

July 2026

Teens' EVENT GUIDE

Southwest Branch Library

Find us!

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Hours

Monday - Thursday	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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For more event information, visit our website - www.kclevents.org
Library workshops, performances, and events are FREE and open to the public. We're adding more programs all the time!
At times, programs may be rescheduled or canceled without advance notice.



SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

Ages 6-18 Heart & Soul Line Dance

Monday, July 6th | 5:30pm-6:30pm | Library Center

Learn how to line dance with Heart and Soul! It doesn't matter if, when you're on the dance floor, you have two left feet or can't be beat, there's a place in line for you to join us!

Ages 6-18 Bawks and Books

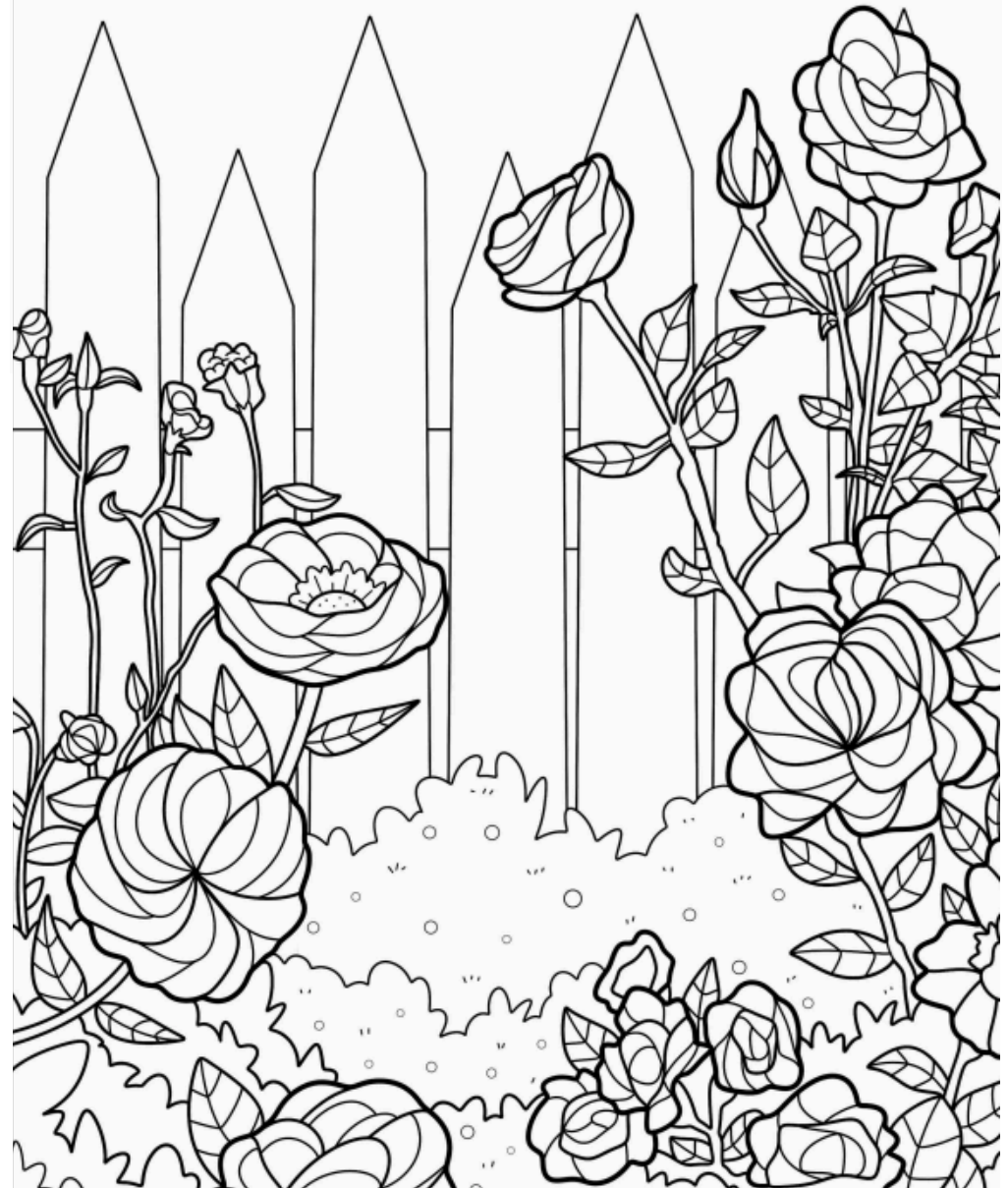
Wednesday, July 15th | 2:00pm-4:00pm | Library Center

Come enjoy a chicken-themed day at the library, with stories about chickens and featuring a mobile petting zoo with chickens!

Ages 6-18 Master Gardening Partnership Program

Tuesday, July 21st | 2:00pm-3:00pm | Library Center

Find out how to garden with the UC Master Gardener Program! You're invited to experiment with nature and see how the natural world works. Come dig into the science of plants, soil, and water with us. You'll learn cool tricks to grow plants successfully, save water, and take care of our planet!



Summer Reading Challenge

TAKE THE CHALLENGE AND JOIN THE FUN!

This Summer, spend time exploring books, history, social justice, and STEAM through books and creative activities. At the Kern County Library, we encourage you to be creative, try new things, explore art, and find beauty in diversity.

Who's Invited

Everyone, 0-110.

How to Participate

Participants can log books, hours, and activities online by registering at –  **Beanstack** or by completing the paper log.

Awards & Prizes

Readers receive (while supplies last):
A FREE book from the Friends of the Kern County Library, Inc.
A FREE bookmark, and digital badges when you log online.



SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

Ages 6-18

Awesome Sauce!

Monday, July 27th | 10:30am-11:30am | Community Room

Join food ethnographers June Jo and Philip for a food-tasting experience like no other! Create your own Awesome Sauce—spicy, sweet, mild, or bold—and explore how flavors carry stories across families, cultures, and generations. Along the way, we'll learn how Korean meals encourage creativity and choice right at the table. Kids can take home their own Awesome Sauce and, hopefully, a newfound love for vegetables. Supplies are limited, so plan to arrive early!

250
YEARS

Library Closure Notice HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!



All Kern County Library branches will be closed Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Branches will reopen Monday, July 6, and resume normal business hours. We wish everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July!

EVENTS FOR TEENS

Family Silent Game Night

Tuesday, July 7th | 4:00pm-5:00pm | Library Center

In Family Silent Game Night, People can learn to use sign language and communication boards to play games.

Ages 12-18 Teen Time Tote Bags

Saturday, July 11th | 2:00pm-3:00pm | Community Room

Enjoy an afternoon of creative expression by decorating and personalizing your very own custom tote bag!

Ages 12-18 Teen Time

Saturday, July 18th & 25th | 2:00pm-3:00pm | Community Room

An opportunity for teens to socialize and enjoy fun, low-stress activities.

Board Game Night

Monday, July 20th | 4:00pm-5:00pm | Library Center

Board Game Night at the Library is filled with fun games for all ages. from Monopoly, to chess, to Pokemon, there's a game for everyone and every level of experience. Bring your friends and family to enjoy a fun, action-packed evening.



LUNCH — at the — LIBRARY

In partnership with the Kern High School District, the Southwest Branch Library is offering FREE lunches for kids ages 2-18 in June and July. Join us for a free meal and fun activities all summer long!

Monday - Saturday

12:00 pm- 1:00 pm

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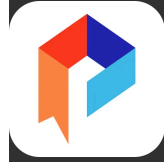
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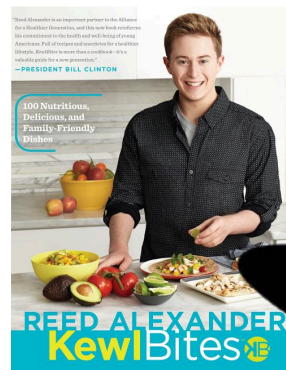


For more information, visit our website — kerncountylibrary.org and access the Online resources or scan the QR code.

Library Resources



Plant a Seed, Read



Did you know you can use your *Kew Library card* to check out a free vehicle day-use pass for 200+ California state parks?

For More information visit your local library



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JULY 2026

wednesday

thursday

friday

saturday

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Teen Time Tote Bags
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Bawks & Books
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Branch Hours:

Mon.-Thurs. 10am-7pm

Fri. 10am-6pm

Sat. 10am-4pm

