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December 2026

Teens' EVENTS GUIDE

Baker Branch Library



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Events for Teens



BAKER STREET TTRPG GUILD

16+ ***WEDNESDAYS, DECEMBER 2ND & 16TH | 4-6PM***

Embark with us across a multiverse of games in strange and familiar worlds. This month, we'll be playing Daggerheart, where Hope can tip the scales against Fear and heroes are born from humble beginnings.



ORIGAMI

KIDS & TEENS ***THURSDAYS, DECEMBER 3RD & 17TH | 3:30***

Try your hand at this traditional Japanese art and see what you can create! We will have printed out tutorials and staff will be available to help.

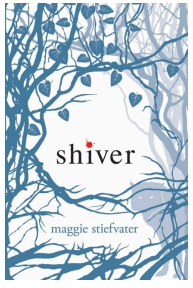


MAGIC: THE GATHERING 101

ALL AGES ***THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10TH | 3:30-4:30PM***

We invite you to come join us and learn the basics of how to play 'Magic the Gathering!' Or, if you already play, hang out and play with other Magic enthusiasts!

WINTER HOLIDAY PICK



Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater

For years, Grace has watched the wolves in the woods behind her house. One yellow-eyed wolf—her wolf—is a chilling presence she can't seem to live without.

Meanwhile, Sam has lived two lives: In winter, the frozen woods, the protection of the pack, and the silent company of a fearless girl. In summer, a few precious months of being human... until the cold makes him shift back again.

Now, Grace meets a yellow-eyed boy whose familiarity takes her breath away. It's her wolf. It has to be. But as winter nears, Sam must fight to stay human—or risk losing himself, and Grace, forever.

ACTIVITY PAGE: WINTER 2026

My favorite food to eat during Winter is:

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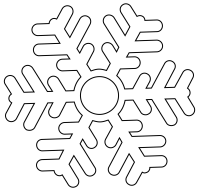
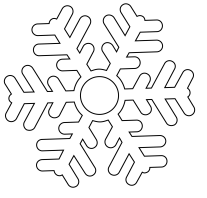
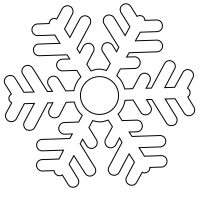
My Top 3 Books that Take Place During Winter:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Complete the poem:

During Winter, snowflakes fall.

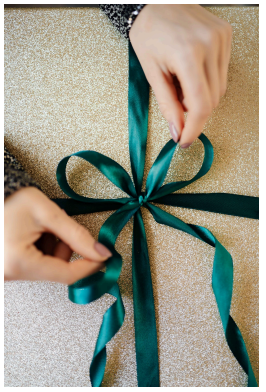
During Winter, _____

HOLIDAY GIFT WRAPPING

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11TH @ 4 PM

Celebrate the season with us at Baker Library! We'll provide a festive selection of wrapping paper and supplies so you can make your gifts extra special. All ages are welcome—bring your friends and family for a joyful holiday experience!



LOUIE CRUZ BELTRAN'S: RHYTHM AND ROOTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19TH @ 1 PM

ALL AGES

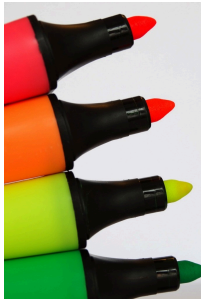
An East Bakersfield native, musician Louie Cruz Beltran brings his interactive, fun, and informative Rhythm and Roots presentation to the Baker Branch Library! Using humor and authentic and unusual instruments, Louie explores the origins of Afro Cuban and Mexican rhythms, how they made their way into today's music, and imparts an uplifting message of music education and empowerment through the arts.





All Branches Closed – Staff Development Day

All Kern County Library branches will be CLOSED on Friday, December 4, 2026, for an all-staff meeting.
Thank you for your patience as our staff take time to build new skills and knowledge to better serve our community.
Regular hours will resume Saturday, December 5, 2026.



DIY HOODIES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH | 4-5PM

Get ready for Winter by decorating your own hoodie! Use fun colors and unique stencils to turn your Winter outerwear into a fashion statement! Supplies will be provided for this program, including hoodies, but you are more than welcome to bring your own.



BINGO!

ALL AGES ***WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23RD | 4-5PM***

Back by popular demand, the Baker Branch will be hosting monthly Bingo nights! Join for a fun time and the chance to win some prizes!



BAKER BRANCH MAKER SPACE

The Baker Branch Library now has sewing machines available for public use! Bring in whatever project you are working on and ask our staff for a sewing machine. Instructional guides will be available for the machine. Please bring your own fabric. New or freshly washed fabric donations are welcome!

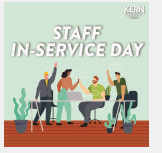




Winter Recess Closure

The holidays are here! Kern County Library branches will be CLOSED Thursday, December 24, 2026, through Friday, January 1, 2027. We'll welcome you back during regular hours on Saturday, January 2, 2027.
Keep the reading going over the break! Our eLibrary is open 24/7 with eBooks, audiobooks, and more, all available with your FREE Kern County Library card!

DECEMBER 2026

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	1. *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	2. Baker Street TTRPG Guild 4-6PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	3. Origami 3PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	4.  ***LIBRARY IS CLOSED FOR ALL STAFF***	5.
7.	8. *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	9. *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	10. Magic the Gathering 101 3:30PM-4:30PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	11. Holiday Gift Wrapping 4PM-6PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	12.
14.	15. DIY Hoodies 4-5PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	16. Baker Street TTRPG Guild 4-6PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	17. Origami 3PM *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	18. *Supper & Snacks 3-6PM*	19. Louie Cruz Beltran: Rhythm and Roots 1PM
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