based and inclusive for kids with disabilities. We read, craft, sign and learn tips in both Spanish and English to make reading fun for everyone! Join us for a lively and engaging experience!

Paws to Read with Mr. Finley! Fridays, June 7, 14, 21 & 28, 3-4 PM. Storytime Room.

Reserve a spot to read with Mr. Finley, a friendly miniature poodle! Each child may book one fifteen-minute spot to share a story one-on-one with this Pet Partners certified therapy dog. Mr. Finley loves books and stories of all kinds, and would love to meet you! For ages 5 and up.

† Lego Mania. Monday, June 10, 4-5 PM. Storytime Room.

Come and build Lego masterpieces with us! Work together in groups or alone to make a Lego creation. For ages 3-12.

*** Magic and Juggling Show. Wednesday, June 12, 2-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

Enjoy fun-filled family entertainment packed with audience involvement. This energetic performance by Craig Davis includes amazing magic and world-class juggling, teaching children that “When you read, you can learn anything, even magic!”

Paint Night. Monday, June 17, 6-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.

Create a beautiful butterfly by following online instructions from Step-by-Step Painting with Tracie Kiernan. For ages 10 and up.

† What Makes a Mammal? Wednesday, June 19, 2-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.

What is the difference between mammals and other types of animals? In this engaging presentation, Ranger John from Arizona Base Camp will teach you about different types of animals and their adaptations. Then, become an animal detective as you investigate animal adaptation clues! Families and children are welcome.

Our Community Is a Rainbow: A Special Storytime. Thursday, June 20, 4:30-5:30 PM. Storytime Room.

Rainbows are made of many colors! Families are invited to celebrate diversity and Pride Month with books and songs. This program is geared toward preschoolers and their grown-ups, but all families are welcome!


† Science Heroes: Adventure of the Lost Treasure. Wednesday, June 26, 2-3 PM. Roadrunner Room.

Embark on a jungle treasure hunt and help conduct thrilling science experiments along the way. From chemical reactions to physical explosions, the audience will be part of the action in this exciting STEM learning adventure from Talewise. Great for kids and families!

Programs in italics require registration.

Please call 623-930-3600 or visit <https://gplaz.org/events> to register.

All programs at the library are free of charge.

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

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.

Main Library

Grow Play Learn. Wednesdays, June 5 - July 31, 10:30 AM-12 PM. Large Meeting Room.

During this eight-week school readiness program, children aged 3-5 will learn basic knowledge for school through stories, songs and games! Caregivers will learn tips to support their children at home and prepare them to be successful at school. This program is designed for caregivers and their children to participate together. Please register for each session.

Family Nerf War Afterhours. Friday, June 7, 6:30-8:30 PM. Meeting Room Wing.

Prepare to do battle in our Family Nerf War! Sign up as a group, then join a team to determine ultimate Nerf supremacy! We'll also offer a shooting range, skills challenge and quiet area (just in case). This is an all-ages event, recommended for families with children, ages 5 and up. Children younger than 10 must be accompanied by a parent at all times. You may bring your own unmodified Nerf guns and darts. Modified guns will not be allowed in play. The library is not responsible for lost guns and darts. Eye protection is highly recommended.

† Terrific Tuesday: Lego Mania @ Main. Tuesday, June 11, 2-3 PM. Large Meeting Room.

Get your creativity in gear and build Lego masterpieces with us! Whether it's a cool car, spaceship, or dream home, the sky is the limit in this program designed for children, ages 5-11. Younger children may attend if accompanied by an adult.

*** Terrific Tuesday: James Reid the Juggler. Tuesday, June 18, 2-3 PM. Auditorium.**

Kids and families won't want to miss this amazing performance, featuring big fun, big tricks and big laughs! Comedy and audience participation will keep all ages laughing while unique juggling tricks, seen nowhere else, will amaze. The sports juggling finale is both interactive and jaw-dropping. This is a true family show!

Great Arizona Puppet Theater Presents: Hotel Saguaro. Tuesday, June 25, 2-3 PM. Auditorium.

Laugh and learn as you follow Sammy, a young saguaro, who isn't so sure about being a cactus. His Grandpa teaches him how important the saguaro is to the desert. The puppeteer will provide an entertaining and informative post-show discussion. This first-come, first-served performance for kids and families is provided by the Glendale Sustainable Living Division.

Velma Teague Library

Pokémon League. Monday, June 10 & Thursday, June 20, 6:30-7:30 PM. Youth Department/Meeting Room.

Calling all Pokémon fans, ages 7-12! Stop by the library for an evening of fun, featuring a Pokémon card tournament with prizes! Feel free to bring along your favorite cards.

Kids Paint Party: Pikachu. Thursday, June 13, 2-4 PM. Meeting Room.

Calling all Pokémon fans, ages 5-12! We're hosting a paint party, and you're invited! Come learn how to paint a picture of the Pokémon Pikachu. Discover some new painting techniques and create a Pokémon masterpiece of your own.

*** The Magic and Illusions of Eric Gilliam. Thursday, June 20, 2-3 PM. Meeting Room.**

Do you like magic and illusions? Well, you're in luck! You won't want to miss this fun, family-friendly show that's sure to delight all ages, performed by world-renowned magician Eric Gilliam. Space is limited for this ticketed event. Tickets will be distributed starting at 12 PM on the day of the show.

Great Arizona Puppet Theater Presents: Hotel Saguaro. Thursday, June 27, 2-3 PM. Meeting Room.

Laugh and learn as you follow Sammy, a young saguaro, who isn't so sure about being a cactus. His Grandpa teaches him how important the saguaro is to the desert. The puppeteer will provide an entertaining and informative post-show discussion. This first-come, first-served performance for kids and families is provided by the Glendale Sustainable Living Division.