

**Desert Foothills**

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## **February at the Library**

Hello, everyone! February will look a little different than months prior. Due to staff Covid infections, we have made the difficult decision to scale back our operating hours and suspend in-person programming.

We will be open during our normal hours on Thursday, Friday and Saturday until we are able to get back to full health. We are deeply concerned about the health and safety of our patrons, employees, and volunteers and will continue to monitor internal infection rates on a weekly basis.

Our thoughts remain with you and your families during this unprecedented time

**However, we still have plenty of programs and resources for you to enjoy! See below for more information.**

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# Youth & Teen Programs



Similar to January, there will be Grab & Go Storytime Kits available. These kits include a storytime plan to conduct with your child, featuring movement, rhymes, songs, and recommended books. Also included in each kit are a coloring page and instructions/supplies for a relevant craft.

Each week in February will feature a new kit and book selection displayed at the entrance to the children's area. New kits will available on Wednesdays each week. Kits are on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.



## GRAB & GO: MARSHMALLOW CATAPULTS



### **For Elementary and Middle Schoolers**

Come get craft kits complete with instructions and relevant supplies to make your own mini catapult. Marshmallows for catapulting (or snacking!) are included. No registration required; kits are available on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.



### **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.

*This program is for parents, guardians, and caregivers.*

Parenting 101 will be held outside on the patio.

**Cost: \$5**

[Register Here](#)



## Virtual Teen Manga Book Club

***Fruits Basket* by Natsuki Takaya**

**Wednesday, February 23, 3:30-4:30 pm**

Librarian Heather is diving into the world of manga 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. February's book is *Fruits Basket* by Natsuki Takaya. *Fruits Basket* follows the adventures of an orphan girl who is taken in by a wealthy family with a mysterious curse. Snacks will be provided! Copies of the book are available for checkout.

*This program is suited for ages 13-18.*

Registration Required

Register for the Zoom Link



## Virtual Teen Dungeons & Dragons

**Saturday, February 26, 1-3pm**

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. Snacks will be provided! If you missed January's meeting – don't worry! We'll find a way to introduce your character to the party.

*This program is suited for ages 12-18.*

[Download a Blank Character Sheet](#) or [Select a Pregenerated Character](#)

Register for the Zoom Link



## **Jubilate Music Classes**

**Mondays, 4:00-5:00pm | Tuesdays, 4:15-5:30pm | Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00pm | Saturday, 10:00-12:00pm | Saturday, 12:15-1:00pm**

Jubilate Conservatory of Music, a school of classical music, where young students learn to read and write music, presents in-person music classes at Desert Foothills Library. 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. Information about Jubilate Conservatory of Music may be found at [jubilateconservatoryofmusic.org](http://jubilateconservatoryofmusic.org). Saturday Music Classes are offered free of tuition. These classes are through Jubilate Conservatory of Music. Instruments are not provided.

**If you are interested in joining, please contact Laya Field for more information at 480-993-6147.**

The Library's parking garage is going to be under construction starting in mid-February through March. This may impact parking for all library patronage.

Thank you for your patience while we have our parking garage updated!

Thank you,  
Desert Foothills Library

## **Adult Programs**





## **Vintage Hats Private Collection Fundraiser & Tea to benefit Desert Foothills Library**

**Sunday, February 27, 3:00pm**

Reserve your spot at the English Rose Tea Room for tea, cakes, and your chance to take home one or more of fifty vintage hats from a private collection that spans the 1950s – 1990s. These designer and one-of-a-kind hats are being donated by Andrea Markowitz, whose mother amassed the collection. Jo Gemmil of the English Rose Tea Room is donating the tea and cakes. Your \$35 ticket includes tea, cakes and five raffle tickets. Additional raffle tickets may be purchased at the event. Seating is limited. ALL proceeds directly benefit Desert Foothills Library.

**Call English Rose Team Room at 480-488-4812 to reserve your seat and 5 raffle tickets.**

Questions, please contact the English Rose Tea Room at 480-488-4812 or Desert Foothills Library at 480-488-2286 or [info@dfla.org](mailto:info@dfla.org).

## **Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Thursdays, 5:00pm**

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held every Thursday. If the Library is closed, the meeting is held on the Waterfall Terrace.





## Writer's Connection

**Friday, February 4, 1:00pm ZOOM**

Today's world is literally at a writer's fingertips. A few keyboard strokes can open the Internet information gates to help you create stories that are distinctively credible and compelling.

**This month: Write the Memoir to Remember with Patricia Brooks.**

[RSVP HERE](#)

## Get Lit Book Club

**Tuesday, February 8, 5:00pm ZOOM**

Get Lit Book Club, a happy hour book club! Not for the faint of heart. Weird, odd, and unique books are chosen for a great discussion, so get ready for something you might not choose every day! Books will include non-fiction, classics, contemporary fiction, and memoirs to list a few.

**This month: *Yale Needs Women* by Anne Gardiner Perkins**

[RSVP HERE](#)





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# VITA

## Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

### Tax Assistance by Masters of Coin

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, February - April**

The IRS and Masters of Coin-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help for low to moderate income families, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals. Please call 480-488-2286 to schedule an appointment.

Forms to be filled out are available for pick up prior to appointment.

Please bring social security card, all 2021 tax forms, 2020 tax return, and photo identification card. Please visit the Masters of Coin website for additional information: <https://mastersofcoin.org>.

**Call the library at 480-488-2286 to book your appointment.**

### Library Book Club

**Thursday, February 10, 10:00am ZOOM**

**Tuesday, February 22, 10:00am ZOOM**

Discussion of a different book each month.  
Everyone is welcome! If you are unable to make the 2nd Thursday, catch the same book discussion on the 4th Tuesday each month!



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This month: *The Soul of an Octopus* by Sy Montgomery

[RSVP HERE](#) for February 10

[RSVP HERE](#) for February 22



## Literary Salon

**Thursday, February 17, 10:00am  
ZOOM**

An informal discussion of books, film and theater, led by a facilitator. No requirements to read or see any particular book, film or play. Everyone is invited to share ideas and reflections on the selected theme.

**This Month:** Cookbook Memories

## Puzzle Exchange

**Friday, February 25**

Are you sick of your puzzles at home because you have completed all of them multiple times? Come drop off your gently used puzzles and pick out a new one for free! Leave one puzzle and take four, the more the merrier. Offered on the last Friday of every month. All ages and skill levels encouraged!





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*I Love My Library*  
*Virtual Celebration*

*Please join us and celebrate YOUR library!*

- **LIVE video stream at 6:30 PM, Saturday, February 19th**
  - Attend by clicking on the event link below or through the Desert Foothills Library YouTube page.
- **Participate in the silent auction, February 1-19th**
  - Registration for the silent auction begins February 1st.
  - Go to the event link below, click the silent auction tab, and register for the silent auction.
  - Keep an eye on your top auction items using the Givi app!
- **Support unique Fund-A-Need options**
  - Make a targeted donation for a specific library program February 1-19th through the silent auction page (go to the event link below, then click the silent auction tab).
- **Throw a private video viewing party and create a fundraising page to share with your network!**
  - Go to the event link below, click "Join a Party & Donate" to go to the team fundraising page, then click register.
  - You can register as an individual or a team and will get your very own personalized fundraising page to share with your network (similar to walk-a-thon or run fundraising pages you may have seen in the past).
  - In addition, we encourage you to host a private, in-person viewing party at your home for the LIVE video February 19th. Just add your attendees to your fundraising page. As thanks, you will receive a special exclusive dessert from us! Email dtownsend@dfla.org so that we can add you to the private viewing party dessert list.
  - You can also purchase "Reading" glasses, special themed wine and rocks glasses, to give your viewing party that extra literary touch.

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