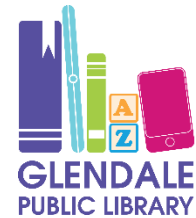


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December 2018 Glendale Public Library Event and Activity Listings

GLENDALE, ARIZONA – November 19, 2018. The following featured activities are offered by the Glendale Public Library in December. Locations include the Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.), the Foothills Branch Library (19055 N. 57th Ave.), and the Velma Teague Branch Library (7010 N. 58th Ave.). All library programs are free. To view many more programs and events, or to sign up for a program which requires registration, please visit <http://bit.ly/gplazevents>. For more information, please call 623-930-3600.

MAIN LIBRARY

5959 W. Brown St. Glendale, AZ 85302

MAIN LIBRARY ALL-AGES SPECIAL EVENT

LIBCON West! Get ready to let loose, drop in, and geek out! Glendale Public Library is proud to present our third annual library comic convention. Celebrate all things pop culture, with cosplay, gaming, crafts, stories, authors, artists, trivia, shopping, food trucks, prizes and more at this free, family-friendly event. We have activities for all ages! For more information, visit www.libconwest.org. **Saturday, December 8, 11 AM-5 PM.**

MAIN LIBRARY ADULT

Christmas Dreams: A My Kids in Sign Performance. Everyone is welcome to enjoy this special performance including sign language and song. **Saturday, December 1, 1-2 PM & 3-5 PM. Auditorium.**

***Senior Tech Academy: Computer Basics 101.** Learn the parts of a computer, how to use a mouse, and how to navigate a Windows 10 computer desktop and files. Please register at the library. **Monday, December 3, 2-4 PM. Creative Space.**

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Paddling the Storied Water Your Way: A Farewell Storytelling Concert with Miss Elly. Elly Reidy tells stories in a conversational style that draws in the listener, inviting them to journey with her on great adventures with dragons and tigers, romantic stories of love lost and found, and amusing tales of personal mishap. She has been a professional storyteller since 1998 and graduated from the South Mountain Storytelling Institute in 2007. She is a three-time member of the Nu Wa Storytelling Delegation to China and a contributing author to the book *How to Be a Storyteller*, presenting storytelling workshops both locally and at the International School of Beijing. *Paddling the Storied Water* is her first CD. **Thursday, December 6, 6-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

***Senior Tech Academy: Computer Basics 102.** Learn how to identify computer files and folders. Access Windows software to create and edit document files. This class will be held at the Glendale Community College Library & Media Center. We will provide a shuttle (with wheelchair access, if desired) from GPL Main Library to GCC for those who request it at the time of registration. Please register at the library. **Monday, December 10, 2-4 PM. Creative Space.**

Glendale Coffeehouse: Holiday Jam. Enjoy live acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month, members of our Acoustic Jam Session will entertain the audience with holiday favorites. Please note that performers for this event are scheduled in advance. **Thursday, December 13, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

Live @ the Library: Glass Virtuoso Holiday Concert. Lynn Drye, one of the few glass concert artists in the world today, performs on a number of glass instruments, including the glass armonica (or glass harmonica), glass harp, musical bowls, and glass xylophone. This concert will feature holiday selections. **Thursday, December 20, 6:30-7:30 PM. Auditorium.**

MAIN LIBRARY TEEN (ages 12-18)

Broomball for Not-Wizards! Bring your competitive spirit to battle other not-wizards out on the library lawn. We'll provide the (blow-up) brooms, balls and hoops, you bring the energy! Sneakers and exercise wear recommended. **Monday, December 10, 6-7:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

Teen Lego Night. Relax, listen to music, chat, make new friends and build with Lego bricks. **Monday, December 17, 6-7:30 PM. Large Meeting Room.**

MAIN LIBRARY YOUTH

Christmas Dreams: A My Kids in Sign Performance. Everyone is welcome to enjoy this special performance including sign language and song. **Saturday, December 1, 1-2 PM & 3-5 PM. Auditorium.**

Oh, the Places You'll Go! "You are off to great places, today is your day, your mountain is waiting, so get on your way." Come to a preschooler send-off as only we can do it! Miss Elly is retiring after nearly 21 years at the Glendale Public Library. Celebrate with us at this Dr. Seuss-themed par-TAY! Enjoy games, activities and more! In the words of the great Dr. Seuss, "Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened!" **Tuesday, December 4, 10:15-11:15 AM. Youth Department.**

Wild Wednesday! Polar Bear Craft. This week's event is a Crafty Kids Polar Bear Craft! While this first-come, first-served program is designed for children ages 5-11, younger children may attend if accompanied by an adult. Larger groups must bring one adult for every five children that attend. **Wednesday, December 5, 4-5 PM. Storytime Room.**

Arizona Broadway Theatre: A Charlie Brown Christmas. Actors, costumes and props . . . oh my! Award-winning theater troupe Arizona Broadway Theatre for Young Audiences is bringing its show to the library. From the charming opening melodies of "Christmas Time Is Here" to Linus' timeless reminder of what the season is all about, *A Charlie Brown Christmas* is the perfect way to introduce your kids to the magic of live performance! This program is geared for school-aged children, but younger kids are welcome if accompanied by an adult. **Wednesday, December 12, 4-5 PM. Auditorium.**

FOOTHILLS BRANCH LIBRARY

19055 N. 57th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85308

FOOTHILLS BRANCH LIBRARY ADULT

Winter Craft Series: Cookies in a Jar! Fun, cheerful and jolly! Fill a jar with gingerbread cookie ingredients. Then decorate your jar with festive fabric and ribbon. Great for gifting or for baking yourself! Registration is required. **Tuesday, December 4, 6-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Foothills Coffeehouse. Enjoy live acoustic music performed by local musicians. This month: High Strung - dulcimers; Hosea - folk and popular. **Wednesday, December 5, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

TEARS Foundation Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support Group. This monthly emotional support group is open to all parents who have lost children during pregnancy or infancy. To be sensitive to others, no babies or children please. For more information, contact Brandy Martin, Arizona Chapter Leader of The TEARS Foundation at arizonachapter@thetearsfoundation.org. **Monday, December 10, 6-8 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Gentle Yoga: Relax and De-Stress. Yoga poses, breathing, meditation, and ideology can improve your health and well-being. Come practice increasing flexibility, strength, and balance in a gentle way. Learn simple breathing and meditation practices you can use every day. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket. **Wednesday, December 12, 6:30-8 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

FOOTHILLS BRANCH LIBRARY TEEN (ages 12-18)

Kahoot: Libraries Rock! Trivia Night for Teens. Use your smartphone or tablet to answer trivia questions about how Libraries Rock! Don't have a web-friendly device? Borrow one of the library's tablets to join in the fun! **Wednesday, December 5, 6-7 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

FOOTHILLS BRANCH LIBRARY YOUTH

Kids Kindness Club. This program is geared to kids, ages 7-11, who want to focus their efforts on bringing more kindness into the world. Each month we will complete activities that foster this theme. In December, we will be creating inspiring messages and cards to give to family and friends. **Monday, December 3, 4-5 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Spectacular Winter Storytime. Join us for some fun winter themed stories followed by a special craft!! **Wednesday, December 12, 11 AM-12 PM. Storytime Room.**

Maker Mondays: Holiday Science. Develop critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity skills through STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities such as science experiments, cardboard construction, robotics, textiles, and more. In December, we will have three activities for ages 5-11 focusing on our theme of "holiday science." Please wear play clothes. Registration begins 12/1. **Monday, December 17, 4-5 PM. Hummingbird Room.**

Noon Year's Eve Dance Party. Kids, ages 1 and up, are invited to join us for this fun event. We'll do 20 minutes of dancing followed by a craft geared to preschoolers, ages 3-5, and a simple snack. Please note that we will have balloons at this event. Bring your energy and enthusiasm! **Monday, December 31, 11:30-12:15 PM. Roadrunner Room.**

VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY
7010 N. 58th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85301

VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY ADULT

***Senior Tech Academy: Computer Basics 101.** Learn the parts of a computer, how to use a mouse, and how to navigate a Windows 10 computer desktop and files. Please register at the library. **Thursday, December 6, 2-4 PM.**

Arts and Crafts Corner: Snowflake Beaded Ornament. Make a beautiful snowflake ornament using a stainless-steel snowflake form and beads of your choosing. Registration is required. **Saturday, December 22, 1-5 PM.**

VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY TEEN (ages 12-18)

Teen Holiday Challenge. For the month of December, stop by our Teen Zone to complete our Holiday Challenge for a small prize (while supplies last) and be entered to win a Grand Prize! **Saturday, December 1-Monday, December 31.**

Teen Craft: DIY Gifts. Come make some sweet, personalized gifts (bookmarks, journals, coasters) for your friends or family! All supplies will be provided. **Thursday, December 6, 6-8 PM.**

VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY YOUTH

Leap into Science. Preschool-aged children and their families are invited to explore the STEM concept of balance through engaging activities and books in a storytime setting! Leap into Science is a nationwide program engineered by The Franklin Institute Science Museum. **Wednesday, December 5, 10:30-11:30 AM.**

Holiday Snowman Make & Take Craft. Pick up a make-it-yourself craft at the Youth Desk anytime during regular library hours. All supplies will be provided. Crafters younger than 6 years old will need an adult helper. **Monday, December 10-Monday, December 31.**

Getting Crafty with Miss Janet: Paper Plate Snow Globes. Come and join in the fun! Create a cool craft to keep or give as a gift! Crafters younger than 6 years old will need an adult helper. This month's project will be Paper Plate Snow Globes. All supplies will be provided. **Thursday, December 13, 4-5 PM.**

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