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JULY 2014 EVENT AND ACTIVITY LISTINGS

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The following events are offered from the city of Glendale Parks, Recreation and Library Services Department in July. The programs are free unless otherwise stated. Please note that programs that include an astrick (*) in their name are supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act.

STEM @ the Library Junior Explorers Rockin' Roller Coasters*

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 2 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Children ages 5 -7 are invited to explore the concepts of gravity, motion, and energy while experimenting with marbles and tubes to design and test a roller-coaster they build. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

Backyard Stargazing For Everyone

7 p.m., Monday, July 7 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Enjoy this program that is free and fun for the entire family. After dark, weather permitting, telescopes will be in place in front of the library for viewing the night sky. For more information, call 623-979-1393.

Junior Racquetball League

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays for three weeks beginning July 8 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Ages 10-15 will learn the game of racquetball in a fun environment. Our racquetball pro will share rules, tips and teach you how to play against other players. Each day will build on the previous skills learned. Participants should come dressed in workout clothes with tennis shoes. Equipment will be provided. For information, call Darren at 623-930-4610. The price is \$25 (non-resident \$33) and registration is required. Call 623-930-4600 to register.

Songs In Progress Workshop

6 p.m., Tuesday, July 8 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Meet one-on-one with Arizona Songwriters Association member Gavan Wieser to get constructive feedback on your song, finished or not, BEFORE you go into the studio. Perform it live or bring a CD or work tape. This is a free opportunity in a laid-back atmosphere. Weiser is a singer/songwriter who plays bass in the world's oldest punk band, "One Foot in the Grave." He is currently on the board for Fiddler's Dream Coffeehouse, acoustic music showcase. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

Acoustic Jam

6 p.m., Tuesday, July 8 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

6 p.m., Wednesday, July 30 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style. Audience is welcome. For more information, call 623-930-3844 (Foothills) or 623-930-3537 (Main).

STEM @ the Library Junior Explorers Create A Robot Bank!*

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 9 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Children ages 5-7 will design and create robot banks from found objects. Children should wear old clothes and be prepared for a messily creative time. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

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STEM @ the Library: NASA's BEST (Beginning Engineering, Science, Technology)*

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 9 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Explore beginning engineering, science and technology with the Challenger Space Center and NASA's BEST (Beginning Engineering, Science, Technology) program, presenting exciting hands-on activities for ages 7-11. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3437.

Tea'ching: A Tea History and Tasting Event

6:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 9 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

From Buddhist monks, using it in their religious ceremonies, to American revolutionaries, tossing it into Boston Harbor, tea has become more than a beverage, it has become an event. For nearly 5,000 years this drink has been a source of medicine, meditation, piracy, political upheaval, social order, congregation and superstition. Enjoy a tasting of 15 unique teas and delicious appetizers at this free event. Presented by Chef Larry Canepa. This program is made possible through the Reciprocal Borrowing agreement and is funded by the Maricopa County Library District. Space is limited and registration is required. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3844.

Glendale Coffeehouse

6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 10 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Join us the second Thursday evening of every month for acoustic music from area musicians. Call 623-930-3573 for more information.

Demon Foods

6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 10 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Foods grown for shelf life and transport, saturated in toxic chemicals, generally aren't so great for actual consumption when it comes to nutrient value. Has science and agribusiness made the "perfect food" yet? This "food-tainment" presentation will examine the current crazes, diets, fads, fact and fiction of "demon foods." We'll explore the foods and snacks of yesteryear and the fantastic foods of the future. We are what we eat and making good choices is based on knowledge. This free presentation includes our favorite "demon foods" and some delicious, healthy alternatives. Registration is required; call 623-930-3537.

Glass Pendant Making

6:30 to 8 p.m., Friday, July 11 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Adults and teens can create a set of unique jewels with the guidance of a glass artist. Colored glass is layered and kiln fired to create several beautiful glass pendants to keep or give as gifts. Glass cutting and design aesthetic for glass fusing is taught. A \$20 supply fee will be collected at the first class. The price is \$59 (non-resident \$71) and preregistration is required. Call 623-930-4600 to register or for more information.

Petit Fours

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, July 12 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Learn to make the most elegant Tiffany Box petit fours, melt chocolate and use molds. Gain tips in creating these boxes, which will be the hit of your Mother's Day or any special occasion party. A \$20 supply fee is collected at class. Spanish is available upon request. The price is \$29 (non-resident \$35) and preregistration is required. Call 623-930-4600 to register or for more information.

Robot Ambassador: Paper Electronics

2 p.m., Saturday, July 12 at the Glendale City Hall employee lounge, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., basement level.

This paper electronics workshop by Eric Ose, the Robot Ambassador, is a hands-on experience that combines paper craft and electronics with the focus on adding and controlling lights. You can also add sounds, motion and sensors to paper electronic projects. This activity is appropriate for teens and adults and is hosted by the Velma Teague Branch Library. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the library, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3437.

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Great Arizona Puppet Theater: Saguaro Hotel

2 p.m., Monday, July 14 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

2 p.m., Monday, July 14 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

In this family theater show, Sammy is a young saguaro who isn't sure he wants to be a cactus, but his grandpa teaches him how important the saguaro is to the desert. The Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living Program, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund, sponsor this event. At least one adult must accompany every five children. This show is recommended for kindergarten through second grades. For more information, call 623-930-3537 (Main) or 623-930-3537 (Foothills).

Summer Fizzy Fun!

2 p.m., Monday, July 14 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Join us for some fizzy fun and experiment with some everyday household ingredients from the pantry in this STEM @ the Library program for ages 7-11. Participants will leave with their own booklet of the experiments. We might get a little messy, so don't wear your best clothes. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

STEM @ the Library: Catapult Wars!*

6 p.m., Monday, July 14 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

You build. You battle. Beware, marshmallows incoming! At this teens only event, work in teams to build the best do-it-yourself catapult, then compete in tests of accuracy, distance and destruction. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

Let's R-A-P! Hip Hop Workshop

6 p.m., Monday, July 14 and July 21 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

BlackPoet Ventures presents a hip hop workshop for teens and adults. Learn about hip hop culture, then learn to write and perform your own hip hop performance. This program is held in the library's Creative Space, where sharing ideas, exploring the arts and creative inspiration comes together. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the library, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3531.

Venomous Creatures Of The Desert

5 p.m., Tuesday, July 15 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

The desert is home to many venomous animals, including vertebrates (snakes) and invertebrates (scorpions, Africanized honeybees). Dr. Michael Quinlan, Ph.D. of Midwestern University will present and discuss the natural history and urban ecology of some of these creatures. For more information, call 623-930-3858.

STEM @ the Library: Things That Fly*

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 16 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 23 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Why do paper airplanes fly? Ages 7-11 can discover the answers and experiment with "drag and yaw" as we create things that fly. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the library, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3531 (Main) or 623-930-3437 (Velma Teague).

Let's R-A-P! Deejaying Open Lab

5 p.m., Wednesday, July 16 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Drop into this open lab any time between 5 and 8 p.m. to learn about the art of DJ'ing. BlackPoet Ventures presents turntable techniques and a look at famous hip hop radio stations. Open to participants 16-years and older and no registration required. This program is held in the library's Creative Space, where sharing ideas, exploring the arts and creative inspiration comes together. For more information, call 623-930-3531.

Bluegrass Jam

1 p.m., Friday, July 18 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Bring your acoustic instrument and play bluegrass, country, folk, gospel and more in a round-robin style. All levels of players welcome. Audience and singers also are encouraged to attend this program held on the first and third Friday of each month. For more information, call 623-930-3844.

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Let's R-A-P! Hip Hop Movement

1 p.m., Saturday, July 19 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Drop in this open lab any time between 1 and 4 p.m. to experiment with your own hip hop movement techniques. BlackPoet Ventures guides participants in performance movement and word association exercises. No registration required, but participants must be ages 16 or older. This program is held in the library's Creative Space, where sharing ideas, exploring the arts and creative inspiration comes together. For more information, call 623-930-3531.

Foothills Daddy/Daughter Dance

6:30-8:30 p.m., Saturday, July 19 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

You are cordially invited to the Foothills Daddy/Daughter Dance, where you have an opportunity to show your little girl how special she is. Treat her to a night of music, dancing, fun and dessert and memories she will have for a lifetime. Dads or the girl's other significant male may attend. Open for daughters ages 3-12. The dress code is semi-formal. Tickets are \$20 for Dad and up to 2 daughters; additional daughters are \$5 each. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call 623-930-4600 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/foothillscenter.

Batman Day!

6 p.m., Tuesday, July 22 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

National Batman Day, is celebrated July 23, but you can celebrate one day earlier at the library at our festival of the Dark Knight. Teens, ages 12-18, can learn if the Caped Crusader's tools could work in real life, create their own Batman goodies and have their own Villain mugshots taken. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act, which is administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

STEM @ the Library: Aliens of the Oceans*

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 23 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Aliens of the Ocean with Miss Science! Ages 7-11 will discover what's happening under the sea in this hands-on workshop with Miss Science. This event includes an up-close, inside and outside look at one of the world's most fascinating sea creatures. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the library, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3531.

Let's R-A-P! Graffiti Writing and Murals

5 p.m., Wednesday, July 23 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Drop into this open lab any time between 5 and 8 p.m. BlackPoet Ventures presents art techniques to complement the written word of hip hop. Participants will have an opportunity to discover famous graffiti works and to create graphic elements to complement poetic performance. Open to participants 16-years and older with no registration required. This program is held in the library's Creative Space, where sharing ideas, exploring the arts and creative inspiration comes together. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the library, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3531.

Live At The Library

6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 24 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Enjoy free live music at the library. To find out this month's performer or for more information, call 623-930-3573. Funding for this program is provided in part by the Glendale Arts Commission.

STEM @ the Library: Sharpie Tie-Dye T-Shirts*

6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 24 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Teens can create wearable art using science, Sharpie markers and their imagination. T-shirts will be provided, or you may bring your own favorite white cotton shirt. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3437.

So You Want to Be Your Own General Contractor

10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 26 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Learn the ins and outs of remodeling your business office or home without the nagging feeling that you are doing something wrong. Design consultant and general contractor, Jerry Kadansky, will speak about city restrictions and codes, permits, architects, floor plans, hiring general contractors and subcontractors and more. Make the remodeling experience an exciting one instead of a horror story. Bring a notebook and questions. The price for this workshop is \$20 (non-resident \$24), and preregistration is required. To register or for more information, call 623-930-4600 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation.

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Let's R-A-P! Hip Hop Emcee Techniques

1 p.m., Saturday, July 26 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

BlackPoet Ventures presents the art of MC'ing at this open lab available between 1 and 4 p.m. Participants will have the opportunity to combine their poetic words to rhythmic beats, as well as have a take-home recording (audio or video) of their work. Open to participants 16-years and older with no registration required. This program is held in the library's Creative Space, where sharing ideas, exploring the arts and creative inspiration comes together. For more information, call 623-930-3531.

Authors @ the Teague Presents: Shona Patel

2 p.m., Saturday, July 26 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

The Authors @ the Teague series is proud to host Shona Patel, participating in a discussion of her highly regarded debut novel "Teatime for the Firefly." The book is about Lyla Roy, born under an unlucky star, who knows her chances of marriage in 1940s India are virtually nonexistent. However, the unconventional education, provided by her grandfather, combined with her own cleverness, allow her to change her fate. Her new life in the famous tea plantations of Assam with her husband, Manik, also marks the start of a new life for India in the wake of fundamental changes wrought by World War II. Shona Patel's adventurous childhood as the daughter of an Assam tea planter helped to inspire the richly authentic world of "Teatime for the Firefly." An honors graduate in English literature from Calcutta University and a trained graphic designer, she now writes full-time and lives with her husband in Fountain Hills, Arizona. Everyone is welcome to attend this free discussion, and a limited number of books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, call 623-930-3431.

STEM @ the Library: Kaleidoscopes*

6 p.m., Thursday, July 31 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Ages 7-11 will make and decorate a kaleidoscope. We will provide everything they need to create and view hundreds of dazzling patterns. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3437.

Salsa Dancing

7:10 to 8 p.m., Thursdays for 6 weeks, beginning July 31

at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Find the rhythm to different Latin songs and the Cuban motion in this beginning class. You'll be asked to rotate dance partners to get a better understanding of leading and following. The class is for ages 15 and older and is \$45 per person (non-resident \$55). To register or for more information, call 623-930-4600 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation.

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