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December 24 - 26

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DECEMBER EVENTS



S Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

<p>1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>11 AM Gentle Yoga*</p> <p>12 PM Literate Foodie Club*</p> <p>1 PM Craft N Chat</p> <p>3:30 PM Art Critique</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9 AM Tai Chi & Qigong*</p> <p>10:30 AM Family Storytime</p> <p>1 PM Embracing AI</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p> <p>1 PM Informal Mahjongg</p> <p>4 PM Jubilate Beginning Recorder</p> <p>4 PM Game Cafe</p> <p>5 PM Jubilate Beginning Percussion</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9 AM The Painter's Palette</p> <p>9:30 AM Play-OOZA</p> <p>9:45 AM Gentle Chair Yoga</p> <p>11 AM Gentle Yoga*</p> <p>12 PM Ukulele Jam Session</p> <p>12:30 PM Death Cafe</p> <p>1 PM Canasta</p> <p>12:30 PM HS/HS Hangout</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p> <p>1 PM Curious Objects from our past</p> <p>3:30 PM Tales4Tales</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:30 AM Hop, Bop & Roll</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p> <p>1 PM What is Elder Financial Abuse?</p> <p>4 PM Jubilate Littles on Fiddles</p> <p>5 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p> <p>5 PM Jubilate Intermediate String Ensemble</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10 AM So You Want to Be a Writer?</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Annual Bake Sale & Craft Fair</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30 AM Healing Pathway</p> <p>11 AM Gentle Yoga*</p> <p>1 PM Craft N Chat</p> <p>2 PM Holiday Movie Matinee: Buttons: A Christmas Tale</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9 AM Tai Chi & Qigong*</p> <p>10:30 AM Family Storytime</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p> <p>1 PM Informal Mahjongg</p> <p>4 PM Jubilate Beginning Recorder</p> <p>4 PM Teen Advisory</p> <p>5 PM Jubilate Beginning Percussion 8 - 12</p> <p>5 PM Get Lit Book Club</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9 AM The Painter's Palette</p> <p>9:45 AM Gentle Chair Yoga*</p> <p>11 AM Gentle Yoga*</p> <p>12 PM Ukulele Jam Session</p> <p>1 PM Canasta</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10 AM Library Book Club</p> <p>10:30 AM Hop, Bop & Roll</p> <p>1 PM Tech Help</p> <p>1:30 AZ Medicare Guide</p> <p>3:30 PM - Fun Fusion</p> <p>4 PM Jubilate Littles on Fiddles</p> <p>5 PM Jubilate Intermediate String Ensemble</p> <p>5 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9 AM Library Book Sale</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10 AM Library Book Sale</p> <p>10 AM Jubilate Violin Orchestra</p> <p>10:15 AM Brain Powers Chess</p> <p>11 AM Cat & Kitten Adoptions</p> <p>11:30 AM Jubilate Singing Class & Music from the Heart</p> <p>12 PM Brain Powers Chess</p> <p>12:15 PM Jubilate Littles on Fiddles</p> <p>1:30 PM Teen Crafternoon</p>
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<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>11 AM Gentle Yoga*</p> <p>12:30 PM Foothills Caring Corps at the Movies</p> <p>1 PM Craft N Chat</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9 AM Tai Chi & Qigong*</p> <p>10:30 AM New Year's Eve Family Storytime</p>	<p>*PAID PROGRAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YOUTH PROGRAMS • TEEN PROGRAMS • ADULT PROGRAMS <p>Desert Foothills LIBRARY enriching your community <i>Est. 1954</i></p> <p>38443 N School House Rd, Cave Creek DFLA.org</p>			

FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

Family Storytime

Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11:00 am

Children ages 3 to 6 years old and their families are encouraged to join Miss Dawn for a storytime featuring developmentally appropriate songs, movements, & stories to foster early literacy skills. This program is intended for ages 3 to 6. 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.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

December 10

Are you looking for a way to serve your community and support the library at the same? If so, the Desert Foothills Library Teen Advisory Board (TAB) may be for you. TAB members meet once a month to plan youth and teen events, make recommendations for teen book selection and support library operations. You can earn service credit time doing something you enjoy at a place you love!

Open to ages 12-17.

Game Cafe

Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Join us in the Teen Lounge every Tuesday afternoon from 4-5 pm for fun and exciting gaming hangouts! Bring a game from home to share or play one of ours. This program is intended for ages 11-17. If the participant is under the age of 16, the guardian must remain at the library. No drop-offs will be permitted.

Free | No Registration



PLAY-OOZA

Wednesdays, 9:30 - 10:30 am

PLAY-OOZA is a dedicated time to play, create, and collaborate for preschool-age children. Join Miss Dawn for focused fun that supports fine motor and Early Literacy skills through informal learning activities, crafts, and imagination!

This program is designed for preschool children and accompanying adults. Please plan to attend and be engaged with your child in this program.

Drop-offs will not be permitted. Space is limited.

Free | No Registration Required

December 4 - Holiday Craft



FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

HS/HS Hangout

Wednesdays, 12:30 - 1:30 pm

December 4

Calling all high school age homeschool teens! The HS/HS Hangout is for you! Come to meet new people and help shape this time into what you'd like to do at the library.

Free | No Registration Required

Homeschool Library Time

Wednesdays, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

December 18

Come to listen and learn at the library with our Youth & Teen Librarian! Each 30-minute session is geared toward a specific age group with a story, activity, and opportunity to learn more about how to use the library. Choose the time slot that corresponds with your child's grade level.

Free | No Registration required

1:00 - 1:30 pm – Kindergarten & 1st Grade

1:30 - 2:00 pm- 2nd & 3rd Grade

2:00 - 2:30 pm – 4th & 5th Grade



Tales4Tails

Wednesdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

December 4 & 18

Looking for an opportunity for your emerging or early readers to practice their skills? Please come visit Logan, DFL's resident certified therapy dog, who loves being read to. Reading aloud builds independence and confidence. Bring a book from home or, better yet, borrow one from the library! Perfect for kids of all ages!

Free | No Registration Required

Fun Fusion

Thursdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

December 12

Join us in the Imagination Lab for planned fun! This time is designed for school-age children to have opportunities to craft, build, and create. This program is intended for 1st through 5th graders. This program is designed for children and accompanying adults. Please plan to attend and be engaged with your child for this program. Drop-offs will not be permitted.

Free | No Registration Required

December 12 - Holiday Make & Take



FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

Hop, Bop & Roll!

Thursdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am

December 5 & 12

Calling all wiggle worms! Sing, laugh and learn in this music and movement class for children six and under and their favorite grownup.

Free | No Registration Required.

Brain Powers Chess (K12 Beginner - Intermediate)

Saturdays, 10:15 - 11:45 am

October 19 - December 14 (No Class 12/7)

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. Brain Powers accepts ESA and ClassWallet.

\$140 for 4 sessions | Registration Required

Registration Required. For children ages 5-14 interested in participating, please contact Steve Valle at (623) 321-4123 in advance to register for the class.



Special Storytime with Mrs. Claus at the Desert Foothills Library

Thursday, December 19

10:30 - 11:30 am

Join Mrs. Claus for a Special Holiday Storytime featuring a photo opportunity and some holiday magic! Holiday attire is welcomed and encouraged!



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For ages 2-7 & Parents



JUBILATE

Conservatory of Music
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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.

Beginning Recorder Class (9 - 15 Year Olds)

Tuesdays, October 1 - December 10, 4:00 - 5:00 pm (No Class 12/24)

This class instructs the mechanics of playing the soprano recorder, and reading simple notes and rhythms for ages 9-15 years. An excellent introduction to wind instruments, this class will also explore alto, tenor, soprano and bass recorder and perform at the end of semester recital. Class is limited in size. Instructor: Cordi DeDecker

Beginning Percussion Class (9 - 15 Year Olds)

Tuesdays, October 1 - December 10, 5:00 - 6:00 pm (No Class 12/24)

This class introduces students into the world of percussion and drum circle. Percussion technique for snare drum, reading simple notes and rhythm patterns, and preparing for students drum circle events and the end of semester recital will be included for ages 9-15 years. Class is limited in size. Instructor: Cordi DeDecker

Littles on Fiddles

Thursdays, October 1 - December 14, 4:00 pm- 5:00 pm (No Class 11/28 & 12/26)

Saturdays, October 1 - December 14, 12:15 pm- 1:00 pm (No Class 12/7, 12/21 & 12/28)

Littles on Fiddles is a special violin class for young students, ages 4-6 years who show a true interest in playing the violin. An interview with instructor Laya Field is required in order to determine readiness to join this class. This class is preparatory for entrance into the Beginning Violin Class and the Jubilate Violin Orchestra. Instructor: Laya Field

Intermediate String Ensemble

Thursdays, October 1 - December 14, 5:00 pm- 6:00 pm (No Class 11/28 & 12/26)

This class is open to students ages 10-18 years who read music and play violin, viola, or cello at an intermediate level. Students will explore several styles of music and perform in the end of semester recital and performances. An interview with Laya Field is required in order to determine readiness to join the class. Instructor: Laya Field

Jubilate Violin Orchestra

Saturdays, October 1 - December 14, 10:00 am - 11:15 am (No Class 12/7, 12/21 & 12/28)

The Jubilate Violin Orchestra is a tuition free class for beginners to advanced players for violin, viola, and cello. Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced students participate together in a light hearted setting.

Instructors: Cordi DeDecker, Bella Schwerin & Laya Field

Music From the Heart

Saturdays, October 1 - December 14, 11:30 am- 12:00 pm (No Class 12/7, 12/21 & 12/28)

Music from the Heart is a tuition free course for tots to teens in a family friendly setting where students learn to understand, read, and sing the language of music. This is a preparatory class for learning to play an instrument. Instructors: Cordi DeDecker & Laya Field

Fall Recital & Reception

Saturday, November 23, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Join us for an afternoon of music played by our talented groups of Jubilate players.

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10 AM TO 4 PM

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ASU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Arizona State University
AT DESERT FOOTHILLS LIBRARY

Embracing AI: Enhancing Lives & Communities

Tuesday, December 3 | 1:00 - 2:30 pm | Cost \$19

Discover the exciting world of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in this interactive workshop designed to showcase its transformative power for lifelong learners. Participants will receive the latest updates on cutting-edge AI initiatives at ASU from Executive Director of Creative and Communications within the Enterprise Technology (ET) division, Tina Miller. Class will also cover the future of AI in higher education and generative AI. Additionally, attendees will delve into the technical aspects of generative AI with easy-to-understand explanations. By the end of the workshop, you will leave with a wealth of knowledge on AI achievements and resources for further exploration.



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FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

THE SECRETS OF MOLE!

Presented by Karl Schwirian,
Executive Chef at the Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center



A little history, a little geography, and some tricks to make your Turkey Mole and all the fixings a holiday tradition.

DECEMBER 16
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Lunch will follow the demonstration and there will be leftovers to take home with you!

\$30/person | Register at dfla.org



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9 AM - 5 PM

NOVEMBER 9
10 AM - 4 PM

AND

DECEMBER 13
9 AM - 5 PM

DECEMBER 14
10 AM - 4 PM

A wonderful opportunity to purchase quality books and other media at even lower prices than the everyday bargain prices in Chapter2Books! All proceeds benefit Desert Foothills Library; Maricopa County's *ONLY* donation supported, nonprofit, public library!

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

FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

So, You Want to Be a Writer?

December 6 & 20, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Presented by K.A. Bledsoe

This series of five workshops will take you from your first idea to being ready to join a critique group. Join us at one, several or all the sessions.

Session 3 – Who are your characters? Good characters help to make good writing. This workshop will focus on what makes a good character as well as how they interact with dialogue and action.

Session 4 – When/where? Creating a world for your characters is a necessity. We will talk about building that world and how it relates to your story.

Session 5 – How do I define my book? Nearly finished writing your story? Marketing is easier with quick blurbs and concise language. Learn how to easily explain your story/novel to others, including possible publishers.

K. A. Bledsoe's writing journey began at the age of six with a short story about kids growing up on a space station. Writing has been a constant despite other jobs like scooping ice cream, shoe salesman, pharmacy tech, band director, and more.

Born, raised and still residing in Arizona, the author continues to pen stories in all genres despite the distraction of house cats underfoot and the occasional bobcat or roadrunner strolling through the backyard.

Free | Register at dfla.org | Questions, call the library at 480-488-2286.

Writer's Critique Group

Presented by

K.A. Bledsoe

December 20

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Join K. A. Bledsoe for a writer's critique group. This workshop is for those wishing to improve their writing and helping others with their ideas. This writer's critique group will offer support, feedback, accountability, and encouragement. You also stand a good chance of making life-long friends who also love the same thing you do: writing!

K. A. Bledsoe is a local author with several published works including the series: *The Kelton Cases*.

Free | Register at dfla.org

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FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS

CURIOUS OBJECTS FROM OUR PAST:

The Ingenuity, Craftsmanship and
Aesthetic Appeal of American Antiques

PRESENTED BY GREG HOFFMAN

DECEMBER 4

1:00 - 3:00 PM

Join us for a presentation on American antiques once used as everyday functional household and commercial items. We will review and handle real antiques from various periods of American history beginning in 1800, as well as hear stories about how they were used.

The presentation will be followed by a post-presentation viewing of the various antiques. The presenter, Greg Hoffman, will be available to answer any questions.



DECEMBER
10TH
4PM

Shine Bright Like a
Cave Creek Diamond!

JOIN RENOWNED MAKEUP ARTIST CHARLIE GREEN FOR HER ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS MAKEUP EXTRAVAGANZA AT THE LIBRARY!

THIS EVENT IS A FESTIVE FAVORITE, FEATURING EXPERT TIPS AND TRICKS
TO HELP YOU GLOW THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!
DON'T MISS THIS CHANCE TO LEARN FROM THE BEST!

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INSTAGRAM: @MISSCHARLIEGREEN | FACEBOOK: CHARLIEGREENMAKEUP | WEBSITE: CHARLIEGREENMAKEUP.COM

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WEEKLY ADULT PROGRAMS

Craft N Chat

Mondays, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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 (No Meeting 12/24 or 12/31)

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 Painter's Palette

Wednesdays, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (No Meeting 12/25)

Picasso, van Gogh, Michelangelo and YOU! No matter what medium you prefer to create with, all are welcome to join The Painter's 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 (No Meeting 12/25)

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

Canasta

Wednesdays, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (No Meeting 12/25)

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



WEEKLY ADULT PROGRAMS

Tech Help - Library Apps, Electronic Devices, and More!

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursday

1:00 - 5:00 pm

Downloading eBooks and eAudiobooks can be easy through the library's digital collection! Each week there will be an opportunity for anyone with questions about Libby, Cloud Library, any of the apps the library offers, and basic questions about your personal electronic devices to receive technical help. We will show you how to download the apps to your phone or tablet and how to navigate the digital collection. No question is too small! Please bring your device and have your library card ready! For Apple users, your Apple ID will be needed. *Appointment is required to attend call 480-488-2286.*



Alcoholics Anonymous

Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 pm

A.A. meetings are being held at Desert Foothills Library on Thursdays.

Free | No Registration Required.



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MONTHLY ADULT PROGRAMS

Talking about death won't kill you.

Death Café

1st Wednesday of each month, 12:30 - 2:30 pm

December 4

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

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



Art Critique

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

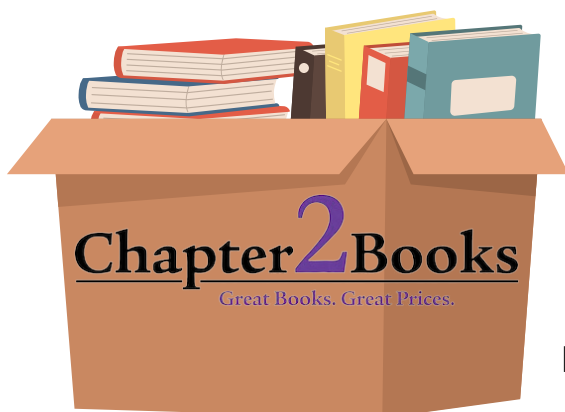
December 2

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 framing, or what medium to use, 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!

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CURRENT NON-FICTION
LARGE PRINT BOOKS
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MAGAZINES (CURRENT WITHIN 1 YEAR)

NOT ACCEPTED:

ENCYCLOPEDIAS
DICTIONARIES
TEXT BOOKS
CASSETTES
VHS TAPES

MONTHLY ADULT PROGRAMS

At the Desert Foothills Library

3rd Wednesday of Each Month

December 18

9:30 am - 10:30 am



- Easy one-mile walk
- Introduces hiking basics
- Explore native desert flora and fauna



Puzzle Exchange

Last Friday of each month, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

December 27

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!



Happy Cat Rescue - Cat & Kitten Adoptions

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

December 14

Looking for a new furry friend to add to your family? Happy Cat Rescue will be at the Desert Foothills Library on the 2nd Saturday of each month starting in April 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!

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Visit DFLA.org and Join One Of Our Supporting Member Giving Circles

MONTHLY ADULT PROGRAMS



The Space Wellness Center

SOUND HEALING MEDITATION

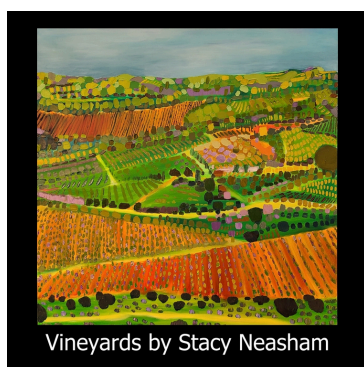
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Join The Space Healing Sanctuary for this 60 minute Sound Healing Meditation. Sound healing is a powerful modality that promotes wellness and assists healing with" anxiety, stress, pain, clarity, memory, immunity, creativity, and more. With guided meditation and healing through the use of overtone emitting instruments like gongs, bowls, bells and chimes, we can allow our mind, body and spirit to cultivate a sense of relaxation and rejuvenation.

Please bring a mat, pillow, and blanket for comfort measures.

\$20 | REGISTER AT [DFLA.ORG](https://www.dfla.org)



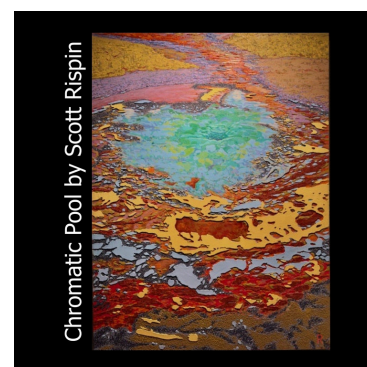
Vineyards by Stacy Neasham



Cairn at the Creek
by Roxanne Eklund



Embers of the Desert
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Chromatic Pool by Scott Rispin

Desert Foothills Art Gallery

2024 Hidden in the Hills Showcase October 3 to January 8

Visit Desert Foothills Library to view featured work by local artists; members of the Sonoran Arts League.



Visit [DFLA.org](https://www.dfla.org) and Join One Of Our Supporting Member Giving Circles

FREE FILM PROGRAMS

Foothills Caring Corps at the Movies

Last Monday of each month

12:30 - 2:30 pm

December 30

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

2nd Friday of each month, 2:00 – 5:00 pm

NO MOVIE IN DECEMBER

Presented by Gary Zaro & Paradise Valley Community College

Movies are a great way to learn about different cultures - how people live, love, laugh, and cope with hardships and tragedy. This series will explore films from different countries, each one telling a story unique to their culture and country. A post-film discussion.

Free | No Registration Required

Desert Foothills Library Cinematic Reflections Series

Little Known Stories of World War II

3rd Friday of each month, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

December 20

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, December 20: *When Trumpets Fade* (U.S., 1998; 95 mins)

Holiday Movie Matinees

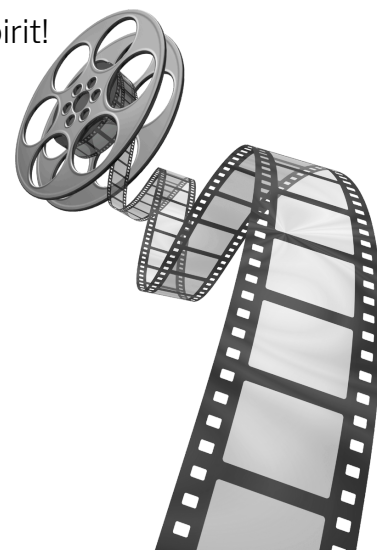
Monday, December 9 & 16, 2:00 pm

The holiday season is upon us! Do you need an afternoon of relaxation and an escape from the stress of the season? Join us at Desert Foothills Library for holiday movies in November and December and let's get into the holiday spirit!

Monday, December 9: *Buttons: A Christmas Tale*

Monday, December 16: *A Christmas Carol*

Free | Register at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286.



LITERARY ADULT PROGRAMS

***Literate Foodies Club**

1st Monday of the month, 12:00 - 2:30 pm

Literate Foodies has been meeting since March 2016. They focus each meeting on a book and topic for discussion and a rotating team of cooks prepare related recipes for a sampling by all attendants. Each month could feature chef memoirs, food travel, food history, national and international cuisines, techniques, and cookbooks!

December 2: A Literary Tea Party: Blends and Treats for Alice, Bilbo, Dorothy, Jo, and Book Lovers Everywhere by Alison Walsh

Questions about Literate Foodies, please contact facilitators, Dana Rakinic at danarakinic@gmail.com & Jan Kruse at jan-kruse@cox.net.

Cost \$20 | Register at dfla.org. Seating is limited.

***Books to Die For: A Murder Mystery Book Club**

3rd Tuesday of each month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

December 17: Hercule Poirot's Christmas by Agatha Christie

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.

***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

December 10: Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin

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!

Restaurants TBA on dfla.org approx. 1 week in advance of meeting.

Registration Required at dfla.org.



LITERARY ADULT PROGRAMS

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!

December 12: Holiday Party

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

***Literary Salon**

3rd Thursday of each month, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

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!

December 19 - Celebrity Book Club Picks

They’re not just hosted by Oprah anymore! Mindy Kaling (actress/writer/producer), Jenna Bush (“Today” show co-host), actresses Reese Witherspoon, Emma Roberts, Dakota Johnson, and Emma Watson, singer/songwriters Dua Lipa and Florence Welch, and other celebs have also jumped on the Book Club bandwagon. Choose a book (or a film or play, etc. derived from a book) recommended by any celebrity’s book club, from any year you like. Tell us about the book, why the celeb recommended it, and whether you would recommend it if you hosted your own book club.

Free | Register at dfla.org | Questions, please call 480-488-2286.



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

HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAMS

The Healing Pathway

December 9 & 23 (Due to holiday - Rescheduled to Tuesday)

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

Gentle Yoga

Mondays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wednesdays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (No Class 12/25)

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. 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.



Gentle Chair Yoga

Wednesdays, 9:45 – 10:45 AM (No Class 12/25)

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 Monday and Wednesday at 11:00 am. Chairs are provided.

Questions: Please contact instructor, Marina Kachur, at 480-510-6572 or yokama14@gmail.com.

Cost: \$10 cash, paid to instructor at each class.

Tai Chi – Qigong for Everyone!

Tuesdays, 9:00 - 10:00 am (No Class 12/24)

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 the instructor at each class

No Registration Required.





GIVE A GIFT OF READING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Visit the Giving Book Tree at Desert Foothills Library

Help Desert Foothills Library deliver NEW books to school children and foodbank families this holiday season and beyond. Please join the joy and donate unused books for children ages 2 to 12. Please see a list of suggested book titles below OR feel free to purchase any age-appropriate books when you're out shopping this holiday season.

No time to shop? Cash, check or credit card donations are appreciated too, and we'll make purchases on your behalf.

Please bring new children's books for donation to Desert Foothills Library any time in December. Library hours are available at www.dfla.org or call 480-488-2286.

Does your Book Club want to donate? We can arrange for pick-up too!

Every donated book will receive a raffle ticket eligible for our year-end holiday prize drawing. Lots of prizes! Receive an extra raffle ticket for every five books donated!

Visit the Giving Book Tree at Desert Foothills Library! During December, please stop by and visit the giant holiday tree made from books! We hope you enjoy the spectacle and browse our vast book collections along with many life enrichment educational programs for all ages.

Suggested Children's Book Titles

Any unused books for children ages 2 to 12 are welcome and appreciated. If looking for ideas when shopping for new children's books, below are some popular titles and/or authors for consideration:

Children's authors include books written by Dr. Seuss, Mo Willems, Beverly or Brian Cleary, Kate DiCamillo, Stan/Jan/Mike Berenstain, E.B White, Victoria Jamieson, and Megan McDonald.

Children's Book titles include Berenstain Bears, Judy Moody, How to Be a Friend, Franklin Plays the Game, Charlotte's Web, Big Test Jitters, Because of Winn Dixie, Grumpy Monkey, Wilma Jean and the Worry Machine, The Lemonade Wars, The Invisible String, and Beyond the Bright Sea.

Any questions? Please contact Desert Foothills Library during normal business hours.

Thank you for sharing the gift of reading with local school kids and families this holiday season!

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