Off the Shelf
JUNE & JULY 2018

Reading Takes You Everywhere

2018 Summer Reading Program
June 2 - July 28 • For Children, Teens and Adults

There’s a whole world to explore at the Pasadena Public Library. Join us this summer for fun and reading!

Sign up at pasadena.beanstack.org beginning Saturday, June 2 and start reading. Children can also register at their local Pasadena Public Library.

Sponsored by The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library.

Summer Reading Kick-off Events

Family Art Afternoon
It’s the first day of our Summer Reading Program. Drop in and explore arts and crafts for the whole family.

Saturday, June 2 • 2-4 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Room

Musical Journey Around the World
Buckle up - you’re in for a real treat! Theatre Americana invites you to pack your bags, sunblock and sunglasses as we kick off the library’s Summer Reading Program “Reading Takes You Everywhere.” You’ll ride first class on a musical journey across this great land and to places you have only read about - from the Rockies to the deep South, to tropical islands and romantic cities nestled in great novels. No asking “are we there yet?” Games and prizes will keep the kids busy on the ride. Your flight leaves on June 9 at 3 p.m. at the gate marked: Donald R. Wright Auditorium. Welcome aboard!

Saturday, June 9 • 3-5 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

2018 MAKER FAIR

STEAM Programs
Pages 10 & 11

All Pasadena Public Libraries will be CLOSED in observance of: Independence Day – Wednesday, July 4
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
Tuesdays, June 5 & July 10 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Allendale Book Discussion Group
Discuss Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See (June) and Euphoria by Lily King (July).
Saturdays, June 16 & July 28 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Join us as we discuss all kinds of books!
Saturday, June 16 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch
Saturday, July 28 • 11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

Pasadena Readers Book Club
Dr. Merry Pawlowski, emeritus professor of English, California State University, Bakersfield, will lead a book discussion. To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net.
Mondays, June 18 & July 16 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Sunroom (southwest side of Great Hall)

Help Select the 2019 One City, One Story Book
Have you read a great book you feel the whole city should read? Pasadena Public Library’s One City, One Story Selection Committee wants YOUR input on its 2019 selection. Send your suggestions to Christine Reeder at creeder@cityofpasadena.net by Wednesday, Aug. 1. Please include the book’s title, author, and why you recommend it.

HEALTH MONTH FAMILY EDUCATION SERIES
Thursdays • 7-8:30 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

June 7 • Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters
Learn the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer’s disease, hear from people who have the disease and find out how to recognize the signs in yourself and others.

June 14 • The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer’s
Learn about detection, causes, risk factors, stages and treatment of Alzheimer’s disease.

June 21 • Effective Communication Strategies
Learn to decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each stage of the disease.

June 28 • Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors
Learn about some of the common triggers for behaviors associated with dementia, how to assess the person’s needs and how to intervene effectively.

Rave Reviews
Monday, June 25 • 2 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Hill Avenue Book Discussion Group
Saturdays, June 30 & July 28 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

New Adult Book Club
Join us for a discussion of The Daughter of Smoke and Bone by Laini Taylor. Check out a copy of the book at the front desk. For readers in their 20s and 30s. To sign up, email jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Wednesday, July 11 • 7 p.m. • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

Tuesday Book Club
Learn more from drawing upon a wider range of fellow readers, read things that you wouldn’t otherwise read, gain a greater appreciation for books through discussion and make new friends! Discuss When the Emperor Was Divine by Julie Otsuka. Books are available for check-out at La Pintoresca Branch.
Tuesday, July 24 • 9 a.m.
Jackie Robinson Community Center • 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Your Next Good Read
Looking for a great summer book? Try Pasadena Public Library’s service, Your Next Good Read. Submit your request (adult, teen or children’s book titles) to pasadenapubliclibrary.net/reading-recommendations and receive two to five suggestions. Then enjoy a good read!

6th Annual Author Fair
Calling all local authors from the San Gabriel Valley! Come and participate in the Pasadena Public Library’s 6th annual Author Fair, featuring 50 local authors, during ArtNight Pasadena, Friday, Oct. 12 from 6-10 p.m. at Pasadena Central Library. Pasadena resident authors may sign up at pasadenapubliclibrary.net beginning Monday, June 25. San Gabriel Valley resident authors may sign up beginning Monday, July 9. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Going on a road trip? Check out our eBook and audio book selections.
SPECIAL EVENTS

Summer Chess Club
Interested in chess? Join us for an open play session or come and learn how to play chess. All materials provided. For ages 9-adults. Wednesdays (except July 4) • 10-11 a.m. La Pintoresca Branch

Around My Neighborhood
Where are the best bike paths in your city? Which streets in your neighborhood are the cleanest? Explore Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and solve real-world problems by learning how to map your community! For ages 9-12 only. Two-day workshop, must attend both days. Registration required. To sign up, call (626) 744-4210. Monday & Tuesday, June 4 & 5 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Meet and Greet Your Local Fire Department
Join us and meet firefighters from the Pasadena Fire Department. Learn more about these public safety specialists and the jobs they do. Thursday, June 14 • 4-5 p.m. • Hastings Branch

My City, My Story
Map your world, tell your story. Learn how to create and publish a Story Map – easy, fun, hands-on workshop using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology to tell your story and share it with the world! For adults only. Registration required. To sign up, call (626) 744-4210. Thursday, June 14 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Women on the Move Trio
Three distinct voices to perform traditional and modern folk songs for all to hear and sing along. Presented by The Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest. Saturday, June 23 • 11 a.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Self-Publishing 101
Become an Indie Author! Self-Publishing 101 will cover everything from developing your author platform on social media, to choosing which services and distribution are right for your work, launching and getting its copyright registered. Local indie author Anne Louise Bannon will answer all your questions. Saturday, June 23 • 3:30-5:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Literary Juneteenth Celebration
LitFest Pasadena Annual’s Celebration of Diverse Literary Culture will feature the only African-American publishing imprint at a United States university: Harriet Tubman Press. The Harriet Tubman imprint publishes academic work and literature, sharing stories from African-American communities and increasing publishing opportunities for African-American writers and scholars. “If we want to make change, we have to tell stories from different perspectives,” said Elias Wondimu, founder of TSEHAI. Sunday, June 24 • 1-4 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Craig & Fred: A Marine, A Stray Dog, and How They Rescued Each Other
Meet Craig and Fred, then hear the uplifting and unforgettable true story of a U.S. Marine, the stray dog he met on an Afghan battlefield, and how they saved each other. The duo forged a beautiful, life-changing friendship and now travel America together “spreading the message of stubborn positivity.” Books will be available for sale and signing. Co-sponsored by the Pasadena Navy League. Saturday, June 30 • 2:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

First Stab Festival II: Wicked Lit
Enjoy a wicked afternoon of short plays adapted from classic horror literature, presented as script-in-hand staged readings by the creators of the award-winning immersive theatre events Wicked Lit, History Lit and Mystery Lit. Each afternoon includes two short plays and an interactive talk-back with the playwrights. For ages 13+. For further details visit unboundproductions.org. Saturday, July 14 & Sunday, July 15 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

INCA: The Peruvian Ensemble
Join us for an interactive musical journey through the enchanted land of the Incas. Wednesday, July 18 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

The Joys & Absurdities of Modern Fatherhood
Life is never peaceful in Chris Erskine’s house, what with the four kids, 300-pound beagle, chronically leaky roof, and long-suffering wife, Posh. And that’s exactly the way he likes it, except when he doesn’t. Every week in the Los Angeles Times and Chicago Tribune (and now and then in many other papers), Erskine distills, mocks and makes us laugh at the absurdities of suburban fatherhood. And now, he’s gathered the very best of these witty and wise essays — and invited his kids (and maybe even Posh) — to annotate them with updated commentary, which they promise won’t be too snarky. Books available for sale and signing. Thursday, July 19 6 p.m. • Reception • Central Library/West Patio 7 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

LEG0 Showcase Day
LEG0 contest entrants present and give a brief commentary on their entry. Each entry is then judged based on originality/creativity, presentation/aesthetics and complexity. Winners will be chosen by a panel of LEG0 enthusiasts. Winning entries will be featured on the library’s website. Saturday, July 21 • 2-4:15 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Upcoming Events

AUTHOR TALK - FATHER BOYLE
Roman Catholic priest, founder and Director of Homeboy Industries, former pastor of Dolores Mission Church in Los Angeles and author Father Gregory Boyle will discuss his most recent book, Barking to the Choir – The Power of Radical Kinship. Q & A, book sales and signing will follow. Refreshments provided by Homeboy Industries. More details to follow in the Aug./Sept. issue of Off the Shelf. Sunday, Sept. 30 • 1:30-4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

• 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.
Summer Reading Program 2018 • June 2 – July 28
Have fun reading and enjoying library activities this summer!

Sign up online at pasadena.beanstack.org. Record the items you’ve read and programs you’ve attended. Participants will receive a prize midway through the Summer Reading program and a grand prize upon completion.

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DISCOVERY CLASSES

CREATIVE ARTS

Art a la Carte
Artist Lorrie Shriner teaches drawing, watercolor and collage techniques. Beginners welcome. Please bring your own watercolor and art supplies.

Wednesdays (except July 4) • 2 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

LV Crafting Club: Paint Chip Bookmarks
Create colorful bookmarks. To sign up, call (626) 744-7278.

Saturday, June 9 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

Pastel Drawing Lessons
Discover the world of pastels with artist Ed Faubert. All materials provided. Must be able to attend all three days. To sign up, call (626) 744-7076.

Tuesday-Thursday, June 26-28 • Central Library/Sunroom & West Patio

GAMES

American Mah Jongg Club
Join this fun group for an afternoon of this wildly popular game, Mah Jongg.

Thursdays • 1-3 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

GARDENING

Pasadena Grows: Early Summer Garden Tips and Tasks
Join master gardener Yvonne Savio for her timely presentation and gardening tips for your summer garden. There will be a plant give-away as well.

Saturday, June 2 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

Pasadena Grows: The Power of Healthy Soil
Experts warn that we are running out of natural topsoil worldwide with dire consequences for our health and that of the entire planet. Lynn Fang, MS, an expert in soils and composting, will enlighten us on the critical importance of cultivating healthy soils, vital to the health and well-being of our communities.

Saturday, July 7 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS

Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement

Wednesdays (except July 4) • 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.

Saturday, June 2 & 16, July 7 & 21
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, June 6 • 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, June 9 • 11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

HISTORY

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

Saturdays, June 2 & July 7 • 2-5 p.m
Lamanda Park Branch

LANGUAGE

Spanish
Conversation Group
Thursdays • 1-3 p.m.
San Rafael Branch

LAW

LA Law Librarian in Law Room
This free weekly service with legal research specialists (not attorneys) will help you answer legal questions. Provided by LA Law Library.

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

DIGITAL LITERACY

Pasadena Public Library and the 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 July 4) 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch

Computer Classes - Bilingual in Spanish
Bilingual class! This class is designed as an introduction to computers. You do not need to own a computer to attend. This hands-on class focuses on building your comfort and skill with computers – from hardware to software, the internet and email to word processing, this class will help make your computer experience more enjoyable and productive. For ages 50+.

For information, call (626) 744-6530.
To sign up, visit cityofpasadena.net/reserve or stop by any Pasadena community center.

SUMMER I:

Mondays, May 7-June 25
9:30-11 a.m.
Jackie Robinson Community Center
1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Mondays, May 7-June 25
12:30-2 p.m.
Villa-Parke Community Center
363 E. Villa St.

SUMMER II:

Mondays, July 2-Aug. 20
9:30-11 a.m.
Jackie Robinson Community Center
1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Mondays, July 2-Aug. 20
12:30-2 p.m.
Villa-Parke Community Center
363 E. Villa St.

LEGOL® Robotics
Program inventions that come to life! Take one of America’s favorite toys to the next level with LEGOL® robotics. In this class, boys and girls will design and configure a variety of creations using LEGOL® blocks, batteries, and motors. The possibilities for imagination and fun are endless! For ages 7-12.

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SUMMER I:

Saturdays, May 12-June 30
10-11 a.m.
Villa-Parke Community Center
363 E. Villa St.

SUMMER II:

Saturdays, July 7-Aug. 25
10-11 a.m.
Villa-Parke Community Center
363 E. Villa St.

Computer Pals
Learn basic computer skills, how to create an email account, and how to use software for personal projects or homework assignments.

Open for all ages.

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La Pintoresca Branch

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La Pintoresca Branch
CONTESTS

DESIGN YOUR LEGO® CONTEST
For Adults and Families

Contest Guidelines:
• Use your own LEGO® or other compatible plastic bricks and elements to build a creation at home.
• Submit a photo of your creation with your entry form in person or via email.
• Entries must be your own creation, not a LEGO®-designed kit or a project found online or in a book, etc.
• May enter only once as an individual OR as part of a team.
  • Entry may not be larger than 20” (high) x 20” (wide) x 10” (deep).

Entry Categories:
• Adults 18+ (individual or group) • Families (adults and their children)

Entry deadline: Sunday, July 8
Bring your completed entry form and photo of your creation to any Pasadena Public Library site, or email it to Hsin-yi Wang at hwang@cityofpasadena.net.

Awards
For each entry category winners will be awarded a box of LEGO®s and a ribbon. Honorable mention will also receive a ribbon.

Entrees will be notified and invited to the LEGO® Showcase Day on Saturday, July 21. Entries will be judged the day of the showcase based on originality/creativity, presentation/aesthetics and complexity. Winners will be chosen by a panel of LEGO® enthusiasts. The People’s Choice award will be based on the public voting at Pasadena Central Library and at pasadenapubliclibrary.net.

Questions? Contact Hsin-yi Wang at (626) 744-4346 or hwang@cityofpasadena.net.

TEEN ART CONTEST

Contest Guidelines
• Open to teens ages 13-18 who live, attend school, volunteer or work in Pasadena.
• Single frame image in pencil, pen, ink, paint, digital illustration or flat collage with a STEAM theme.
• Size can range anywhere between 8” x 10” to 22” x 28”.
• Submissions must be applicants own original work.

Entries
• Submit to any Pasadena Public Library by Monday, July 16.
• Must include contact information along with illustration.
• Paperclip the entry form to your illustration for submission. Entry form will be removed before judging and a number assigned to the design. Entries will be judged based on creativity, technical skill and execution. For digital illustrations, submit with a scanned completed entry form to Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.

Prizes
• First place winner: Free tuition for a class at ArtCenter College of Design (valued up to $400) and image featured on the cover of an upcoming issue of Pasadena Public Library’s Teen Zine.
• Runner up: $100 gift card and a cover feature on an upcoming issue of Teen Zine.
• Honorable mentions will also be featured in the Teen Blog.
• Prize winners will be honored at the STEAM Maker Fair on Saturday, July 28 and displayed at Pasadena Central Library through August 2018. Artwork will be returned to the artist.

Entry forms can be picked up at any Pasadena Public Library starting Friday, June 1 or found online at pasadenapubliclibrary.net/teens.

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

TEEN ZINE WRITING CONTEST

Contest Guidelines
• Open to teens ages 12-18 who live, attend school, volunteer or work in Pasadena.
• Submit a short story or poem about youth activism.
• Submissions should be 200-1,000 words.

Entries
• Deadline to submit: Tuesday, July 31
• May be submitted using the online form: https://tinyurl.com/pplzine
• If you’re unable to submit your writing using the online form, you may submit a hard copy at any Pasadena Public Library. Your entry must be legibly hand-written or typed, and submitted with a completed entry form. Entry forms can be picked up at any Pasadena Public Library starting Friday, June 1 or found online at pasadenapubliclibrary.net/teens.

Prizes
• 1st place - $100 gift card
• 2nd place - $50 gift card
• 3rd place - $25 gift card

All winners will be featured in an upcoming issue of Pasadena Public Library’s Teen Zine. Entries will not be returned. Please make a copy for yourself.

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

KIDS ART CONTEST

Entry Age Categories
• 6-8 Years • 9-12 Years

Contest Guidelines
• Open to kids ages 6 to 12 years old who live or attend school in Pasadena.
• Use pencil, pen, ink, acrylic, digital illustration or flat collage to create your one-frame picture with the theme of travel or “Reading Takes You Everywhere!”
• Digital art is acceptable but must be printed already – no email submissions accepted.
• Size can range anywhere between 8” x 10” to 22” x 28”.
• Submission must be the applicants own original work.

Entries
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• Paperclip the entry form to your illustration for submission. Contact information must be legible. Entry form will be removed before judging and a number assigned to the design. Entries will be judged based on creativity, technical skill and execution.

Prizes
• First-, second- and third-place winners for both categories (6-8 years and 9-12 years) will receive a bag of art supplies and will be featured on the Kids Blog and other library social media sites.
• Honorable mentions will also be featured in the Kids Blog.
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Questions? Contact AnnMarie Hurtado at anhurtado@cityofpasadena.net or call (626) 744-4725.
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Reading can win you prizes this summer at the library!
Log in, enter the books you’ve read, and earn points toward a selection of prizes. Sign up at pasadena.beanstack.org starting June 2.

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TEENS Ages 12 - 19

BOOKS & MORE

YA Book Club
Join us for a book discussion of The Adoration of Jenna Fox by Mary E. Pearson (June) and In Real Life by Jen Wang (July). For ages 14+. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246 or email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net. Mondays, June 4 & July 2 • 6 p.m. • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

Teen Writers Meetup
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. To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net. Thursdays, June 28 & July 19 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Central Library/Teen Central

LV Teen Book Club
Spend the afternoon with us as we discuss the second installment of the Wolf by Wolf series, Blood for Blood by Ryan Graudin. For ages 13+. To learn more, email Deb Takahashi at dtakahashi@cityofpasadena.net. Saturday, June 30 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

CREATIVE ARTS

Drop the Beat: Learn how to DJ
Learn how to be a disc jockey (DJ) in this four-part workshop using digital DJ equipment. This workshop covers the basic skills and techniques of DJing – beatmatching, mixing and scratching - using Serato DJ software. Participants will be invited to perform at our Saturday, July 28 end-of-summer event. For teens only. To sign up, call (626) 744-7268 or email mracelis@cityofpasadena.net. Tuesdays, July 3, 10, 17 & 24 • 3-5 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Make a Book Clock
Create a working clock using a recycled book! Paint or collage your own book design and install a working clock kit. Great for gifts! All materials provided. For ages 12-19 only. To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net. Wednesday, July 11 • 4-6 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

GAMES & MORE

Video Game Club
Intense competition and new rivals take center stage in this exclusive teen club! Join the 8-player madness on the big screen or ask for a 1v1 with the best players in Pasadena! Looking for something a bit friendlier? We have an additional GameCube and Wii setup with a huge selection of the best games! But that’s not all! The SWITCH is here! Drop by every Monday and try out all the new games as they release! For ages 14+. Mondays • 3:30–5:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Teen Game Days
Join us for board games and video games on the Nintendo Switch and/or Xbox. Must play well with others. For ages 12-19. Fridays • 4-5:30 p.m. Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

Super Smash Bros.
Stop by for an afternoon of epic battles and a whole lot of fun! For ages 12+. Tuesdays, June 5 & July 10 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch
BOOKS & MORE

Kids’ Writing Workshop
Learn to write songs with Tim Griffin, who writes fun educational songs for kids. You don’t have to be an experienced songwriter. Learn about meter, rhyme and other components of building a song or poem while building writing skills that will help you polish your fiction writing. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Friday, June 15 • 4-5 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.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Tuesdays, June 26 & July 24 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

VOLUNTEERS

Teen Volunteer Opportunity
Help out at the library. Earn community service hours. Gain leadership skills and work experience. Teen volunteers ages 13-17 are needed as book reviewers, to help with events, and as homework helpers, members of the Teen Zine Team and Teen Advisory Board. Great for resumes and college applications. For more information and to download an application visit pasadenapubliclibrary.net/teens-services/#menu4.

COLLEGE BOUND

Mock ACT® Test
Practice test will be offered by MeriEducation, a Pasadena based tutoring and test prep company. This test will not include the essay section.
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Saturday, June 30 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Practice SAT® Test
Get an early start by taking a practice test, proctored and scored by Revolution Prep. Test scores will be available the following week. Please bring pencils and a calculator. Test is approximately four hours. For high school students.
To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Saturday, July 21 • 1-5 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

ISSUES TODAY

levelUP 2: Youth Leadership Conference
Join us for a fun two-day leadership conference for youth. Workshops include personal branding, advocacy and activism, and money management. Lunch and snacks provided both days. For ages 12-18. To sign up, register online at levelup2.eventbrite.com.
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Saturday, June 30 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Practice SAT® Test
Get an early start by taking a practice test, proctored and scored by Revolution Prep. Test scores will be available the following week. Please bring pencils and a calculator. Test is approximately four hours. For high school students.
To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Saturday, July 21 • 1-5 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

 ISSUES TODAY
levelUP 2: Youth Leadership Conference
Join us for a fun two-day leadership conference for youth. Workshops include personal branding, advocacy and activism, and money management. Lunch and snacks provided both days. For ages 12-18. To sign up, register online at levelup2.eventbrite.com.
Thursday & Friday, July 26 & 27 • 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

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BOOKS & MORE

Kids’ Writing Workshop
Learn to write songs with Tim Griffin, who writes fun educational songs for kids. You don’t have to be an experienced songwriter. Learn about meter, rhyme and other components of building a song or poem while building writing skills that will help you polish your fiction writing. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Friday, June 15 • 4-5 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.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Tuesdays, June 26 & July 24 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

VOLUNTEERS

Teen Volunteer Opportunity
Help out at the library. Earn community service hours. Gain leadership skills and work experience. Teen volunteers ages 13-17 are needed as book reviewers, to help with events, and as homework helpers, members of the Teen Zine Team and Teen Advisory Board. Great for resumes and college applications. For more information and to download an application visit pasadenapubliclibrary.net/teens-services/#menu4.
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EARLY LEARNERS

CREATIVE ARTS
Preschool Music Class
Play games, enjoy folk dances and song-tales, build pattern recognition and pitch exploration skills with Dayita Datta. For ages 3-5. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Monday, June 18 • 2 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Sensory Art & Craftmaking – Desert Biome
Join us as we explore the desert. Make animal and plant crafts of different textures to place on our desert wall. This is an adaptive art program for children of all abilities. All materials provided. For more information, call Cherie Johnston (626) 744-7266.
Saturday, July 21 • 10 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS
Baby Playtime
Bring your toddlers to play with toys, listen to music, color and interact with other children. For ages 1-4.
Fridays • 10:30 a.m.-noon • Villa Parke Branch

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.
Mondays, June 11 & July 9 • 10 a.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th
Thursdays, June 21 & July 19 • 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Central Library Infant & Toddler Storytime
SUMMER REGISTRATION:
Tuesday, June 12
(Session runs June 19-Aug. 7)

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.

If you arrive at the library prior to 9 a.m. on registration day, please follow the directional signs to the ramp on the west side of the building and wait there.

STORYTIMES
Central Library Infant & Toddler Storytime Summer Session June 19-Aug. 7

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 (except July 26)
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

FOR INFANTS/TODDLERS/ PRESCHOOLERS
THURSDAYS
10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

FOR PRESCHOOLERS
TUESDAYS
10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch (except July 24 & 31)
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch

WEDNESDAYS
10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch (except July 4)
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch (except June 20, 27 & July 4)
10:45 a.m. • Hastings Branch (except July 4)
11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch (except July 4)

THURSDAYS
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch (except June 14 & July 19)

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

FOR FAMILIES
MONDAYS
MARVELOUS MONDAYS
7 p.m. • Hastings Branch

WEDNESDAYS
(except June 20 & 27 & July 4)
LEÉME UN CUENTO
Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español
4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

MONTHLY/SPECIAL STORYTIMES
Baby Storytime
Introduce your baby to the joy of language at this early literacy-based storytime.
Saturday, June 2 & July 14 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

Signs N’ Storytime
Learn a few basic signs, hear stories and sing songs. Enjoy a good tale and learn a few signs too!
Thursdays, June 14 & July 12 • 3:30 p.m.
Lamanda Park Branch

Mandarin Storytime
Wednesday, June 20 • 3:30 p.m.
Hastings 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+.
Fridays, June 29 & July 27 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Armenian Storytime
Saturdays, June 30 & July 28 • 11 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, June 9 & July 7 • 10-11 a.m.
Lamanda Park Branch
ALL AGES

Fly, Fly Away
Make a Japanese carp kite and watch it fly. This family activity is both beautiful and fun for everyone!
Thursday, June 7 • 3-30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

Why Cats Purr: The Science Behind Feline Behavior
Ever wonder why cats purr or always land on their feet when they fall? Pasadena Humane Society will explain the science behind feline behavior.
Saturday, June 16 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch

TEENS

LV Teen Brunch Club: Deconstruction Café
Have fun hanging out and messing around taking apart various contraptions! Teens of all abilities are welcome. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510.
Saturday, June 2 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch

Teen STEAM: Fun with E-Textiles
How smart is what you’re wearing? You can be much smarter with E-Textiles using conductive thread to stitch soft circuits into costumes and everyday wear. Learn to sew something awesome and light it up with conductive thread! Presented by LA Makerspace.
For ages 12-19. To sign up, call (626) 744-7272.
Tuesday, June 26 • 4-5 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Intro to 3D Printing
Experience the technology of 3D design and printing using Tinkercad. Create a 3D object and print it out on our 3D printer. For ages 12+. To sign up, call (626) 744-7268.
Thursday, July 5 • 3-30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

TWEENS

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 5th-8th graders. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Saturday, June 9 • 2-4 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Build a Claw Bot
Create a motorized robot arm that can actually grab objects. Must attend both sessions.
For ages 10-18. To sign up, email tgov@cityofpasadena.net.
Wednesdays, June 13 & 20 • 5-7 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

STEAM ROBOTS

The future is here and robotics are what’s happening. Explore the world of robotics, beginning with the very simplest of circuits, from robot arms to using sensors to programming your robots to behave independently. For teens only. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510.
Thursdays, June 7 & 21 • 4-6 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

STEAM Careers in Pasadena: Parking Enforcement
Getting a parking ticket may not be fun, but parking enforcement jobs can be uber-cool, working with high-tech equipment and vehicles! Don’t believe us? See for yourself – meet professionals from Pasadena’s Department of Transportation and explore the vehicles and technology they use.
For ages 8-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Thursday, June 21 • noon-2 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Kids Art Salon:
Learn to Think Like an Architect
The sky’s the limit! Learn how skyscrapers are built, explore skyscrapers around the world then design and build a skyscraper of your own with recycled materials. All materials provided. For ages 8-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Wednesday, June 27 • 4-6 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Song Writing Workshop
Learn how to write songs in this workshop lead by Tim Griffin. For ages 8+. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510.
Thursday, June 28 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

Minecraft Coding
Minecraft, the wildly popular video game, can also be used to learn coding! You’ll learn the use of “redstone,” Minecraft’s version of electrical wiring and how to program robot turtles to perform tasks. Must attend all four sessions. Presented by LA Makerspace. For ages 9-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Monday-Thursday, July 16-19 • 2-4 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th
Girls Coding Camp
Girls! This coding camp is especially for you! Learn the basics and importance of coding. Build confidence and develop this special skill. Must be able to attend all four sessions. For ages girls 10-14.

Hastings Branch • To sign up, call (626) 744-7262 Monday-Thursday, July 16-19 • 4-6 p.m.
La Pintoresca Branch • To sign up, call (626) 744-7268 Monday-Thursday, July 23-26 • 2-4 p.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th • To sign up, email igov@cityofpasadena.net Monday-Thursday, July 30- Aug. 2 • 4-6 p.m.

Roller Coaster Ski Jumps
We’ll learn about Newton’s laws and gain practical knowledge about gravity, momentum, speed and angles by designing roller coaster ski jumps that will send a marble flying into the air and landing in a target. For ages 9-12. (626) 744-4066, option 4. Wednesday, July 25 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Central Library/Studio on 4th

STEAM Careers in Pasadena: Information Technology
Ever wonder how the City works? With lots of technology! Meet some Information Technology professionals from right here in our City and learn about the technology we use to deliver services to our residents. For ages 8-12. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Tuesday, July 31 • 4-5 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Library Kids

STEAM Storytime for Babies to Preschoolers
Early learners can have fun exploring and discovering STEAM! Wear clothes you don’t mind getting messy in.

Early Learners
STEAM Storytime for Babies to Preschoolers
Learn about and explore the world through stories, songs, fingerplays, dancing and crafts.
Thursdays • 10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Preschool STEAM
Join us as we have fun exploring and discovering with STEAM! Wear clothes you don’t mind getting messy in.
For ages 2-6.
Mondays, June 25 & July 23 • 10:30 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th
The magic of Beat the heat and travel the world through the Monday Movie Matinee!

LA PINTORESCA BRANCH
Monday Movie Matinee
Beat the heat and travel the world through the magic of film! For movie titles call (626) 744-7268. 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS
CENTRAL LIBRARY/DONALD WRIGHT AUDITORIUM
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.

June commemorates the 50th anniversary of Robert F. Kennedy's death, and celebrates Father's Day and National Health Month. July features family films and classic cartoons.

JUNE
June 6 • American Experience: RFK (2004) NR
June 13 • Evelyn (2002) PG
June 20 • Still Alice (2014) PG-13
June 27 • Decoding Annie Parker (2013) R

JULY
July 11 • The Indian in the Cupboard (1995) PG
July 18 • Wind Dancer (1993) PG
July 25 • Inkheart (2008) PG

For movie titles, call (626) 744-6510.

VILLA PARKE BRANCH
Family Fun Films
Join us for a movie the whole family can enjoy! For movie titles, call (626) 744-6510. 3:30 p.m.

FOR TEENS
SC Teen Anime Club
Teens, go crazy over the latest summer anime while hanging out in the AC! Tuesdays, June 12 & July 17 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

Teen Anime Afternoons
Enjoy this month’s special edition of the Anime Club, featuring classic anime, Japanese snacks and the newest manga in the library’s collection.

Destination Moon
Enjoy this 1950 science fiction movie created by George Pal and based on a story by Robert Heinlein. Warren James (Hour 25) will share the movie’s history. This screening is in conjunction with the Pasadena Museum of History’s “Dreaming the Universe” exhibit.

Saturdays, June 16 & July 14 • 2-4 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

BUSINESS SERVICES
Pasadena Small Business Owners Networking Group
Increase your business knowledge, meet other local business people and practice your 30-second “elevator introduction.” Sign up @ meetup.com/Pasadena-Small-Biz-Network.

Thursdays, June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19 • noon-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library
BOOKSTORE
Monday–Friday • 11 a.m.–4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

BOOK SALE
Saturday, June 9 • 9 a.m. to noon • Central Library/East Patio
No Book Sale in July.

LOCATIONS & HOURS
Central Library • 285 E. Walnut Street (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. (626) 744-7260
Mon-Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

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

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

La Pintoresca Branch • 1355 N. Raymond Avenue (626) 744-7268
Mon-Sat • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Linda Vista Branch • 1281 Bryant Street (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 (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. (626) 744-7272
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Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

Villa Parke Branch • 363 East Villa Street (626) 744-6510
Mon-Fri • 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (Closed from 12:45-2 p.m.)
Sat • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

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