

JULY 2023

RIDGECREST BRANCH LIBRARY EVENTS

131 E Las Flores Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

HOURS OPEN:
TUESDAY-THURSDAY, 11am-7pm
FRIDAY, 11am-6pm
SATURDAY, 10am-4pm

PHONE: 760.384.5870

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Early Learners 0-5
Children 6-11
Tween 9-12, Teen 13-18
Adults 19+
Youth 2-18
All Ages



01
10am-1pm - Minute to Win It Challenges
1:30-4pm - LEGO Challenge Cards

04 *Happy Independence Day!*
RED, WHITE, & BOOKS!

-----LIBRARY CLOSED-----

05
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Giant Connect 4, This or That)
1:30-2:30pm - Game Time
3-4pm - Junior Writers Camp for K-5th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)
4-5pm Junior Writers Camp for 6th-12th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)

06
10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Craft: Paper Megaphone, Target Toss, This or That)
1:30-2:30pm - Speed LEGO
3-4pm - Junior Writers Camp for K-5th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)
4-5pm Junior Writers Camp for 6th-12th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)

07
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Princess Guest Reader, Magnetic Fishing, This or That)
1:30-2:30pm - Play Doh Fun
3-4pm - Junior Writers Camp for K-5th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)
4-5pm Junior Writers Camp for 6th-12th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)

08
10am-12pm - Diamond Painting for Adults
12:30-2pm - Zentangles with Lori for Teens/Adults
3-4pm - Junior Writers Camp Final Day for K- 12th (East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club)

11
10:30-11:30am - Play and Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Tic Tac Toe Toss, This or That)
1:15-3pm - Mobile Office Hours for Senator Shannon Grove
1:30-3pm - Paint By Sticker (all ages)
3:30-5:30pm - Pokemon Trading Card Game Freeplay (Trade at Your Risk)

12
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Giant Connect 4, This or That)
11:30am-1:30pm - Cricut Kids Craft: Flower Garden AND Mini Maker Training (need forms signed to use Cricut)
1:30-3pm - Music Makers: Castanet and Singing Straws
3:30-5pm - Zentangles wth Lori (all ages)

13
10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Target Toss, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Generic vs Name Brand Taste Test
3:30-5:30pm - Button Making
3:30-5:30pm - Synthesizer Show and Touch (age 10+)

14
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Princess Guest Reader, Magnetic Fishing, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Little Learners: Paint with Water
3:30-5pm - Tabletop Time

15
12-2 pm - Tween/Teen Hangout with Snacks (and Farkle with Friends?)
2:15-3 pm - Bilingual Children's Musician Nathalia (sponsor: Friends of the Kern County Library, Inc.)

18
10:30-10:50am - Toddler Time
10:50-11:30am - Play and Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Tic Tac Toe Toss, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Poetry Stations
3:30-5:30pm - Code Breaking and Making

19
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Giant Connect 4, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Teen Friendship Bracelet Making (planned by Youth Development intern)
3:30-5pm - Binary Code Bracelets

20
10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Target Toss, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Giant Boggle and Giant Memory Match
3:30-5pm - DIY Magnetic Poetry (sponsor: East Sierra branch-California Writers Club)

21
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Magnetic Fishing, This or That)
1:30-4pm - Family Movie (G or PG)
4:30-6pm - Scorch Marker Projects for Teens/Adults

22
11am-3pm - Family Video Game Time with [RIDG]Gaming

25
10:30-11:30am - Play and Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Tic Tac Toe Toss, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Let's Make No Bake Snacks (sign up age 7+)
3:30-5pm - So You Want to Be a Baker?

26
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Giant Connect 4, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Little Learners: Fine Motor Skills Activities
3:30-5pm - Chocolate Tasting

27
10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Target Toss, This or That)
1-2pm - RC Booklovers (*The Keeper of Lost Things* by Ruth Hogan)
3-4pm - Books in Motion Performance by Heather Benes and the East Kern Ragtag Revels (sponsor: Kern Dance Alliance)

28 **FINALE FRIDAY!**
11-11:45am - Juggler David Cousin (sponsor: Friends of the Ridgecrest Branch Library)
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (Magnetic Fishing, This or That)
1:30-3pm - Tween/Teen Suncatchers (planned by Youth Development intern)
3:30-5:30pm - Tutu's Shave Ice (sponsor: Friends of the Ridgecrest Branch Library)

29
10am-12pm - In Case You Missed It: Craft Assortment
1-4pm - Pokemon Trading Card Game Tournament (sign up to save your spot, must stay the whole time; sponsored by AK Zer0 Gravity)

Find Your Voice summer reading CHALLENGE 2023



JUNE 1 - JULY 31
Read 10 Books or
Read for 10 Hours

and receive a **FREE** book from the Friends of the Kern County Library, Inc. and other prizes, *while supplies last!* Everyone, ages 0-100, is invited to participate.

Pick up a reading log at your local Kern County Library branch or sign up on Beanstack from your phone or computer and start reading titles YOU choose!



SCAN NOW
TO SIGN UP



**KERN
COUNTY
LIBRARY**



Junior Writers Boot Camp K-5
TUE.-SAT. JULY 5-8 | 3-4 P.M.
Junior Writers Boot Camp 6-12
TUE.-FRI. JULY 5-7 | 4-5 P.M.
SAT. JULY 8 | 3-4 P.M.

Kids in kindergarten-5th grade and 6th-12th grades will learn about writing characters and dialog, plot and action, an ending, and putting everything together into a book. Completed books can be put in our honor checkout area.

Zentangles with Lori for Teens/ Adults
SAT. JULY 8 | 12:30-2 P.M.
Zentangles with Lori for All Ages
WED. JULY 12 | 3:30-5 P.M.

Learn a relaxing and fun method of drawing structured patterns (tangles) with dots, lines, simple curves, S-curves, and orbs.



FREE Lunch at the Library
TUE-FRI. JULY 5-28 | 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.
This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The Summer Food Service Program is a program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, administered in California by the California Department of Education. Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California. Special thanks to Kern County Superintendent of Schools for their partnership.



Family Video Game Time with [RIDG]Gaming
SAT. JULY 22 | 11 A.M.-3 P.M.
Join us for a fun Saturday with Mario Kart and Mario Party on Switches with [RIDG]Gaming.

For Toddlers, Preschoolers, and Caregivers

Family Storytime | Ages: Family

THURSDAYS | 10:30 - 11:05 A.M.
Families are invited to join us for a few short stories with a shaker egg song and action rhymes. Stories listened to count for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten AND summer reading logs!

Play & Chat | Ages: 18 Months - 4 Years

TUESDAYS | 10:30 - 11:30 A.M.
Kids work on building social skills by playing with toddler friendly toys (magnet shapes, castle blocks, Duplos, and more) while caregivers chat. This also happens AFTER monthly Toddler Time (10:50-11:30 am).



Books in Motion Performance
THU. JULY 27 | 3-4 P.M.
Join us for a book come to life through dance performance by Heather Benes and the East Kern Ragtag Revels, followed by a short dance lesson, craft, and free book giveaway (as supply lasts) thanks to the Kern Dance Alliance.



FINALE FRIDAY!
Juggler David Cousin
FRI. JULY 28 | 11-11:45 A.M.
David Cousin (who has earned FIVE world records) returns this summer for a family-friendly juggling performance for ALL AGES!



Tutu's Shave Ice
FRI. JULY 28 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.
Stop by for a FREE shave ice to cool off!
FINALE FRIDAY sponsored by Friends of the Ridgecrest Branch Library!



Early Learners Programs
AT LEAST WEEKLY



Kids Programs
DAILY



Tween/Teen OR Teen Programs
WEEKLY (Tween/Teen OR Teen only)



Adult Programs
WEEKLY



We have something to do every day we are open!
Check the calendar for days, times, and intended age range.



Little Learners | Ages: 18 Months - 4 Years

FRI. JULY 14 | 1:30 - 3:00 P.M.
Stop by and work on building or strengthening fine motor skills by doing paint with water pages IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
WED. JULY 26 | 1:30 - 3:00 P.M.
Stop by and work on building or strengthening fine motor skills by doing fun activities IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

Toddler Time | Ages: 18 Months - 4 Years

TUE. JULY 18 | 10:30 - 10:50 A.M.
Very short session with songs, action rhymes, and two very short stories. Stories count for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten AND summer reading logs! Play and Chat happens after Toddler Time.

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Don't Miss Out on our SPECIAL Performances HAPPENING THIS MONTH

MAGIC OF JOSIAH

LOCAL MAGICIAN

Josiah's award winning magic is born out of his experiences growing up on the magical Islands of Hawaii! Josiah's show weaves the beauty and magic of the islands into his performances that give his audiences a truly unique and fun magical experience. All ages.

TUE. | JULY 11 | 11:45AM
TEHACHAPI BRANCH LIBRARY



NATHALIA BILINGUAL MUSICIAN

Nathalia's passion for bilingual education and South American heritage, creates an unforgettable performance that blends rock, cumbia, jazz, and reggaeton, ensuring a joyful experience for the whole family at the library this summer! All ages.

SAT. | JULY 15 | 11:45AM
KERN RIVER VALLEY BRANCH LIBRARY
SAT. | JULY 15 | 2:15PM
RIDGECREST BRANCH LIBRARY
TUE. | JULY 18 | 11:45AM
TEHACHAPI BRANCH LIBRARY

For more special events, visit us at KCLevents.org