INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE
Introducing Pasadena’s OFFICE OF THE YOUNG CHILD

With a focus on our community’s youngest children, the Pasadena City Council approved an Early Child Development Policy in 2015 to make sure all Pasadena children from birth to five years old are healthy, live in a safe and stable community, and are ready to succeed in kindergarten and beyond.

The Council also adopted a Resolution in Support of Developing an Early Learning City by the Year 2025, and created a five-year master plan as well as an independent Office of the Young Child at Pasadena Central Library, with a dedicated staff person and a citizen’s advisory committee to oversee progress.

Last fall, City Manager Steve Mermell appointed Lila Guirguis as Pasadena’s first Early Development Coordinator. A Pasadena native, Guirguis brings more than 23 years of professional experience working with Los Angeles-area community groups and initiatives. Most recently, she was Executive Director of the Magnolia Community Initiative (MCI) for eight years, during which she supported public and private organizations and residents in improving community well-being.

Before that, Guirguis was a Program Officer for First 5 LA’s School Readiness Initiative, Director of Early Childhood Programs at Hathaway Sycamores Child and Family Services and, most recently, served as a consultant in support of Collaborate PASadena.

“I am so honored to have been chosen for this position,” Guirguis said. “My interest in this effort comes from my personal belief in the well-being of children, youth and families, and the profound impact community and neighborhoods have on the overall long-term success of children. I have been inspired by the work of the City of Pasadena, its commitment to its youth, and its pledge to have Pasadena be an Early Learning City by 2025. I strongly believe that creating long-term community change requires all of us to harness the power of families and institutions to create a successful pathway for our children’s future.”

One of the building blocks of the Early Child Development Policy is to create community hubs throughout the City of Pasadena. Pasadena’s Central Library was chosen as the “host” of the Office of the Young Child because it is viewed as a community anchor that provides safe and accessible civic space promoting lifelong learning, cultural enrichment and civic engagement.

A community-wide kickoff event is planned this coming fall to officially launch the Office of the Young Child and begin our efforts toward building Pasadena as an Early Learning City by 2025…stay tuned!

For more information about the Office of the Young Child contact Lila Guirguis lguirguis@cityofpasadena.net or follow us on Facebook at City of Pasadena Office of the Young Child.

VISION FOR PASADENA
A City that nurtures every child and creates an environment where young children are healthy, safe and find early success in school and life.

SUMMER OFFERINGS:
Anime • Art Classes • Book Discussions • Camps • Computer Labs & Classes • Concerts • Lots of Crafts • Creative Writing • Dance • Discovery Days • Game Days • Health & Fitness Classes • Martial Arts • Movie Nights • Music • Parks After Dark • Recreational Swim • Sports • STEAM Programs • Storytimes • Summer Reading Program • Swimming Lessons • Wellness Programs

Looking to stay active this summer? Join us and learn what fun, free and low-cost options are available for children, teens and families from the City of Pasadena. Programs run June through August.

Presented by the City of Pasadena Fire, Human Services & Recreation, Public Library, Police, Public Health and Water & Power Departments.

HOLIDAY HOURS
All Pasadena Public Libraries will be CLOSED Sunday, April 16 • Easter

Linda Vista Branch Library will be closed for painting Monday, April 24 to Sunday, May 14. The branch will reopen on Monday, May 15. Book holds for delivery to Linda Vista can be picked up at San Rafael Branch Library during the closure.
Each April an entire week is dedicated to celebrating and supporting libraries, and a theme is chosen to reflect what libraries represent to their communities. This year, April 9-15, the National Library Week theme is “Libraries Transform.”

I think the American Library Association hit the mark, as libraries can truly transform lives. From the youngster who loves coming to story times every week and then grows up with a love of reading and learning, to the adult who learns to use a computer for the first time and then uses it for a successful job search, to the parent who finds other parents to share with at our family events – in all of these areas, our local public libraries can transform lives.

In my career, I can think of several instances where patrons have told me how the library changed their lives. I remember one mom, who brought her child to the library every week, pulling me aside. She was very emotional and told me she was so thankful for the cultural programs the library offered and how she didn’t have anything like that as a child. She was so happy that the programs were exposing her son to different cultures and helping him understand the importance of diversity.

I also remember early in my career seeing another young child come to story time every week with his mom -- without fail, every week, for years. They would always stay after and choose a bag full of books to take home to read at bedtime. I recently saw that same little boy (now in his twenties) bringing his son to story-time. He grew up loving that experience and was now passing it on to his child.

As someone who has been in the profession for 25 years (St. Patrick’s Day marked my 25th anniversary working in libraries), I am grateful to be in a profession that has the power to transform lives, mine included.

WIRELESS PRINTING NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL PASADENA PUBLIC LIBRARIES

You can now print directly from your laptop to the library’s public printers using our wireless network! All you need to do is install the printing applet available at http://www.cityofpasadena.net/library/technology and follow the directions provided. After sending your print job(s) to a printer, you can retrieve them from any Print Release Station in your specific library.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Discover California Art
Panelists from the Pasadena Museum of California Art will discuss their current exhibits and answer questions in this informative and interactive event.
Saturday, April 1 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

FAMILY EVENTS

The Wacko Show
Join us for a fantastic comedy and magic extravaganza!
Thursday, April 6 • 3:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Arty Loon’s Variety Show
Magic! Juggling! Silly fun! Arty Loon’s variety show has it all!
Monday, April 10 • 1:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

Wrap Bracelet
Have fun making your own wrap bracelet. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510.
Wednesday, April 19 • 10 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Celebrate Earth Day
Enjoy stories about the beauty of our plants and animals. Then create your vision of how the Earth looks from space! Take home seeds to plant in your garden! All materials provided.
Thursday, April 20 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

Celebrate the Festival of the Child/Festival el Día del Niño
La Pintoresca Branch Library invites you to celebrate el Día del Niño (the Day of the Child) with music, books, crafts, games and fun for the whole family.
La Biblioteca de la Pintoresca lo invita a festejar el Día del Niño con música, libros, manualidades, juego de lotería, premios y diversión para toda la familia.
Wednesday, April 26 • 3:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

FILED YOUR TAXES?


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

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 • 11 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Book Chit Chat
Tuesday, April 4 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Allendale Book Discussion Group
Saturday, April 8 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch

Pasadena Readers Book Club
Dr. Merry Pawlowski, Emeritus Professor of English, California State University, Bakersfield, will lead a discussion of Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan. To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, April 17 • 3:30 p.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th

Hill Avenue Book Discussion Group
Saturday, April 22 • 10:30 a.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Saturday, April 22 • 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, April 24 • 2 p.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

FILMS FOR ALL AGES

CENTRAL LIBRARY
DONALD WRIGHT AUDITORIUM
WEDNESDAYS • 1 P.M.
This month’s film selections celebrate Jane Austen.

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.

APRIL 5 • Enchanted April (1992) PG
APRIL 12 • Becoming Jane (2007) PG
APRIL 19 • Pride and Prejudice (1940) NR
APRIL 26 • Sense and Sensibility (1995) PG

Family Fun Films
Join us for a movie the whole family can enjoy — complete with popcorn! For movie title, call (626) 744-6510.
Thursdays • 3:30 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

PAKISTAN MOVIE NIGHTS
Among the Believers (2015) NR
This film offers an unsettling and eye-opening exploration into the spread of the radical Islamic school Red Mosque in Pakistan, which trains children to devote their lives to jihad, or holy war, from a very young age. With incredible access and chilling footage, the documentary charts the personal quest of a Pakistani cleric to impose a strict version of Sharia (Islamic law) throughout the country, as a model for the world. But while the school may offer food and lodging, many people in Pakistan seek to stop the Red Mosque’s scourge of violence. English/Urdu with English subtitles.
Thursday, April 6 • 6 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Gardaab (2016) NR
In Karachi, Pakistan, a city haunted by violence, turf wars, ethnic and class divisions, an unlikely romance blossoms. Shahbaz, the protégé of a drug lord, meets Parveen, the daughter of a powerful rival, who has no inkling of Shahbaz’s secrets. While Parveen’s marriage is being arranged with the scion of another influential Mafioso, Shahbaz’s patron, Firdous Khan, has a new assignment in mind for him. The lovers are caught in a whirlpool of desire, deceit and obligations. Urdu with English subtitles.
Thursday, April 27 • 6 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

The Perks of Being a Wallflower (2012) PG-13
Join us for a screening and discussion of The Perks of Being a Wallflower, based on the book by author Steven Chbosky. Popcorn and pizza will be provided. For ages 14+.
Wednesday, April 12 • 5-8 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 Comic Party Revolution, and serving special treats.
Saturday, April 8 • 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. For ages 12+.
Tuesday, April 25 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

AUTHOR TALKS

Death and Dissent in the Long Sixties
On April 30, 1970, President Richard Nixon announced the invasion of Cambodia by the United States, which many saw as an expansion of the Vietnam War. This provoked massive protests on college campuses across the country. At Ohio’s Kent State University, protesters set fire to the ROTC building, prompting the governor to dispatch 1,200 National Guardsmen to the town and campus. During an altercation on May 4, 28 Guardsmen opened fire on the crowd, killing four students and wounding nine.

Unrest escalated across the country, and nearly 500 colleges were shut down or disrupted by protests. A grand jury indicted eight of the guardsmen, but the charges were dismissed for lack of evidence.

As a Kent State sophomore, Thomas M. Grace was one of the nine wounded, unarmed students. Forty-five years later, the activist and author still wrestles with the events of May 4, 1970. Join us to learn more about his recent novel, which chronicles the roots and results of the protests, from the late 1950s to the early 1970s. Books will be available for sale and signing.
Thursday, April 13 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Echoes of a Past Time: Mexican American Baseball in East Los Angeles
Join us for a discussion of the long and rich history of Mexican American baseball and softball in East Los Angeles. More than just games, baseball and softball were political instruments used to promote civil, political, gender and cultural rights, empowering Mexican Americans to confront prejudice, discrimination and intolerance. The event features Richard Santillan, professor emeritus of Ethnic and Women’s Studies at Cal Poly Pomona, and Tomás Benítez, an advisor to the Latino Baseball History Project. Copies of Mexican American Baseball in East Los Angeles, co-authored by Richard Santillan, will be available for sale and signing. Co-sponsored by the Baseball Reliquary.
Saturday, April 29 • 2 p.m. • Allendale Branch

• 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

The Courage to Write Workshop
Join author Esther Bradley-De Tally in finding your own voice as she walks you through the writing process. This is a hands-on, six-week workshop. No prior experience is necessary.
Fridays • April 7-28 & May 5 & 12
1–3 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Art in the Afternoon
Welcome spring with a colorful pot of flowers! Using a combination of paint, collage, embossed metal tape and found objects create a lovely flower pot for your home or garden. To sign up, call (626) 744-7278.
Saturday, April 8 • 11 a.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Draw Your Favorite Pet
Learn traditional sketching techniques while drawing your favorite pet.
Saturday, April 29 • 10:30 a.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

GAMES

American Mah Jongg Club
Meet to play with other Mah Jongg enthusiasts.
Thursdays, April 6 & 20
1–3 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

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 taxes. Presented by Mary Li.
To sign up, call (626) 382-6198.
Wednesdays (except April 12)
1–3 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS

Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement
Wednesdays (except April 12)
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, April 1 & 15 • 11 a.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Free Health Screening
Registered nurses from Huntington Hospital provide free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, referrals and health education.
Wednesday, April 5
10 a.m. –noon
Central Library/Great Hall

Chair Exercises
Learn new non-impact exercise routines performed while seated or standing next to or behind a chair.
For ages 55+.
Saturday, April 8 • 11 a.m.
San Rafael Branch

GARDENING

Tomato Time
Discover the secret to success—fully growing tomatoes. Learn how to plant from seeds or seedlings, what the range of selection is, the difference between determinate and indeterminate plants, the best location to plant, and how to combat pests. Presented by Master Gardener Mercy Young.
Saturday, April 1 • 10:30 a.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

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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: Self-Help and Litigation Resources on the California Courts Website
Presented by the LA Law Library.
Thursday, April 20 • 1–1:45 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

Nonprofit Management

Grant Writing – Let’s Get Started!
Interested in writing a successful grant proposal? Learn how to structure your proposal, support it with all the necessary documents and tell a compelling story about your organization. Conducted by Jamie Jackson, MBA, nonprofit management consultant. To sign up, call (626) 744-7268.
Friday, April 7 • 4–5:30 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch

SCORE Small Business Counseling
Free one-on-one counseling provided by business professionals to anyone operating a small business or thinking of starting one. Appointments are a must; 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, April 6 & 20 • noon–2 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch

Book Us! For Help with all of your Special Research Questions
Specialists are available to meet with you one-on-one for uninterrupted assistance with your research questions in a variety of subjects. Make a BOOK US! appointment at http://www.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).
Open Computer Lab Time
Teach yourself Mango Languages, FC Search Online and the 2010 Microsoft Office Suite. Research the Foundation Directory Online and apply for jobs and government programs. Computer time may be limited based on demand.
Monday – Friday • 9 a.m.-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca 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, April 11 • 10 -11:30 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Graphic Arts
The foundation for all great media -- video games, websites, 3D animated movies and visual effects -- is creative design and breathtaking digital art. Come develop and improve your graphic design skills while mastering professional design tools like Adobe® Photoshop® and Illustrator®. Learn logo design, typography, colors and gradients, line art, vector graphics and character design. Led by instructor Joey Sanchez, Armory Center for the Arts. For ages 11-18. For information, call (626) 345-0706. To sign up, go to www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve or visit any Pasadena community center.
Monday-Thursday, March 21-June 1 • 3-6 p.m. • La Pintoresca Teen Ed Center • 1415 N. Raymond Ave.

LEGO® Robotics
Take one of America’s favorite toys to the next level! Design and configure a variety of creations using LEGO® blocks, batteries and motors. Using computers, you can program inventions that come to life. Led by instructor Antonio Lemus. For ages 7-12. Fee based 10-week class sessions - $35 for Pasadena residents/$75 for non-residents. For information, call (626) 744-6530. To sign up go to www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve or visit any Pasadena community center.
Saturdays, March 18-May 6 • 8-10 a.m. Saturdays, March 18-May 6 • 10 a.m.–noon
Villa-Parke Community Center • 363 E. Villa St.

Computer Literacy
Learn about the applications built into the computer, and how to use the mouse and keyboard. Led by Southern California Resource Center staff. For ages 50+. For information, call (626) 744-7300. To sign up go to www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve or visit any Pasadena community center.
Mondays, April 10-June 12 • 9:30-11 a.m.
Jackie Robinson Community Center • 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Bilingual Computer Literacy
This hands-on, bilingual class is designed to build seniors’ comfort and skill with using computers. You do not need to own a computer to attend. From hardware to software, the internet and email to word processing, this class will help make your computer experience more enjoyable and productive. Led by Pamela Cantero. For ages 50+. For information, call (626) 744-6530. To sign up go to www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve or visit any Pasadena community center.
Mondays, March 13-May 1 • 12:30-2 p.m.
Villa-Parke Community Center • 363 E. Villa St.

Free Practice ACT, Scores, Analysis & Tips
Get ready for the official ACT® by taking a real test created by the College Board of ACT based on what you will be experiencing on test day. You’ll receive your test scores and a detailed report that analyzes your strengths and weaknesses. Presented by A-List Education. Please bring a calculator. Register by calling (626) 744-7268.
Saturday, April 29 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch
TEEN SCENE

BOOKS & MORE

YA Book Club
Join us for a discussion of Falling Kingdoms, by Morgan Rhodes. For ages 14+. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, April 3 • 6 p.m.
Central Library/Teen Central

LV Teen Book Club: Beauty Queens
Laugh yourself silly with Libba Bray’s Beauty Queens. For ages 13+. To learn more, email Deborah Takahashi at dtakahashi@cityofpasadena.net.
Saturday, April 22 • 3 p.m.
Linda Vista Branch

Teen Writers
Are you a novelist or poet, or do you just simply love writing? Want to meet or write with others who share this same passion? 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. Stories and poems produced during these sessions will also be considered for our Teen Zine.
Thursday, April 20 • 6 p.m.
Central Library/Teen Central

CIVICS TODAY

Breakin’ News
Join us for a civic engagement discussion for Young Adults. Drop in to discuss various topics with other teens, from the news, politics or the constitution.
Wednesday, April 19 • 5 p.m.
Central Library/Teen Central

CREATIVE ARTS

Discovery Day
Discover what the staff at Allendale has in store for you! Build something, make something and learn something! A fun adventure awaits – don’t miss it! For teens only.
Thursday, April 20 • 3 p.m. • Allendale Branch

TEENS

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 young woman! For girls 10+, their mothers or an adult guest of their choice. This month’s selection is Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson. To sign up, call (626) 744-4068, option 4.
Wednesday, April 19 • 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) 744-4068, option 4.
Friday, April 21 • 4:30 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

TWEENS

BOOKS & MORE

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) 744-7282.
Tuesday, April 25 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Project Designation: Graphic Design for Kids
Learn about graphic design while exploring its fundamentals in the real world through exciting computer-oriented activities and hands-on crafts. For grades 5-8. To sign up, call (626) 744-4068, option 4.
Saturday, April 29 • 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

STEAM Team Club
Explore the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) concepts through creative, innovative projects based on fun STEAM-related challenges. For ages 9-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-7282.
Wednesday, April 12 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS

Youth Mental Health First Aid
Learn how to respond to youth experiencing a mental health crisis. Discover the risk factors and warning signs for a range of mental health challenges. Learn effective listening and engagement skills, the basics of mental health risk assessment, and strategies for linking individuals to professional mental health support.
For youth ages 13-24 only. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, April 17 • 5-7 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room
**LIBRARY KIDS**

**BOOKS & MORE**

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

**Saturday, April 1 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch**

**Monday, April 3 • 1:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch**

**Saturday, April 8 • 1 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch**

**Mondays, April 10 & 17**

La Pintoresca Branch

**Tuesday, April 11 • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch**

**Wednesday, April 12 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch**

**Thursday, April 13 • 4 p.m.**

Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**Tuesday, April 25 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch**

**Thursday, April 27 • 3:30 p.m.**

Lamanda Park Branch

**GAMES**

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

**Friday, April 28 • 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, April 3 & 17 • 3 p.m.**

La Pintoresca Branch

**PLAYFUL YOGA FOR BRAIN DEVELOPMENT**
Experience Hatha Yoga with instructor Merry Randall. 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. Monday, April 10 • 10 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch**

**STORYTIMES**

**CENTRAL LIBRARY**

**INFANT & TODDLER STORYTIME**

**Spring Session**
April 11-May 30

**Register on Tuesday, April 4**

Each Central Library storytime is limited to 25 children and 25 adults. Children can be registered for one program time only. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. No proxy registrations are allowed.

**9 a.m. PRIORITY REGISTRATION**
in person for Pasadena residents. Please bring your Pasadena Public Library card or a driver’s license to verify your Pasadena address and receive priority registration.

**11 a.m. OPEN REGISTRATION**
in person.

**noon OPEN REGISTRATION**
by telephone at (626) 744-4066, option 4.

**TUESDAYS (begins April 11 )**
9:20 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

(Infants up to 17 months)

**Pre-registration required.**

**For Infants/Toddlers**

**THURSDAYS (April 20 & 27 only)**
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**For Preschoolers**

**TUESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch (April 18 & 25 only)
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch

**WEDNESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch (except April 5)
10:45 a.m. • Hastings Branch
11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

**THURSDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch (except April 27)

**SATURDAYS**
10 a.m.

Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**For Families**

**MONDAYS**

**Marvelous Mondays**
7 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**WEDNESDAYS**

**Léeme un cuento**
Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español
4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

**METHODOLOGY**

**Pre-registration required.**

**MONTHLY/SPECIAL STORYTIMES**

**Mandarin Storytime**
Sunday, April 2 • 3 p.m.
(Bilingual Mandarin & English)

**Wednesday, April 19 • 3:30 p.m.**
(Mandarin only)

**Hastings Branch**

**BABY STORYTIME**

Introduce your baby to the joy of language and reading at this early literacy-based storytime.

**Saturday, April 8 • 3 p.m.**

Linda Vista Branch

**HEALTH & FITNESS**

**BABY GYM**
Spend an hour playing with your child at the library! Meet other parents and have fun with baby.

**Monday, April 3 • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th**

**Thursday, April 20 • 3:30-4:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch**

**SENSORY PLAY WITH JORDAN & SUE**
Children of all abilities are invited to play with toys along with a special dog named Jordan and her owner.

**Saturday, April 15 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch**
Poetry Month Events

ALL AGES

Pocket Poem Writing Contest
Do you like to write poetry? Celebrate National Poetry Month by participating in our writing contest. Pick up your Poetry Pocket starting Saturday, April 1. Turn in your original short poem – written on your pocket or before “Poem in your Pocket” Day, Thursday, April 27. Categories are based on age: 7 and under, 8-12, 13-17, and 18 and up. Winners will be awarded a bookmark and a book of poems, and will have their poem posted on the La Pintoresca Branch Facebook page.

Saturdays, April 1 & 22 • 3 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Adults

Emerging Urban Poets
Featured and open poetry readings with facilitator Don Kingfisher Campbell.

Saturdays, April 1 & 22 • 3 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Perkins Alley Poets
A poetry writing and critique workshop with facilitator Carl Stilwell.

Saturdays, April 8 & 15 • 3 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Exhibits

Author’s Book Exhibit
Featuring the books of author and Pasadena native Jennifer Dorn Bodaken. Bodaken’s journey into and filled with whimsy. Books are available for sale at the branch.

Thursdays, April 13 • 7 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Easter Sunday Service
Sunday, April 15 • 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch

Passadena Pioneers of Poetry
To celebrate National Poetry Month Pasadena Rose Poets (Marcia Arrieta, Teresa Mei Chuc, Mel Donalson, Hazel Harrison and Gerda Govine) will be reading poems from the pioneers of poetry in Pasadena including Rae Ballard, Thelma Reyna, Don Kingfisher Campbell, Beverly Lafontaine and small local presses that publish poetry and other types of writing. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, April 27 • 7 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

TEENS

Poetry Slam
Love poetry? Join us for a lively competition between several local high school poetry slam teams as each team reads and recites their original works.

Thursday, April 6 • 4 p.m. • Allendale Branch

Library Kids

The Wonderful World of Poems
Poetry can be fun, easy, and very kid-friendly! Ten-year old writer Cassidy Kao will demonstrate how you can have fun creating Haiku, Tercets and concrete poems.

Tuesday, April 18 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Early Learners

Rhyme Time Storytime
It’s Rhyme Time Storytime! Enjoy rhyming stories, songs, and more as we celebrate National Poetry Month.

Thursday, April 13 • 10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

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) 744-7262
Mon-Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

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

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

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Los Angeles County Library

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