**PASADENA MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2017**

“Breaking the Cycle - Healing our Community”

**SATURDAY, MAY 6 • 9 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**
CENTRAL LIBRARY

In honor of Mental Health Awareness Month, Pasadena Mental Health Day 2017 is dedicated to raising awareness about mental illness, decreasing the stigma, and increasing knowledge and access to quality mental health services and resources in the community.

Through keynote speakers, presentations and workshops for youth and adults, attendees will gain knowledge on community mental health, the importance of addressing mental illness and living healthy, and the benefit that it has on the community at large.

Workshops for both youth and adults offer healthy coping skills, including advocacy and safety. This is an interactive, experiential, educational and collaborative event.

Resource tables will also be available for attendees to learn more about local mental health services and resources. Refreshments will be provided.

Presented by Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena Public Health Department and the Pasadena Mental Health Advisory Committee. For more information, send an email to PMHAC2017@gmail.com.

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**LitFest**

**SATURDAY, MAY 20 • CENTRAL LIBRARY**

Southern California’s free books and authors festival, LitFest Pasadena, celebrates its sixth anniversary this year by expanding to include Pasadena Public Library as a partner organization. The library will offer LitFest programming for all ages at Central Library.

**Flights of Fantasy Story Theatre presents “It’s All How You Look At It,” a special story hour.**
11 a.m.-12 noon • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

**Reiyukai America provides a crafts workshop.**
3-5 p.m. • Central Library/Great Hall

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**HOLIDAY HOURS**

All Pasadena Public Libraries will be CLOSED
Staff Development Day • Thursday, May 11
Memorial Day • Sunday & Monday, May 28 & 29

Linda Vista Branch Library will be closed April 24 to May 14 for interior painting. The branch will reopen to the public on Monday, May 15.
Celebrating Comics!
Join us for FREE Comic Book Day, an annual event held the first Saturday in May throughout the United States. Pick up a free comic book (one per person while supplies last), by stopping in any Pasadena Public Library on Saturday, May 6. Comics suitable for all age groups (children, teens and adults) will be available at each site.

How Do Comics Happen?
A panel discussion by comics creators and independent publishers on what it takes to create and sell comics and graphic novels. This program is for teens and adults.
Saturday, May 6 • 2 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Puppy Love
Celebrate Be Kind to Animals Week with The Waggin’, the Pasadena Humane Society and SPCA’s mobile adoption vehicle, which will be on-site with dogs available for adoption! Barks & Books will also provide children the opportunity to read a book to a gentle, well-trained dog. Crafts will be available as well for the whole family to enjoy.
Saturday, May 6 • 12:30-3:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

Are people at work driving you CRAZY?
Trading a toxic workplace for a healthier office can be challenging, especially in this economy, so employees must use effective communication techniques to turn poisonous environments into productive and positive ones.
Saturday, May 13 • 2–4 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Gustave Baumann in California
Join curator Susan Futterman as she discusses the work of artist Gustave Baumann (1881-1971) currently on display at the Pasadena Museum of California Art. Baumann became one of the finest color woodblock artists of the 20th century over a 70-year career. His lesser-known depictions of California, his relationships with the state, and his unique printmaking styles and process had a significant impact on the color printmaking movement. Enjoy his beautifully detailed woodblocks as you learn about the artist’s life and history.
Thursday, May 25 • 7 p.m. Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Origami Craft
Have fun and show your creative side as you transform a simple piece of paper into a work of art. All are welcome!
Thursday, May 4 • 3 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

The Wacko Show
Join us for a fantastic comedy and magic extravaganza!
Tuesday, May 9 • 3:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Meet and Greet Your Local Police Officers
Join us and meet officers from the Pasadena Police Department. Learn more about these public safety specialists and visit the Mobile Command Vehicle.
Thursday, May 25 • 4-5 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Does your kitty do things that leave you baffled? Join Pasadena Humane Society’s Cat Behaviorist Joan Colma as she unlocks the mysteries of feline behavior.
Saturday, May 13 • 3 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Quirky Cat Behaviors

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Ask Not: JFK 100
A Musical Celebration of the John F. Kennedy Centennial
In conjunction with the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum’s year-long centennial celebration, folk singer and music historian Ross Altman presents songs from 1941 to 1963 that provide the history and background of JFK’s presidency and service during World War II. Join Ross for a moving, reflective and entertaining look back on the president who inspired a generation with 17 words: “Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.”
Saturday, May 27 • 2 p.m. • Allendale Branch

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May 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 (except May 29) • 11 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Book Chit Chat
Tuesday, May 2 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Allendale Book Discussion Group
Saturday, May 6 • 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 Zorro by Isabel Allende.
To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, May 15 • 3:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Hill Avenue Book Discussion Group
Saturday, May 20 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Saturday, May 20 • 11 a.m. • San Rafael 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, May 22 • 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 actresses Debbie Reynolds, Carrie Fisher, Patty Duke and Mary Tyler Moore, as well as those who died while serving in our country’s armed forces.

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.

MAY 3
The Unsinkable Molly Brown (1964) NR

MAY 10
Postcards From the Edge (1990) R

MAY 17
The Miracle Worker (1979) NR

MAY 24
The Lost Battalion (2001) NR

MAY 31
The Last Best Year (1990) NR

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: The Journey Within (2015) NR
As part of their war-torn country’s quest for self-identity after 9/11, an inspirational music group sets off on a journey to reclaim Pakistan’s rich and vast musical heritage. Their tour becomes one of the world’s biggest music initiatives, bringing together unique cultural experiences and genres, including folk, sufi, rock, pop and rap music. Follow the show from its humble beginnings, as artists unify eastern and western sounds to make music that resonates across the globe, impacting countless listeners and encouraging inward reflection on who we are as individuals and as a people.
English/Urdu/Punjabi/Pushto/Dari with English subtitles.
Thursday, May 18 • 6 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

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.
Monday, May 8 • 5-7 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

SC Anime Club
Teens, go crazy over the latest anime! Join us for a special screening.
For ages 12+.
Tuesday, May 30 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Facilities
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.

Wednesday • 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.

Friday, May 5 & 12 • 1–3 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch

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

Saturday, May 6 & 27 • 3 p.m.
Santa Catalina Branch

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

Saturday, May 6 & 27 • 3 p.m.
Santa Catalina Branch

Mixed Medium Jewelry
Create a fun mixed medium fabric pendant using simple hand sewing stitches and techniques. Led by local artist Janell Mithani. All material provided.

Wednesday, May 17 • 10:30 a.m.
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

GAMES

Get in the Game with Library Bingo
Read, connect and discover. Pick up a library bingo card anytime throughout the month of May, check off squares as you complete each task. Once you’ve completed a row, in any direction, you win a chance to receive a fabulous prize! Completed cards must be turned in by May 31. One card per person (while supplies last).

May 1-31 • Hastings Branch

American Mah Jongg Club
Meet to play with other Mah Jongg enthusiasts. • Thursday
Lessons led by instructor Marie Clark.

Thursday, May 4 & 18
1–3 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

GARDENING

Huntington Herb Garden Tour
Join us for a special tour of the Huntington Herb Garden led by Manager Kelly Fernandez. View the extensive herbal plantings and bring your questions about the many species that thrive in Southern California and how to grow them. We will also discuss cooking with herbs and medicinal uses.

Space is limited. Admission is free but registration is required. To sign up, call (626) 744-7264 by May 4.

Meet the Garden Club at the Huntington Gardens ticket windows.

Saturday, May 6 • 10:30 a.m.
Hill Avenue Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS

Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement

Wednesday • 1–3 p.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, May 3
10 a.m. – noon
Central Library/Great Hall

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.

Saturday, May 6 & 20 • 11 a.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Chair Exercises
Learn new non-impact exercise routines performed while seated or standing next to or behind a chair. For ages 55+.

Saturday, May 13 • 11 a.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.

Thursday • 1–5 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

Webcast: Turning 18: What You Need to Know
Watch a live-stream offered by the LA Law Library for parents and teenagers. Learn about the legal effects of turning 18, including how legal rights and responsibilities change.

Tuesday, May 2 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

QuickLook: Lawsuits in Superior Court
Presented by the LA Law Library.

Thursday, May 18 • 1–1:45 p.m.
Central Library/Law Room

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://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).

BUSINESS SERVICES

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.

Tuesday • 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.

Thursday, May 4 & 18 • noon–2 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch

HISTORY

Pasadena African-American Genealogy Group
Search out your heritage and recover the past with this dynamic genealogy group.

Saturday, May 6 • 2–5 p.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

LANGUAGE

Spanish Conversation Group
Thursday • 12:45–2 p.m.
San Rafael Branch
Pasadena Public Library and Pasadena Human Services and Recreation Department have joined together to provide a broad range of computer and technology offerings for our community. Classes are listed below. Registration may apply. All classes are free unless noted.

**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 (except May 11 & 29) • 9 a.m.-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch**

**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](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve) or visit any Pasadena community center.
**Mondays, April 10-June 12 (except May 29) • 9:30-11 a.m. • Jackie Robinson Community Center • 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.**

**Computer Pals**
Learn how to use Word and the Internet for homework projects.  
**Saturday, May 20 • 10-11:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch**

**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](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve) or visit any Pasadena community center.  
**Tuesdays, March 28-May 30 • 4-5:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Teen Ed Center • 1415 N. Raymond Ave.**
BOOKS & MORE
YA Book Club
Join us for a discussion of Holding Up the Universe, by Jennifer Niven. For ages 14+. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, May 1 • 6 p.m. Central Library/Teen Central

Teen Book Club
Join us for a discussion of Underwater by Marissa Reichardt. For ages 14+. To sign up, call (626) 744-7278 or email Deborah Takahashi at dtakahashi@cityofpasadena.net.
Saturday, May 27 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

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Saturday, May 27 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

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, May 17 • 5 p.m.
Central Library/Teen Central

CREATIVE ARTS
Mother/Daughter Jewelry Making Workshop
Bring your mom and have fun making your own jewelry (one piece per person). Space is limited. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510. For teens and their moms only.
Wednesday, May 3 • 3:30-5 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

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 Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Wednesday, May 17 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Tweens
Light Saber Building
Learn how to create your own light saber from a master model builder. For ages 8-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-7272.
Thursday, May 4 • 3:30 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

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Thursday, May 4 • 3:30 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

DISCOVERY
Inventions 101
Have great ideas for amazing products but don’t know where to start? Join us and learn how to make your ideas into a reality! For ages 10 & up.
Saturday, May 20 • 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 fun STEAM-related challenges. For ages 9-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-744-7262.
Wednesday, May 10 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Create Your Own Wind Generator
Do you love science, engineering and figuring out how the world works? Bring your curiosity and we’ll provide an intro science lesson on renewable energy, plus all the materials you need to make a fun, hands-on project demonstrating the concepts of electrical circuits and wind power. For ages 8-12 only.
To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Friday, May 19 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

CAST YOUR VOTE
Voting for the 10th annual 2017 Children’s Choice Book Awards, sponsored by Children’s Book Council, is now open! Children and teens are encouraged to visit Hastings and La Pintoresca branch libraries now through Sunday, May 7 to help choose winners among 28 nominees in four categories. Categories include Book of the Year awards for K-2nd grade, 3rd-4th grade, 5th-6th grade and teens. During the voting period, nominated titles will be available for check out and a voting booth will available to cast your votes. Winners will be announced Wednesday, May 31.
May 1-7 • Hastings & La Pintoresca Branch Libraries

CELEBRATE CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK
In honor of Children’s Book Week (May 1-7), author Chris Robertson will visit and read from his latest work, The Tickle Book. All children in attendance will receive an official Children’s Book Week poster, illustrated by award-winner Christian Robinson and inspired by the 2017 slogan, “One World, Many Stories” (while supplies last). Robertson’s books will be available for sale and signing at Hastings Branch.
Thursday, May 4 • 4 p.m. Hastings Branch
Wednesday, May 10 • 1 p.m. La Pintoresca Branch
BOOKS & MORE
Barks & Books
Children read a book to a gentle, well-trained dog. Presented by Pasadena Humane Society volunteers.  
Monday, May 1 • 1:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch  
Mondays, May 8 & 22 • 3 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch  
Tuesday, May 9 • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch  
Wednesday, May 10 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch  
Saturday, May 13 • 1 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch  
Tuesday, May 23 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch  
Thursday, May 25 • 3:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

CREATIVE ARTS
Mother’s Day Craft
Join us and have fun creating a gift for Mom. All materials provided.  
Thursday, May 11 • 4-5 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Afternoon Coloring for Mother’s Day
Let your creativity shine through. Join us for an afternoon coloring event, then check out books with stories on mothers. All materials provided.  
Friday, May 12 • 2-5:30 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Afternoon Coloring for Memorial Day
Let your creativity shine through. Join us for an afternoon coloring event then check out books with stories commemorating those who died serving in our country’s armed forces. All materials provided.  
Tuesday, May 30 • 2-5:30 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

GAMES
Board Game Day
Have fun playing board games with friends and family. Enjoy snacks along with friendly competition.  
Friday, May 26 • 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, May 1 & 15 • 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 (except May 11) • 4–6 p.m.  
Central Library/Children’s Room
• For students in grades K–5  
Mondays & Wednesdays (except May 29) • 3:30–5:30 p.m.  
Hastings Branch
• For students in grades K-5  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (except May 11 & 29) • 3:30–5:30 p.m.  
La Pintoresca Branch

CENTRAL LIBRARY
INFANT & TODDLER STORYTIME
Spring Session • April 11-May 30

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.

WEDNESDAYS
10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch  
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch  
10:45 a.m. • Hastings Branch (May 3 & 10 only)  
11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

THURSDAYS
10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch (except May 11)  
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch (beginning May 18)

SATURDAYS
10 a.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

For Families  
Mondays (May 1 & 8 only)  
Marvelous Mondays  
7 p.m. • Hastings Branch

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

MONTHLY/SPECIAL STORYTIMES
Mandarin Storytime  
Sunday, May 7 • 3 p.m.  
(Bilingual Mandarin & English)  
Wednesday, May 17 • 3:30 p.m. (Mandarin only)  
Hastings Branch

Around the World Storytime  
Wednesday, May 10 • 11 a.m.  
San Rafael Branch

Baby Storytime  
Introduce your baby to the joy of language at this early literacy-based storytime.  
Saturday, May 20 • 3 p.m.  
Linda Vista 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, May 26 • 4 p.m.  
La Pintoresca Branch

Armenian Storytime  
Saturday, May 27 • 11 a.m.  
Santa Catalina 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, May 1 • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

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.  
Monday, May 8 • 10 a.m.  
Santa Catalina Branch

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, May 13 & 27, June 10 & 24, July 8  
11 a.m.-12 noon  
Lamanda Park Branch
The originality that was shown in developing these dioramas was really remarkable. It’s that ingenuity that we see every day in the programs and events offered at the libraries. A big thank you to our staff for their dedication, creativity and commitment to connecting with our customers.

So, on to May… While the list of programs is long, there are a few of the larger programs I would like to highlight. On Saturday, May 6, the Library will be hosting Mental Health Day in collaboration with the Pasadena Public Health Department and Pasadena Mental Health Advisory Committee.

There will be workshops and presentations for youth and adults that aim to demystify and decrease the stigma of mental illness. I hope you can join us for this important event.

Then on Saturday, May 20, the Library will join forces for the first time to offer programming as part of LitFest Pasadena. Events at the Library will be held on May 20, but LitFest will take place on May 20 and 21 throughout the Playhouse District, with Vroman’s and the Pasadena Playhouse serving as anchors. Stop by the Library and check out some of the LitFest programs.

And last, but definitely not least, the Library is partnering with the Garden Club and the Huntington Gardens to offer an Herb Garden Tour at the Huntington, also on Saturday, May 6. If you haven’t been to the Huntington lately, it is a sight to behold. The flowers are in full bloom, especially the magnificent rose garden. This will be a great time for a visit.

We hope you will join us for a program or two during the month of May!

**MAY EXHIBITS**
**CENTRAL LIBRARY**

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**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 • 9 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 • 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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