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We're Halfway through Summer Reading Fun!

Readers! You have one more month to finish the [Maricopa County Reads Summer Reading Game](#). We've had so much fun activating all 17 of our Phoenix Public Library branches with special story times, workshops, and interactive programming. And with your help, Phoenix Public Library has broken summer reading records!

Take a look:

- 📖 Registered 24,117 Summer Readers
 - 13,934 of you were New Participants!
- 🕒 Logged 14,371,694 Reading Minutes

It's not too late to sign up and reach your next challenge. Make sure to visit your local branch to get a "Summer Reading Finisher" photo and grab all your prizes. Learn more at [maricopacountyreads.org](#).

Find Heat Relief and Resources at Phoenix Public Library



The City of Phoenix is a proud partner of the Heat Relief Network. All 17 [Phoenix Public Library locations serve as cooling centers](#) during regular operating hours. As we see temperatures rise this week during an Excessive Heat Warning, find refuge at your local library. For a list of all Phoenix locations view the [Heat Relief Network Map](#).

Overnight Respite Centers

Burton Barr Central Library. 24/7.
Senior Opportunities West. Open nightly 6 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Cooling Centers

Cholla Library, Harmon Library, and Yucca Library) extended hours will be open for heat relief services only until 10 p.m. Mondays-Saturdays and from noon – 10 p.m. on Sundays

And remember, The City of Phoenix offers different ways to cool off this summer. Consider [visiting your local pool](#), and if you're hiking, [review hiking safety guidelines](#) and tips for this summer heat.



Sign Up for Mayor Gallego's Newsletter!

Phoenix Mayor Kate Gallego wants to keep you informed about all things Phoenix!

Did you see her latest video on free and fun activities in Phoenix?

[Subscribe to her email newsletter today.](#)

From exciting city-wide events to policy updates, stay up to speed with what's happening in our community!

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New Fare System Launches on Valley Metro

This summer, get onboard with Valley Metro using mobile fare or a reloadable Copper card! Both options are account based where riders can add funds and track transactions.

Also learn about Smart Fare where you never pay more than the daily, weekly or monthly maximum. For reduced fare riders, you will be required to have a reduced fare account. Note: fare prices are not changing.

Learn more at [valleymetro.org/fares](#)



July Program Highlights!

[Summer Reading Event: Bollywood Dances and Culture from India](#)
Tuesday, July 9 from 2 to 2:45 p.m.
[Palo Verde Library](#)

Bollywood dances are colorful, vibrant dances from India. These dances entertain and provide a platform for cultural expression. Audiences can expect a visually engaging experience filled with dynamic movements, expressive gestures, and a celebration of Indian culture through the lens of Bollywood's distinctive dance style. Space is limited. Program sponsored by Phoenix Public Library Foundation.

[Summer Reading Event: Pete the Cat by Childsplay](#)
Wednesday, July 10 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
[Century Library](#)

Join us for a special family story time that features the zany antics of Pete the Cat, put on by Childsplay. Program is sponsored by Friends of the Phoenix Public Library.

[Summer Reading Event: Cardboard Creations](#)
Thursday, July 11 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
[Ocotillo Library & Workforce Literacy Center](#)

Build box forts, castles, cars, and anything you can imagine out of cardboard! We have cardboard and supplies and you can bring your own as well. Create with us!

[Summer Reading Event: Ranger John, Tiny Wonders - Hummingbirds!](#)
Friday, July 12 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
[Desert Sage Library](#)

Who can go from 0 to 30 mph instantly, fly upside down and backwards, and cruise over 500 miles without stopping, plus eat the equivalent of 300 cheeseburgers a day? Meet the hummers! These magnificent little birds of the New World are full of surprises. During this one-hour presentation you will discover the lives of nature's smallest birds and how to enjoy them at home. Sponsored by Phoenix Public Library Foundation.

CALLING ALL SENIORS for Collegepalooza!

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at phoenix public library

Collegepalooza 2024

1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 20

College Depot Auditorium
1221 North Central Avenue, Burton Barr Central Library, Second Floor

Attention all high school SENIORS who are going to college this fall!!
Don't miss our annual Collegepalooza event! Come learn about everything you wanted to know about college but no one ever told you:

• how to access mental health resources on campus and in the community,	• balancing school, work, family and friends,
• time management,	• supports and suggestions to make your first year in college a success!
• on campus resources,	

Interactive activities, a panel presentation, snacks and raffle prizes will be included. This event is completely free! Register today to reserve your spot!

[Register - 112 seats left!](#)

This is an [event for high school seniors](#), Class of 2024, to give them information, encouragement and pieces of advice as these students transition to college this Fall. Topics will include: What does it mean to be a First-Generation College Student, Mental Health Awareness and Resources, Balancing School, Work, Family and Friends and more.

Snacks and additional incentives will be offered!

[Micro Memoir Writing Workshop](#)
Saturday, July 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
[Saguaro Library](#)

A micro memoir is a very short autobiographical sketch (300-600 words) which explores a moment in time, a brief event or situation. We all have many stories of lived experience. This workshop will help us to locate the stories we would like (or need) to explore, and we will inspire and support each other in telling them. Bring a notebook and pen.

[Cooking Basics for Adults](#)
July 23, 30, & Aug. 6 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
[Harmon Library](#)

Join us in learning or improving your cooking skills. We will cover nutrition information and have hands-on activities with a delicious food demonstration. The programming is intended for anyone over 18 years of age.

