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Phoenix Public Libraries are special places, creating a welcoming environment for learning, reading, gathering, and finding resources to help you and your family thrive. Each of our 17 locations creates community while serving the community, offering their version of a unique blend of magic for library visitors. Whether you make one of our locations part of your regular schedule, have not visited a library in a long time or are coming in for the first time, what you will find is a trusted knowledge repository, a media center, an information hub, a place with thousands of resources to feel connected to community. We appreciate our "regulars" and your patronage of your favorite Phoenix Public Library location and invite you to consider exploring a new-to-you or more than one branch!



Discover Saguaro Library

If Saguaro Library is not your local Phoenix Public Library branch (yet), allow us to introduce you!

"What I love about working at Saguaro is knowing the neighborhood and building itself are part of Phoenix history. I like the mid-century architecture. Many of the regulars have been coming in since they were children and are now well into adulthood! It's fun to hear their stories." ~ Shan, Saguaro Library Circulation

Saguaro Library opened on October 4, 1964 and in recent years, welcomes almost 90,000 visits from library users who circulate almost 100,000 items. In addition to checking out books and other library items, Saguaro visitors have access to the internet with WiFi (at Saguaro and on the go with WiFi hotspots) and public computers, job and career assistance, Seed Library, Culture passes, a Book Club, electric vehicle (EV) charging, and a diverse range of fun and engaging activities as well as a building with unique and distinctive architecture.





families during Storytimes. I love getting to know the children by name and witnessing them learn to spell, count, and name colors. I love it when the children come into Saguaro during the rest of the week and I can say HI to them when I'm behind the desk." ~ Fain, Saguaro Librarian Saguaro Library's dedicated staff strive to present library

"My favorite thing about Saguaro Library is sharing time with

programing that is responsive and reflective, and meeting the changing needs of the community. Early literacy programs helping to create future successful students, STE/AM programing that develops critical thinking skills, robust activities for teens, and art, craft, tech, and book talks through the recently launched "Chatty Fridays" are just a sampling of the hundreds of programs offered at Saguaro Library throughout the year. Looking to discover something fun, rewarding and free? Check out a Saguaro Library program: Saguaro Library Program Schedule

Saguaro Library staff members Laura, Rebecca and Tim share, "What makes Saguaro special for me is its staff...the people I work with provide a calm and welcoming environment with a sense of camaraderie that makes working enjoyable..." and "I like working at Saguaro because it is in my community, I can work 20 hours a week and I enjoy my co-workers." and "Every day I see my coworkers perform multiple acts of kindness and patience, while providing valuable assistance and customer service. Witnessing their strength and commitment to the community is inspirational!"



commuters wanting to return items and pick up holds. Throughout its 60 year history, Saguaro Library has proven to have something for everyone. Saguaro Library's internal strong sense of community is a foundation for Saguaro Library as a destination, a place that improves the lives of the people in the community it serves. Make a plan to experience all **Saguaro Library** has to offer! Join Our Team!

Saguaro Library is conveniently located at 2808 N. 46th St. (just east of the Thomas Road and 44th St. intersection), offering a community hub to local residents, conducting outreach

visits to surrounding schools and community organizations, and easily accessible for



Would you like to spend a rewarding

summer as an active member of an exciting team in a setting working towards the wellbeing of others? Phoenix Public Library is seeking enthusiastic and dedicated parttime library staff members to join our team for the summer.

September 30, providing cooling center services, connecting library visitors to vital resources, offering programs, and helping people of all ages find empowerment and community connection. Part-time positions available:

The available positions focus on offering extended library services May 1 through

Librarian I (hiring range: \$22.61 – \$36.84/hour)

Circulation Attendant (\$17.72/hour)

Library Page (\$16.07/hour)

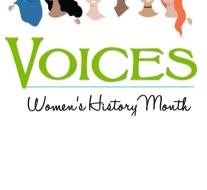
Apply today! Due to an immediate need to fill these vacancies, recruitment for these positions closes at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025 and interviews will be held on

Municipal Security Guard (\$20.02/hour)

Sunday, March 16, 2025. For position requirements, further details, and to apply, visit phoenix.gov/hr/current-jobs.

Celebrate Women's History Month

Women young and old, from around the world, and throughout history have a unique perspective and illuminating voice that is worthy of attention every day of the year, but especially during Women's History Month in March. From arts and culture to science and technology... from literature to politics...from medicine to sports...from economics to social equality...trailblazing women have made history, made an impact, made a difference. Throughout March, Visit the library website for resources, films, music and books celebrating women's voices for youth and adults alike.





Celebrate Phoenix History Month with the

Arizona Room Tour - Discover our state's

March Programs

March 23 from 2 to 4 p.m., and Sunday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to noon - all Online

Do you receive text messages about deliveries for packages you don't remember ordering? Texts from strangers who claim to

know you? What about emails offering

prizes that seem too good to be true? At Anti-Scammer Strategies, Daphne Munro, Your Smart Shopper will teach you insider tricks to stay in the know and learn how you can avoid common scams! Registration Required.

Teen Business Basics

3 p.m., **Agave Library**

history and culture through unique and surprising collections and treasures. Multiple dates and times in March, beginning March 6.

Arizona Room

Registration required. **Phoenix History Month: A Journey Through Time**

Tuesday, March 18 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Presented by Steve Schumacher, Official Historian for the Phoenix Mayor's Office, explore the fascinating journey of Phoenix

Bike Safety Rodeo Multiple days, library

Registration required.

through time.

Especially for teens, attendees will learn the basics of turning a business

Saturday, March 8 from 1 to

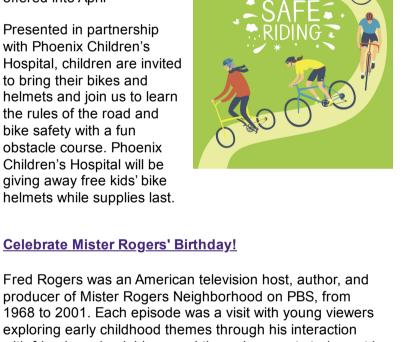
into a reality in Arizona. Registration required. Presented in partnership with Phoenix Children's Hospital, children are invited to bring their bikes and helmets and join us to learn the rules of the road and

bike safety with a fun obstacle course. Phoenix Children's Hospital will be

locations and times, beginning March 10 and

offered into April

giving away free kids' bike helmets while supplies last. **Celebrate Mister Rogers' Birthday!**





to 11 a.m., Children's Place,

Join us for a classic episode

Burton Barr Central Library

Registration required.

Fire Safety Fun!

are invited to

Burton Barr Central

Library

MISTER ROGERS

with friends and neighbors and through puppet stories set in the Neighborhood of Make-Believe. March 17 - 22, Children's Place at Burton Barr Central

Library is offering Storytime, STE/AM programs, special displays and themed, self-guided activities: Fred's Neighborhood **Puppet Playhouse Puppet Story Hour and Birthday Making Workshop Celebration!** Friday, March 21 from 3 to 4

of *Mister Rogers* Neighborhood which includes crafts and activities.

Storytelling, crafts, activities and more, all celebrating Mister Rogers.

Library

Wednesday, March 19 from

10 a.m. to noon, Children's Place, Burton Barr Central

> Build characters from your own imagination or from a favorite book!

> > OF

CHILDREN

DARKNESS

AND LIGH

Lori Vallow and Chad Daybell-

A Story of Murderous Faith

p.m., Children's Place,

Burton Barr Central

<u>Library</u>

In this gripping work of true crime, a criminal lawyer takes readers inside the notorious Lori Vallow case the the devastating "doomsday murders". Join us as author and criminal lawyer Lori Hellis discusses *Children*

of Darkness and Light and will be available to sign her book.

Monday, March 17 from 12:30 to 2 p.m., Pulliam Auditorium,

Author Talk with Lori Hellis: Children of Darkness and Light

Education with UofA Thursday, March 20 from **College of Pharmacy** 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Ocotillo <u>Library</u> Saturday, March 22 from 10

LORI HELLIS Monarch Butterflies in <u>Arizona</u> Multiple days, library locations and times, offered into April Presented by the Southwest

important fire safety tips, and create a home fire escape plan!

play games, explore

Children and their grownups

health education including diabetes, cholesterol, hypertension, breathing assessments and more.

Provided by University of Arizona College of

Join us for a day of free

health screenings and

Health Screenings &

Central Library

a.m. to 2 p.m., Burton Barr

No Insurance required, first

come first served, ages 18+

Pharmacy.

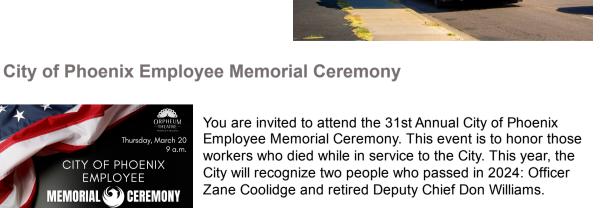
beginning March 22 and Monarch Study, learn tips to becoming a community scientist and how to invite

the Monarch butterfly to visit

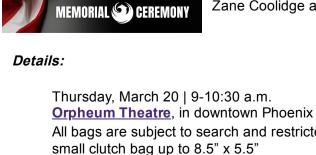
your yard.

Keeping Up with City of Phoenix Phoenix Bus Rapid Transit Wants to Hear From You!

Phoenix Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is coming to 35th Avenue and we need your feedback! Attend one of the upcoming community or business workshops to learn more. Visit meetphoenixbrt.com for details.



You are invited to attend the 31st Annual City of Phoenix Employee Memorial Ceremony. This event is to honor those



EMPLOYEE

All bags are subject to search and restricted to clear bags up to 12" x 6" x 12" or a Following the indoor ceremony, guests are invited to form a "Line of Honor" as the families of Coolidge and Williams will form a procession to the Memorial Wall where the names of all

99 fallen employees are forever etched on glass bricks.

Phoenix Public Library locations, with the exception of **South Mountain Community** Library, are closed on Monday, March 31 in observance of Cesar Chavez Day. South Mountain Community Library, book drops at all **Phoenix Public Library locations**,

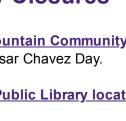
Visit <u>phoenixpubliclibrary.org</u> for more details.

and eResources remain available.



Bookmobile. 602-262-4636





Mark Your Calendars for Library Closures