# **April Community Events Calendar**

## **PHOENIX**

#### **Downtown Phoenix Farmers Market**

Saturdays | 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. 720 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Phoenix AZ 85004 Dtphxfarmersmarket.org Free

Downtown Phoenix Farmers Market is committed to seasonally grown, local foods, and products. We take immense pride in our weekly, urban event where residents and visitors can shop community farmers and small businesses year-round. Open, rain or shine.

#### **Phoenix Art Museum**

Pay What You Wish Every Wednesday | 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. 1625 N Central Ave, Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Every Wednesday the Museum offers voluntary donation times for general admission and reduced rates to view special engagement exhibitions. Consider making a donation to support your Museum.

### **Arizona Science Center**

Open daily | 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. 600 E. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85004 Adult: \$19.95 Child (3-17): \$14.95

### **Phoenix Zoo**

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 455 W. Galvin Parkway Phoenix, AZ Adult (14+): \$29.95, Child (3-13): \$19.95 Zoo lights

## **Desert Botanical Garden**

7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

1201 N. Galvin Parkway Phoenix, AZ

General Admission: \$14.95 to \$29.95, Youth (3-17): \$9.95 to \$14.95

Music in the Garden Friday's: \$34.95- \$39.95 | Time Varies

Additional events listed on website <a href="https://dbg.org/explore/events/">https://dbg.org/explore/events/</a>

## **First Fridays**

April 5<sup>th</sup> | 4 p.m. Downtown Phoenix Free

Enjoy free admission to the Heard Museum, as well as street vendors and music in Downtown Phoenix.

## **Arizona Renaissance Festival**

Saturdays and Sundays from February 3<sup>rd</sup>-April 3<sup>rd</sup> | 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

12601 E. US Highway 60, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118

Adults: \$34, Children 5-12: \$22, Kids 4 and under: Free

The Renaissance Festival is a medieval outdoor amusement park, a 16-stage theatre, a 50-acre circus, an arts and crafts fair, a Jousting Tournament, and a fest, all rolled into one non-stop, day-long, family adventure.

### **Phoenix Suns**

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> | Time Varies Footprint Center, Downtown Phoenix Tickets start at \$29 https://www.footprintcenter.com/event/

## **Maricopa County Fair**

April 5<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> closed Mon-Wed | 11 a.m. to 12 a.m. 1826 W. McDowell Rd. Phoenix, AZ

### SCOTTSDALE

## **Scottsdale Public Library-Appaloosa**

M-Thur: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. F-Sat: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 7377 E. Silverstone Dr. Scottsdale, AZ 85255

### **Scottsdale Public Library-Arabian**

M-Thur: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. F-Sat: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 10215 E. McDowell Mountain Ranch Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85255

## **Scottsdale Public Library-Civic Center**

Building Open M and W from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and F and Sat from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 3839 N. Drinkwater Blvd. Scottsdale, AZ

## **Scottsdale Public Library-Mustang**

Building Open M and W from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and F and Sat from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 10101 N. 90th St. Scottsdale, AZ

### **ArtWalk**

Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, & 25<sup>th</sup> | 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Old Town Arts District

Enjoy Scottsdale ArtWalk - an American original. From 7-9 p.m. every Thursday, Old Town galleries open their doors to collector and casual patrons alike to enjoy featured artists, a cultural environment and refreshments.

### Farmer's Market

Saturdays | 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

3806 N. Brown Ave. Scottsdale, AZ 85251

The market is in its 11th year and features more than 100 local growers and specialty food producers. Be ready to find a wide variety of organic and pesticide-free produce, seasonal specialties such as cider and apples, flowers, natural pork, beef, fish, free-range eggs from Arizona growers. You'll also find cheese, freshly baked artisan breads, jams, tamales, and so much more. The market is family friendly and well-mannered pets are welcome!

## **Farmer's Market North Scottsdale**

Saturdays | 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

8711 E. Pinnacle Peak Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Local Farmers Market in North Scottsdale consisting of Farmers, Artisans and Food Trucks.

## **Family Earth Festival**

April 20<sup>th</sup> | 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Cactus Park

7202 E. Cactus Rd. Scottsdale, AZ

Come celebrate Earth and Arbor Day at the city of Scottsdale's Earth Fest 9-11 a.m. April 20, at Cactus Park! Bring family and friends to explore sustainability-focused educational booths and learn about the city's eco-friendly initiatives. This free event will also feature a tree and cactus planting ceremony to mark Scottsdale's 42nd year being recognized as a Tree City USA community.

### **Scottsdale Jazz Festival**

April 27<sup>th</sup> | 4 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The Molina Fine Jewelers Scottsdale Jazz Blues & Brews Festival Presented by Mercedes-Benz of Scottsdale is coming to the Scottsdale Civic Center's new East Bowl April 27.

Grammy award-winning contemporary Jazz/R&B superstar Norman Brown headlines this signature event. Other artists include internationally known New Orleans jazz saxophonist Donald Harrison, renown vocalist Nayo Jones and more. In addition to a captivating array of sounds and sights, food showcasing the flavors of New Orleans will be on hand as well as a beer garden. Gates open at 3 p.m.

### **Summer Concert Series**

April 28<sup>th</sup> through June 23<sup>rd</sup> Sundays | 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

McCormick Stillman Railroad Park

7301 E. Indian Bend Rd. Scottsdale, AZ

Rock and roll at the Railroad Park is back on track! Enjoy free concerts every Sunday evening with a variety of local bands. Recently recognized as one of the best live music venues in Arizona by Best of American Towns, Sundays at The Railroad Park are the place to be in Scottsdale this May. With Motown, Disco, Rhythm and Blues and Retro 90's, we've got a little something for everyone. Bring a blanket or chair and relax in the park. Pack an picnic or enjoy something tasteful from Hartley's General Store or one of the food trucks that will be onsite.

### **MESA**

## **Arizona Museum of Natural History**

T-Sat: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

53 N Macdonald St. Mesa, AZ 85201

Phone: 480.644.2230

Admission: \$7 for children; \$13 ages 13 and up Arizona Museum of Natural History Website

The mission of the Arizona Museum of Natural History is to interpret and preserve the record of the natural world and our place in it, and to promote understanding and respect of the Southwest in a global context.

## **Mesa Market Place Swap Meet**

Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays: 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

10550 E Baseline Rd. Mesa, AZ 85209

Phone: 480.380.5572

### Mesa Market Place Website

We're open year-'round! We're open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We're a Covered Open-Air Market! Lots of fresh air! Plan on making a fun Family Outing to Mesa Market Place! Give our 700 Local Small Business Merchants a look! They've stocked 1400 Shop Spaces full! Thank you in advance for heading out and discovering our Merchants! Parking is free, admission is free, and our live music in our Food Court is also free! Our live music entertainment starts at 9am and goes until 3pm.

### **Downtown Mesa Farmers Market**

Saturdays | Winter Hours: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Oct – April) | Summer Hours: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. (May – Sept) 1 East Main St. Mesa, AZ

## Downtown Mesa Farmers Market Website

Downtown Mesa Farmers Market is a year-round market! Our goal is to help Arizona small businesses flourish by providing a fun and inviting environment for them to sell in. Families and community members will enjoy the Mesa Arts Center, the perfect setting for outdoor shopping, eating, playing and listening to live music.

### **Mesa Arts Center**

T-Sat | 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

1 East Main St. Mesa, AZ

## Mesa Arts Center Website

Mesa Contemporary Arts (MCA) Museum is the exciting visual art exhibition space at Mesa Arts Center. In five stunning galleries, MCA Museum showcases curated and juried exhibitions of contemporary art by emerging and internationally recognized artists. MCA Museum also offers lectures by significant artists and arts professionals, art workshops and a volunteer Docent program.

## **Golfland Sunsplash**

Daily | 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

155 W. Hampton Ave. Mesa, AZ 85210

## **Golfland Sunsplash Website**

Golfland Sunsplash is Arizona's premier family fun destination. Featuring over 30 exciting rides and attractions in one location! From thrilling waterslides, to award winning miniature golf, Golfland Family Fun Center and Sunsplash Water Park has something for the whole family! We can't wait to see you here! We are easy to find just outside of Phoenix in Mesa, AZ.

### **Sunset Market**

Every Third Thursday: 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Main and Macdonald in Downtown Mesa, AZ

A variety of local vendors specializing in fresh grocery products, tasty hot food, artisan goods, and so much more! Including live music and demonstrations every market!

Mesa Sunset Market

### The Yard Off Main

Now Through Mid-April 2024

1 N. MacDonald Dr. Mesa, AZ 85201 Yard Off Main

The Yard Off Main - your new Downtown Mesa place to be for a meeting, coffee, brown bag lunch, or just to sway to the rhythm of local bands every Friday at Sunset Sounds! Bring your latte, picnic, yoga mat and your dancing feet - we'll supply bistro tables, benches, a stage, yard games, even a good ol' fashioned Yard swing! You can relax with friends, meet with coworkers, compete with cornhole, or simply enjoy the AZ version of winter weather while people-watching. The Yard Off Main - a new community gathering space in Downtown Mesa.

Weekly Attractions:

**Farm to Mesa Market:** Sundays 8am-12pm - A variety of vendors featuring grocery products, artisan goods, and more!

**Food Truck Mondays:** Mondays 10am-1pm - Food trucks will be on-site every Monday. Eat, relax, and challenge your friends to our yard games!

**Downtown Coffee Break:** Tuesdays 10am-11am - Take a break and join us for coffee! Bring your own or grab a cup from our local cafés. If you purchase a drink from a Downtown Mesa business, show us your receipt for a chance to win a \$10 Downtown Mesa gift card.

**Focus on Fun:** Thursdays - Experience interactive activities to enrich your imagination! Literacy through drama and more for all ages. Don't miss our Sunset Market on the third Thursday of each month from 4-8pm.

**Sunset Sounds:** Fridays 5pm-7pm - Watch the sunset, tap your toes to a variety of local bands, then dine at one of our restaurants!

Saturdays: Stay tuned for special event announcements!

## **Celebrate Mesa Spring 2024**

April 13<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Pioneer Park

526 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85203

Celebrate Mesa and all it has to offer at this FREE family festival!

Main Stage: Freddie Duran y Amigos

Some of the fun family activities include: AZ Mobile Petting Zoo, Fun2See Face Painting, Social Axe, Mini

### **CHANDLER**

#### **Chandler Museum**

T-Sat. | 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Sun. | 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 300 S. Chandler Village Dr. Chandler, AZ 85226 FREE Admission

## **Chandler Museum Website**

The Chandler Museum campus features both locally produced and nationally traveling exhibits exploring culture, history, and art and serves as the East Valley History Center for researchers.

The museum boosts a new 10,000 square foot facility adjacent to the historic McCullough-Price House. The modern building is the centerpiece of the new museum campus, designed to complement the historic house, preserving and honoring the past while representing Chandler's progress as a community with a bright future. On Saturdays, the museum offers family activities.

### **Tumbleweed Ranch**

Daily | 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 2250 S. McQueen Rd., Chandler, AZ 85286

## **Tumbleweed Ranch Website**

Tumbleweed Ranch, operated by **Chandler Museum**, explores Chandler's agricultural roots. Beginning in the 1890s, cotton, dairy, sheep, citrus, alfalfa, sugar beets, and other agricultural pursuits shaped our community. In 1999, a portion of Tumbleweed Park was preserved in order to tell the story the East Valley's agricultural history. The 14 acres of Tumbleweed Ranch serve as a location for school field trips, the Ostrich Festival, Chandler High School Future Farmers of America, and the Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-off. Features of the Ranch include the McCroskey House, Edwards House, Red Shed Theater, an early 1900s grocery store, FFA demonstration fields, and antique agricultural equipment.

### **Chandler Fashion Center**

M-Sat.|: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. | 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. 3111 W. Chandler Blvd. Chandler, AZ 85226

## **Chandler Fashion Square Website**

Chandler Fashion Center is the Southeast Valley's premier shopping destination with an upscale collection of more than 185 stores including Ann Taylor, Coach, Chico's, H&M, Apple, Sephora, lululemon athletica, The Disney Store, LEGO, and Michael Kors. Hungry? We have an array of dining options to satisfy any palette including BJ's Restaurant | Brewhouse, Firebirds Wood Fired Grill, P.F. Changs, The Cheesecake Factory, or Wildflower Bread Company. Chandler Fashion Center is a must-stop-shopping destination.

### **GILBERT**

#### Studio 223

W-Th.: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | F: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. | Sat.: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

223 N. Gilbert Rd. Gilbert, AZ 85234

Studio 223 Website

Studio 223 is a creative DIY Studio, Makers Space, and Retail Shop located in the heart of historic downtown Gilbert, AZ. We saw a need for a space where people could create & shop amongst all of the amazing restaurants in downtown Gilbert. So, whether you are looking for a place to throw a birthday party, host a team building event, baby shower or a girls night out...Studio 223 is the place to do it! We also host a variety of open workshop-style classes ranging from the OH-SO-POPULAR Wood Sign Workshop, Intro to Power Tools, You Build It Workshops, Cookie Decorating, Hand Lettering, Floral Arranging and so much more!

## **Southeast Regional Library**

M – Th: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | F-Sat.: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Sun: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 775 N. Greenfield Rd. Gilbert, AZ 85234

## Southeast Regional Library Website

The Southeast Regional Library opened in April, 1999. The Library is on the southeast corner of Guadalupe and Greenfield Road, adjacent to the Riparian Preserve at Water Ranch, a 110 acre park and wildlife preserve in the Town of Gilbert. The state-of-the-art, 66,000-sq. ft. facility offers over 170,700 materials in all formats, Internet accessible public computers, activity computers for children, public word processing computers, and programming for all ages. Come join us!

### **Riparian Preserve at Water Ranch**

Daily | 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. (trails open dawn to dusk) 2757 E. Guadalupe Rd. Gilbert, AZ 85234 Riparian Preserve Website

## **Gilbert Farmers Market**

Saturdays | 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. (May through September) | 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (October through April) 222 N. Ash St, Gilbert, AZ 85234

Gilbert Farmers Market Website

Gilbert Farmers Market (GFM) is located in Downtown Gilbert just West of the iconic Water Tower and is open every Saturday. The market features local, chemical-free, organic produce from many local farmers, farm fresh eggs, meat, cheese, bread, sweets, coffee & tea, sauces, seasonings and many other locally made artisan products.

## **April Pools Day**

April 6<sup>th</sup> | 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mesquite Aquatic Center 100 W. Mesquite St., Gilbert, AZ 85233

Enjoy an early swim day for families. The event will include: games, local vendors, music, and food tucks.

## Gilbert Cinemas - Movie in the Park

April 12<sup>th</sup> | Wonka

April 26<sup>th</sup> | Trolls Band Together

May 10<sup>th</sup> | Super Marios Bros

May 24<sup>th</sup> | Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

Gilbert Regional Park

3005 E Queen Creek Rd., Gilbert, AZ 85298

Gilbert Cinemas are back for the Spring season! Come join us for a fun, family-friendly movie night. Space will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs. Outside food and drinks are allowed, or you can visit one of the food vendors onsite at the Gilbert Regional Park events. Dogs are welcome, but must remain on a leash at all times. Don't forget to pick up after your furry friend!

## **QUEEN CREEK**

## **Queen Creek Library**

M – Th: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. | F – Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 21802 S. Ellsworth Rd. Queen Creek, AZ 85142

## Queen Creek Library Website

Queen Creek Library, located at the northwest corner of Ellsworth and Ocotillo Roads, opened in November 2008. The library is designed to provide a gathering place for people of all ages. It includes the Mary Lou Fulton Children's Center, a Teen Oasis, general reading areas, public computers, and study rooms.

## **Schnepf Farms**

Th-Sun | 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 24810 S Rittenhouse Rd. Queen Creek, AZ 85142

**Schnef Farms UPICK** 

The Garden always has something ready to pick. Prices will vary with produce, but you can expect naturally grown vegetables, all pesticide free. The quality is the best that you can buy.

### **Mansel Carter Oasis Park**

Mansel Park: Daily | 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Lake at Mansel Park: Daily | 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Splash Pad at Mansel Park: Daily | 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Wheel Friendly Plaza: Daily | 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. 19535 E. Appleby Road Queen Creek, AZ 85142

Mansel Carter Oasis Park

## **ANTHEM**

## **Anthem Community Park**

Splash pad hours: Daily | 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Daisy Mountain Railroad Ride

623-551-5880

M: 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.; W-F: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Sat.-Sun.: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

41703 N Gavilan Peak Pkwy. Anthem, AZ 85086 623-879-3011

The community park also has soccer and softball fields, basketball and pickleball courts, sand volleyball, a skate park, dog park, community center, and nearby Veterans Memorial.

There is a detailed schedule on the Anthem community website for group fitness classes, community pool hours, and other recreational activities.

https://www.onlineatanthem.com/events/index.php

## **North Valley Regional Library**

M-Th: 2:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Fri: Closed; Sat-Sun.: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 40410 N Gavilan Peak Pkwy. Anthem, AZ 85086 602-652-3000

https://mcldaz.org/locations/northvalley/

### **Anthem Cars & Coffee**

April 6<sup>th</sup> | 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**Anthem Outlets** 

4250 W. Anthem Way Anthem, AZ 85086

Join us for the next Anthem Cars and Coffee Car Show. Come out and enjoy food, beverages, and check out the cool cars. Show your cool car for free.

#### Market in the Park

April 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Anthem Community Park** 

It's a special day for shopping! Join us at the park to shop from a variety of vendors.

## **Cherry Blossom Paper Lantern**

April 9<sup>th</sup> | 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

North Valley Regional Library

It's cherry blossom season around the world! Let's celebrate by making a paper lantern with beautiful handmade paper cherry blossoms! Register here <u>Event Registration (mcldaz.org)</u>

## Take A Hike! Explore, Enhance, and Experience Your Understanding of Arizona

April 20<sup>th</sup> | 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

North Valley Regional Library

There are only eleven designated national scenic trails in the United States. Our Grand Canyon State has one of them—the Arizona National Scenic Trail! In this discussion, participants will have opportunities to: explore the history of the creation of Arizona's greatest volunteer project; enhance their knowledge of Arizona's diverse geography, animals, plants, and especially people—from the first, to the newest Americans, to the global travelers and, as we were reminded of the physical environment's value to human existence, experience and sustain all or part of one of Arizona's greatest resources, the Arizona Trail. This program is made possible by Arizona Humanities.

### **CAVE CREEK**

### **Desert Foothills Library**

M, W, F: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; T & Th: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

38443 N. Schoolhouse Rd. Cave Creek, AZ 85331

480-488-2286

There is information on their website about summer reading programs, in-person Storytimes, monthly book and puzzle exchanges, craft lessons for children and teens, and more! https://dfla.org/about-the-desert-foothills-library/

### **Carefree Farmers Market**

Every Friday of the month | 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Downtown Carefree; Tom Darlington Dr. & Cave Creek Rd. Join us in Carefree to shop from a variety of local vendors.

### **Cave Creek Rodeo**

Memorial Arena Rodeo Grounds 37201 N. 28<sup>th</sup> St. Cave Creek, AZ 85331 480-304-5634

The Cave Creek Rodeo Days organization is a non-profit organization made up of volunteers from all over the state of Arizona. They are the "boots on the ground" that make the Cave Creek Rodeo Days event and other supported western heritage activities every year. Our heritage is important and they work hard to keep it preserved and are dedicated to the national sport of a PRCA Professional Rodeo. <a href="https://www.cavecreekrodeo.com">www.cavecreekrodeo.com</a>

## **Caring for the Caregiver**

First Monday of each month | 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Desert Foothills Library** 

Taking care of yourself is essential in being able to take care of your loved one. Join us for this opportunity for fellowship with other caregivers. Led by Hospice of the West facilitator Judy Peters. For more information, please email ataylor@dfla.org or call 480-488-2286.

## **Gentle Chair Yoga**

Mondays | 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Desert Foothills Library - Jones Room

Yoga for Every Body! Through a slow flow of poses coordinated with the breath you'll begin strengthening your heart, bones, balance and sharpening the mind. You are only one yoga class away from a good mood! Marina started practicing yoga in 1995, and for the past seven years has taught locally. Marina also offers Gentle Yoga every Wednesday at 11:00am. No registration | Questions please call 480-488-2286. Questions about Gentle Chair Yoga please contact instructor, Marina Kachur, at 480-510-6572 or <a href="mailto:yokama14@gmail.com">yokama14@gmail.com</a>. The cost is \$10 cash, paid to instructor at each class.

### **BugMan Steve**

April 26<sup>th</sup> | 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

## **Desert Foothills Library**

Come learn basic entomology and anatomy, as well as an overview of insect relatives (spiders, scorpions, etc). Discussion focuses on the importance of insects and native Arizona species, will lead to some incredible examples of world-wide insects, many of which are the largest species in the world. The audience also will have a chance to pet harmless, LIVE bugs and insects! Steve Miller has been presenting programs for years and is extremely knowledgeable about Arizona insect fauna and habitat. He'll introduce the audience to both native Arizona species and a variety of amazing exotic insects that will surely inspire everyone! Everyone loves insects... they just don't know it yet! This event will be first come first serve in terms of seating. The library makes every effort to ensure our programs can be enjoyed by all. If you have any concerns about accessibility or need to request specific accommodations, please contact the library.

## Foothills Caring Corps @ the Movies

April 29<sup>th</sup> | 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Desert Foothills Library** 

Come by and watch a great movie while enjoying some snacks. Need a ride to the movies? Reach out to Foothills Caring Corps @ (480)-488-1105, and let them know you'd like to arrange a ride to the movies at Desert Foothills Library! This event is free, no registration required. The library makes every effort to ensure our programs can be enjoyed by all. If you have any concerns about accessibility or need to request specific accommodations, please contact the library.

## **PEORIA**

### **Sunrise Mountain Library**

M-Th: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; F-Sat: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

21109 N. 98<sup>th</sup> Ave. Peoria, AZ 85382

623-773-8650

There is information on their website about summer reading programs, in-person Storytimes, Take and Make craft kits (for kids, teens, and adults), a Culture Pass Program to access museums, performances, art venues, and more!

http://library.peoriaaz.gov/polaris/library/userdef/ud sunrise mountain library.aspx

### **Peoria Main Library**

M-Th: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; F-Sat: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 8463 W. Monroe St. Peoria, AZ 85345 623-773-7555

www.peoria.polarislibrary.com

### FREE Peoria Outdoor Movie, Treasure Hunt, Food Trucks and More!

April 6<sup>th</sup> | 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Centennial Plaza Park, 9875 N 85<sup>th</sup> Ave. Peoria, AZ FREE to Enter - FREE to Park - Pet friendly - Open to the public - BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY for a MAGICAL PARTY IN THE PARK @ Peoria 1st Saturdays FREE Monthly Movies in the Park featuring Disney's brand new release... WISH!

NERF WARS IS BAAAAAACK! Bring your Nerf Gun & join all the fun @ the annual NERF WAR games!! We'll bring the ammo bunkers & targets, you bring the Nerf Gun. Nerf War field opens @ 5:15pm – save time & complete a waiver online (www.iplayMovies4you.com).

Sooooooo many FUN festivities why go anywhere else?!?!

**FREE Movie** 

Nerf Wars

Asha Stage Show Performance

Kids Magical Dance Party

**Character Visits** 

Magical Kids Crafts

**Face Painting** 

**Specialty Food Trucks** 

Night Market

Family Friendly Music

**Kids Activities** 

Glow Fun

Music Games FUN & More!

(Food will be available for purchase & small cost for face painting)

## **Arizona Fried Chicken and Wings Festival**

April 20<sup>th</sup> | 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Peoria Centennial Plaza, 9875 N. 85th Ave., Peoria, AZ

Come join us for the second annual Arizona Fried Chicken and Wings Festival! Our goal is to help small businesses grow. Our events are also a place for people to discover new foods and try new items. Fried chicken is enjoyed throughout the world and every culture has their own twist on it. We are also bringing a double header with the Arizona Donut and Ice Cream Festival. With one ticket, you can enjoy a variety of fried chicken, wings, ice cream, and donuts. Take a bite into a fluffy donut paired with cool, creamy ice cream from different local businesses. Celebrate the diversity of food with us and dare we say fried chicken and donuts are perfect together!

Tickets range from \$5-\$17

## **GLENDALE**

## **Glendale Public Library**

Library Hours:

Monday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Tuesday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.

19055 N. 57th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85308 Phone: 623-930-3600

## March Madness - College Basketball

April 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> | Times vary

State Farm Stadium; 1 Cardinal Way Glendale, AZ

Enjoy the excitement of seeing your favorite players at the March Madness games. Let's celebrate the champions. Ticket prices vary.

## **Desert Sage Farmers Market**

Every Sunday of the month | 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Desert Sage Elementary School** 

4035 W Alameda Rd. Glendale, AZ

You all asked, and we answered!

NEW Farmers Market coming to 39th Ave and Happy Valley! You can find handmade, local small businesses... WE HAVE FUN SPECIAL GUESTS TOO! Stuff for the whole family!

Face Painting, Build Your Own Pens, Permanent Jewelry, Glitter Tattoos, Astrology Reader, Spray Tanning Booth, Hair Tinsel, Sensory and Play Dough Table, Fruits & veggies, Quail Eggs, Organic Dog Treats, Food Trucks, Jams, Bread, Lemonade, Salsa, Candles, Baked Goods, Clothing, Honey, Elderberry... and so much more.

### LITCHFIELD PARK

### **Litchfield Park Library**

Hours: Mon – Wed 10 AM – 8 PM

Thu – Sat 10 AM – 5 PM

Sun Closed

101 W Wigwam BLVD Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

## **Arts in the Park Concert**

April 12<sup>th</sup> | 6 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Wigwam Front Lawn; 300 Wigwam Boulevard Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

Enjoy various artists and performers as well as food trucks. Bring the whole family and your own seating. Attendees may bring their own food and non-alcoholic beverages. The Wigwam will have a bar on site for those wishing to purchase beverages at the concert.

## Gentle Yoga

April 19<sup>th</sup> | 10:15 am to 11 a.m.

101 W. Wigwam Blvd. Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

Step into the library and join other adults by doing gentle yoga movements that can promote your endurance, strength, calmness, flexibility, and well-being. Mat and chair yoga will be learned and practiced. Bring your own mat and we will provide the chairs!

### **Waddell Farmers Market**

Every Sunday through April 28<sup>th</sup> | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Canyon View High School; 6024 Perryville Road, Litchfield Park, Arizona Join us in our NEW Sunday spot in the southwest valley! Fresh produce, local meat, amazing cheese, raw milk, local honey, fresh bread, food trucks, kids' activities, artisans, and lots more! Check our website for the full vendor line up each week (updated daily - always subject to some changes). www.GetLocalArizonaEvents.com/SundayMarket

## **SURPRISE**

## **Asante Library**

Hours: Mon-Wed: 10am to 7pm, Thu-Sat: 10am-5pm, Sun: Closed

16755 W. Vereda Solana Dr. Surprise, AZ 85387

### **Phoenix AZ Water Lantern Festival**

April 6<sup>th</sup> | 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Surprise Community Park; North Bullard Ave. Surprise, AZ

The Phoenix AZ Water Lantern Festival is bringing people together for a celebration of light and community! This unforgettable evening will be filled with tasty food trucks, fun music, activities, and thousands of lanterns lighting up the night with love hope and happiness. Tickets are selling fast! Make sure to claim yours now on our website (www.waterlanternfestival.com) and follow us on social media @waterlanternfestival. Use coupon code "ILLUMINATE5" for a 5\$ discount at checkout! Visit www.WaterLanternFestival.com for more details.

### **Foodie Fest West**

April 20<sup>th</sup> | 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Mark Coronado Park; 15850 N. Bullard Ave. Surprise, AZ 85374

Foodie Fest West is the ultimate event for all of the foodies out there. Indulge in a variety of mouthwatering dishes from local vendors and food trucks. Food Trucks & Vendors, Dino Zone, Shopping Vendors, Axe Throwing, Paint & Sip, Hat Bar, Full Bar, Flower Bar, Kids Zone, Caricature Artist & many more family fun activities!! Pet Friendly and Free Parking! Tickets are \$5.

## **AVONDALE**

## **Avondale Civic Center Library**

M-Th: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and F-Sat: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 11350 W. Civic Center Dr. Avondale, AZ 85323

### Sam Garcia Western Avenue Library

M-Th: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and F-Sun: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

495 E. Western Ave. Avondale, AZ 85323

### **Main Event Entertainment**

M: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., T-Th: 11 a.m. to 1a.m., F: 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., Sat: 9 a.m. to 2 a.m., Sun: 11 a.m. to 12

a.m.

10315 W McDowell Road Avondale, AZ 85392

Primary Phone: 623-936-5300

https://www.chamberorganizer.com/southwestvalleychamber/mem MainEventAVD

At Main Event Entertainment, we create unique, memorable experiences that are timeless and fun for our guests and team members. From our innovative, high energy operation centers to our growing, collaborative team-oriented work culture, we thrive on our purpose to create unique and fun experiences for our guests. We love what we do, because we get to deliver fun to guests every day. We offer state-of-the-art bowling, multi-level laser tag, gravity ropes adventure courses, billiards, video games, virtual reality, and more activities. We serve delicious chef-inspired menu, bar favorites and full-on casual dining, along with cocktails, beer, and wine.

## **Uptown Jungle Avondale**

M-Sat: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sun: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

1725 N. Dysart Rd. Avondale, AZ 85392

Primary Phone: 623-203-7169

https://www.chamberorganizer.com/southwestvalleychamber/mem\_ujavondale

Uptown Jungle is an all-inclusive, indoor playground with a multitude of fun activities for kids of all ages. Trampolines, Climbing Walls, Slides, and More!

## **Friendship Park**

12325 W McDowell Rd, Avondale, AZ 85323

(623) 333-2400

Friendship Park is a multi-use sports and recreation complex complete with 10 multi-use soccer and football fields, baseball fields, 2 little league fields & 1 softball diamond, several walking trails, a Japanese Garden, dog park, and so much more!

### **Food Truck Friday at Friendship Park**

Fourth Friday of each month | 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

12325 W McDowell Rd. Avondale, AZ 85323

Kick off the weekend by enjoying delicious fare from a variety of local food trucks. Families can enjoy an evening picnic at the park or purchase food to bring home to enjoy.

### **Kid Fest**

April 13<sup>th</sup> | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friendship Park Address: 12325 West McDowell Rd, Avondale, AZ 85323

Join us for a celebration of Day of the Child (Dia de los Ninos) and the Week of the Young Child as Friendship Park turns into a kid's paradise! This FREE event promises some high-flying fun and learning for the entire family. Have fun with various activities, crafts, food trucks, entertainment, and learn about different types of organizations and services with lots of exhibitors! KidFest is an event recognized by National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and AzAEYC celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers, and families. This event is hosted during the Nationally recognized Week of the Young Child™, a celebratory effort to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.

### **BUCKEYE**

#### **Hidden Lake**

24445 W. Crescent Dr. Buckeye, AZ 85396

Primary Phone: 623-777-5814 http://hiddenlakeaz.com

Hidden Lake is a private 120-acre outdoor recreation destination, live music venue, and events center, located in Maricopa County, Arizona just west of the Phoenix metro area. Bordered by thousands of acres of protected riparian area, we offer a wide variety of healthy, active, outdoor entertainment for all ages. Hidden Lake is one of the valley's most idyllic places to fish, paddle board, kayak, hike, camp, and just relax. The highlight of Hidden Lake is clearly our 60+ acres of trophy fishing waters, but don't miss our live music and special events at TopWater, our music, bar, and events area. It is hard to imagine a more beautiful or fun night out than watching the sun set over the lake while enjoying the best local bands and food trucks the valley has to offer.

# Concerts in the Park Tartesso Sports Park

April 6<sup>th</sup> | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Music by: Highway 85 April 20<sup>th</sup> | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Music by: Star Alliance

## **GOODYEAR**

## **Estrella Mountain Regional Park**

14805 W. Vineyard Ave, Goodyear, AZ 85338 (602) 506-2930

## maricopacountyparks.net

Estrella Mountain Regional Park encompasses 19,840 acres of beautiful desert and mountain scenery. Located near the union of the Gila and Agua Fria Rivers in the southwest Valley, the park includes seasonal wetland or riparian area during our winter and monsoon rains. The majority of the park remains pristine desert, very similar in appearance to the landscape seen by the first settlers and explorers of the area. #FunFact: Estrella Mountain Regional Park became the first regional park in the Maricopa County Park System in 1954.

### **Goodyear Community Park**

3151 N Litchfield Rd, Goodyear, AZ 85395 (623) 882-7525 goodyearaz.gov

The Goodyear Community Park is an amazing outdoor space for the whole family. It features a number of unique facilities including tennis and basketball courts, a skate park, baseball & softball fields, sand volleyball, dog park, a splash pad and so much more!

#### **Corral West Horse Adventures**

14401 W Arena Dr #9019, Goodyear, AZ (480) 450-2651

### corralwestadventures.com

Open during the fall through spring seasons, the Corral West Adventures offer a variety of family fun adventures and things to do. In fact, with all our Horseback Riding Adventures, Sunset Rides, Wagon Adventures, Cowboy Cookout Adventures, Horse Adventure Kid Programs, and a whole lot more.

### **Lakeside Music Festival**

April 13<sup>th</sup> | 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Estrella Lakeside Amphitheater

A variety of music is on tap for the family friendly festival including funk-soul, folk, country rock, alternative rock and pop. Opening acts include local favorites! The festival features lawn seating, a Kids Zone, local business booths, a large beer and wine garden. This event is free and open to the public.

## **Goodyear Night Market**

April 28<sup>th</sup> | 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Goodyear Civic Square

Join us in the heart of Goodyear for the Goodyear Night Market! Together with E.L.L.A. and Mujeres Mercado, we're able to offer a diverse selection of vendors and handcrafted goods. The market will also feature live music and food trucks!

## **TOLLESON**

### **Tres Rios Wetlands**

91st Avenue & Southern, Tolleson, AZ 85353 (833) 777-3228

phoenix.gov

D-BAT is a Nationally operated indoor Baseball and Softball training facility that offers Automated Batting cages, Private Lessons, Camp and Clinics, Training Cage Rentals and a fully stocked ProShop.

## A Food Truck PopUp West Valley

Thursday nights every Month | 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Whyman Park

2350 S. 103rd Ave. Tolleson, AZ 85353

Grab a blanket, a chair, and your family & friends for a food truck picnic in the park every Thurs night. Get out in the amazing fresh air, say HI to your neighbors, support local small businesses all while enjoying some tasty, cooked to order & flavorful food truck food!!

## **Whoopee Daze Festival**

April 19th-21st

**Veterans Park** 

Founders Whoopee Daze Festival is Tolleson's most storied home town event which has been presented

for over 60 years. This three-day festival consists of a community parade, carnival rides, food trucks, product vendors, Dia de los Niños celebration & free crafts for kids. We also host a 5K walk/run event with our local schools as well as kickball and cornhole tournaments. You don't want to miss out on special musical performances by Grammy award winning and local artists that will make a weekend of endless fun for the entire family. The City of Tolleson is pleased to announce the Annual Whoopee Daze Festival that will take place April 19-21, 2024 at Veterans Park. We invite you to participate in our Whoopee Daze parade on Saturday, April 20th at 10:00 am. We would greatly appreciate your participation to help make the parade a success. It is a great opportunity to display your organization and show your support for the community. This year's theme is "The Heroes Among Us". Heroes are present in all communities. Each individual or group has the potential to display heroism through small acts of kindness, bravery, and compassion. Let's reflect on those qualities that define "The Heroes Among Us" and integrate them into our local community parade!