

eNEWSLETTER

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Welcome to this month's edition of Phoenix Public Library's e-newsletter!

At Phoenix Public Library, *we empower our community with resources and opportunities to inspire and enrich lives*. Each month, we share stories, programs, and updates that reflect our core values of **adaptability, inclusion, integrity, kindness**, and **making a difference**. We're glad you're here—let's explore what's happening this month at the library.

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The Summer Reading Game Kicks Off on June 1!

Join Phoenix Public Library's 2025 Summer Reading Game: *Color Our World* from June 1 to August 1—and yes, adults can play too! Read 20 minutes a day, log your progress, and earn points toward prizes like free books, Harkins movie tickets, and Phoenix Mercury basketball tickets.

Sign up at [MaricopaCountyReads.org](https://maricopacountyreads.org) and visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org to learn how to play by checking out our quick how-to videos. Let's Color Our World—one book at a time!

Now Available: Check Out Video Games at the Library

Level up your library experience—video games are now available for checkout at Phoenix Public Library! Browse titles for Nintendo Switch, Xbox One, Xbox Series X, PlayStation 4, and PlayStation 5 at your local library's Video Game kiosk. Just grab the game card and bring it to the desk to check out.

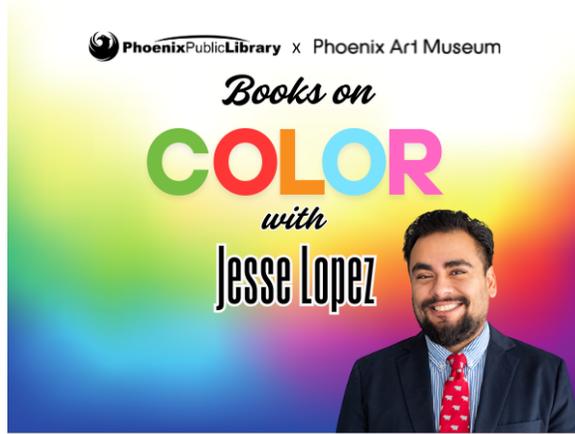
Please note: Holds and renewals are not available, and each library card may check out one game at a time. Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org to explore currently available titles and find your next favorite game!

Celebrate 602 Day with Phoenix Public Library!

Phoenix is celebrating 602 Day on Monday, June 2, and Phoenix Public Library has something for everyone at [Burton Barr Central Library](https://phoenixpubliclibrary.org)! Kids and families can take part in a [scavenger hunt](https://phoenixpubliclibrary.org), enjoy a hands-on art activity, grab a commemorative sticker, and snap a pic at our festive photo station—plus, it's the perfect time to sign up for Summer Reading!

For adults, don't miss [Phoenix Art Museum Presents: Books on Color](https://phoenixpubliclibrary.org), a vibrant presentation led by museum librarian Jesse Alexander Lopez. Discover influential books and rare works exploring the meaning and history of color—perfect for artists, readers, and color enthusiasts of all kinds. And don't forget—you can explore even more local deals and events citywide at 602Day.com!





Don't Forget: 24/7 Library Pick-Up with Outdoor Holds Lockers!

Phoenix Public Library is making borrowing even easier! With Outdoor Holds Lockers now available at most locations, you can pick up your requested library items anytime, day or night. Simply choose "Outdoor Locker" when placing your hold, wait for your notification, and grab your items at your convenience with just your library card and password. Learn more at phoenixpubliclibrary.org.



PromiCon: Where Fandom Meets Formal

Get ready to dance, play, and show off your style at [PromiCon](#), Phoenix Public Library's first fandom-themed prom! Happening at Burton Barr Central Library on Saturday, June 28, this free event invites teens, tweens, and families to dress up in cosplay, formalwear, or anti-prom attire and enjoy music, games, costume contests, and fun activities.

Need help with your outfit? Check out [PromiCon! Maker Day](#), an opportunity for cosplayers to build or touch up costumes with help from staff and makers.

Expand Your Reading with Interlibrary Loan

Can't find the book or nonfiction DVD you want at Phoenix Public Library? Our Interlibrary Loan (ILL) service lets you borrow items from other libraries! Eligible library cardholders can request up to six items at a time, with ILL materials checked out separately from your regular loans. You'll get an email when your request arrives at Burton Barr Central Library—just allow up to 5 business days for it to be transferred to your chosen pickup location. Explore beyond our shelves with Interlibrary Loan! Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org to learn more.

Celebrate the Summer Solstice at Burton Barr Central Library

Step into summer with a one-of-a-kind experience at [Burton Barr Central Library's Summer Solstice Celebration](#) on Saturday, June 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Held on the 5th Floor, this annual event showcases the stunning architectural design of the library as it aligns perfectly with the sun to mark the longest day of the year. Enjoy live music starting at 11:30 a.m., followed by a

special solstice presentation at 12:20 p.m. Don't miss this magical moment where sunlight and structure come together to welcome the season.



Keeping up with the City of Phoenix!

PHX WATER SMART TEACHING

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS:
CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS

BURTON BARR LIBRARY
June 3 | June 5
June 10 | June 12
[10 a.m. - Noon]
In Person or Virtual

SIGN-UP BY MAY 30
bit.ly/PHXWaterSmartTeaching

Water Smart Teaching

This June, the City of Phoenix Water Services Department is offering Water Smart Teaching—a free, four-part workshop series to help high school teachers bring water conservation into the classroom. Held in person at Burton Barr Central Library and online, each session features engaging lessons, hands-on activities, and CEU credits. Educators who attend at least three workshops will receive a certificate and be entered to win a class tour of a water treatment plant. **Registration closes May 30**—learn more and sign up at phoenix.gov/water.

Staying Safe During the Heat

During Extreme Heat Warnings and Watches issued by the National Weather Service, staying indoors is recommended. If you must spend time outdoors, make sure to drink at least 8 ounces of water every 15–20 minutes and avoid alcohol, caffeine, and sugary drinks. It's also important to know the signs of heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Use sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher and take frequent breaks.

Phoenix Public Library is a proud provider of cooling spaces, offering safe, air-conditioned locations where the community can come in to cool off. In addition, Yucca, Harmon, and Cholla Libraries have extended, offering full library services, until 10 p.m. daily through the end of September to provide evening heat relief.

HEAT EXHAUSTION	HEAT STROKE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Faint/DizzyRapid/Weak PulseExcessive SweatingCool/Pale/Clammy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">May Lose ConsciousnessRapid/Strong PulseNo SweatingBody Temp. Above 103° Red/Hot/Dry
ACT FAST <ul style="list-style-type: none">Move person to a cooler areaLoosen clothingSip cool waterSeek medical help if symptoms don't improve	ACT FAST <ul style="list-style-type: none">Call 911Move person in trouble to cool shaded areaLoosen clothing & remove extra layersCool with water or ice



Help Shape the Future of Phoenix Parks!

The Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department is working on a Master Plan, and we need your input! Whether you're a frequent park-goer or a member of a community center, your ideas and feedback are invaluable to improving our green spaces and facilities. Now's the time to get involved! Share your feedback through our online survey or attend an upcoming community meeting. Together, we can create parks and recreation facilities that you love! Learn more at parksmasterplanphx.com.

Library Closures!

• **Thursday, June 19:** In observance of Juneteenth, all Phoenix Public Library locations except Cholla, Harmon and Yucca Libraries will be closed. Cholla, Harmon and Yucca Libraries are offering extended full-service library hours as part of the City of Phoenix's Heat Relief efforts and will be open on Juneteenth from noon – 10 p.m. Book drops at all [Phoenix Public Library locations](#) and our [eLibrary](#) remain available. Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org for more details.

Thanks for reading!

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