



2024 Summer Reading Challenge



Ridgecrest Branch Library Events

JUNE 2024

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

131 E Las Flores Ave, Ridgecrest, CA 93555 • 760.384.5870

Hours Open:

Tuesday: 10am-7pm
Wednesday: 10am-7pm
Thursday: 10am-7pm
Friday: 10am-6pm
Saturday: 10am-4pm



Early Learners 0-5

Children 6-11

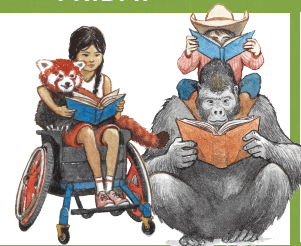
Tween 9-12

Teen 13-18

Adults 19+

Youth 2-18

All Ages



1 9:30-10:30am - Play & Chat
10:30am-1pm - SRC Kickoff (PACT Child ID from 10:30am-12:30pm, Cookies, Stories on the Hour @11am & 12pm, Bookmark Making)
2-3:30pm - Garden Watercolor Bookmarks

4 9:30-11:30am - Play & Chat
10:30am-2pm - Kern Mobile Health Clinic (dirt lot)
1:30-3pm - No Sew T-Shirt Bags
3:30-6pm - STEM: Packing Peanut and Toothpick Structures

5 9:30-11:30am - Build & Chat
1:30-3pm - Maturango Museum Presents: Owls & Owl Pellets
3:30-6pm - Recycled Collage Bookmark Making

6 9:30-11:30am - Family Storytime: Recycling & Freeplay
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Tic-Tac-Toe Toss, Visitor: Waste Management Recycle Truck)
1:30-3pm - Build w/Recycled Materials
3:30-4:30pm - Middle School Art Connection
5-6:45pm - Chess Freeplay Plus Games

7 9:30-11:30am - Baby Bounce & Play
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Hoop Toss, Princess Visitor from Sierra Academy of Dance)
1:30-3pm - DIY Thaumatrope + Zoetropes
3:30-5:45pm - Read for a Donut (National Donut Day)

8 9:30-10:30am - Play & Chat
10-11:30am - CD Scratch Art
12-1:30pm - Secret Hollow Book Decorating (sign up; limited supply)
2-3:30pm - TWEEN Party

11 9:30-11:30am - Play & Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Giant Connect 4, Visitor: CERT- Community Emergency Response Team)
1:30-3pm - Magazine Strip Animal Silhouette
3:30-6pm - LEGO Challenge: Animal

12 9:30-11:30am - Build & Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Magnetic Fishing, Visitor: RidgeWriters)
1:30-3pm - Maturango Museum Presents: Reptiles
3:30-4:30pm - Endangered Animals Near Us + Endangered Animal Activity
5-6:45pm - Chess Freeplay Plus Games

13 10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime: Endangered Animals
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Tic-Tac-Toe Toss)
1:30-2:30pm - Music Instrument Showcase (string and brass)
3:30-6pm - Crafternoon: Endangered Animals

14 9:30-11:30am - Baby Play/Books & Background Music
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Hoop Toss, Princess Visitor from Sierra Academy of Dance)
1:30-3pm - Corner Bookmark + Puppets
3:30-5pm - TWEEN/TEEN Peep Tasting

15 9:30-10:30am - Play & Chat
10:30-11:15am - Omnipresent Puppet Theater
12-3pm - Radio Kids Day with Sierra Amateur Radio Club

18 9:30-11:30am - Play & Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Giant Connect 4)
1:30-3pm - Crafternoon: Butterflies, Ladybugs, Flowers (flowers: Ridgecrest Toys for Tots)
3:45-5:45pm - D&D Adventure League

19 9:30-11:30am - Build & Chat
11am-12pm - N.Y.M. Book Club
1:30-3pm - Styrofoam Embroidery
3:30-4:30pm - Anime and More
5-6pm - Paint by Sticker

20 9:30-11:30am - Family Storytime: Plants/Pollinators & Freeplay
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Tic-Tac-Toe Toss)
1:30-3pm - Zentangles for Kids with Lori (guided activity; be on time)
3:30-5:30pm - Michael Albert Pop Art

21 9:30-11:30am - Baby Bounce & Play
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Hoop Toss, Princess Visitor from Sierra Academy of Dance)
1:30-3pm - No Sew Sock Caterpillar
3:30-4:30pm - Book Bingo

22 9:30-10:30am - Play & Chat
10:30am-12:30pm - Puzzle Swap
1-2pm - N.Y.M. Book Club
2:30-3:45pm - TEEN Party

25 9:30-11:30am - Play & Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Giant Connect 4, Visitor: Grossman Burn Center)
1:30-3pm - Crafternoon: Space & Stars (giveaway: Ridgecrest Toys for Tots)
3:30-4:30pm - Show and Tell
5-6:45pm - LEGO Challenge: Boat

26 9:30-11:30am - Build & Chat
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Magnetic Fishing, Visitor: Liberty Ambulance/Hands Only CPR)
1:30-3pm - DIY Magnetic Fishing Game (age 3+)
3:30-6pm - Crafternoon: Ocean Life

27 10:30-11:05am - Family Storytime: Ocean Life
11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Tic-Tac-Toe Toss)
3:30-4:30pm - Choose Your Own Adventure: You Decide!
5-6:45pm - Chess Freeplay Plus Games

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11:30am-12:30pm - Lunch @ the Library (This or That, Hoop Toss, Princess Visitor from Sierra Academy of Dance)
1:30-3pm - Crafternoon: Sub & Boats
3:30-4:30pm - Magic of Josiah

29 9:30-10:30am - Play & Chat
11am-3pm - Family Video Game Time with [RIDG]Gaming



► Kids



NO SEW T-SHIRT BAGS TUE 6/4 1:30-3pm

Learn to make a no sew t-shirt bag using fabric scissors and basic knot tying! We have t-shirts, but feel free to bring in a t-shirt with a specific design.



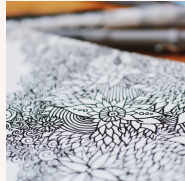
DIY THAUMATROPE + ZOETROPE FRI 6/7 1:30-3pm

For "trash to treasure" week, make a zootrope using a CD and/or a thaumatrope. Come in July to make one if you can't make it in June, or to get more design options.



ENDANGERED ANIMALS NEAR US + ENDANGERED ANIMAL ACTIVITY WED 6/12 3:30-4:30pm

Learn about some endangered animals "near" Ridgecrest and participate in an educational activity.



ZENTANGLES FOR KIDS WITH LORI THU 6/20 1:30-3pm

Lori returns for a kid-friendly session. Please be on time for this guided activity. Late arrivals will get a coloring sheet. (We will have a tween/teen/adult session in July!)



MICHAEL ALBERT POP ART EXPERIENCE THU 6/20 3:30-5:30pm

Modern pop artist, Michael Albert shares his art and how it evolved into pop collage. During this hands-on workshop, participants will receive a special gift for attending.

► Teens



SECRET HOLLOW BOOK DECORATING SAT 6/8 12-1:30pm

Decorate a secret hollow book! Call the library during open hours to sign up and save your spot due to limited supply.



TWEEN PARTY SAT 6/8 2-3:30pm

Tweens age 9-12 will enjoy snacks, games, and more.

TEEN PARTY SAT 6/22 2:30-3:45pm

Teens age 13-18 will enjoy snacks and more (sometimes D&D).



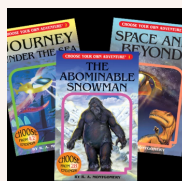
TWEEN/TEEN PEEP TASTING FRI 6/14 3:30-5pm

Tweens (age 9-12) and teens (age 13-18) can stop by to taste some different flavors of Peeps! After the program, younger children or adults may taste what is left.



NO SEW SOCK CATERPILLAR FRI 6/21 1:30-3pm

Learn to make a no sew caterpillar out of a sock. We have crew socks available, but feel free to bring in a crew sock with a specific design.



CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE: YOU DECIDE! THU 6/27 3:30-4:30pm

Help us decide which way to go on the adventure! Will we make it to the end or will we fall victim to something? You will help us decide. Participants may read aloud if they choose to.

► Youth



SRC KICKOFF SAT 6/1 10:30am-1pm CHILD ID 10:30am-12:30pm

Start off the Summer Reading Challenge with cookies, Stories on the Hour (11 am & 12 pm) and bookmark making. Be sure to sign up because stories listened to count towards the 10 books or 10 hours!



MUSIC INSTRUMENT SHOWCASE THU 6/13 1:30-2:30pm

Learn about and listen to a variety of string and brass instruments with members of the Ridgecrest Youth Symphony and the BHS Band!



OMNIPRESENT PUPPET THEATER SAT 6/15 10:30-11:15am

Join us for a fun musical puppet adventure called "Beyond the Heap: A Trash to Treasure Tale" featuring recycled items, thanks to East Sierra Branch- CA Writers Club.



MAGIC OF JOSIAH FRI 6/28 3:30-4:30pm

Magician Josiah returns with highly entertaining stories and crowd interaction, thanks to the Friends of the Kern County Library, Inc.



LUNCH AT THE LIBRARY TUES-FRI 11:30am-12:30pm

Free lunches for kids and teens ages 2-18. No sign up required - just show up!

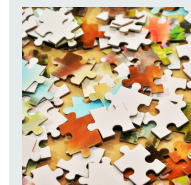
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► All Ages



RADIO KIDS DAY WITH SIERRA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB SAT 6/15 12-3pm

Kids, teens, and adults will learn about amateur radio with some fun activities.



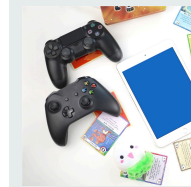
PUZZLE SWAP SAT 6/22 10:30am-12:30pm

Bring a puzzle you are finished with to swap for a new-to-you puzzle! Puzzles will be available to anyone from 12 pm (no swapping required).



SHOW AND TELL TUE 6/25 3:30-4:30pm

Do you have something you want to show the audience and tell us about? Bring in something cool that you own or a picture of something you want to tell us about.



FAMILY VIDEO GAME TIME WITH [RIDG] GAMING SAT 6/29 11am-3pm

Stop by to play some family-friendly games in the Community Room, thanks to [RIDG] Gaming!

Can you read or
listen to 10 books
this summer?



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