

Message from the City Librarian



Fall traditionally brings Phoenix Public Library's annual "Amazing Library Card" campaign with the goal of kids and families signing up for their very own Phoenix Public Library card! A Phoenix Public Library card opens the door to trustworthy information, resources, things to do, great reads and more. Know someone that should have a

card but they can't come in just yet? Tell them about our [eCard](#) for instant digital access of Phoenix Public Library resources. Then, when they are ready, they can turn their eCard into a full-service card by visiting any of our locations.

With or without a library card, Phoenix Public Library offers lots of option to enjoy a variety of programs, either through a virtual or in-person visit. Read below or visit our Phoenix Public Library [Programs](#) page and find something just for you.

In addition to connecting people to all that is offered with our "Amazing Library Card", one of my favorite fall traditions is the Phoenix Public Library Foundation's annual "[Dinner in the Stacks](#)" event. "Dinner in the Stacks" is a celebration of the library's early literacy, college readiness, small business start-up assistance, and life-long learning programs and resources. [Register](#) for this free event today and plan for a fun evening in support of the Phoenix Public Library Foundation as it advances our efforts to provide dynamic and relevant programs for children, teens, adults and families.

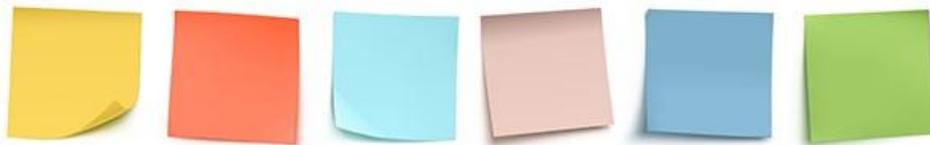


October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Paint Phoenix Purple is a local domestic violence awareness campaign brought to you by a collaboration of more than 50 community, private, and public organizations. [Learn more.](#)

Heads Up, Bus Riders!

Beginning Monday, October 11, buses will return to boarding from the front doors. Please have your fare ready before boarding. Riders can purchase passes at light rail stations, select retail locations or via cash on the bus farebox. Masks are required while riding all public transit with the extension of the federal mask mandate through Jan. 18, 2022. For more information visit valleymetro.org/covid-19.



This Month's Highlights

Fall into Autumn with Library Programs

Phoenix Public Library looks forward to welcoming attendees at our in-person programs. The City of Phoenix follows CDC Guidelines for reducing COVID risk and everyone visiting a city facility, including libraries, is required to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status. Attendance at in-person programs is reduced to accommodate physical distancing. Thank you for understanding.

- [AZSpeaks: On the Road Since 1925: The Colorful History of Arizona Highways Magazine](#)
Join us Wednesday, October 6 at 6 p.m. online
 The first issue of Arizona Highways magazine was published in April, 1925. In this presentation, former publisher Win Holden will share the fascinating story of how a brochure produced by the Arizona Highway Department evolved into one of the most respected and revered publications in the world. With annual economic impact of over \$65 million, Arizona Highways reaches all 50 states and over 100 countries around the world. But the journey has been anything but uneventful. With a unique publishing model not dependent on advertising, the magazine has had to unearth new sources of revenue to sustain its operations. And, as part of the Arizona Department of Transportation, has had to survive without state funding. Learn how this remarkable magazine has beaten the odds and is thriving in a competitive environment that has seen respected national magazines fall by the wayside. [Learn more and register.](#)
- [Haunted Hotels & Inns of Arizona](#)
Join us Wednesday, October 13 at 6 p.m. online
 Arizona is rich in history and culture... and ghosts? Join us for an evening of a little history and ghost telling as we hear from author Debe Branning. Debe has travelled all around the state collecting ghostly tales and having paranormal experiences of her own during stays at hotels and inns! [Learn more and register.](#)
- [Murder Mystery Game](#)
Join us Tuesday, October 19 at 5:30 p.m. online
 Teens, join a virtual murder mystery game created by library staff and the 2021 Teen Summer Reading Grand Prize Winners!

 - Players will don a character role and investigate a murder by virtually exploring the library, interviewing library staff, and piecing together what happened the night of the crime. [Learn more and register.](#)
- [Escape the Island – Escape Room](#)
Multiple dates, online
 Combine forces with other teens on Discord to puzzle through the library's interactive virtual escape room and win the game! Use our text or voice channels to hang out and beat the game in a race against the clock.
- [Water Programs](#)
Multiple dates, online
 Learn about [Landscape Watering](#) and [Watering 101](#) with the City of Phoenix Water Department.

- [Kindergarten Bootcamp](#)
Multiple dates, online and in-person
In Kindergarten Bootcamp you and your child will learn together the social, academic, and classroom skills needed for school success.
- Browse [all programming for adults](#) and look for the following:
[Social Security 101: Everything You Wanted to Know](#), [Medicare 101](#), [RX Matters](#), and [Set Aside and Expungement Clinics](#)

Voices: Scientists



Join Phoenix Public Library in enjoying and learning from the many voices of our community through monthly themes meant to educate, entertain and inspire.

According to the Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, the definition of science is: "knowledge attained through study or practice." This month, we highlight the voices that describe the journey to knowledge and the many insights gained along the way.

[Visit the library website](#) to follow your scientific curiosity.

Just Read: Mysteries



October's Just Read theme is Mysteries.

Explore the mystery genre and discover something right up your alley. Mysteries can be fiction or non-fiction (ahem, true crime). Hard-boiled detective stories or police procedurals. Espionage, speculative, cozies, noir, and more. Find something that sparks your curiosity...

[Visit our website](#) to get mysterious with Phoenix Public Library.

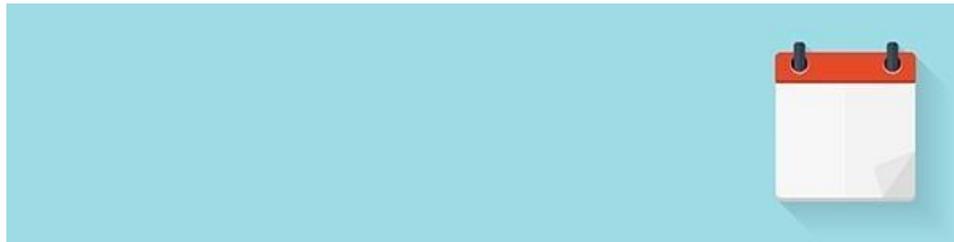
Read with us! Participate throughout the month by posting on social media, tagging Phoenix Public Library and **#justreadppl** to share, discuss and recommend your book choice.

Save the Date for Dinner in the Stacks



Save the date, Friday, November 5, for Dinner in the Stacks 2021. Join us for a virtual event as we celebrate the adventures taken with Phoenix Public Library. This year's Dinner in the Stacks will include a program, raffles, a silent auction featuring interesting and exciting local art, experiences and gift items...

Learn more and register for free at dinnerinthestacks.org.



Learn More About Library Hours

At this time, all Phoenix Public Library locations are open to in-building service. [Learn more](#).

Book drops are open 24/7 at all locations. Curbside Service is suspended at all locations.

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