Black History Month
Also known as National African American History Month, Black History Month is an annual celebration recognizing the achievements of black Americans and their central role in our nation’s history. President Gerald R. Ford first designated the month in 1976, calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” It is an expansion of “Negro History Week,” first held in 1926 and the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African-Americans. Black History Month is also celebrated in Canada and the United Kingdom.

Black History Month Displays • Feb. 1–28
• 38th Annual Pasadena Martin Luther King Community Coalition’s Art Contest Winners. Featuring the artwork of students in grades 4-12. Central Library/Centennial Room & Business Wing
• A historical view of African-American families as seen through African-American literature and the Civil Rights Movement. Hastings Branch
• A Game of Color, an exhibit of photographs, artifacts and artwork spotlighting the Negro Leagues, which thrived from the 1920s through baseball’s integration in 1947, and which featured the greatest African-American ballplayers of that era. Hastings Branch
• Eight Ballplayers from the Negro Leagues, artist Tina Hoggatt’s suite of linocut and letterpress portraits of African-American baseball icons. La Pintoresca Branch
• A display of books available to check out on the Negro Leagues. Presented by the Baseball Reliquary and the Institute for Baseball Studies at Whittier College. La Pintoresca Branch
• Book display featuring stories of prominent African-Americans. Villa Parke Branch

Family Fun Films
Featuring movies celebrating Black History Month. For movie title, call (626) 744-6510.
Thursdays • 3:30 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Pasadena African-American Genealogy Group
Search out your heritage and recover the past with this dynamic genealogy group.
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. • La Marsana Park Branch

42: The True Story Of An American Legend
Kick off Black History Month with this film screening of the dramatic and moving story of Jackie Robinson’s courageous fight to desegregate Major League baseball.
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 3:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Jungle-Drum Circle with Chazz Ross
Travel along on Chazz’s whimsical safari with 26 African djembe drums! You’ll create realistic jungle sounds, play simple rhythms and sing silly songs, all while learning about the amazing culture of African drumming!
Monday, Feb. 6 • 11 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch
Wednesday, Feb. 22 • 1 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Celebrate Black History Month
Expand your knowledge of Black History. Join us for an all-day crayon-coloring event featuring the portraits of prominent African-Americans, and then check out books on their stories. For ages 5+. All materials provided.
Friday, Feb. 10 • 10 a.m.–6 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Portrait Unveiling
Join us as we unveil a new portrait of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, entitled “True Patriots,” by local artist Emery Lambus.
Friday, Feb. 10 • 3-4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Only the Ball Was White
Film Screening and Discussion
A screening of the 1981 film Only the Ball Was White, which documents a bygone and bittersweet era in baseball. The film features interviews with many players who were legends in the Negro Leagues but were denied the opportunity to play in the Major Leagues, including Satchel Paige, Buck Leonard, Jimmy Crutchfield and Quincy Trouppe. Daryl Grigsby, Negro Leagues historian and author of Celebrating Ourselves: African-Americans and the Promise of Baseball, and Ken Solarz, filmmaker, television writer and producer, will be the featured speakers at this program, presented by the Baseball Reliquary.
Saturday, Feb. 11 • 2-4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Chocolate Storytime: Tales & Candy Treats for Children
Join us for an afternoon of storytelling and village building, featuring stories authored by and/or about African-Americans, followed by a chocolate treat! Led by Dr. Ayesha Randall. For ages 3+.
Friday, Feb. 24 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

HOLIDAY HOURS
All Pasadena Public Libraries will be CLOSED for the following holidays:
Lincoln’s Birthday - Sunday & Monday, Feb. 12 & 13
Washington’s Birthday - Sunday & Monday, Feb. 19 & 20
Did you know that February is “Love Your Library” Month? Neither did I. But, I guess it makes sense. February seems to be the month of love thanks to Valentine’s Day. Wherever you go - the grocery store, the mall, card shops, the internet - there are hearts and the color red everywhere. So, I’m in, I’m celebrating Love Your Library Month in February. Actually, thinking about why I love my library takes me back to my high school days. I was one of those kids that would walk to the library every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday after school with my best friend Todd. I had geometry tutoring every Tuesday and Thursday, so no library on those days. I was terrible at geometry but I’ll leave that story for National Geometry Month.

So, back to my Monday, Wednesday, Friday trips to the library. The purpose of those trips to the library was to work on my homework, or so I told my parents. Actually, we did get our homework done on most days, but it was also that time to meet up with our friends and hang out. A little homework, a little conversation, a sneak a piece of candy or two, a lot more conversation (no cell phones back then). We used to sit in the adult section, because after all, we were teenagers and way too mature for the children’s room. In those days the library was a quiet place with only a whisper or two that could be heard. Sometimes you would hear the “beep, beep, beep” of the front gates going off, making us feel safe, it was where our homework was done on most days, but it was also a quiet place with only a whisper or two that could be heard. Sometimes you would hear the “beep, beep, beep” of the front gates going off, making everyone look up to see who might be trying to sneak a book out of the library. And then, once in a while, you would hear the sound of a “shush” whispering through the library. Never did we think that was meant for us. After all, we would sit out of sight, in the back, giggling quietly, acting silly, eating sour peach candy, totally undetected. Or so we thought.

Even though we were shushed and sometimes asked to leave for the day, we always knew the library was our place. It was where we wanted to be. That librarian put up with our giggling and talking and always helped us find what we needed. It was where we felt safe, it was where our friends were, it was where our homework could get done, and it was where we felt a sense of belonging. That’s what took us back every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. That’s probably what takes me there every day now.

So that’s why I’m celebrating “Love Your Library” Month, because I do. It started in high school at my local public library where I spent my afternoons and it continues now in Pasadena, where I spend my days working with our amazing staff to create that place where everyone belongs, where everyone is safe, and where everyone is welcome.

I hope you’ll join me in celebrating Love Your Library Month by visiting your neighborhood library, by checking out a book or downloading an eBook, by attending one of our programs, writing a Love Your Library message, enjoying a quiet moment reading, or celebrating the Central Library building’s 90th birthday. I love my library.

Valentine’s Movie Date
Enjoy a movie date night while Pasadena Central Library staff provides activities for your school-age children in the nearby Children’s Story Room. You’ll enjoy the film 50 First Dates while your children have fun creating Valentine cards, watching cartoons and enjoying refreshments. Event is limited to 50 parents/guardians and 50 children. Children must be age 8+ and must be comfortable working with library staff while their parents are watching the film. Reservations are required, on a first-come, first-served basis. To sign up send name of parent/guardian and name and age of children via email to creeder@cityofpasadena.net.

Thursday, Feb. 2
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium
6:45-7 p.m. • Check-in
7-8:45 p.m. • Valentine’s program/film

The Art of Forgiveness
Learn how to live your inner life free of difficult past events and individuals. Discover a variety of practical applications to enjoy your life and share your amazing joyf individually with those around you. Presented by Maggie Thomas, LCSW, M.Ed.

Thursday, Feb. 9 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Ceiling in the Floor
Join us for a free performance of Ceiling in the Floor, the story of two artists whose friendship was pulled apart by one’s struggle with depression told through dance, monologue and live music. A moving experience of compassion and joy.

Saturday, Feb. 11 • 4 p.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th

DIY: Wind Chime Project
Enjoy the soothing sound of wind chimes by making your own chimes using spoons and other surprisingly musical objects.

Thursday, Feb. 16 • 3:30 p.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

Toypurina: California’s Joan of Arc
Toypurina (1760–1799) was a Tongva, Gabrieliño Native American medicine woman who opposed the rule of colonization by Spanish missionaries in California, and led an unsuccessful rebellion against them. She lived during a particularly historic time in California. Toypurina was 9 years old when the Spanish settlers first arrived at what is now known as the Los Angeles Basin, 11 years old when Mission San Gabriel Arcángel was completed and 21 years old when Governor Felipe de Neve founded the Pueblo of Los Angeles in Alta California. In time, Toypurina rose to be a powerful spiritual leader, respected for her bravery and wisdom. She was considered a great communicator, trading with dozens of villages in the many indigenous languages of California used from Santa Catalina Island through the eastern foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains to the northwestern San Fernando Valley. Presented by authors Dr. Gary Stickel and Dr. Christina Swindall. Q&A will follow. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, Feb. 16 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Symphomania Live
Enjoy a Symphomania concert featuring an eclectic repertoire ranging from Baroque, Classical and Romantic music to pop and contemporary favorites – everything from Bach to the Beatles. Presented by the San Fernando Valley Symphony Orchestra.

Saturday, Feb. 18 • 2 p.m. • Allendale Branch

Educator Appreciation Night
Pasadena Public Library invites Local Preschool – 12th grade educators who either teach in Pasadena or live in Pasadena to Educator Appreciation Night. This is our opportunity to do “Thank you” for all you do to inspire, challenge and engage students to learn, discover and grow. Please join us for dinner and an overview of our free educator resources, and take home a tote bag and book to share with your class!

Friday, Feb. 3 • 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium
RSVP: http://tinyurl.com/ppedu17
BY THE BOOK
For book selections, contact the branch libraries listed below.

Great Literature and Discussion Group
Call (626) 744-7266 for the upcoming reading schedule.
Mondays (except Feb. 13 & 20) • 11 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Book Chit Chat
Tuesday, Feb. 7 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Allendale Book Discussion Group
Saturday, Feb. 11 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch

Hill Avenue Book Discussion Group
Discuss Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng.
Saturday, Feb. 11 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Saturday, Feb. 25 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch

Rave Reviews
Hear reviews of the latest books – the ones you might not notice otherwise. The books reviewed and displayed feature a variety of genres, including staff picks and pans.
Monday, Feb. 27 • 2 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Pasadena Readers
Dr. Merry Pawlowski, Emeritus Professor of English, California State University, Bakersfield will lead a discussion of The Sympathizer by Viet Thanh Nguyen. To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, Feb. 27 • 3 p.m. • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

FILMS FOR ALL AGES
Featuring films celebrating Valentine’s Day, Black History Month, Presidential Holidays and Olympic Gold Medalists.

CENTRAL LIBRARY/DONALD WRIGHT AUDITORIUM
WEDNESDAYS • 1 P.M.
Presented by The Friends of The Pasadena Public Library
The film will be cancelled if The Friends of the Library volunteers are unable to show the movie.

FEB. 1

FEB. 8
Crossing Delancey (1988) PG

FEB. 15
Truman (1995) PG

FEB. 22
Miracle (2004) PG

Fan Film Awards
The Fan Film Awards is a celebration of fan-made films, independently produced, based on the theme(s) of original fictional stories or character(s). Fan Film Awards hosts screenings online and in Los Angeles to support creative talents and a community of film lovers. Join us for live script readings, a screening of fan films and award ceremonies.
Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 7-9 • 5-9 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Teen Anime Afternoon
Enjoy this month’s special edition of the Anime Club, with Japanese snacks and the newest manga in the library’s collection. We will be showing Princess Jellyfish, along with some special treats.
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 2–4 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

SC Anime Club
Teens, go crazy over the latest anime! Join us for a special screening.
Tuesday, Feb. 28 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library
BOOKSTORE
Open Monday – Friday
11 a.m.–4 p.m. • Central Library

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library
BOOK SALE
Second Saturday of each month
9 a.m.—noon • Central Library/East Patio

• All Pasadena Public Library programs and events listed in this newsletter are free and open to the public.
• Our programs and events are extremely popular. Space is limited and registration may be required. Check program and event listings for details.
CREATIVE ARTS
Art a la Carte
Artist Lorrie Shriner teaches drawing, watercolor and collage techniques. Beginners welcome. All materials provided.
Wednesdays • 2 p.m.
San Rafael Branch

Emerging Urban Poets
Featured and open poetry readings with facilitator Don Kingfisher Campbell. Saturdays, Feb. 4 & 25 • 3 p.m.
Santa Catalina Branch

Heart Necklaces for Your Valentine or Yourself!
Create your own unique heart necklace just in time for Valentine’s Day to keep or give to someone you love. All materials provided. Presented by local artist Janell Mithani.
Thursday, Feb. 9 • 10:30 a.m.–noon
Hill Avenue Branch

FINANCES
Building a Proper Financial Foundation
Learn how to consolidate debt, manage expenses, protect against loss of income, prepare for unexpected expenses, outpace inflation and minimize taxation. Presented by Mary Li. To sign up, call (626) 382-6198.
Wednesday afternoons by appointment • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

GARDENING
Pasadena Grows
Did the Rose Parade leave you with dreams of rose gardens? Now is the time to prune your roses. Join us as Debi Garrison of Armstrong Gardens Pasadena discusses roses, bare root planting, cultivation and seasonal care.
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 3-4:30 p.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS
Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement
Wednesdays • 1-3 p.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Zumba Class
Zumba is a great way to lose weight, tone up, increase cardio strength, improve coordination, gain self-esteem and feel happy! Beginners are welcome.
Saturdays, Feb. 4 & 18 • 11 a.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

LANGUAGEx
Spanish Conversation Group
Thursdays • 12:45 p.m.
San Rafael Branch

LAW
LA Law Librarian in Law Room
Free weekly service with legal research specialists (not attorneys) to help you answer legal questions. Provided by LA Law Library.
Thursdays • 1–5 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

QuickLook: Introduction to Westlaw Next
Presented by the LA Law Library.
Thursday, Feb. 16 • 1–2 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

BUSINESS SERVICES

Book Us! For Help with all of your Special Research Questions
Subject specialists are available to meet with you one-on-one for uninterrupted personal assistance with your research questions and information needs in a variety of subject areas. Make a BOOK US! appointment at http://ww5.cityofpasadena.net/library/questions-help. Skip the line and meet with reference staff when it is most convenient for you. The service is available at Central Library to Pasadena Public Library card holders who live or work in Pasadena (except for Pasadena history-related requests).

SCORE Small Business Counseling
Free one-on-one counseling provided by business professionals to anyone operating a small business or thinking of starting one. To sign up, call (626) 744-7351.
Tuesdays • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

Pasadena Small Business Owners Networking Group
Increase your business knowledge, meet other local business people and practice your 30-second “elevator introduction.” Sign up @ www.meetup.com/Pasadena-Small-Biz-Network.
Thursdays, Feb. 2 & 16 • noon–2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Chair Exercises
Learn new non-impact exercise routines performed while seated or standing next to or behind a chair. For ages 55+
Saturday, Feb. 11 • 11 a.m.
San Rafael Branch

GAMES
American Mah Jongg Club
Meet to play with other Mah Jongg enthusiasts.
Thursday, Feb. 2
Lessons led by instructor Marie Clark.
Thursdays, Feb. 9, 16 & 23
1-3 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th Floor

PERKINS ALLEY POETS
A poetry writing and critique workshop with facilitator Carl Stilwell.
Saturdays, Feb. 11 & 18 • 3 p.m.
Santa Catalina Branch
Are you a novelist or poet, or do you just simply love writing? Join us for an informal session where you can meet other teens, do a few writing exercises, talk about writing, bounce ideas around, and share your work.

Thursday, Feb. 23 • 6 p.m. • Central Library/Teen Central

Teen Writers
Are you a novelist or poet, or do you just simply love writing? Join us for an informal session where you can meet other teens, do a few writing exercises, talk about writing, bounce ideas around, and share your work.

Thursday, Feb. 23 • 6 p.m. • Central Library/Teen Central

Anti Valentine’s Day Party
Love stinks! Uncelebrate Valentine’s Day with cranky crafts, moody music and spiteful snacks. Set the mood by wearing black and red. For teens ages 12+. Join us to plan this event. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.

Planning Meeting • Thursday, Feb. 2 • 4:30 p.m. Party • Tuesday, Feb. 14 • 4 p.m. Hastings Branch

GAMES & MORE
Smash Bros. Club
The battles are heating up! Challenge your friends with the Super Smash Bros. for WiiU, make new rivals and learn new tricks! Pick up a GameCube remote and prepare to send foes flying! For ages 13+.

Mondays (except Feb. 13 & 20) • 3:30-5:30 p.m. Hastings Branch

Study Abroad Opportunities
Discover the multitude of study abroad opportunities available for students ages 13-18. Experiences range from two weeks to one year in duration. Hear from recent returnees about their experiences abroad. Presented by American Field Services (AFS) Intercultural Programs. For more information, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.

Saturday, Feb. 18 • 2 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

TEEN SCENE

BOOKS & MORE
YA Book Club
Join us for a discussion of Crooked Kingdom, by Leigh Bardugo. For ages 14+. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.

Monday, Feb. 6 • 6 p.m. Central Library/Teen Central

LV Teen Book Club: Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month
Join us as we discuss Breaking Beautiful by Jennifer Shaw Wolf. For ages 13+. Special guest Peace Over Violence.

Saturday, Feb. 18 • 3 p.m. Linda Vista Branch

Teen Writers
Are you a novelist or poet, or do you just simply love writing? Join us for an informal session where you can meet other teens, do a few writing exercises, talk about writing, bounce ideas around, and share your work.

Thursday, Feb. 23 • 6 p.m. • Central Library/Teen Central

Creative Arts
Valentine’s Day Jewelry
Create your own jewelry masterpiece to keep or give to someone special. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510. For teens and adults only.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 • 3:30-5 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Valentine’s Day Party
Make cards and other crafts for those special people in your life. For teens only.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 • 3 p.m. • Allendale Branch

Health & Fitness
Teen Self-Defense Class
Learn basic self-defense moves and how to develop healthy relationships. For ages 12-19.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 • 3:30 p.m. Santa Catalina Branch

Science & Technology
Teen Brunch Club: 3D Printing Workshop
Learn how to code and create your own 3D printing project.

Saturday, Feb. 11 • 11 a.m. Linda Vista Branch

Science & Technology
STEAM Team Club
Explore the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) concepts through creative, innovative projects based on various fun STEAM-related challenges. For ages 9-12.

To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.

Tuesday, Feb. 28 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Tech M@de Easy
You’ve got tech questions, we’ve got tech answers! Whether it’s your computer, laptop, Microsoft Office, eBooks, smartphone or tablet, we can help you. Drop in at the time listed below or schedule an appointment by calling (626) 744-4224.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

TWEENS

BOOKS & MORE
Mother/Daughter Book Club
Join us as we discuss books that inspire compassion, self-esteem and courage in the face of social pressure and explore what it means to be a strong, confident woman! For girls 10+, their mothers or an adult guest of their choice.

This month’s selection is The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.

Wednesday, Feb. 15 • 7 p.m. Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Kids’ Writing Workshop
Are you a dreamer? Do you love to write? It’s never too early to start writing your own stories. You don’t have to be an expert – you just have to love stories and have a great imagination of your own. For ages 8-12.

To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.

Friday, Feb. 24 • 4:30 p.m. Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Tween Book Club
Read great books and make new friends in this special book club just for tweens. For ages 9-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.

Tuesday, Feb. 28 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch
**BOOKS & MORE**

**Barks & Books**
Children read a book to a gentle, well-trained dog. Presented by Pasadena Humane Society volunteers.

**Saturday**, Feb. 4 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch  
**Monday**, Feb. 6 • 1:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch  
**Wednesday**, Feb. 8 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch  
**Thursday**, Feb. 9 • 4 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**Chinese New Year Storytime**

新春快乐 – Happy New Year! Celebrate with us and enjoy some fun holiday tales!

**Sunday**, Feb. 5 • 3 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**Dr. Seuss’ Book Party**
It’s Dr. Seuss’ birthday! Join us as we read some of his great classics, make a craft and enjoy some tasty treats.

**Wednesday**, March 1 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch  
**Thursday**, March 2 • 3:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

**CREATIVE ARTS**

**Valentine’s Craft Day**

There’s love in the air! Stop by and use your imagination to create a wonderful craft for that special one in your life.

**Thursday**, Feb. 9 • 4-5:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**GAMES**

**Board Game Day**
Have fun playing board games with friends and family. Enjoy snacks along with friendly competition.

**Friday**, Feb. 24 • 3-5 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

**SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

**Lego® Club**
Join us for our Lego® Club! Make stuff! Science stuff!
Create awesome projects based on our themes. Lego® parts provided. **For ages 6-12.** To sign up, call (626) 744-7268.

**Mondays**, Feb. 6 & 27 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

**HOMEWORK HELP**

**After-school Homework Help**
Need help with your homework or practice reading? Drop by the library and one of our volunteers can help.

- **For students in grades K-8**
  **Tuesdays & Thursdays** • 4-6 p.m.  
  Central Library/Children’s Room

- **For students in grades K-5**
  **Mondays & Wednesdays (except Feb. 13 & 20)** • 3:30-5:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

- **For students in grades K-5**
  **Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (except Feb. 13 & 20)** • 3:30–5:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

**PLAYFUL CONVERSATIONS**

**Marcel’s World**
**Mondays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Tuesdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Wednesdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Thursdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Fridays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**Sensory Storytime**

If your child has difficulty sitting through one of the library’s traditional storytimes, this program may be just what you are looking for! Designed for preschool-age children with autism and sensory challenges, it combines books, songs, movement, sensory play and therapeutic activities that incorporate the five senses. Because a small group setting is part of what makes Sensory Storytime effective and engaging, registration is required. To sign up, call Marie Plug at (626) 744-4027 or Cherie Johnston at (626) 744-7266.

**Saturdays**, Feb. 4 & 18 • 10-10:50 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**HEALTH & FITNESS**

**Baby Gym**
Spend an hour playing with your child at the library! Meet other parents and have fun with baby. We’ll have different activities set up to stimulate motor, visual and language skills. **For ages up to 24 months.**

**Monday**, Feb. 6 • 10 a.m. 
Central Library/Studio on 4th Floor

**Playful Yoga for Brain Development**
Experience Hatha Yoga with instructor Merry Everest. Together, children and their caregivers will learn techniques designed to help children relax, find focus and increase attention span through stretching and movement. **For preschoolers.**

**Wednesday**, Feb. 15 • 10 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

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**Saturdays**, Feb. 4 & 18 • 10-10:50 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**EARLY LEARNERS**

**CENTRAL LIBRARY • INFANT & TODDLER STORYTIME WINTER SESSION • JAN. 17-MAR. 21**

**For Infants and Toddlers**

**TUESDAYS**
9:20 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
(Infants up to 17 months)
**Pre-registration required.**

10 & 11 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
(Toddlers 18-36 months)  
**Pre-registration required.**

**WEEKLY STORYTIMES**

**For Infants/Toddlers**

**THURSDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**For Toddlers**

**WEDNESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch

**For Toddlers**

10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch  
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch  
10:45 a.m. • Hastings Branch  
11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

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**Saturdays**, Feb. 4 & 18 • 10-10:50 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**Mandarin Storytime**

**Wednesday**, Feb. 15 • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**Armenian Storytime**

**Saturday**, Feb. 25 • 11 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

**PLAYFUL CONVERSATIONS**

**Marcel’s World**
**Mondays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Tuesdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Wednesdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Thursdays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room  
**Fridays** • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

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**Saturdays**, Feb. 4 & 18 • 10-10:50 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch
WRITING CONTEST
For Children & Teens

“The Traveler” Contest
Submit a short story about a traveler or about traveling, true or fictionalized.

Contest Guidelines:
• Open to children and teens in grades 3–12.
• Stories must be 200-1000 words, writer’s choice, and must be legibly hand-written or typed.
• Stories must be original and the writer’s own work.

Entry Categories:
• 3rd – 5th grade • 6th – 8th grade • 9th – 12th grade

Entry deadline: March 6, 2017
Stories may be submitted with a completed and signed entry form to any Pasadena Public Library site, or emailed to Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net. If you email your submittal, please copy and paste your story in the email and attach a photo or scan of your signed form.

A first, second and third prize will be awarded in each category
Winners will be awarded a gift basket of literary items.

Categories for entries:
• 3rd – 5th grade • 6th – 8th grade • 9th – 12th grade
There will be a first, second, and third prize in each category. Winners will be awarded a gift basket of art items.

All winning entries will be displayed at the Pasadena Central Library and featured in a Pasadena Public Library publication (newsletter or the Teen Zine) and online. All participants, their families and friends will be invited to a special reception honoring their work at Pasadena Central Library on Saturday, March 18, 2017. Original art work will be returned to the artist.

ART CONTEST
For Children & Teens
Submit a one frame drawing or illustration depicting a traveler or traveling.

This contest is inspired by The Sympathizer, our 2017 One City, One Story selection.

Contest guidelines:
• Open to children and teens grades 3 -12.
• Single-frame illustration in pencil, pen, ink, or paint depicting the theme of a traveler or traveling.
• Size can range anywhere between 8” x 10” to 22” x 28.”

Entries:
• Submit to any Pasadena Library site by March 6, 2017.
• Must include artist’s contact information along with illustration.
• Paper-clip the entry form to your illustration for submission. Entry form will be removed before judging and a number assigned to the design.

Questions? Contact Jane Gov (626) 744-4246 or jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Frequently Asked Questions

Audiovisual Materials
Did you check out a DVD or CD from the library and wonder where to return it?

• Central Library
There are two dedicated audiovisual materials bins available with 24/7 access. One in front of the building on Walnut St. and the other at the rear of the building on Garfield Ave.

• All Library Sites
You may also return your audiovisual materials to the front counter of any Pasadena Public Library during regular business hours.

Locations & Hours

Central Library - 285 E. Walnut Street, 91101
(626) 744-4066
Mon–Thurs • 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sun • 1 – 5 p.m.

Allendale Branch - 1130 S. Marengo Ave., 91106
(626) 744-7260
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

Hastings Branch - 3325 E. Orange Grove Blvd., 91107
(626) 744-7262
Mon–Thurs • 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sun • 1 – 5 p.m.

Hill Avenue Branch - 55 S. Hill Avenue, 91106
(626) 744-7264
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Lamanda Park Branch - 140 S. Altadena Drive, 91107
(626) 744-7266
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

La Pintoresca Branch - 1355 N. Raymond Avenue, 91103
(626) 744-7258
Mon–Sat • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Linda Vista Branch - 1281 Bryant Street, 91103
(626) 744-7278
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

San Rafael Branch - 1240 Nithsdale Road, 91105
(626) 744-7270
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Santa Catalina Branch - 999 E. Washington Blvd., 91104
(626) 744-7272
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

Villa Parke Branch - 363 East Villa Street, 91101
(626) 744-6510
Mon–Fri • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sat • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m

FREE Weekend Parking For CENTRAL LIBRARY Patrons
Additional free parking is available on Saturdays & Sundays at the adjacent University of Phoenix underground parking structure. To access the lot, enter the driveway near the corner of Garfield & Corson streets.

Filed Your Taxes?

A list of online tax resources can also be found on the library’s website, http://cityofpasadena.libguides.com/Taxes.