Pasadena Libraries now offer Citizenship & Immigration Resources

Pasadena Public Library recently received a $62,000 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant from the California State Library to focus on bolstering citizenship and immigration resources at the La Pintoresca and Villa Parke branch libraries and Central Library. “Libraries provide resources on everything, including very complex issues like immigration,” said Melvin Racelis, senior librarian at La Pintoresca Branch Library, who is leading this project. “Recently, there has been increased interest in this topic. As librarians, it is important that we serve the informational needs of immigrants to our community, as well as anyone interested in the citizenship process.”

Newly created Citizenship Corners at each of the three library sites will provide patrons with access to resources and materials to assist them with understanding United States citizenship and related processes, including information kits, which will be available for checkout. These locations will also host bilingual educational workshops in English and Spanish in partnership with outside organizations to address a variety of immigrant needs. Additionally, library staff will receive training from the Department of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to help them better assist patrons with questions on the citizenship process.

To help patrons prepare further for the naturalization test, the Pasadena Human Services and Recreation Department offers a U.S. citizenship class at Villa Parke Community Center for adults ages 50 and up. This class provides participants with a basic overview of U.S. history and government.

Funding for this grant is provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Citizenship Preparation Classes
Prepares for the U.S. citizenship exam by enrolling in these free classes.

**Thursdays beginning Sept. 19 • 6-7:30 p.m.**
Central Library/Studio on 4th
To sign up, call William Porras, (626) 744-4225.

**Fridays beginning Sept. 20 • 10-11:30 a.m.**
La Pintoresca Branch
To sign up, call Melvin Racelis, (626) 744-7268.

All Pasadena Public Libraries will be CLOSED in observance of:
Labor Day – Sunday & Monday, Sept. 1 & 2
Janet Fitch: **CHIMES OF A LOST CATHEDRAL**

Author Janet Fitch will talk about her newly published book, *Chimes of a Lost Cathedral*, which finishes the epic story of Marina Makarova’s (*The Revolution of Marina M.*) journey through some of the most dramatic events of the last century—as a woman and an artist, entering her full power, passion and creativity just as her revolution reveals its true direction for the future. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Fitch is most famously known as the author of the Oprah’s Book Club novel *White Oleander*, which became a film in 2002. Her novel *Paint It Black* hit bestseller lists across the country and has also been made into a film. She is a graduate of Reed College, located in Portland, Oregon. Fitch was born in Los Angeles, a third-generation native, and grew up in a family of voracious readers.

**Saturday, Sept. 14 • 3 p.m.**

Carla Rachel Sameth: **ONE DAY ON THE GOLD LINE: A MEMOIR IN ESSAYS**

Through meditations on race, culture and family, author Carla Rachel Sameth’s *One Day on the Gold Line* tells the story of a lesbian Jewish single mother raising a black son in Los Angeles. A memoir-in-essays, it examines life’s surprising changes that come through choice or circumstance, often seemingly out of nowhere, and sometimes darkly humorous—even as the situations are dire.

The overarching theme of these loosely woven reflective tales is the storyteller’s dream of the “perfect” family, the pursuit of which hurls her from one crisis to the next, ultimately meeting its greatest challenge in the form of her teenage son’s struggle with drug addiction. A writing exercise will follow. Books will be available for sale and signing.

**Thursday, Sept. 19 • 7 p.m.**

Elisa Callow and Ann Elliott Cutting: **THE URBAN FORAGER**

Women in Food Conversation

Part cookbook, part guide to foraging the best LA has to offer, *The Urban Forager: Culinary Exploring & Cooking on L.A.’s Eastside* is a compelling bridge to the unfamiliar, inspiring readers to enrich their culinary repertoire with delicious new discoveries.

Join cookbook author Elisa Callow and moderator Leslie Ito, along with many of the food makers and food suppliers highlighted in the book, whose commitment to carefully sourced and crafted food has led to a supportive and growing community of women in food. Panelists include: Leah Ferrazani, owner of Semolina Artisanal Pasta; Mary Aghoian, whose journey to Pasadena from Syria via Lebanon is a story of resilience and honoring of culture through food and family; Masako Yatabe Thomsen, Urban Forager featured chef and baker; and Amelia McDonald, farmer and purveyor at McDonald Urban Farm. Tastings will follow. Copies of *The Urban Forager* will be available for sale and signing.

**Thursday, Sept. 26 • 6:30-9 p.m.**
Anne Louise Bannon: How to Write a Novel

I have a great idea for a story, what do I do next?

Everybody wants to know how an author gets her or his ideas—It is easily the most asked question out there. But most authors will point out the idea is the easy part. It’s turning that idea into a story that’s the tough part. Mystery writer and journalist Anne Louise Bannon will share her process as she shows you how to get from that first glimmer to a full-blown story or novel, with side trips into the research rabbit hole, and tips on how you can get in touch with your own inner novelist.

Bannon has made not one, but two careers out of her passion for storytelling. Both a novelist and a journalist, she has an insatiable curiosity. In addition to her mystery novels, she has written a nonfiction book about poisons, freelanced for such diverse publications as the Los Angeles Times, Ladies’ Home Journal and Backstage West, and edits the wine blog OddBallGrape.com. On the fiction side, she writes a romantic serial, a spy series, and her Kathy and Freddy 1920s mystery series. Bannon’s books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, Oct. 3 • 7 p.m.

Cara Robertson: THE TRIAL OF LIZZIE BORDEN

The remarkable new account of an essential piece of American mythology—the trial of Lizzie Borden—based on 20 years of research and recently unearthed evidence. The Trial of Lizzie Borden tells the true story of one of the most sensational murder trials in American history.

Author Cara Robertson first started researching the Lizzie Borden story as a senior at Harvard, and published her first paper on the trial in the Yale Journal of Law and the Humanities in 1997. A lawyer and former Supreme Court law clerk, Robertson served as a legal adviser to the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia at The Hague and a Visiting Scholar at Stanford Law School. The Trial of Lizzie Borden is her first book. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Saturday, Oct. 12 • 3 p.m.

Yolanda Nava: JOURNEY THROUGH THE DARK: HOW SUDDEN BLINDNESS AWAKENED A NEW SPIRITUAL VISION

Author Yolanda Nava inspires people to live their lives with purpose, passion and grace. In honor of Disabilities Awareness Month, she will discuss her new book, Journey Through the Dark: How Sudden Blindness Awakened A New Spiritual Vision.

An award-winning veteran broadcast journalist, Nava is the author of the award-winning book of Latino virtues, It’s All in the Frijoles: 100 Famous Latinos Share Real Life Stories, Favorite Folktales, Time-tested Dichos and Inspiring Words of Wisdom. She was a news reporter, anchor and talk show host on NBC and CBS stations in Los Angeles and Sacramento. She also hosted a nationally syndicated television magazine and founded KCMY/TV. Nava was also the first Mexican American woman to found, own and operate a television station in the United States, and the first to appear on affiliate network news in Los Angeles. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, Oct. 17 • 7 p.m.

Mary Lea Carroll: SAINT EVERYWHERE: TRAVELS IN SEARCH OF THE LADY SAINTS

While visiting Siena, Italy, author Mary Lea Carroll grew fascinated with the remarkable story of St. Catherine of Siena and made a resolution: Whenever she was lucky enough to travel, if a shrine dedicated to a female saint was nearby, she’d visit it and learn about her. What started as a hobby grew into a journey she never expected, one rich with challenges and cappuccinos, doubts and inspiration, glasses of wine with strangers and moments of transcendence. Over eight quests, Carroll takes readers along with her as she seeks to learn something from a few great women of history, while looking for ways to be a better citizen of the world.

A writer and storyteller, Carroll is a lifelong resident of Pasadena. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, Nov. 7 • 7 p.m.

Jeff Lapides: THE MOJAVE ROAD IN 1863: THE PIONEERING PHOTOGRAPHS OF RUDOLPH D’HEUREUSE

Author Jeff Lapides will present photos from his book, The Mojave Road in 1863, which showcases the 1863-1864 glass plate negative images taken by photographer Rudolph d’Heureuse during his travels along the Mojave Road—from the Drum Barracks at the Port of Los Angeles to the mines of Eldorado Canyon on the Colorado River. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Thursday, Nov. 14 • 7 p.m.
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 (except Sept. 2)

iBook Club of Pasadena
“New Adult” readers in their 20s and 30s, including participants using speech–generating devices, are welcome. To sign up, call (626) 351-7571.
Tuesdays, Aug. 6 & Sept. 3 • 2-4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Book Chit Chat
Tuesdays, Aug. 6 & Sept. 3 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

Allendale Book Discussion Group
The group will discuss Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann (August) and Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens (September).
Saturdays, Aug. 10 & Sept. 7 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch

Pasadena Readers Book Club
Dr. Merry Pawlowski, emeritus professor of English, California State University, Bakersfield, will lead a book discussion of Little Women by Louisa May Alcott (August) and Love in the Time of Cholera by Gabriel García Márquez (September). To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net then pick up a copy of the book at the Front Desk’s Will Call shelf.
Mondays, Aug. 19 & Sept. 16 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

Hill Avenue Book Discussion Group
Saturday, Aug. 24 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch

Rave Reviews
Mondays, Aug. 26 & Sept. 23 • 2 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Saturday, Sept. 21 • 11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

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.
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 at www.meetup.com/Pasadena-Small-Biz-Network.
Thursdays, Aug. 1 & 15, Sept. 5 & 19 • noon-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT

Diversifying Your Board and Major Donor Base
Learn how to build powerful relationships with diverse people of expertise, wealth and influence. Discover practical methods to identify and approach diverse major donor and board prospects, who share a passion for your organization and mission.
Wednesday, Sept. 11 • 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Volunteer Opportunity
Find out how to make a difference in the life of an abused child by becoming a Los Angeles Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).
Tuesday, Aug. 1 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library

BOOKSTORE
Monday–Friday (except Sept. 2)
11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturdays • noon-4 p.m.
Central Library

BOOK SALE
No Book Sales in August or September
Pass Program - The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens

March-August 2019 - Available for checkout at Pasadena Central Library & La Pintoresca Branch

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The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens • 1151 Oxford Rd. • San Marino

SPECIAL EVENTS

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

Fiesta La Pintoresca
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a fun afternoon filled with a special performance of Charro rope tricks by the Los Hermanos Banuelos Charro Team and Marshal Ramon Banuelos along with stories, music, and crafts.
Thursday, Sept. 19 • 3:30-5:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

INCA: The Peruvian Ensemble
Join us for an interactive musical experience through the enchanted land of the Incas.
Wednesday, Sept. 25 • 4:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

PASADENA LOVES YA

Teen Book Festival
Meet 17 Young Adult authors who will present a series of panel discussions and book signings. Free tote bags for the first 200 attendees, plus a “Book Blitz” giveaway towards the end of the festival. Presented in partnership with Bridge to Books. Book sales by Vroman’s Bookstore. No registration required.
Saturday, Sept. 21 • noon-4 p.m. • Central Library

FAMILY PROGRAMS

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Travel back in time 65 million years to the late Cretaceous period! Learn about geological time periods, species adaptation, pre-historic environments, the scientific method, and more! Meet life-size, realistic Dinosaur puppets.
Thursday, Aug. 8 • 10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

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Kids & Teens Art & Writing Contest Award Reception
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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 • 2 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

GAMES

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

Thursdays • 12:30-3 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

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.

Fridays • 3:30-5:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

HEALTH & FITNESS

Free Health Screening
Registered nurses from Huntington Hospital provide free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, referrals and health education. A two-hour (minimum) fasting time period is required before blood sugar testing.

Wednesdays, Aug. 7 & Sept. 4 • 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.

Saturdays, Aug. 10 & 24, Sept. 14 & 28 • 11 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement
Wednesdays, Sept. 11, 18 & 25 • 1-3 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

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 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 Sept. 2) • 9 a.m.-2 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

Senior Computer Classes - Bilingual in Spanish
This hands-on, bilingual class is designed as an introduction to build your comfort and skill with 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. For ages 50+

For information, call (626) 744-6530.

Sponsored by FVO Solutions, Inc.

Saturdays, July 6-Aug. 24, Sept. 7 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Villa-Pareke Community Center • 363 E. Villa St.

For information, call (626) 744-7300.

Computer Skills and Job Readiness
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.

Saturdays, Aug. 10 & 24, Sept. 7 • 10-11:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

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

For information, call (626) 744-6530.

To sign up, visit cityofpasadena.net/reserve or stop by any Pasadena community center.

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For ages 18+

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Thursdays, July 11-Aug. 22 • 12:30-2 p.m. • Jackie Robinson Community Center • 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.
**TEEN SCENE**

**GAMES & MORE**

**Video Game Club**
The Ultimate Smash experience is here! With multiple setups of Smash Ultimate, light snacks, and plenty of people to interact with, you’re sure to find the perfect balance of fun and competition! Take on new rivals here weekly and learn advanced tricks from all of our veteran members! Drop by and be part of the experience! For ages 14+. Mondays (except Sept. 2) • 3:30-5:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**Escape Room Breakout for Teens**
Experience an escape room-like puzzle game. Work with your teammates to solve the puzzles and "break out." For teens ages 12-18. Three optional time slots; register for one time only. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4. Saturday, Aug. 3 • 2 p.m., 3 p.m. or 4 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

**Switch Hour at Santa Catalina**
Super Smash Bros Ultimate is finally here! Stop by for an afternoon of gaming on the Nintendo Switch! For ages 12+. Tuesdays, Aug. 6 & Sept. 3 • 4 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch

**ISSUES TODAY**

**Youth Network**
Teens: we need your opinions. Show up and discuss topics of interest to youth in the community and/or participate in the training. For ages 12-18. To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net. Wednesday, Sept. 4 • 4-5:30 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

**VOLUNTEERS**

**Teen Volunteer Opportunity**
Help out at the library. Earn community service hours. Gain leadership skills and work experience. Great for resumes and college applications. For more information and to download an application visit cityofpasadena.net/library/teens/teen-volunteers/.

**TWEENS**

**BOOKS & MORE**

**Tween Book Club**
Join us and discuss *Aru Shah and the End of Time* by Roshani Chokshi (August) and *Sal and Gabi Break the Universe* by Carlos Hernandez (September). For ages 9-13. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262. Tuesdays, Aug. 27 & Sept. 24 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**STEAM**

**STEAM Team Club:**

**Marbled Milk Paper**
Learn about the chemistry involved in paper marbling then make your own colorful marbled paper. For ages 9-13. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262. Wednesday, Aug. 14 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**Sciencetellers: Aliens!**
Don’t miss this action-packed educational alien adventure using science experiments to create special effects. It’s totally out of this world! Thursday, Aug. 22 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**STEAM Team Club:**

**Wearable Tech**
Explore the world of circuitry with us then create your own wearable tech. For ages 9-13. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262. Wednesday, Sept. 11 • 4 p.m. • Hastings Branch
**LIBRARY KIDS**

**BOOKS & MORE**

**Lucha Libros Kickoff**
Second graders, get ready to do battle in a reading competition like no other! Can you be a reading warrior, a Lucha Libros Luchador? Join us to make your own luchador mask and take photos. You’ll get all the info about this year-long reading program and receive a copy of our first book. Then return in October to answer questions about the book you read and win prizes! Spots will fill quickly so sign up by calling (626) 744-4066 option 4.

Niños de segundo grado, ¡Prepárense para entrar en una competencia de lectura como ninguna otra! ¿Puedes ser un guerrero lector, un luchador de Lucha Libros? Haz tu propia máscara de luchador y disfrázate para fotos de la Lucha Libre. Obten toda la información sobre este club del libro, y una copia de nuestro primer libro. Vuelve en octubre para responder preguntas sobre el libro y ganar premios. Si tienes interés en participar, por favor llama a AnnMarie Kolakowski al (626) 744-4725 para inscribirte (en español). ¡Date prisa, porque los espacios se llenarán rápidamente!

**Thursday, Sept. 5** • 6:15-7:30 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

**Barks & Books**
Children spend time reading to a gentle, well-trained dog who loves hearing stories. Presented by Pasadena Humane Society volunteers.

**Monday, Sept. 9** • 1 p.m. • San Rafael Branch
**Tuesday, Sept. 10** • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch
**Saturday, Sept. 14** • 1 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch
**Monday, Sept. 16** • 5 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch
**Thursday, Sept. 26** • 3:30 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch
**Saturday, Sept. 28** • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch

**CREATIVE ARTS**

**Paper Crafts**
Have fun showing your creative side! Join us as we design and create works of art using paper. All materials provided.

**Thursdays** • 3-4 p.m. • San Rafael Branch

**Coloring for Labor Day**
Let your creativity shine through. Join us for an afternoon coloring event then check out books about Labor Day. All materials provided.

**Wednesday, Aug. 28** • 2-4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

**ENGINEERING**

**Let’s Go LEGO®**
This is a fun “free-play” program where children are provided with an open-ended prompt to encourage imaginative building and playing with LEGO®s and Duplos. For ages 2-10. **Tuesdays, Aug. 13 & 27, Sept. 19 & 24** • 3-4:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch

**GAMES & MORE**

**Board Game Day**
Fun games for the entire family. Come over and join in! **Fridays, Aug. 30 & Sept. 27** • 2-4 p.m. • Villa Parke 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-5 **Starting Wednesday, Aug. 14.**
  **Mondays & Wednesdays (except Sept. 2)**
  3:30-5:30 p.m.
  Hastings Branch

• For students in grades K-10 **Starting Tuesday, Aug. 13.**
  **Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (except Sept. 2)**
  3-5:30 p.m.
  La Pintoresca Branch

**USC PAM @ the Library: LISTEN, LEARN, CREATE!**
Explore Asian cultures, arts and practices through storytelling and hands-on art-making. Discover stories told through the eyes of children and engage in creating a work of art inspired by one of the many cultures of Asia and the Pacific Islands. Presented by educators from Pacific Asia Museum. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4. **Monday, Sept. 30** • 3:30 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room
**HEALTH & FITNESS**

**Baby Playtime**
Bring your toddlers to explore and play with toys that develop motor skills and interact with other children.
**Wednesdays** • 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch *(For ages up to 3 years)*
**Fridays** • 10:30 a.m.-noon • Villa Parke Branch *(For ages 1-4)*

**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**, Aug. 12 & Sept. 9 • 10 a.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th
**Thursdays**, Aug. 15 & Sept. 19 • 3:30-4:30 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch

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**EARLY LITERACY**

**CENTRAL LIBRARY**

**Infant & Toddler Storytime**
**FALL REGISTRATION:** Tuesday, Oct. 8  
*(Session runs Tuesdays, Oct. 15-Dec. 3)*

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.

**WEEKLY STORYTIMES**

**MONDAYS (except Sept. 2)**

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

**TUESDAYS**

**For Preschoolers**
10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch *(except Sept. 3, 10 & 17)*
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke Branch

**WEDNESDAYS**

**For Preschoolers**
10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina Branch *(except Sept. 18 & 25)*
10:45 a.m. • Hastings Branch
11 a.m. • San Rafael Branch

**Léeme un Cuento (except Aug. 7)**
Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español  
4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

**THURSDAYS**

**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

**For Infants/Toddlers**
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch *(except Sept. 5, 12 & 19)*

**For Preschoolers**
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch *(except Sept. 19 & 26)*

**SATURDAYS**

**For Preschoolers**
10 a.m. • Central Library/Children's Story Room

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**MONTHLY/SPECIAL STORYTIMES**

**Mandarin Storytime**
Join us for stories and songs in Mandarin Chinese. Create a fun craft to take home.  
**Wednesdays**, Aug. 21 & Sept. 18   
3:30 p.m. • Hastings Branch

**Chocolate Storytime:**
**Tales & Treats for Children**
Join us for an afternoon of storytelling and village building, featuring stories authored by and/or about African-Americans, read by Dr. Ayesha Randall. Have fun, make new friends and enjoy crafts. *For ages 3+.*
**Fridays**, Aug. 30 & Sept. 27   
4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch

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**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**, Sept. 14 & 28 • 10-11 a.m. • Lamanda Park Branch
Innovation Lab
Explore our new Innovation Lab and create using the lab’s 3D printers, computers with software for 3D printing design, sewing machine, embroidery machine, laser cutter and Carvey. Users must have a valid Pasadena Public Library card in good standing to use the lab during open hours. Users must also complete and sign the Innovation Lab User Agreement and attend an orientation before using the lab. For more information about equipment and upcoming orientations and workshops, visit pasadenapubliclibrary.net/steam.

Orientations:
Mondays (except Sept. 2) • 5 p.m. & Saturdays • noon
Open Hours: Mondays (except Sept. 2) & Saturdays • 1-5 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays • 4-8 p.m.

Get Real! Virtual Reality @ PPL
Come on in and give Virtual Reality (VR) a try! We have Oculus Rift Touch—a virtual reality visor and handsets for the full VR experience. Walk on Mars, visit the International Space Station, do some guided meditation, or try any of our many other available VR experiences. We’ve got something for everyone! (Each session will be at least 15 minutes in length, depending on attendance). A signed waiver is required to use the equipment.

Thursdays • 2-4 p.m. • 4th Floor Creativity Room (For ages 18+)

FOR TEENS & ADULTS

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@ Hastings

Sew It Begins – Intro to Sewing
Join us for this sewing class for beginners and gain confidence using your sewing machine. Learn all the basics, including how to thread a machine, wind the bobbin, choose stitches, adjust tension and start sewing! Bring your own sewing machine if you have one, or use one of the library’s machines. Pre-registration required. For ages 13+. To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Saturday, Aug. 31 • 2-5 p.m.

Sew It Begins – Coin Purse
Come sew a coin purse! Bring your own sewing machine if you have one or use one of the library’s machines. Pre-registration and basic sewing machine knowledge are required. For ages 13+.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Saturday, Sept. 28 • 2-5 p.m.
FILMS

WEDNESDAYS • 1 p.m.
CENTRAL LIBRARY/DONALD WRIGHT AUDITORIUM

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.

AUGUST • Family Films

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THURSDAYS

VILLA PARKE BRANCH

FAMILY FUN FILMS
Join us for a movie the whole family can enjoy, along with popcorn! For movie title, call (626) 744-6510. 3:30 p.m.

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FOREIGN FILM DISCUSSION CLUB
Enjoy a foreign film and discussion of the movie, the director, the characters involved, the cinematography, the script, the ending, and more. Program begins at 1 p.m. sharp. Call (626) 744-7076 for movie title. Facilitated by Connie Milner. For ages 18+. Pick up parking permit at circulation desk for parking longer than three hours.

Mondays, Aug. 12 & 26, Sept. 9 & 23
1-5 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th Floor

FAMILY SCIENCE FICTION CLASSICS
Two films featuring lands where prehistoric creatures wander.

- **The Lost World (1925)** Passed
  The first film adaptation of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle’s classic novel about a land where prehistoric creatures still roam. Professor Challenger leads an expedition of scientists and adventurers to a remote plateau deep in the Amazonian jungle to verify his claim that dinosaurs still live there.

- **The Valley of Gwangi (1969)** G
  The discovery of a midget horse, thought to be of a species 50 million years old, prompts a Wild West show to venture into Mexico’s Forbidden Valley in search of world-wide fame and untold wealth. But they are met by prehistoric monsters, including “Gwangi,” a giant dinosaur that decimates their ranks.

Two films featuring mutated creatures: giant ants and bugs who wreak havoc wherever they roam.

- **Them! (1954)** NR
  The earliest atomic tests in New Mexico cause common ants to mutate into giant man-eating monsters that threaten civilization. They quickly become a national threat when it is discovered that two young queen ants and their consorts have escaped to establish new nests. The national search that follows finally culminates in a battle with Them in the concrete spillways and storm drain system of Los Angeles.

- **The Black Scorpion (1957)** Approved
  Volcanic activity frees giant scorpions from the earth who wreak havoc in the rural countryside and eventually threaten Mexico City.

**ANIME SC Teen Anime Club**
Stop by to watch the latest anime!

**Tuesdays, Aug. 20 & Sept. 17 • 4 p.m.**
Santa Catalina Branch
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AUGUST

CENTRAL LIBRARY

Wood Carving Art
Barry Moser, Artist
North Entry

LEGENDisplay
Design Your LEGO Contestants
Reading Wing

Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the City of Pasadena’s Department of Transportation
Humanities Wing

“Activist & Action” Figures
Beauty Bites Beast
Centennial Room

SEPTEMBER

CENTRAL LIBRARY

Celebrating Library Card Sign-up Month
North Entry

Pasadena Sprites (Fairies)
Jennifer Benton, Artist
Reading Wing

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment Daughters of the American Revolution – Martin Severance Chapter
Humanities Wing & Centennial Room

HASTINGS BRANCH LIBRARY

Acrylic Art Display
Irene Bouzas, Artist

EXHIBITS

Celebrating Constitution Day
Join the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) - Martin Severance Chapter as they celebrate Constitution Day with the ringing of bells at 1 p.m. marking “Bells Across America,” a national commemoration started in 1987 by the late Chief Justice Warren E. Burger. DAR members will also distribute free pocket copies of the American Constitution.

Tuesday, Sept. 17 • 1–5 p.m.
Central Library/Great Hall

Banned Books Week Sept. 22–28
Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and highlighting the value of free and open access to information. Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community – librarians, booksellers, publishers, teachers and readers of all types – in shared support of the freedom to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

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285 E. Walnut Street
(626) 744-4066

Allendale Branch
1130 S. Marengo Ave.
(626) 744-7260

Hastings Branch
3325 E. Orange Grove Blvd.
(626) 744-7262

Hill Avenue Branch
55 S. Hill Avenue
(626) 744-7264

La Pintoresca Branch
1355 N. Raymond Avenue
(626) 744-7268

Linda Vista Branch
1281 Bryant Street
(626) 744-7278

Lamanda Park Branch
140 S. Altadena Drive
(626) 744-7266

San Rafael Branch
1240 Nithsdale Road
(626) 744-7270

Santa Catalina Branch
999 E. Washington Blvd.
(626) 744-7272

Villa Parke Branch
363 East Villa Street
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