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Play the Summer Reading Game!

Phoenix Public Library's summer reading game for kids, teens and adults, **"On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!"** starts June 1 and runs through August 1. Play the online Summer Reading Game, log daily reading minutes, and earn badges and prizes! At 500 minutes read every participant earns a Chipotle coupon. At 1,000 minutes read every participant earns a free book and every child reaching 1,000 minutes will be entered to win one of 15 grand prizes such as a 1-year family membership to the [Phoenix Zoo](#), [the Children's Museum of Phoenix](#), [the Arizona Science Center](#) and more. [Registration is now open!](#) Create an account, select an avatar and begin read to READ on Wednesday, June 1.

Kids ages 6-11 who sign up for summer reading are invited to pick up a free reading timer at any [Phoenix Public Library location](#). Only 3,000 available. Hurry and get yours today!

The excitement doesn't stop there! Visit a Phoenix Public Library location near you for a variety of FREE, fun-filled summer events for kids, teens and adults. [Plan for fun now.](#)

See you this summer at Phoenix Public Library!



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50 Years of Maurice Sendak: Where the Wild Things Are

Join us for a Wild Rumpus!

June 3 – July 17, 2016

[Burton Barr Central Library](#)

Enjoy 50 unique works of art from beloved illustrator and children's author Maurice Sendak in this internationally acclaimed exhibit. Pieces include original pencil drawings from his famous books as well as early images from his magazine work. Enjoy self-guided tours and [complementary programs](#) at many Phoenix Public Library locations. Sponsored by the Friends of the Phoenix Public Library and Mercy Healthcare. Special thanks to the lenders of the exhibition and to AFA NYC for their support.



Summer Solstice Celebration

June 20, 2016

[Burton Barr Central Library](#)



Join us for the 21st annual Summer Solstice Celebration! Herald the first day of summer and the longest day of the year while marveling at the architectural magic of Burton Barr Central Library with its renowned architect, Will Bruder. Watch from the unique vantage point of the Great Reading Room as man-made engineering collaborates with the sun, the most important source of energy for life on Earth, to reveal the moment of solstice.

The free, day-long celebration includes presentations, music, STEM crafts, Rare Book Room Press-a-Verse, library card and summer reading game sign up and a viewing of the summer solstice phenomenon. Don't miss out on this unique community tradition!

For more information, check out [the event's details in the online calendar](#).

Codecraft: Summer Coding for Kids

[Palo Verde Library](#)

Have you ever wondered how they make cool computer games like Minecraft? Join us at Palo Verde Library every Thursday in June and July to learn the basics of computer coding. Unlock the mysteries of coding and create your own games! Ages 8-12.

[Learn more about this fun opportunity to learn!](#)



Storytime & Drawing Fun with Molly Idle

June 30, 2016

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

[Mesquite Library](#)



Join local author and illustrator Molly Idle for a morning of storytime and artsy fun!

After working at DreamWorks Animation Studios, Molly broke into picture books with *Pennies From Heaven*. She is well-known for [Tea Rex](#), [Camp Rex](#), and [Flora and the Flamingo](#) among others.

An absolute delight in person, Molly will be reading from her books and sharing great art tips for kids 0 – 5 and their parents. (All ages are welcome.) Bring your own copies of her books if you'd like them signed!

For more details, [visit the online calendar](#).

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Reading List: Maurice Sendak



Maurice Sendak is considered by many to be the greatest children's book illustrator of all time. Find out how the popular author and illustrator was more than just [Where the Wild Things Are](#).

[Alligators All Around](#)

This book is like a safari from a to z! From macaroni to tantrums, expect a silly romp through the alphabet with giggles to spare.

[Chicken Soup with Rice](#)

Put on a pot of chicken soup with rice. You'll want some when you're done reading this poetic journey through the calendar months.

[In the Night Kitchen](#)

Dream the night away with Mickey as he ventures through the bakers' kitchen in this fantastical night tale.

[Kiss for Little Bear](#) and [Little Bear](#)

Little Bear is a cuddly friend to new readers. His adventures are easy to read and fun to share. Great for lovers of bears and for mom readers to read with little cub readers.

[One Was Johnny](#)

Meet Johnny and his menagerie of friends in this rhythmic counting book.

[Pierre](#)

Pierre doesn't care, but you will.

[The Sign on Rosie's Door](#)

Explore the edges of your imagination with Rosie and friends.



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