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## **Happy New Year!**

Check out what all is coming up for the Youth & Teen Services in January.

**Upcoming Library Closures** 

Friday, December 31st

#### Saturday, January 1st Monday, January 17th

## Storytime is Back!

Plus new Baby Storytime!

Children and their grownups are invited to join Miss Heather for a 30 minute storytime featuring developmentally appropriate songs, movement, & stories to foster early literacy skills. Afterwards, there will be a craft or activity to expand upon storytime. Please register beforehand as space is limited and so there are enough supplies for crafts.



Baby Storytime
Every Other Friday, 10:30-11:00am
January 14, 28

This storytime is aimed at children ages 0 to 18 months, focused on starting babies off in the right direction for language and literacy skills.

Baby Storytime requires more adult participation than those for older children.

**Register Here** 



Toddler Storytime Tuesdays, 10:30-11:15am January 11, 18, 25

This storytime is aimed at children ages 1-3, featuring shorter books with less text. Books of that sort help them start to recognize words and the structure of a story.

**Register Here** 



Preschool Storytime Thursdays, 10:30-11:15am January 6, 13, 20, 27

This storytime is aimed at children ages 4-6, featuring more complex books and songs to challenge children and help them become more invested in their own reading.

**Register Here** 

## Youth Events at

# the Library!



#### **Sonoran Desert Story & Stroll**

Tuesday, January 4, 10:30-11:30am

Join Desert Foothills Library and Desert Foothills Land Trust as we explore our amazing Sonoran Desert through this interactive nature series. Each session will feature a children's book inspired by the desert that will be read by the author themselves. After the reading, participants will help bring the book to life with a creative activity followed by a guided nature walk\* through the Land Trust's beautiful Carolyn Bartol Preserve located right next to the library on top of Saguaro Hill.

Quincy the quail is a little clumsy, but a lovable character that always seems to find a way to avoid trouble in his Sonoran Desert home. Join author, Barbara Renner as she reads one of her three children's picture books about Quincy and his adventures. After the reading you will get to make a Quincy the quail of your own to take home and also embark on a Sonoran Desert adventure with your guide to explore and learn more about this amazing desert that Quincy calls home.

\*Sun protection & closed-toe walking shoes are recommended Best for ages 3-7

#### **Register Here!**



Me & My Doll Tuesday, January 11 4:00-5:00pm

Bring your favorite doll to the library for this program! Participants will make matching tutus for themselves and their dolls. Miss Heather will read from a book based on a popular doll will children work on their tutus. This program is suited for ages 6-12.

**Register Here!** 

## Children's Puzzle & Game Morning

Friday, January 14 10:00-11:00am

The library will be breaking out our floor puzzles and literacy games for Toddlers and Preschoolers. Spend the morning learning important preliteracy skills and having fun!

This program is suited for ages 1-5.



**Register Here!** 

Parenting 101 in 2022

Saturday, January 15 1:00-2:30pm Being a parent is one of the most challenging jobs you will ever have, as well as one of the most rewarding. The end goal is to raise, confident, self-reliant, and well-grounded children. Discover options and solutions to the support you in your daily role as a parent, towards achieving that goal.

This class will be presented by Michele Guy Syne, who is a Professional Engineer and Certified Hypnotherapist. Michele teaches monthly classes, and gives private sessions to support her Clients in finding the resources within themselves to improve their lives by removing limiting beliefs, patterns of behavior, and painful emotions and memories which no longer serve them.

While parents attend this class, children ages 6-9 are invited to participate in an art class, detailed below.

This program is for parents, guardians, and caregivers.

**Reserve Your Space!** 



#### **Art Masterpiece Class: Camille Pissarro**

Saturday, January 15 1:00-2:00pm

Come explore the French Impressionist painter Camille Pissarro through an Art Masterpiece class of his painting Pluie, Place du Theatre Français, Rain. This class is for children in Kindergarten to 3rd grade and will include a brief lesson on impressionism, Camille Pissarro, and an art project.

This class will be taught by Wendy Wurr, who was trained by Docents at the Minneapolis Institute of Art on many masterpieces to be taught to elementary school students.

While parents attend Parenting 101, children are invited to participate in the following art class!

This program is suited for ages 6-9.

**Register Here!** 



#### LEGO Build Your Own Adventure: Strongest Bridge

Tuesday, January 18 4:30-5:30pm

Your challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to build the strongest bridge out of LEGOs. The sky is the limit with how you meet this challenge. Librarian Heather and Teen Volunteers will have bridge facts to inspire your design.

This program is suited for ages 6-12.

**Register Here!** 



# Teen Game Testing Night

Thursday, January 13 4:30-6:00pm

Come learn a board game! Teen Volunteers will lead a table for each game. One table will be Ticket to Ride, a strategy board game aimed at developing the longest route across North America as well as accomplishing additional objectives. The other table will be Fluxx, a card game where playing the game changes the rules.

This program is suited for ages 12-18.



**RSVP Here** 

#### Teen Manga Book Club

Wednesday, January 19 3:30-4:30pm

## Fullmetal Alchemist: Volume 1 by Hiromu Arakawa

Librarian Heather is diving into the world of manga for the first time and needs your help – either as a guide or as a fellow beginner! Each month, we will read the first volume of a different manga series to discuss it and manga in general. January's book is *Fullmetal Alchemist: Volume 1* by Hiromu Arakawa. Snacks will be provided! Copies of the book are available for checkout.

This program is suited for ages 13-18.



**RSVP Here** 



**Dungeons & Dragons** 

#### Saturday, December 18 11:00am-3:30pm

Interested in Dungeons & Dragons but don't know how to get started? Love D&D but don't have a group? Join Librarian Heather as she leads adventurers through a campaign, explaining the basics along the way. Both seasoned players and people new to RPGs are welcome! If you are able, please come with a filled out Level 1 character sheet (blank ones will be available in the library). There will also be premade characters available on the day of. <a href="Download a Blank Character Sheet">Download a Blank Character Sheet</a> or <a href="Select a Pregenerated Character This program is suited for ages 12-18.

**RSVP Here** 



#### **Jubilate Conservatory of Music Classes**

#### **Spring Semester**

Jubilate Conservatory of Music, a school of classical music, where young students learn to read and write music, begins in-person music classes in September. The Fall Semester lasts fourteen weeks. Violin, viola, cello and choir will be instructed in an after-school format. Online lessons and classes will continue with a particular favorite, Online Collaboration, where students work together online to create a music video. Saturday Music Classes are offered free of tuition.

Information about Jubilate Conservatory of Music may be found at <u>jubilateconservatoryofmusic.org</u>. If you are interested in joining, please

contact Laya Field for more information at 480-993-6147.



If you ever find yourself in the tough spot of needing a menstrual product while at the library, never fear! We've got you covered, thanks to a generous donation by the Foothills Food Bank. There is also an annotated bibliography of print and online resources about periods and puberty.