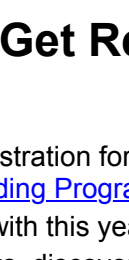


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- ## Get Ready to U Library
- Registration for Summer Reading Program—also known as **Reading Program**—is now open! With this year's theme, **Discover**, discover new adventures.
- The program is free and open to all. It's the perfect way to escape the summer heat. Programs include a variety of free experiences.

- [Department of Revenue](#)
- [May 9 - CollegiateAltoza](#)
- [May 12 - Teen Book Share](#)
- [May 14 - Quilting Club](#)
- [May 23 - Teen Game Day](#)
- [May 23 - Trauma Bleeding Control Training](#)
- [May 25 - College Depot](#)
- [Essay-Writing for Admissions and Scholarships](#)
- [May 27 - Raising a Reader](#)

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- [Phoenix Public Library](#)
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to start your adventure early!

Stay Safe This Summer: Cholla Library Heat Relief Hours

Begin May 1

Beginning **May 1** and continuing **through September 30**, [Cholla Library](#) will offer **extended Cooling Center hours** as part of the [City of Phoenix Heat Relief Plan](#). Cholla Library will be open **Monday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–9 p.m.**, and **Sundays and holidays, noon–9 p.m.**, with full staff services available. All [Phoenix Public Library locations](#) serve as Cooling Centers, providing safe, welcoming, and air-conditioned spaces where community members can cool down, access essential services, get water, and enjoy library programs and resources. Whether you need a quick break from rising temperatures or a place to stay longer, our libraries are free

Sign up for your very own Wallace & Ladmo library card at any Phoenix Public Library location between **April 25** and **May 31** and be automatically entered for a chance to win one of five official Ladmo Bags!

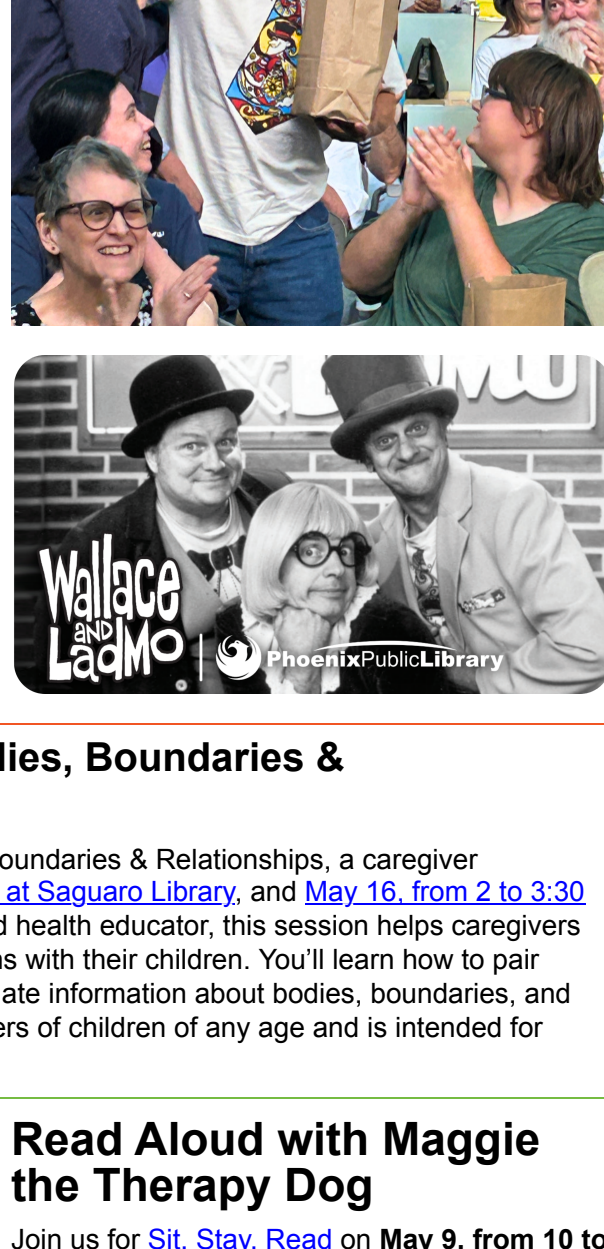
Celebrate Arizona's beloved TV legacy and pick yours up today!

[Learn More](#)

Talking to Your Kids About B Relationships

Join us for Talking to Your Kids About Bodies: workshop offered on [May 2, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.](#)

feel confident navigating important conversations about your family's values with accurate, age-appropriate information. This is a great time to



Reading to therapy dogs helps emerging readers practice their skills, gain confidence, and develop a love of reading—all while spending time with a gentle, attentive companion.

Upcoming Teen Events a

where you can talk about what you're reading, recommend favorite titles, and discover new books—no assigned reading required. Prefer something more playful? Join us for [Teen Game Day](#) on **May 23, from 2 to 3 p.m.** to enjoy an hour of board, card, and video games with friends. Whatever you're into, there's something for you this May!

[page](#) for updates and to plan your visit.

Kindergarten Bootcamp: May-

Is your child entering kindergarten in Fall 2026? We have more sessions starting the first week of June. Each week and gives families a hands-on preview of the social, academic, and classroom skills needed for kindergarten. Activities each week leading up to graduation. We agree to attend all seven weeks.

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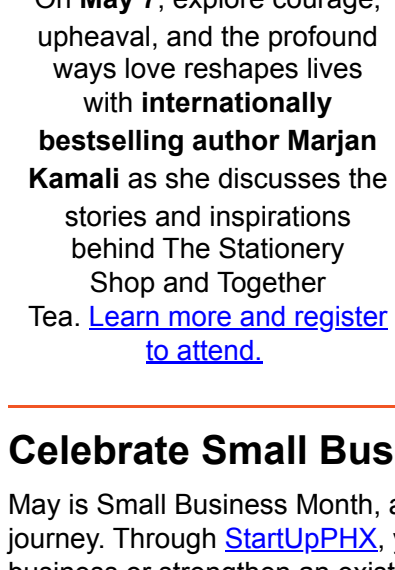
Whether you're exploring hands-on career pathways, looking for ways to pay for school, or ready to apply for scholarships with expert support, these [May programs](#) offer practical guidance, insider tips, and one-on-one help to set you up for success.

Celebrating 75 Years of Canyon Records

Join us on **May 16**, from 2 to 3 p.m. at [Harmon Library](#) for a [special performance by Grammy](#)

Discover Something New with May's Author Talks

Take your reading to the next level with the [Library Speakers Consortium's](#) free, live virtual author talks, featuring bestselling writers and thought leaders, all from the comfort of home. [Learn more and register!](#)



need to grow. To continue building your business, attend our free workshop, [Business Tax Basics](#) 6:30 p.m.

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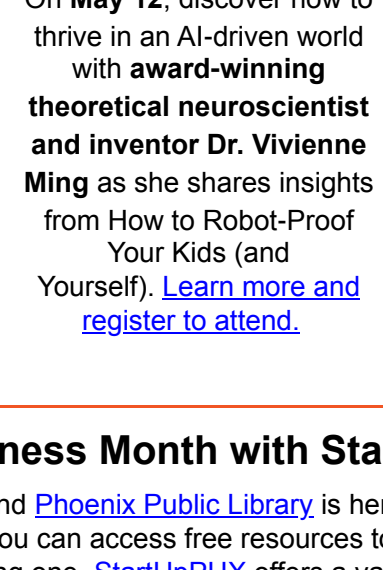
Discover something totally curated and highly demanding, so be sure to plan ahead.



MARIA SEMPLE
Illustrated by Emily Carroll
Published by Chronicle Books
\$24.95



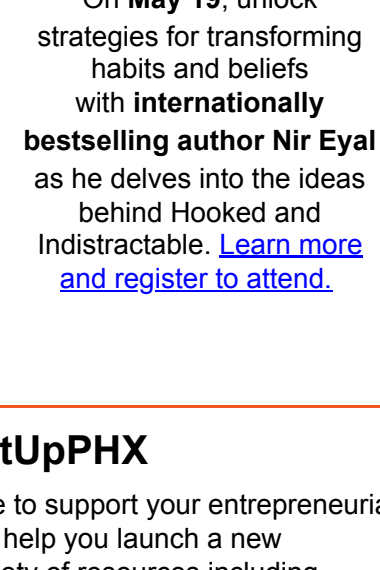
LOVE BY THE BOOK
JESSICA GEORGE
Published by HarperCollins
\$16.99



Book: New & Notable

by our Collection Services team

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Free Picks

—these popular picks are in



every moment of this smart story of Greek philosophy and Greek statues; desire, happiness, and their opposites; and priceless middle peace.	George A fresh perspective on female friendship.— Publishers Weekly	Patel "This striking novel in verse is a riveting study... Emotionally resonant with rich, lyrical writing."— Booklist	"A witty and acutely observed graphic novel that recalls The Breakfast Club... The result is a gentle and explanatory series of belonging and finding the	thought-provoking, and chilling story of the past ties to the present in ways humans cannot comprehend or explain. Readers will savor every minute."	"With artwork that has the feel of a Nickelodeon cartoon... a game-like atmosphere and vibrant art, this series starter will be a
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2025 WATER QUALITY REPORT
NOW AVAILABLE

Help Tutor Youth in PHX

Only 27% of Phoenix third graders are reading at grade level. The [City of Phoenix](#) is working to change that, and we need your help.

Through AARP Foundation Experience Corps Phoenix, trained volunteer tutors aged 50+ are helping students become confident, proficient readers by the end of third grade. Join us in making a lasting impact. Become a volunteer tutor at [Phoenix.gov/Education](#).

Approved Monthly Residential Solid Waste Rate

July 2024	July 2027	July 2030
10%	10%	10%
 +\$5 (\$42.32 +)	 +\$5 (\$47.32 +)	 +\$4 (\$51.32 +)
 July 2026	 July 2031	 July 2035

Annual inflationary increase not to exceed 5%

Green Goods Collection Subscription Fee
(One fourth of the applicable monthly solid waste rate)

July 2026	July 2027	July 2028
\$10.58 (\$42.32 +)	\$11.83 (\$47.32 +)	\$12.83 (\$51.32 +)




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Monday, May 25: In observance of Memorial Day, all Phoenix Public Library locations will be closed. All Phoenix Public Library book drops, and digital/eResources remain available. Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org for more details.

Thanks for reading!

The logo for "START WITH A GREEN" features a stylized green circular icon on the left, composed of two concentric circles with a gap at the top. To the right of the icon, the word "START" is written in large, bold, black capital letters. Below "START", the words "WITH A" are written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font, and the word "GREEN" is written in large, bold, black capital letters, matching the size of "START".