

MAY 2024



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>www.ajpl.org ~ 480.474.8555 1177 N Idaho Rd</p> <p>Programs made possible by the Friends of the Library</p>  <p>Register for programs Scan the QR Code or visit pclid.libnet.info/events</p>		<p>1 Fun Van ~ Week 1 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>Guitar Workshop Ages 13+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Sewing Wednesdays Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>2 AJ Writers Ages 18+, 1 pm</p> <p>Native American Flute Club Week 2 Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>3 Toddlers Ages 2-5, 10-10:45 am</p> <p>Kids Create 3:30-4:30 pm</p>	<p>4 STEM: Think Outside the Box 10-11 am</p> <p>Wild West Crochet Club 1-4 pm</p> <p>Sewing Saturdays Ages 10+, 1-3 pm</p> <p>Cosmic Crafts, 2-3 pm</p>
<p>6 Fun Van ~ Week 2 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>YA Book Club 5-5:30 pm</p>	<p>7 Art in the Library 9:30-12 pm</p> <p>Preschool University Ages 2-5, 10-11 am</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons Ages 10+, 5-6:30 pm</p>	<p>8 Fun Van ~ Week 2 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>Seed Up Meet Up 4-6 pm</p> <p>Guitar Workshop Ages 13+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Sewing Wednesdays Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>9 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 6-8 PM, SEE BACK</p> <p>B.U.S. Pass Orientation 5-6 pm</p> <p>Native American Flute Club Week 3 Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>10 Toddlers Ages 2-5, 10-10:45 am</p> <p>Kids Create 3:30-4:30 pm</p>	<p>11 STORYTIME IN THE GARDEN 10AM-NOON AT EARTH HEART PARK</p> <p>STEM: Think Outside the Box, 10-11 am</p> <p>Ask a Master Gardener 10 am-Noon</p> <p>Wild West Crochet Club 1-4 pm</p> <p>Sewing Saturdays Ages 10+, 1-3 pm</p> <p>Cosmic Crafts, 2-3 pm</p>
<p>13 Fun Van ~ Week 3 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>BOARD GAME NIGHT ADULTS 18+, 5-7 PM</p>	<p>14 Art in the Library 9:30-12 pm</p> <p>Preschool University Ages 2-5, 10-11 am</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons Ages 10+, 5-6:30 pm</p>	<p>15 Fun Van ~ Week 3 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>Biblio Bites, 3 pm Custom Hummus Hands-on Workshop REGISTRATION REQUIRED</p> <p>Guitar Workshop Ages 13+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Sewing Wednesdays Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>16 LEGO COMPETITION TEENS (13+) AND ADULTS 5:30-7 PM</p> <p>Native American Flute Club Week 4 Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>BOOKS AND BREWS AT HANDLEBAR PUB AND GRILL ADULTS, 6:30-8 PM BOOKS YOU'RE BUZZING ABOUT</p>	<p>17 Toddlers Ages 2-5, 10-10:45 am</p> <p>Encanto Yoga</p> <p>Kids Create 3:30-4:30 pm</p>	<p>18 Native American Flute Circle, 9-11 am Veteran's Memorial Gazebo</p> <p>STEM: Think Outside the Box 10-11 am</p> <p>Wild West Crochet Club 1-4 pm</p> <p>Sewing Saturdays Ages 10+, 1-3 pm</p> <p>Cosmic Crafts, 2-3 pm</p> <p>Paws 2 Read 2-3:30 pm</p> <p>StoryWalk-Night Walk at Prospector Park 7-9 pm</p>
<p>20 Fun Van ~ Week 4 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>LET'S QUILT! ADULTS, 1:30-3:30 PM</p>	<p>21 Art in the Library 9:30-12 pm</p> <p>Preschool University Ages 2-5, 10-11 am</p> <p>Summer Mystery Book Club, 1:30 pm</p> <p>Teen Pixel Art Ages 13-18, 5-7 pm</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons Ages 10+, 5-6:30 pm</p> <p>CUSTOM APRONS WITH THE CRICUT TEENS (13+) AND ADULTS 5:30-7:30 PM REGISTRATION REQUIRED</p> <p>AJ Writers, ages 18+, 6 pm</p>	<p>22 Fun Van ~ Week 4 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>Guitar Workshop Ages 13+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Sewing Wednesdays Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>23 Homeschool Social Edible Engineering 12:30-1:30 pm Registration Required</p> <p>Native American Flute Music Workshop Week 1 Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>24 Toddlers Ages 2-5, 10-10:45 am</p> <p>Kids Create 3:30-4:30 pm</p>	<p>25 STEM: Think Outside the Box 10-11 am</p> <p>Wild West Crochet Club 1-4 pm</p> <p>Sewing Saturdays Ages 10+, 1-3 pm</p> <p>Cosmic Crafts, 2-3 pm</p>
<p>27 LIBRARY CLOSED</p>	<p>28 Art in the Library 9:30-12 pm</p> <p>Preschool University Ages 2-5, 10-11 am</p> <p>Read Better Be Better Tutoring for 2nd-5th graders Week 1, 3-4 pm Registration required</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons Ages 10+, 5-6:30 pm</p>	<p>29 Fun Van ~ Week 5 9 am or 11 am Ages 0-5, see back</p> <p>Babysitting Workshop Ages 11+, 12-4 pm Registration Required</p> <p>Guitar Workshop Ages 13+, 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Education Information Night with Central AZ College 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>30 Summer Reading Kick-off Adventure 11 am-1 pm</p> <p>Read Better Be Better Tutoring for 2nd-5th graders Week 1, 3-4 pm Registration required</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons One Shot Campaign 5:30-7:30 pm Teens & Adults</p> <p>Native American Flute Music Workshop Week 2 Ages 10+, 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>31 Toddlers Ages 2-5, 10-10:45 am</p> <p>Kids Create 3:30-4:30 pm</p>	 <p>Sign up for our Newsletter!</p>

The City of Apache Junction invites and welcomes people of all disabilities to use our programs, sites and facilities. Any question about Library services for people with disabilities can be answered by our Library ADA Coordinator (480) 474-8555, TDD 711, or ada@ajpl.org. Additional information may be found at apachejunctionaz.gov/791/ADA-Accessibility-and-Civil-Rights.

LITTLES ~ AGES 0-5 YEARS

Storytimes will resume in June!

Preschool University ~ Tuesdays | 10-11 am

Great for preschoolers to build skills for kindergarten! Early literacy, STEM, dramatic play, fine motor skills & more.

Toddlerobics ~ Fridays | 10-10:45 am

Great class for ages 2-5, full of music, movement and fun! Once a month we do Yoga.
May 17 | Encanto Yoga

Storytime in the Garden ~ Saturday, May 11 | 10 am-Noon

Join us for a garden-themed storytime and craft at **Earth Heart Park & Community Garden** in Apache Junction. Learn about gardening from Master Gardeners, check out seeds, and visit the bookmobile!

Storywalk Night Walk ~ Saturday, May 18 | 7-9 pm

Celebrate National Kids to Parks Day by reading our NEW story and watching UP at **Prospector Park!**

Fun Van supported by First Things First

A 1.5 hour free class for parents or caregivers & their 0-5 year olds. Each class includes: craft, playtime, parent session, storytime and a book to keep! For questions, schedule and registration call 480.474.8559 or visit www.ajpl.org/funvan

KIDS ~ AGES 6-12 YEARS

Read Better Be Better ~ Week 1 | May 28 & 30 | 3-4 pm | Registration required for this 8 week series.

Free reading tutoring for grades 2-5! In partnership with Arizona's Read Better Be Better, a non-profit organization focusing on reading comprehension. Each child will be partnered up with a trained Middle or High School Student.

Kids Create ~ Fridays | 3:30-4:30 pm | Drop-in ~ After school crafts for school age kids.

STEM: Think Outside the Box ~ Saturdays | 10-11 am

STEM challenges for ages 8-12. Complete it to get a free book!

Cosmic Crafts ~ Saturdays | 2-3 pm | Drop-in ~ Kids can get crafty at the Library. Ages 6+

Battle of the Books ~ Thursday, May 9 | 6-8 pm

Competition amongst the best teams from the Apache Junction Elementary Schools, Junior High, and High School. The public is invited to watch and cheer on their team.

Paws 2 Read ~ Saturday, May 18 | 2-3:30 pm

Kids can improve their skills by reading to therapy animals. Ages 6+

Homeschool Social ~ Thursday, May 23 | 12:30-1:30 pm | REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Explore engineering by building with edible materials like marshmallows and pretzels.

TEENS ~ AGES 13-18

Pixel Art ~ Tuesday, May 21 | 5-7 pm

Create Pixel art with post-it notes around the library! Square snacks too!

TEENS & ADULTS ~ AGES 13+

YA Book Club ~ Monday, May 6 | 5-5:30 pm

We are reading Agatha Christie's *Mysterious Affair at Styles*.

LEGO Competition ~ Thursday, May 16 | 5:30-7 pm

Bring a partner and your creative spirit! Get ready to dive into our thousands of bricks and see what you can come up with for our mystery challenge. Best LEGO masters will earn prizes. Top creations will be displayed at the Library!

Custom Aprons with the Cricut ~ Tuesday, May 21 | 5:30-7:30 pm

Celebrate World Baking Day by customizing your own apron using the Cricut! REGISTRATION REQUIRED

ADULTS ~ AGES 18+

Tech Classes

B.U.S. Pass Orientation ~ Thursday, May 9 | 5-6 pm | ALL AGES WELCOME!

Basic Use & Safety Orientation for the Makerspace & Studio. AJ Library Card and Registration Required

Seed Up Meet Up ~ Wednesday, May 8 | 4-6 pm

Help us fill seed packets for our seed library, hear from Master Gardeners, ask questions about your home garden, & learn about Earth Heart Park and Community Garden. Theme: **Roses**

Ask a Master Gardener ~ Saturday, May 11 ~ 10 am-Noon

The Superstition Master Gardeners are here to answer any gardening questions you have.

Board Game Night ~ Monday, May 13 | 5-7 pm

Try your hand at new games and enjoy old favorites at our Board Games event!

Biblio Bites - Custom Hummus ~ Wednesday, May 15 | 3 pm | REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Learn how to transform the humble chickpea into the hearty, healthy Middle Eastern dip: hummus.

Books & Brews ~ Thursday, May 16 | 6:30-8 pm | at the Handlebar Pub & Grill, 650 W Apache Trail

Hang out with library staff for a laid-back book discussion. Theme-Books You're Buzzing About!

Summer Mystery Book Club ~ Tuesday, May 21 | 1:30 pm | I have Some Questions for You by Rebeca Makkai.

Apache Junction Writers ~ Thursday, May 2 at 1 pm AND Tuesday, May 21 at 6 pm

Are you an aspiring author or just like writing? Bring your work to share!

Art in the Library ~ Tuesdays | 9:30 am-Noon

Bring your own supplies and enjoy the company of other artists as you paint.

Mobile Library

May 6-11

Scan for
schedule



Dungeons & Dragons

Tuesdays ~ 5-6:30 pm
Ages 10-18

Tweens & Teens play every week! For new and experienced players.

Thursday, May 30
5:30-7:30 pm
Ages 13+

One Shot Campaigns for teens & adults!

Music Workshops & Programs

Guitar Workshop

Wednesdays

6-7:30 pm ~ Ages 10+

Learn guitar with accomplished musician, Lee Morris.

Native American Flute Club

Thursdays, May 2, 9, 16

6-7:30 pm ~ Ages 10+

Practice your skills with volunteer instructor, Larry Rybka.

Native American Flute Music Workshop

Thursdays, May 23, 30

6-7:30 pm ~ Ages 10+

Learn to play from our volunteer instructor, Larry Rybka.

Native American Flute Circle

Sat, May 18 ~ 9-11 am

At the Veteran's Memorial Gazebo

Flutes & Guitars available for Checkout

Sew Together

Let's Quilt! ~ Adults

Monday, May 20

1:30-3:30 pm

Love to quilt? Bring your supplies and enjoy the company of fellow quilters.

Sewing ~ Ages 10+

Wednesdays ~ 6-7:30 pm

Saturdays ~ 1-3 pm

(No session Wed, May 29)

Enjoy sewing no matter your experience level! Sewing machines & materials provided.

Wild West Crochet Club

Saturdays ~ 1-4 pm

Adults

Bring yarn and hooks and share your projects and experiences.

Babysitting Workshop

May 29 | 12-4 pm

This free workshop is for ages 11+. Learn how to be a successful babysitter!

- Basic Safety with SFMD
- Easy Crafts
- Simple Meals & Snacks
- Marketing
- Tips & Best Practices

REGISTER AT

Education Information Night

with Central Arizona College

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29
6-7:30 PM

Learn about career pathways, financial aid, and applications with representatives from Central Arizona College Superstition Mountain Campus!

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY.

SUMMER READING KICK-OFF ADVENTURE
THURSDAY, MAY 30 | 11 AM-1 PM

ACTIVITIES - VISIT COMMUNITY PARTNERS - FIRE TRUCK
FREE ICE CREAM FOR KIDS!
COURTESY OF BLUE BELL ICE CREAM

READ AND EARN PRIZES!
ALL AGES BIRTH-ADULTS
REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 24, 2024
LAST DAY OF SUMMER READING
JULY 13, 2024

PICK UP THE SUMMER READING BROCHURE FOR COMPLETE LIST OF ACTIVITIES!
(AVAILABLE AROUND MAY 13)

SUMMER IS COMING! The Library is looking for teens ages 12-17 to help out this summer!

Starts after Memorial Day!

Scan the QR Code for the Application!