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SPECIAL
Summer
Reading
EDITION

*POWERED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE ALTADENA LIBRARY

Reading Takes You EVERYWHERE

ALTADENA LIBRARY DISTRICT'S 2018 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Are your bags packed? Altadena Library District is ready to show local kids, teens, and adults that Reading Takes You Everywhere! Altadena Libraries' summer reading programs have served hundreds of families across Altadena and Pasadena and play a crucial role in preventing summer learning loss. Both the Altadena Main Library and Bob Lucas Memorial Branch will be providing participants of all ages with books, reading goals and prizes, and a full slate of educational events, crafts, and interactive performances to enhance their reading journey – all free of charge.

An abundance of research shows that summer reading programs at libraries, such as Altadena Library District, actively prevent the "summer slide," or a loss in students' accumulated skills and knowledge during the summer break that can set them back academically. This same research affirms that when children are allowed to self-select books they enjoy and read (or are read to) for about 20 minutes every day, they are less likely to experience learning loss and are more likely

to improve their comprehension skills and vocabulary.

Online registration begins **Saturday, June 2**, at altadenalibrary.beanstack.org. Participants are also invited to pick up printed "passports" to guide them on their summer reading journey.

Families with children are invited to Truck Day, the summer reading kick-off event, on **Saturday, June 9, from 10:00am to 12:00pm**, at the Main Library parking lot. Rev your engines and turn on your lights and sirens because children will get to explore firsthand fire trucks and construction equipment galore! Sign up for summer reading on the spot and start your literary trip!

Adults will launch their summer reading program with pub-style Trivia Night on **Friday, June 22 at 7:00pm**, at the Main Library. With wine and beer and trivia that will tease your brain and twist your mind, you don't want to miss this evening of friendly competition!

Local Adventures

Amazing Performances

Free Activities

Fantastic Prizes

Timeless Stories

Read the insert for details about events, rules, and prizes...

UPCOMING EVENTS *Find Branch, Children's, and Teen Programs on pages 6-7.*



SUMMER READING ONLINE

Saturday, June 2

Go to altadenalibrary.beanstack.org to register for Summer Reading!



Seed Library Open Hours & Food Forward Presentation

Saturday, June 2, at 10:00am - 12:00pm

As anyone who spends even a little time in Southern California knows, fruit trees are everywhere! One fruit tree can yield hundreds of pounds of fruit, which is generally far too much for one family to consume. That's where Food Forward's flagship program, Backyard Harvest, comes in. Volunteers pick fruit from trees on private properties and public spaces which is collected and distributed by local hunger relief agencies. Come learn about how you can get involved to reduce food waste and fight hunger in your community!



Friends of the Altadena Library Annual Meeting

Monday, June 4, at 7:00pm

After a short meeting to elect officers for 2018-2019, there will be a demonstration and concert by The Hutchins Consort, a special group that plays on the eight scaled violins designed and built by luthier Dr. Carleen Hutchins. Learn more about The Hutchins Consort and the research behind their precise, unique sound at hutchinsconsort.org.



Last Second Saturday of the 2017-2018 Season!

Saturday, June 9, Dance Class at 6:00pm, Concert at 6:30pm

Put on your dancing shoes because we are closing our 2017-2018 concert series with a BANG! The Connected Dancer will lead a swing dance class at 6:00pm, and dancers can put their new moves into practice as the band hits the stage! Food and drinks will be available for sale.



Family Game Night

Every Tuesday, at 6:30pm

Calling all lovers of chess, beginners included! All you need for this fun, all-ages chess experience is your love of the game, good sportsmanship, and willingness to learn! This popular program is led by local chess enthusiast Will Patton.



No Guilt Book Club

Tuesday, June 12, at 7:00pm

No guilt – Come even if you haven't read the books! Meets in the Director's Office.



Beyond the Frontier: Sci-Fi & The Western

Saturday, June 16, at 11:00am

A published author and poet, Vos Post will take listeners on a fascinating, illustrated journey through the literary worlds of Science-Fiction and the Western. There are more similarities between these seemingly disparate genres than one may think...



Dungeon Master Training with Wil Wheaton

Saturday, June 16, at 2:00pm

Let star Wil Wheaton, of Star Trek: The Next Generation and The Big Bang Theory, guide you through the exciting world of Dungeons and Dragons.



Trivia Night - Adult Summer Reading Kick-Off

Friday, June 22, at 7:00pm

Start your summer with brain teasin' fun! Bring a team of 6 and win prizes! Register today at www.altadenalibrary.org/trivia-night.

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, June 25, at 5:00pm

Open Mic Night

Tuesday, June 26, at 7:00pm

Crowne Comedy Live Improv

Saturday, June 30, at 4:30pm

Get ready for knee-slapping fun – Crowne Comedy Live is coming to Altadena Library! Veterans of the Comedy Central stage in Hollywood, Crowne Comedy Live is a revue featuring engaging improvisation by talented performers Erin Berry, Matt Catanzano, Tim Johnson, and Bill Connolly who bring their combined four decades of comedy experience to the stage!



www.AltadenaLibrary.org

Main Library

600 E. Mariposa Street
Altadena, CA 91001
626-798-0833

Hours

Monday & Tuesday
10:00am to 9:00pm
Wednesday through Saturday
10:00am to 6:00pm

Passport Office (Main Library) BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

626-798-2950
Monday and Tuesday
9:00am to 8:00pm
Wednesday through Saturday
9:00am to 5:00pm

Bob Lucas Branch

2659 Lincoln Avenue
Altadena, CA 91001
626-798-8338

Hours

Monday, Tuesday & Friday
10:00am to 6:00pm
Wednesday & Thursday
10:00am to 8:00pm

Become a Friend of the Library

The Friends of the Library meet on the first Monday of each month (except July and August) at 7:30pm in the Community Room. You do not have to be a member to attend.

For information, go to AltadenaLibrary.org/friends-library

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Summer Reading CHEAT SHEET

No matter your age group, sign up for Summer Reading at altadenalibrary.beanstack.org. (If you used Beanstack last year, you can use the same login this year!) Feel free to ask staff for assistance with registering if you need it. Once you have signed up online, come to the Main Library or Bob Lucas Branch to pick up the right passport for your age group!



EARLY LITERACY PROGRAM (Babies, Toddlers, Preschoolers)

Reading Tracking Start Date: Saturday, June 2
Passport Color: **RED**

- Prizes:
- 8 Hours of Reading = FREE BOOK
 - 16 Hours of Reading = ALTADENA OWL 
 - 24 Hours of Reading = Coupon for a FREE Kids Meal at Chipotle and a VIP experience at the End-of-Summer Movie Screening

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS (Kindergarten - Entering 5th Grade)

Reading Tracking Start Date: Saturday, June 2
Passport Color: **GREEN**

- Prizes:
- 8 Hours of Reading = FREE BOOK
 - 16 Hours of Reading = A BUNCH OF CANDY
 - 24 Hours of Reading = Coupon for a FREE Kids Meal at Chipotle and a VIP experience at the End-of-Summer Movie Screening

TEENS (Entering 6th Grade - Entering 12th Grade)

Reading Tracking Start Date: Saturday, June 2
Passport Color: **ORANGE**

- Prizes:
- 8 Hours of Reading = FREE BOOK
 - 16 Hours of Reading = A BUNCH OF CANDY
 - 24 Hours of Reading = Coupon for Chipotle and a VIP experience at the End-of-Summer Movie Screening

ADULTS (College and Up!)

Reading Tracking Start Date: Saturday, June 23
Passport Color: **BLUE**

Rules - Weekly Prize Drawings: When you receive your passport, you will get 8 prize drawing entry slips that you can tear off, fill out, and submit to the drawing containers at the Main Library or Bob Lucas Branch. You can put your entry slips in any of the entry containers, in whichever quantity you choose. Drawings take place each Friday at 4:00pm starting Friday, June 29.

Rules - Grand Prize Drawing: Each week starting June 23, track at least 3 hours of reading to receive your weekly **Reading Stamp** in your passport. (As long as you track your reading in the passport or online, you can collect your Reading Stamps anytime; you don't have to get that week's stamp within the week you read.)

Attend at least one Library program or complete at least one library-related activity to receive a weekly **Program/Activity Stamp**.

To qualify for the Grand Prize Drawing, you must receive all **8 Reading Stamps** and **8 Program/Activity Stamps!** Submit your completed passport to the Main Library or Bob Lucas Branch by our End-of-Summer Movie Screening on Saturday, August 18; the drawing will take place that evening.

Prizes: The Weekly Prize Drawings are for gift cards to local businesses, including Vroman's, Trader Joe's, Fair Oaks Burger, and Café de Leche. The Grand Prize Drawing is for a \$150 Amazon gift card (2 gift cards available!)

SUMMER 2018 ALL-AGES SUMMER READING PROGRAM

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CALENDAR KEY Green = Children's Yellow = Bob Lucas Branch Orange = Teens Blue = Adults Red = Off-Site Event			JUNE		1  Summer Reading Begins! Make sure you pick up your passport and sign up online! altadenalibrary.beanstack.org
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM HIATUS FROM MAY 28 THROUGH JUNE 8 (EXCEPT FOR MARKET STORIES)					
4	5	6 3-5pm Teen Maker Exploration	7 4pm DIY Cloak/ Cape 4pm Market Stories	8	9 10am TRUCK DAY! 6:30pm Second Saturday Concert
11 11am Movie Mondays 2pm Lego Club 6:30pm Pajama Story Time	12 11am Hora de Cuentos 2pm Christopher T. Magician 4pm Nom Nom Group 4pm Pokémon Club 4pm Christopher T. Magician 6:30pm Family Game Night	13 10:15am Baby Story Time 11am Toddler Story Time 4pm Market Stories 4pm Nom Nom Group	14 10:30am Baby Story Time 11am Preschool Story Time 2pm Elementary Grab Bag Thursdays	15 11am Hora de Cuentos 2pm Kids Movie 3:30pm Lego Club	16 11am Beyond the Frontier: Sci-Fi & The Western 2pm Dungeon Master Training with Wil Wheaton
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		4pm Market Stories			

Important DATES

Children's Summer Reading Kick-Off - Truck Day Saturday, June 9, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Rev your engines, turn on your lights and sirens, and grab your hardhats - it's time for **TRUCK DAY** in the Altadena Main Library parking lot to kick off our 2018 Summer Reading program. Join us for a morning of fire trucks, construction equipment, crafts- and be sure to sign up for Summer Reading while you're here.



Adult Summer Reading Kick-Off - Trivia Night Friday, June 22, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Launch Adult Summer Reading with a night of brain-teasin' fun! Free trivia and munchies! Drinks and specialty snacks will be available for sale. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. To register your TEAM OF 6, visit www.altadenalibrary.org/trivia-night. (Individuals may sign up as well; they will be assigned to a team upon arrival.) Each member of the winning trivia team will win a book bag and a \$20 gift card to Vroman's!

There's No Place Like Home: End-of-Summer Outdoor Movie Screening Saturday, August 18, Doors Open at 6:00pm

We've spent all summer letting reading take us everywhere, but we all know "there is no place like home." Pack a picnic and join us at the Main Library Parking Lot for an end-of-summer celebration featuring the Haiku Guys & Gals, song and dance for kids, and an outdoor screening of *The Wizard of Oz*! The winner of the Adult Grand Prize Drawing will be announced as well. All ages are welcome, and snacks will be available for sale.

Hint: If you're feeling extra Oz-ish, dress up like your favorite *Wizard of Oz* character for extra fun!



Community Partnerships

Reducing the Silo Effect & Increasing Impact

The joy (and struggle) of living in community with others is all the different ideas and solutions that are present at the table. Similar to working in any organization, inevitably different interests are represented among pieces of a whole, and those differences can lead to disagreement if a common understanding is not reached. Territories are formed. People stake their claim. Feelings of isolation build as people act only in their individual best interest. Redundancy occurs as communication falters.

Sound familiar? Many organizations and communities have encountered this behavioral pattern. It is human nature to behave defensively when we feel encroached upon. The issue, when looking at this trend in the context of a community, is the loss of potential for the beautiful results of collaboration and partnership. No one organization can solve all the problems in a community. When organizations and community members work in tandem, the potential is greater for the development of solutions that meet the true needs of the entire community.

At Altadena Library District, our mission of connecting our community with information and ideas drives us to develop programming that serves that purpose, but it also drives us to seek community partnerships that reduce duplication of effort and maximize impact. We encourage you to think of the Library as a resource. We are always open to opportunities for collaboration and welcome you to reach out to hello@altadenalibrary.org today if you have an idea that the Library could support you in implementing!



F.O.A.L. PRESIDENT MARK MARISCAL MONTHLY UPDATE Join Us for Our Annual Friends Meeting!

May was a big month for the Friends of the Altadena Library! In early May Cynthia Carmona, President of the Altadena Library Foundation, library leadership, staff, and I attended the Serving With a Purpose Conference. This annual event focuses on the relationships between libraries and their support organizations; this year's theme was appropriately "Teamwork Makes the Dream Work." It was an enriching day full of brainstorming and insightful presentations from libraries, Friends groups, and foundations across California.



Left to Right: Mark Mariscal, Cynthia Carmona (Altadena Library Foundation), Greg Lucas (CA State Librarian), Betsy Kahn (Altadena Library Board of Trustees), and Ryan Roy (Altadena Library Acting Director) at Serving With a Purpose

Next, I want to extend a HUGE thank you to all the dedicated volunteers and Friends of the Library that came together as a team on a cold, dreary morning in May to set up for the Annual Book Sale! Those thousands of books did not move themselves, and your hard work moving and organizing made our sale a big success.

As we enter summer, I invite you to save the date for the Friends' Annual Meeting on **Monday, June 4, 2018**. Starting at 7:00pm, we will have a very short meeting to elect officers for the 2018-2019 year and to share the impact of the Friends' funding throughout the past year. There will then be a demonstration and concert by the Hutchins Consort. The group plays on the eight scaled violins designed and built by luthier Dr. Carleen Hutchins. Learn more here: <http://www.hutchinsconsort.org>. This event is open to the public!

Established in 1959, the Friends of the Altadena Library is an organization committed to the support of the Altadena Library District and its programs and services. Learn more and become a Friend at www.altadenalibrary.org/friends-library.

Summer Volunteering!

With Summer Reading now in full swing, our Libraries are teeming with opportunities for volunteering throughout the summer! We need teens through adults to help us with events, Summer Reading passport stamping, outdoor projects, and more. Volunteering can be fun for the whole family and outside groups as well; certain volunteer roles allow for younger patrons, like tweens ages 11-13, to participate alongside their parents.

A perfect example of the "fruits" of such volunteering is the Main Library's outdoor gardens. Girl Scout Troop 3201 signed up as a group to assist with a day of planting, and now our beautiful landscaping is a reminder of the great effort they made to beautify our space. Many corporate groups have also volunteered at both our special events and in outdoor maintenance.

To start your volunteering journey at the Library, email our Volunteer Coordinator Yuni LaFontaine at volunteer@altadenalibrary.org to get registered and attend an orientation.



Fun & Games at the Library

Dungeons, and Dragons, and Game Nights, Oh My!

Summer presents a special opportunity for families to take time otherwise occupied with school and extracurricular activities and spend it together, bonding and connecting! We invite everyone this summer to the Library for some good ol' fun and games.

Family Game Nights - Tuesdays, 6:30pm - Starting Tuesday, June 12, the Main Library will host Family Game Nights, an opportunity for families and children of all ages to play their favorite board games! While the popular Chess Night and structured chess training will be on hiatus throughout the summer, chess equipment will still be available during Family Game Nights.

Special Event! Dungeon Master Training with Wil Wheaton - Saturday, June 16, 2:00pm - Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons and Dragons but never had a dungeon master to facilitate play? Join us for a Dungeon Master Training with Wil Wheaton, of popular shows *Star Trek: The Next Generation* and *Big Bang Theory*.

- 2:00pm - Mechanics of Being a Dungeon Master
- 3:30pm - Fundamentals of Being a Story-teller
- 5:00pm - Practice Your New Skills

This event is designed for teens and adults.



SEED LIBRARY BACKYARD HARVESTING WITH FOOD FORWARD

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2ND
10:00AM - 12:00PM
COMMUNITY ROOM**

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LAST CONCERT OF THE 2017-18 SEASON!

Second Saturday

FEATURING

CROWN CITY BOMBERS

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 6:30 - 8:30PM

The Crown City Bombers have their roots firmly planted in rockabilly, 50's and early 60's R&B - the primary influence in all of their original songs.

Join us at 6:00pm in the Community Room for a special swing dance class before the concert, facilitated by The Connected Dancer!

June Artists on Display

History of LIGHT BRINGER PROJECT

Starting Saturday, June 23, the Community Room, Reading Court, and glass display case will feature pieces that tell the story of the Light Bringer Project's relationship with Pasadena Unified School District and Pasadena Chalk Art Festival. Based in Pasadena, the Light Bringer Project "builds community through the power of art and education." Founded in 1990, its founders imagined ways to bring more of today's artists and their creative resources into the mainstream of community life. Today, the organization is widely known for its arts and educational programs provided to underserved youth in the greater Pasadena and Los Angeles area.

Learn more at www.lightbringerproject.org.

Trivia Night to Launch Adult Summer Reading Program

Summer Reading is not just for kids! The Library's Adult Services Department has been working hard to craft a summer of adult-specific programming around a variety of topics and exciting prizes. Adult Summer Reading officially begins Saturday, June 23, and kicks off on **Friday, June 22 at 7:00pm** with **Trivia Night** at the Main Library! Join us for an evening of friendly competition and brain-teasin' questions. The trivia and light munchies are free, and drinks and specialty snacks will be available for sale from Altadena Ale House and Sweeter Than Honey. Each member of the winning trivia team will take home an Altadena Library book tote and a \$20 gift card to Vroman's!

Registration is required. To register your team of 6 (or as an individual), visit www.altadenalibrary.org/trivia-night.

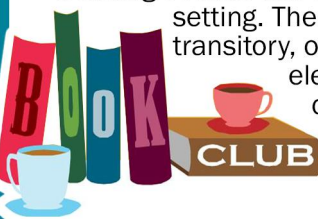


Check out books and movies, sign up for a library card, learn about our events from our friendly librarians, ask questions, and have some fun with your local library out in the community!

First Wednesday Every Month
4:00 - 8:00pm at the Altadena Farmers Market

(July 4 Exception - Because of the holiday, the Library will be back at the Market on July 11 instead.)

Market Story Times still take place every Wednesday!



May No Guilt Club Book Reviews

I'll Be Gone in the Dark by Michelle McNamara
A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Day & Night

Fresh off the front page of the newspapers comes a true crime case written by blogger and author, Michelle McNamara. Solved after Michelle's unexpected death using today's favorite technology -DNA- The Original Night Stalker/East Area Rapist/Golden State Killer is no gentle man. He was arrested on April 25, 2018. I'll Be Gone in the Dark is based on McNamara's obsession and inquisition into who this burglar, serial rapist and killer could be, attacking from the East Bay to Santa Barbara to Orange County from 1974 to 1986. Not just for fans of true crime, this is a memoir for McNamara as well. Sadly, she would never get to see the arrest of the former police officer responsible for the fear in residents of this Golden State. Here's to hoping he receives a life sentence at the gray bar motel.

A resident of a different sort, Count Alexander Rostov is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel near the Kremlin during the changing culture of Russia in the early 20th century. Exiled to a tiny attic room on the top floor for the accusation of writing a counter-revolutionary poem, Rostov, ever the aristocrat, always behaves as a perfect gentleman. He never complains about his confinement — never even admits that it is a confinement. For author Towles, while describing decades spent in a single building sounds like a horrifying task, with his pen he creates a wonderfully spacious setting. The Hotel Metroplex is transfixing, full of colorful characters: some transitory, others permanent; mostly fictional, some historical. This is an elegant story, rich in imagery, history, and enduring friendships. It depicts the graciousness of real class. A Gentleman in Moscow had the No Guilt Book Club never wanting to leave the old hotel and be back in the real world.

Beyond the Frontier

SCIENCE-FICTION & THE WESTERN

WITH JONATHAN VOS POST

Saturday, June 16th, 11:00am - 1:00pm
Community Room

Professor Jonathan Vos Post is a modern-day Renaissance Man. With extensive knowledge in the fields of science, anthropology, psychology, literature, and more, he has rubbed shoulders with some of the greatest thinkers of our time and has stories to tell! A published author and poet, Vos Post will take listeners on a fascinating, illustrated journey through the literary worlds of science-fiction and the Wild Wild West.

There are more similarities between these seemingly disparate genres than one may think...

Crowne Comedy Live Improv

Join us for a side-splitting show with NO script!

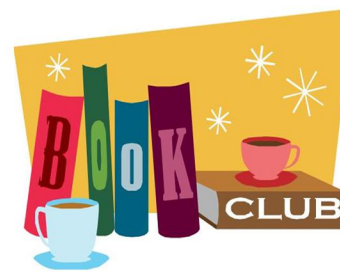
Saturday, June 30th, 4:30pm - 6:00pm
Community Room

Get ready for knee-slapping fun – Crowne Comedy Live is coming to Altadena Library!

Veterans of the Comedy Central stage in Hollywood, Crowne Comedy Live is a revue featuring engaging improvisation by talented performers Erin Berry, Matt Catanzano, Tim Johnson, and Bill Connolly who bring their combined four decades of comedy experience to the stage!

Get to know the performers of Crowne Comedy before the show on social media [@CrowneComedyLA](#).

Learn more at www.tripledeckerproductions.com

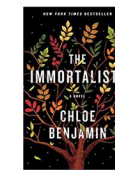


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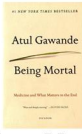
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JUNE'S NO GUILT BOOK CLUB



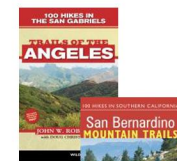
The Immortalists
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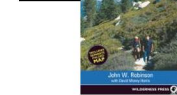
Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters In the End
by Atul Gawande

Staff Picks for Adults

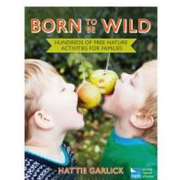
Reading takes you everywhere... including the great outdoors! Our picks this month will empower you to get outside and explore new corners of the wilderness, locally and beyond.



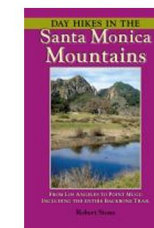
Trails of the Angeles: 100 Hikes in the San Gabriels by John W. Robinson with Doug Christiansen



AND San Bernardino Mountain Trails: 100 Hikes in Southern California by John W. Robinson with David Money Harris
Two classic local hiking guides that are easy to understand and guaranteed to get you outdoors!



Born to Be Wild: Hundreds of Free Nature Activities for Families by Hattie Garlick
Born to Be Wild contains easy-to-follow instructions for activities that require nothing more sophisticated than a small person's imagination and access to a little outdoor space.



Day Hiking in Los Angeles: City Parks, Santa Monica Mountains, San Gabriel Mountains by Casey Schreiner
Great guide to regional hikes with easy to understand legend, routes and information about safety.



Camping Activity Book for Families: The Kid-Tested Guide to Fun in the Outdoors by Linda Parker Hamilton
Organized around the time of day and with age-specific recommendations, this book has fun activities for every minute and age group.



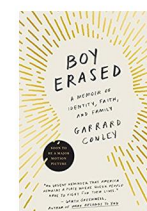
Trail Tested: A Thru-Hiker's Guide to Ultralight Hiking and Backpacking by Justin Lichter
Trail Tested is a comprehensive guide to hiking and backpacking. Whether you're a new hiker looking for expert advice, an experienced hiker looking to hone your skills, or a thru-hiker gearing up for a 6-month trip, this book is packed with priceless information to make your trip a successful and comfortable one.

Special Selection - PRIDE!

June is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month. Many of the most revered authors and poets in history were members of the LGBT community, and we honor their contributions this month with a special selection of recommended reads!

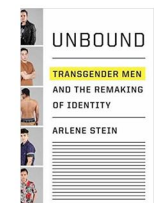


Stonewall Videorecording Directed by Roland Emmerich
This video chronicles events leading up to the 1969 Stonewall Riots in New York City that became a tipping point for the gay liberation movement.

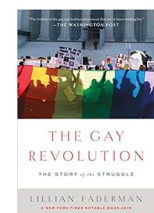


Boy Erased: A Memoir of Identity, Faith, and Family by Garrard Conley
A poignant account by a survivor of a church-supported sexual orientation conversion therapy facility that claimed to "cure" homosexuality describes its intense Bible study program and the daily threats of his abandonment by family, friends and God, an experience that transformed the author's relationships and self-understandings.

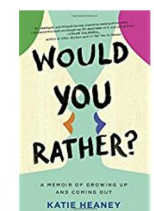
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Unbound: Transgender Men and the Remaking of Identity by Arlene Stein
An intimate portrait of a new generation of transmasculine individuals as they undergo gender transitions.



The Gay Revolution: The Story of the Struggle by Lillian Faderman
A chronicle of the modern struggle for gay, lesbian and transgender rights draws on interviews with politicians, military figures, legal activists and members of the LGBT community to document the cause's struggles since the 1950s.



Would You Rather? A Memoir of Growing Up and Coming Out by Katie Heaney
A collection of poignant, relatable essays from the author of Never Have I Ever about coming out in her late twenties, entering into her first relationship, and figuring out what it means to be an adult.

Reading Takes CHILDREN Everywhere

Children's Staff Picks

Save the Date – Truck Day
Saturday, June 9, 10:00am - 12:00pm
 Rev your engines, turn on your lights and sirens, and grab your hardhats – it's TRUCK DAY! We are launching Summer Reading with a morning of fire trucks, construction vehicles, crafts and Summer Reading sign-ups! This program is suitable for families.

Pokemon Club
 Tuesdays, 4:00pm

Baby Lap Time
 Wednesdays, 10:15am

Toddler Story Time
 Wednesdays, 11:00am

Market Stories
 Wednesdays, 4:00pm (at Altadena Farmers Market)
 This all-ages story time will have books, songs, and rhymes for families with babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and early elementary students!

Preschool Story Time
 Thursdays, 11:00am

Hora de Cuentos
 Fridays, 11:00am

Lego Club
 Fridays, 3:30pm

Barks & Books
 Wednesday, June 27, 3:30pm

All programs are on hiatus (except Market Stories) May 28 - June 8.

SUMMER EXCLUSIVES:

Movie Mondays
 Mondays, 11:00am

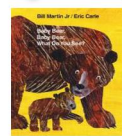
Pajama Story Time
 Mondays, 6:30pm

WEEKLY PERFORMERS
 Tuesdays, 2:00pm
 Details in Summer Reading Passport!

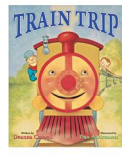
Family Game Nights
 Tuesdays, 6:30pm

Elementary Grab Bag
 Thursdays, 2:00pm

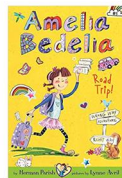
Kids Movies
 Fridays, 2:00pm



BABIES: *Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See?* by Bill Martin
 Illustrations and rhyming text portray a young bear searching for its mother and meeting many North American animals along the way.



TODDLERS: *Train Trip* by Deanna Caswell
 A lucky little boy is going to visit Grandma! But as much as he looks forward to seeing his grandmother's friendly face, the ride on the train may just be the best part of the trip. There are bridges to cross, instruments to study, and aisles to tromp up and down. All aboard!



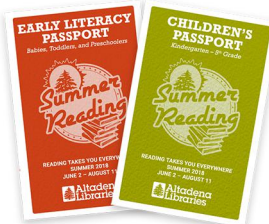
1ST - 5TH GRADE: *Amelia Bedelia Road Trip!* by Herman Parish
 Fun and fiascoes ensue when young Amelia Bedelia and her parents take a road trip through their state.



5TH GRADE+: *Julia and the Art of Practical Travel* by Lesley M.M. Blume
 In 1968, eleven-year-old Julia and her Aunt Constance are forced to sell their family home, Windy Ridge, in New York's Hudson Valley and embark on a cross-country automobile trip in search of Julia's mother, bringing only three travel trunks and some "practical travel things."

Where Will Reading Take You This Summer, Little Readers?

Only one way to find out! Sign up for Children's summer reading on Beanstack and pick up either an Early Literacy (Babies, Toddlers, Preschoolers) or Elementary Student (Kindergarten - 5th Grade) Passport!



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Reading Takes TEENS Everywhere

Teen Maker Exploration
 Every Wednesday at 3:00 - 5:00pm



Use our virtual reality headset, create and print a 3D model, sew a new shirt, practice coding, and much more!

DIY: Cosplay Cloak/Cape
 Thursday, June 7, at 4:00pm

It's time to get ready for cosplay in your favorite fandom! We'll be making cloaks and capes. Don't know how to sew? No problem! These can be made with or without sewing.

Special Nom Nom Group - Ice Cream
 Tuesday, June 12, at 4:00pm, AND Wednesday, June 13, at 4:00pm



Escape the summer heat and make some ice cream! On the 12th we'll make the ice cream base and choose flavors. Return on the 13th to freeze the ice cream and add final mix-ins. Be sure to reserve your spot by emailing teens@altadenalibrary.org.

Dungeon Master Training
 Saturday, June 16, at 2:00pm

Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons and Dragons but never had a dungeon master to facilitate play? Learn from Wil Wheaton, of the TableTop webseries and of Star Trek: The Next Generation and Big Bang Theory fame.

- 2:00pm - Mechanics of Being a Dungeon Master
- 3:30pm - Fundamentals of Being a Storyteller
- 5:00pm - Practice Your New Skills



Teen Game Day
 Monday, June 18, at 4:00pm



Movie Day: Black Panther
 Friday, June 22, at 3:30pm



Where Will Reading Take You This Summer, Teens?

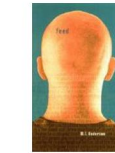
Only one way to find out! Sign up for teen Summer Reading on Beanstack and pick up a Teen Passport!

Staff Picks for Teens

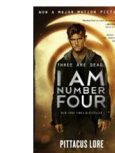
These realistic science fiction picks will transport you to worlds new and bold!



Little Brother by Cory Doctorow
 After being interrogated for days by the Department of Homeland Security in the aftermath of a major terrorist attack on San Francisco, California, seventeen-year-old Marcus, released into what is now a police state, decides to use his expertise in computer hacking to set things right.



Feed by M.T. Anderson
 In a future where most people have computer implants in their heads to control their environment, a boy meets an unusual girl who is in serious trouble.



I Am Number Four by Pittacus Lore
 In rural Ohio, friendships and a girl prove distracting to a fifteen-year-old who has hidden on Earth for years waiting to develop powers he will need to rejoin the other surviving Garde members and fight the Mogadorians who destroyed their planet, Lorien.



Railsea by China Miéville
 From China Miéville comes a novel for readers of all ages, a gripping and brilliantly imagined take on Herman Melville's *Moby-Dick* that confirms his status as "the most original and talented voice to appear in several years."

Reading Takes You to the BOB LUCAS BRANCH



June 11-15: Father's Day Inspiration Station at the Branch

Father's Day is right around the corner and we will have supplies for you to make a personalized card for that special father figure in your life.

3D Printing OPEN HOURS

The Bob Lucas Branch's 3D printer is continually open to the public on Mondays from 11:00am - 1:00pm and Wednesdays from 3:00 - 5:00pm. The 3D printer is available on a first come, first serve basis.

Summer Exclusives at the Bob Lucas Branch

Starting Monday, June 11, the Bob Lucas Branch will offer weekly Lego Club on **Mondays at 2:00pm** and weekly special performances for children on **Tuesdays at 4:00pm**. Pick up a Summer Reading Passport for details!

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Baby Story Time
 Thursdays, at 10:30am

Enjoy a morning of rhymes, songs and stories. This program is designed for babies and infants, ages 0-3 years old, and their parents and caregivers.

Toddler Story Time
 Tuesdays, at 11:00am

Tuesday, June 12 will be in both English and Spanish!

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Baby Story Time
 Thursdays, at 10:30am

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Adult Craft - Upcycled Bottles
 Friday, June 15, at 11:00am

Upcycle glasses, jars and bottles with yarn to create colorful centerpieces or vases. Come create and take home to instantly beautify your space. All supplies will be provided; this activity is on a first come first serve basis.



Beach in a Jar Craft
 Thursday, June 21, at 3:30pm

Come make decorative tiny jars filled with sand and seashells and paint rocks that look like sea creatures. Make them to decorate your home or give to family and friends.

Movie Day - Peter Rabbit
 Friday, June 22, at 3:30pm

Come enjoy a free showing Peter Rabbit at the Branch!



Hours & Location

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Monday - Tuesday, 10am - 6pm
 Wednesday - Thursday, 10am - 8pm
 Friday, 10am - 6pm