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# JANUARY EVENTS

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### Youth Programs
- Tai Chi & Qigong
- Tax Assistance
- All About Hands
- Informal Mahjongg
- Game Cafe
- Jubilato - Intermediate Strings
- Strength Training for Women

### Teen Programs
- Tai Chi & Qigong
- Tax Assistance
- Informal Mahjongg
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- Jubilato - Intermediate Strings
- Books To Die For
- Strength Training for Women

### Adult Programs
- Tai Chi & Qigong
- Tax Assistance
- Informal Mahjongg
- Game Cafe
- Jubilato - Intermediate Strings
- Books To Die For
- Winter Wellness Class

### Full Body Fitness
- Tai Chi & Qigong
- Tax Assistance
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### Other Events
- Family Storytime
- All About Hands
- Jubilato - Intermediate Strings
- Books To Die For
- Winter Wellness Class

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FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

LEGO Robotics Workshop

4th - 8th Graders
No Experience Necessary

Saturday, January 20
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

These hands-on lessons are taught by award-winning teams from Education Empowers Inc. educationempowers.org as well as industry professionals.

$10 Registration | Visit DFLA.org

Introduction to Robotics program will equip youth with an understanding of Robotics, while gaining hands on experience with coding robots.

Special Storytime Event with Linda and Logan the Therapy Dog
Tuesday, January 9, 10:30 am - 11 am

Children ages 4 to 7 years old and their families are encouraged to join us for a special Storytime event with Linda and Logan the Therapy Dog! Linda will read "Don’t Tell Cooper He’s a Dog" and talk about the book and the importance of therapy dogs. The children will get to pet Logan the Therapy Dog and ask Linda, his human, questions about Logan.

*This program is intended for ages 4 to 7. This program is designed for children and accompanying adults. Please plan to attend and be engaged with your child in this program. Drop-offs will not be permitted.*

Free | No registration | Questions, please call 480-488-2286

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286
Special Storytime with Children’s Author - Michael Ivory
Tuesday, February 20, 10:30 am - 11 am
Join us for a special Storytime featuring children’s author Michael Ivory! He will be reading his book *Tubba and Friends | The Big Music Jamboree!* Follow Tubba Bear as she embarks on a fun, rhyming adventure with her pink guitar! Along the way, she travels to different places and meets many new friends with their musical instruments. What started as an idea for one quickly adds up to a harmonious day of friends on their way to the Big Music Jamboree!

MICHAEL IVERY is a children’s book author, illustrator, and creator of Tubba and Friends, a new children’s brand of characters, books, toys, and media inspired by his youngest daughter, Emma. As a former award-winning DJ for over 20 years, Michael turned his love for playing in clubs into playtime with his three daughters. His children continue to inspire him to be creative, have fun, and enjoy the little things in life.

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Winter Semester 2024

If you are interested in joining, please contact Laya Field for more information at jubilateconservatoryofmusic@gmail.com

The following programs are hosted by individual people or outside groups that pay to host at the library and are not a reflection of the library’s values or views.

Jubilate Conservatory of Music, sponsored by Kiwanis, is open to children of all ages. As a school of classical music, young students learn to read and write music through in-person music classes at Desert Foothills Library. Violin, viola, cello and choir will be instructed in an after-school format. Saturday Music Classes are offered free of tuition. Instruments are not provided.

Intermediate String Ensemble
Tuesdays, Jan 15 - Mar 26, 3:30 - 4:15 pm
For Students who know how to read music and play violin, viola, or cello in first position. Students enjoy playing simple pieces of music together in a group and increase their ability to engage with other young musicians.
Instructor: Sonja Prichitko

Advanced String Ensemble
Tuesdays, Jan 15 - Mar 26, 4:15 - 5:15 pm
For students who are able to read music and play violin, viola, or cello beyond first position, focusing on technique, the ins and outs of playing together in an ensemble, and understanding the different styles of playing classic works.
Instructor: Sonja Prichitko

Jubilate Violin Orchestra
Saturdays, Jan 13 - Mar 30, 10 - 11:15 am
This is a delightful tuition free course for beginners to advanced players for violin, viola, and cello, with a focus on music immersion and group participation. Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced students participate together.
Instructors: Sonja Prichitko & Laya Field

Children’s Saturday Singing Class
Saturdays, Jan 13 - Mar 30, 11:30 am - 12 pm
This is a tuition free class for children ages 5-14, where students learn to sing with others in a group setting; a preparatory class for choir.
Instructor: Laya Field

Music From the Heart
Saturdays, Jan 13 - Mar 30, 12 pm- 12:45 pm
This is a tuition free course for tots to teens in a family friendly setting where students learn to play an instrument or sing in the choir.
Instructors: Kira Cohen, Joshua LaFleur & Laya Field

jubilateconservatoryofmusic.org
BRAIN POWERS CHESS

THURSDAYS | 3:45 PM - 5:45 PM
JANUARY 4 - MARCH 28

LEARN TACTICS AND STRATEGIES OF THE GAME OF CHESS

k - 12 and Adults

Interested in participating, please contact Brain Powers at (623) 321-4123 in advance to register for the class.

$140 FOR 4 SESSIONS  3-MONTH BUNDLE OF $405 FOR 13 SESSIONS

Brain Powers teaches the game of Chess and other games rooted in concentration of thought and strategic principles for K-12 and adults, offering class and one-on-one instruction. Teaching the tactics and strategies of Chess and other contemplative games, we equip students with life skills development and improvement beneficial to areas such as overall academic performance, critical thinking, problem solving, personal finance comprehension, and emotional intelligence. These studies help build memory, thinking speed, and accuracy, including learning from mistakes and turning them into positive life lessons.

For this K-12 Beginner/Intermediate class, learn the game and how to craft effective and creative solutions to victory! Cultivate character-building life skills like strategy, tenacity, delayed gratification, accountability, resilience, and much more! Each week students will be learning a specific principle or group of principles central to Chess from a seasoned instructor highly skilled in the game, through interactive instruction, with challenge application to example opponent board positions and partnered in-class pairings with peers, promoting immediate reinforcement of the class teachings.

LEARN MORE AT DFLA.ORG
FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

CREATE YOUR OWN

**Spring Floral Design PARTY**

*Drum Circle- Healing Rhythms*

**Thursday, 3:00 - 4:00 pm**

**January 18 | February 15 | March 7**

Join us for a fun and interactive drum circle led by trained HealthRhythms facilitator, Frank Thompson. Drum circles are a form of recreational music-making proven to reduce stress, boost the immune system, promote joy, and a sense of well-being and to build community. All drums and percussion instruments provided. No musical experience required! If you have a heartbeat, you can drum. Open to all adults, all ages. **FREE | Register at dfla.org**

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286*

**Happy Cat Rescue- Cat & Kitten Adoptions**

**2nd Saturday of each month, 11:00 - 3:00 pm**

**January 13 | February 10 | March 9**

Looking for a new furry friend to add to your family?! Happy Cat Rescue will be at the Desert Foothills Library the 2nd Saturday of each month starting in August with both cats and kittens looking for their fur-ever homes.

Scan here to see just some of the furry felines looking for a home!
Dominique graduated from the École du Louvre in Paris studying art history and museology, and was an Art Lecturer of the French National Museums before moving to the United States where she began her teaching career.

FREE | Register at dfla.org

Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated

**ART & TRAVEL SERIES**

*Once Upon a Time... A King and His Palace*
**Thursday, January 18, 1:00 - 2:00 pm**
**Presented by Dominique Flamm**

From Modest hunting lodge to magnificent royal residence, Versailles seems to come straight out of a fairy tale. But why was it built in the first place? And what concepts guided its construction? Please join Dominique and follow in the Sun King’s footsteps.

Dominique graduated from the École du Louvre in Paris studying art history and museology, and was an Art Lecturer of the French National Museums before moving to the United States where she began her teaching career.

FREE | Register at dfla.org

**Art Critique**

1st Monday of each month, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

**January 8 | February 5 | March 4**

The Desert Foothills Library and the Sonoran Art League are combining their critiques! Two nonprofits working together to enhance art education- a win for all!

Join us for a discussion that is designed to meet each individual's need for continual artistic growth and develop. Come join us and bring a friend.

WHAT TO BRING...art work you are working on, this could be a work you are having trouble with, a piece you feel you can show us a new technique, a piece of art you have finished and want feedback, bring work that you are having questions about selling art, etc. All these topics and more are open for discussion! Open to Sonoran Arts League Members and ALL artists in the community!

Desert Foothills Art Gallery

2023 Hidden in the Hills Showcase October 5, 2023, to January 10, 2024
Visit Desert Foothills Library to view featured work by local artists; members of the Sonoran Arts League

2024 Contemporary Art January 11 to March 13, 2024
**2024 Contemporary Art Reception – January 26, 3:30 – 5:00 pm**
**2024 Contemporary Art Presentation – February 8, 4:00 – 5:00 pm**

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286*
Get to Know Your Library
Saturday, March 9, 10:30 – 11:30 am
Everyone knows you can check out books at the library, but did you know at Desert Foothills Library, your FREE library card includes access to over 100 programs a month, online borrowing and services, ancestry resources, the largest bookstore in the North Valley, and SO MUCH MORE?! Join us as we showcase all the different ways you can use your local library, ask questions, and meet some of our staff!
Free | No registration | Questions, please call 480-488-2286

FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

*AZ Medicare Guide Presentation
Thursdays, 1:30 - 2:30 pm
January 4 | February 1 | March 7
Questions about Medicare? This educational meeting will help you have a clear understanding of the different parts of Medicare, as well as the role Medicare supplement plans and Medicare Advantage Plans play within the Medicare program. We’ll cover the ABC’s of Medicare and the estimated costs associated with each part, followed by an open Q&A session!
Presented by Dave Piontek- licensed, independent, local Medicare broker offering clarity on the many confusing parts of Medicare. Dave has over 14 years of experience as a Medicare agent/broker and is available to answer your Medicare questions!
FREE | Register at dfla.org

AARP SMART DRIVER REFRESHER COURSE
Saturday, February 3 & March 30
11:15am-3:15pm
A refresher course in driver safety and driving skills! Learn new driving techniques, rules of the road, defensive driving and how to minimize distractions. The course enables drivers to refresh their driving skills and understand how to adjust to age-related challenges. The course is intended to help drivers live more independently as they age and remain safe on today's roads.
Pay instructor at class $25 or $20 with AARP member card, plus $5 DFL registration fee.
Register online or call 480-488-2286

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286
**Winter Herbal Wellness Class**  
*Wednesday, February 21, 1:00-2:30 pm*

Here in the desert, the arrival of winter provides a welcome and much-needed reprieve from the summer heat. However, it also marks the advent of cold and flu season, a time when maintaining a healthy immune system becomes a top priority. In the Winter Herbal Wellness Workshop, we will explore a variety of natural ways to support a healthy immune system. You’ll also learn how to harness the healing properties of common, easily accessible herbs and desert plants to support immune system health and overall wellness. Takeaways include a variety of simple recipes you can try at home, plus a 4 oz. "healthy immunity" herbal elixir.

Elizabeth Westcott is an Arizona transplant, originally from the Midwest. The natural world, particularly the beautiful American Southwest, archaeology, and people and their stories fascinate her. Her favorite pastimes are writing, finding new outdoor adventures, herbalism/medicinal plants, and exploring the archaeology of the Southwest. She has worked in the dietary supplement industry for the bulk of her career, and has extensive experience creating articles and blog content relating to health and fitness, natural and alternative health, dietary supplements and ingredients, and more.

*Registration Required at dfla.org or call 480-488-2286 | Cost: $30/person*
**FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Karma and Reincarnation**
*Tuesday, January 16th, 2:00 – 3:00pm*

Open Discussion - "On Karma and Reincarnation"
Do you wonder how you got into your family? Are you strongly attracted to a certain city, country or time in history? Would you like to move past the past?

You’re invited to attend a spiritual discussion on Karma and Reincarnation where these questions and others will be explored. Join Mark Peppers and Susane Nyberg as they share insights and spiritual exercises that help you find answers to your deepest questions.

This is a Public Presentation by Eckankar, The Path of Spiritual Freedom.
If you would like more information about the event email: Welcome@EckankarArizona.org
*Free | No registration | Questions, please call 480-488-2286*
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated.

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**Puzzle Exchange**
*Last Friday of each month, 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

January 26 | February 23 | March 29

Are you sick of your puzzles at home because you have completed all of them multiple times? Come drop off your gently used puzzles and pick out a new one for free! Leave a puzzle, take a puzzle! Offered on the last Friday of every month. All ages and skill levels encouraged!

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**Center for Integrative Healing and Wellness**
*Thursdays, 3:30 - 5:00 pm*

January 25 | February 22 | March 28

The Center for Integrative Healing & Wellness advocates a whole food, anti-inflammatory, diet as the most beneficial way of eating whether working within a cancer context or not. Ideally, this diet should be plant-based and consist mainly of minimally processed whole foods. It should also contain organic vegetables, fruits, wild caught fish, nuts, seeds, legumes, whole grains, and omega 3 rich sources of fats.

Register at dfla.org
*Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated.*

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**CHAPTER2BOOKS ACCEPTS:**

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- Large Print Books
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- Lightly Used Puzzles
- Magazines (Current within 1 Year)

**NOT ACCEPTED:**

- Encyclopedias
- Dictionaries
- Text Books
- Cassettes
- Vhs Tapes

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286*
FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

*Conversation French – 2  
**Fridays, January 5 - February 23, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Aimez-vous parler français? This Conversation French - 2 class meets once a week for eight weeks. The focus is on building your confidence in speaking French. Handouts will be provided. So, come join and bavaron!

Bonjour! Dominique Flamm is a native French speaker and a foreign language teacher. She graduated from the Ecole du Louvre in art history and museology, and was an Art Lecturer of the French National Museums in Paris. After moving to the U.S., Dominique began a teaching career and taught French and Spanish in the Cave Creek Unified School District. Questions about the class, please contact the instructor at dominique.flamm@gmail.com.

Cost: $80. Registration Required at dfla.org. Class limited to 10 students, register today!

*MahJongg 101: Brain Healthy Fun  
**Mondays, January 29, February 5, 12, 26, 1:00 – 4:00 pm**

Learn the foundations of how to play this stimulating rummy-like tile game. Fun, challenging, and addictive, it helps to improve memory, decision-making skills and patience. Instructor provides individual attention in a small-group friendly setting and guides students in understanding MahJongg and how the game is played. The 2023 Mahjongg Card is required & available at www.nationalmahjonggleague.org.

Registration required at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286

7-day cancellation policy in effect

Cost: $90.00

*MahJongg 102: Step Up to the Next Level!  
**Mondays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 1:00 - 4:00 pm**

The class is designed for those who have a basic understanding of the game and want to take it to the next level. Students will learn how to categorize and select hands and discard defensively and offensively. Hands-on attention in a small-group relaxed setting makes learning and playing fun while stimulating and improving your brain health. The 2023 Mahjongg Card is required & available at www.nationalmahjonggleague.org.

Cost: $90 | Registration Required at dfla.org | 7-day cancellation policy in effect

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286*
Craft N Chat
Mondays, 1:00 - 3:00 pm (No Meeting 1/1, 1/15 & 2/19)
Do you knit, crochet, needlepoint, bead, or practice another table craft? Join other local enthusiasts weekly for companionship, creating, and conversation. Any portable craft is welcome! New crafters and all skill levels are always welcome!
Have a craft you’re not quite sure how to start, or need a little help or inspiration? Craft N Chat is a collaborative of creatives who are happy and eager to help!

Informal MahJongg: Unsupervised Play
Tuesdays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Informal MahJongg play for any level! Groups, individuals, and recent students of MahJongg 101 & 102 looking for a place to come and enjoy playing with people in your community. This group is unsupervised. No sets are provided; you must bring your own. Basic game play knowledge required.

The Painters Palette
Wednesdays, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Picasso, van Gogh, Michelangelo and YOU! No matter what medium you prefer to create with, all are welcome to join The Painters Palette! Open to all, this gathering is the time to let your creative juices flow. Bring your paints, pastels, watercolors, easels, and brushes, and join this colorful palette of other artists in our wonderful community! We provide the space, you create the art. Open to any and all mediums and skill levels.

Ukulele Jam Sessions
Wednesdays, 12:00 - 2:15 pm
NEW at the Desert Foothills Library- Ukulele Jam Group! Pick out a few of your favorite songs, grab your ukulele and come jam! We will be accessing our music online, so bring your tablet or iPad, as well as a music stand, and anything you like to get your jam on! Invite your friends and join the fun. All levels welcome!

Canasta
Wednesdays, 1:30 - 4:30 pm
The card game “Canasta” is a Spanish word that means basket. A very old card game that has over 20 different versions and is played all over the world. Easy to learn and can be played with 2, 3 or 4 players at each table; this fun game is sure to entertain you. Cards and supplies will be provided. Let’s get started! Facilitation and instruction provided by Lisa Waldvogel.

Overeaters Anonymous
Thursdays, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Overeaters Anonymous is a Fellowship of individuals who through shared experience, strength, and hope are recovering from unhealthy relationships with food and body image.

Alcoholics Anonymous
Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 pm
A.A. meetings are being held at Desert Foothills Library on Thursdays.

These classes are free but a donation to the library is appreciated
Death Café
1st Wednesday of each month, 12:30 - 2:30 pm
January 3 | February 7 | March 6
Taking care of yourself is essential in being able to take care of your loved one. Join us for this opportunity for fellowship with other caregivers. Led by Hospice of the West facilitator Judy Peters.
Free | No Registration Required

Death Cafe is a gathering to talk about death and dying. The aim is to increase awareness of death to help people make the most of their (finite) lives. It is a global, non-profit movement begun in London in 2011: to date, more than 7,000 Death Cafes have been held in 63 countries. Death Cafe does not promote beliefs, agendas, or products, nor is it a bereavement or grief support group. Join us for open, respectful, interesting conversations about topics relevant to all of us but often considered “dark” or even taboo. For more information go to deathcafe.com.
Free | No Registration Required

The Healing Pathway
2nd and 4th Monday, 9:30 - 11:30 am
January 8 & 22 | February 12 & 26 | March 11 & 25
This group will guide and support you as you discover your "new normal". The open-ended group will provide you with practical tools and supportive conversation as you are processing your personal grief journey. The group shares a common language: grief. Join us as we go through this journey of grief together. Led by Hospice of the West facilitator Judy Peters.
Free | No Registration Required
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated

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FREE FILM PROGRAMS

Foothills Caring Corps at the Movies
Last Monday of each month
12:30 - 2:30 pm
January 29 | February 26 | March 25
Come by and watch a great movie while enjoying some snacks.
Need a ride to the movies? Reach out to Foothills Caring Corps at 480-488-1105, and let them know you’d like to arrange a ride to the movies at Desert Foothills Library! Open to the public!
Free | No Registration Required

Desert Foothills Library International Film Series - Around the World in 9 Films
2nd Friday of each month, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
Presented by Gary Zaro & Paradise Valley Community College
Presented by Professor Gary Zaro with an introduction and discussion of the film after
Free | No Registration Required
Friday, January 12: A Regular Woman (NR; 2019, Germany, 90 minutes)
Friday, February 9: Open Your Eyes (R; 1997, Spain, 119 minutes)
Friday, March 8: Gallipoli (PG; 1981, Australia, 110 minutes)
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated

Desert Foothills Library Cinematic Reflections Series
Little Known Stories of World War II
3rd Friday of each month, 2:00 - 5:00 pm
Presented by Gary Zaro & Paradise Valley Community College
Presented by Professor Gary Zaro with an introduction and discussion of the film after
Free | No Registration Required
Friday, January 19: Katyn (Poland, 2007; 120 minutes)
Friday, February 16: The Keeper (Great Britain/Germany, 2018; 118 minutes)
Friday, March 15: Sunken Roads (U.S., 2019; 90 minutes)
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated
*Get Lit Book Club
2nd Tuesday of each month, 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Drinks and catching up to start at 5 pm, book discussion to start at 5:30 pm
Tuesday, January 9: *Let’s Pretend This Never Happened* by Jenny Lawson
Tuesday, February 13: *Quiet: The Power of Introverts* by Susan Cain
Tuesday, March 12: *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn
Get Lit Book Club, a happy hour book club! Not for the faint of heart. Weird, odd, and unique books are chosen for a great discussion, so get ready for something you might not choose every day! Books will include non-fiction, classics, contemporary fiction, and memoirs to list a few. Get Lit is at a different restaurant every month to support local businesses. Everyone is welcome!
*Registration Required. Restaurants TBA on dfla.org approx. 1 week in advance of meeting*

*Books to Die For: A Murder Mystery Book Club
3rd Tuesday of each month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, January 16: *A Test of Wills* by Charles Todd
Tuesday, February 20: *As the Wicked Watch* by Tamron Hall
Tuesday, March 19: *When Blood Lies* by C.S. Harris
Here at Desert Foothills Library, we’re booked on crime! Join us each month for the Books to Die For Murder Mystery Book Club. This book club is for lovers of all forms of mystery novels. We will explore the genre in depth, eventually coming up with the perfect plan for murder (wink, wink). Light refreshments will be provided.
*Registration Required at dfla.org*
*Literary Salon
3rd Thursday of each month, 10:00am – 12:00pm
Join a host of literary fans along with the facilitation of Andrea Markowitz: a voracious reader and writer of fiction and nonfiction. she earned degrees in English, music and psychology, and explored a variety of careers in education and writing. After “retiring” she discovered her true calling is to write plays and musicals. Her dedication to writing for the stage was acknowledged recently with an ariZoni Award for best new script for “Fair Game,” a musical satire based on a true story about fake news! Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated.

January 18: Myths and Legends
Choose a myth, legend, or any other similar genre that is either rooted in the past (as in the tales about ancient Greek gods, or the legends of King Arthur), or that has more recent origins, such as tales about vampires and werewolves. We’ll discuss what drew you to that particular tale and its relevance to today’s world.

February 15: Different Types of Love
Choose a book, film, play, or piece of music about love, and let us know what type(s) of love it deals with, and what you love about it.

March 21: Lies and Liars in Literature
Choose a fiction or nonfiction book, film, play, or piece of music about a liar, and tell us what the lie is, why the liar lies, how the lie disrupts the status quo, whether or not the liar gets away with it, and how you feel about the outcome.

Library Book Club
2nd Thursday of each month, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Join the Library Book Club each month in an open discussion on a featured book. Everyone is welcome!
Thursday, January 11: The Lioness of Boston by Emily Franklin
Thursday, February 8: Horse by Geraldine Brooks
Thursday, March 14: The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated

*Event requires reservation, RSVP online at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286
ESSENTRICS Full Body Fitness
Mondays 9:30 - 10:30 am (No Class 1/1, 1/15, 2/19)
ESSENTRICS® is a full body fitness program designed to re-balance the entire body through simultaneously stretching and strengthening. Lifting and lengthening different parts of the body helps to unlock the joints, improve mobility, increase energy, and reverse the signs of aging. It is perfect for any age, whether you want to start a new routine or want to enhance your present fitness program.
Nancy started practicing Essentrics in 2016 after watching a special on PBS. She immediately felt the positive impact upon her body, increasing her strength and mobility and relieving stress. The choreographed music helped her experience the expansiveness of the movements. She has been teaching since May of 2020 and continues to increase her flexibility and strength through her practice and teaching.
Questions about Essentrics, please contact instructor, Nancy Salminen, at 602-332-3367 or n_salminen@yahoo.com.
Bring a yoga mat and an elastic workout band or strap if you have one.
Walk In Cost: $10 cash, paid to instructor at each class.

Gentle Chair Yoga
Mondays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (No Class 1/1, 1/15, 2/19)
Yoga for Every Body! Through a slow flow of poses coordinated with breath you’ll begin strengthening your heart, bones, balance and sharpening the mind. You are only one yoga class away from a good mood! Marina started practicing yoga in 1995, and for the past seven years has taught locally. Marina also offers Gentle Yoga every Wednesday at 11:00am. Chairs are provided.
Questions about Gentle Chair Yoga please contact instructor, Marina Kachur, at 480-510-6572 or yokama14@gmail.com.
Cost: $10 cash, paid to instructor at each class | No Registration Required

Tai Chi – Qigong for Everyone!
Tuesdays, 9:00 - 10:00 am
Tai Chi & Qigong is a self-care practice. It is a choice of a healthy lifestyle and living well. It improves balance, flexibility, brain plasticity, inner peace and overall wellness. This class is offered every Tuesday and Thursday.
Bina Bou is a senior trainer at IIQTC. She has been sharing the ancient practice for over a decade in our community. She believes no matter where you are on your healing journey, Tai Chi practice can help improve your quality of life. To learn more about her classes visit www.MindBodyFocusQi.com. For questions about Tai Chi & Qigong for Everyone please contact instructor, Bina Bou, at bina.b75@gmail.com.
Cost: $10 cash, paid to instructor at each class | No Registration Required
HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAMS

*H.A.N.D.S. Wellness and Fitness Class
Tuesdays, 12:30 - 1:45 pm
January 9 & 23 | February 6 & 20 | March 3 & 15

H.A.N.D.S is a unique educational seminar and fitness class consisting of stretching, movement, breathing and hand specific exercises. Is it difficult to use your hands due to pain or weakness? Is your sleep disrupted from hand numbness or throbbing? Do you have arthritic pain or soft tissue tightness in your hands, elbows or even shoulders? This is the class for you.

Mary Recker, OTR/L, CHT is a CA and AZ Board Certified Occupational and Hand Therapist with more than 10 years of experience in the clinical and hospital field. Prior to her achieving a degree in OT, Mary worked as a personal and group fitness trainer, yoga instructor for nearly 20 years with a special love and hobby of many forms of dance. All this contributes to creating this educational and practical fitness class.

Class is 75 minutes long and includes a Presentation and Q&A setting on how to self-treat common hand and upper extremity diagnoses (arthritis, Carpal tunnel, etc.). Also be prepared to move and stretch during a fun exercise class! Class can be progressive; set goals and apply what you learn.

Questions regarding H.A.N.D.S. class or hand therapy: Mary Recker 602-837-2635, maryreckerot@gmail.com or check FB/Instagram: hands_to_heart_hand_therapy

Bring yoga mat (not required), towel, water (chair provided for exercise level modifications)
Cost: $20/class. Register at dfla.org or call 480-488-2286. Walk-ins also accepted

Strength Training for Women
Tuesdays, January 16 to April 30, 4:00 – 5:00pm

If you’ve never lifted weights in your life – and many people haven’t - why should you start now? The answer is simple: Muscle tissue, bone density and strength all decrease over the years. These changes open the door to injuries and accidents that can compromise your ability to lead an independent and active life. Strength training can play a huge role in slowing bone loss and is one of the most effective ways reverse much of this decline.

Come join us for an hour of targeted exercise where we will focus on making our bodies stronger as well as emphasizing the importance of maintaining and improving our balance. Studies attest that strength training can help you manage and sometimes prevent conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, arthritis and osteoporosis. It can also protect vitality and make everyday tasks more manageable.

Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat or beach towel, water and your weights. Please start with your lightest weights (2-3 lbs.)

Start the New Year off by giving yourself the gift of good health!
One Time Class Fee of $20.00, payable to instructor at the beginning of your first class
Class limited to 20 participants
Instructor: Joanne Rebollo
Gentle Yoga
Wednesdays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Yoga for Every Body! Through a slow flow of poses coordinated with the breath, you’ll begin strengthening your heart, bones, balance, and sharpening the mind. You are only one yoga class away from a good mood! Marina started practicing yoga in 1995, and for the past seven years has taught locally. Marina also offers Chair Yoga every Monday at 11:00 am. Please bring a yoga mat and a blanket. For questions about Gentle Yoga please contact instructor, Marina Kachur, at 480-510-6572 or yokama14@gmail.com.
Cost: $10 cash, paid to instructor at each class | No Registration Required

Bioenergetics
9:30 am – 11:00 am
January 5 & 19 | February 2 & 16 | March 1, 15, & 29
Learn how to use the power of your body’s energy to heal yourself. The Art of Jin Shin is an ancient Japanese healing art for balancing your life energy and enhancing your body’s innate ability to heal. The Art of Jin Shin is a comprehensive system of health and healing using a gentle form of acupressure to facilitate the flow of energy in the body. The premise is that mental, emotional, and physical illnesses are caused by a blockage in the flow of energy. If you struggle with aches and pains, anxiety, chronic fatigue, digestive issues, or any of the numerous other ailments that make life less joyful than it could be, then learning this gentle healing art is for you. During this class you will learn and practice Jin Shin self-care techniques that you can use anywhere at any time. Warning! Side effects may include a sense of peace and calm, mental clarity, better sleep, increased energy, more joy.
In 1985 David Burrows began his studies of Jin Shin and his pursuit to bring self-empowered healing to others. Come learn and experience his teachings and presence, you will be glad you did.
For more information visit our website www.JinShin.Plus or text or call 480-351-6464 or email heal@bioenergyplus.net
Instructor: Dave Burrows
Free | No registration | Questions, please call 480-488-2286
Class is free but a donation to the Desert Foothills Library is appreciated
Jin Shin- Healing Energy
Fridays, 9:30 - 10:30 am
January 12 & 16 | February 9 & 23 | March 8 & 22

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

FOOTHILLS FOOD BANK & RESOURCE CENTER PRESENTS

SHRED-A-THON
& PRESCRIPTION TAKE-BACK

Saturday, January 27, 2024
9:00am - 12:00pm

Free Event!
No proof of residency required.

Collection and Shred Site:
6061 E. Hidden Valley Drive, one block south of Cave Creek Road
Monetary & non-perishable pantry item donations are always appreciated!

Also Accepting:
Small electronics, phones, computers, gently used clothing, housewares, books
for Goldmine Thrift Store and Desert Foothills Public Library

Thank You to our community partners & sponsors!
Town of Cave Creek, Maricopa County Sheriff’s Office, Desert Foothills Public Library, Goldmine Thrift Store,
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GROWING THROUGH THE DECADES

GARDEN GALA

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024
5:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

Please join us for a memorable evening as we celebrate our 70th Birthday!

For seven decades, Desert Foothills Library has had the privilege of being a place of nourishment - a garden per se - where the minds of children and adults, friendships, talents, beliefs, dreams, and abilities are nurtured.

Join us for our annual fundraising gala as we partner with our families, friends and community sponsors as we foster our foundation, spread our roots and plant new seeds in our garden and accomplish our goal to better serve and empower our community.

We cannot wait to welcome you!

THE EVENING WILL FEATURE A LIVELY COCKTAIL RECEPTION;
A DELICIOUS, SEATED DINNER; UNIQUE SILENT AND LIVE AUCTIONS;
AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Cocktail Attire

LIMITED SEATING - $250 PER PERSON
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT DESERT FOOTHILLS LIBRARY

RSVP

RESERVE YOUR SEATS OR FILL A TABLE WITH FRIENDS
PLEASE RESPOND BY SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024 TO DFLA.ORG

Unable to attend the Gala?

Consider making a donation!