



Friends of the Redwood City Public Library

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Summer 2021

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Summer Learning Challenge 2021 is here! The library staff has been hard at work to create a fun, safe and easily accessible summer of fun and reading!

Sign-ups start June 1!

You can sign up in person at the library or online here:

www.redwoodcity.org/summerlearning

For children and teens, your registration comes with a free book of your choice.

Programs Programs Programs!

There is something for every taste and interest in this summer's programming.

For Children:

- Duniya Dance & Drum Club
- Happy Tuesday! (See details at the right.)
- Earthcapades
- Yoga for Kids
- Early Learners
- Little Learners
- Craft Club
- Book Club for grades 2 – 3
- Book Club for grades 4 – 5
- Rondas, Cuentos y Canciones
- Club de Lectura
- Pop-Up Chemistry
- Paws for Tales

For Teens:

- Extreme Jackbox Party
- Teen Craft Club
- YA Author Misa Suguira
- Camp No Sunscreen

Plans are for all events to be virtual except for a weekly storytelling event in Roselli Park (right next to the Downtown Library) starting June 3. There are terrific prizes for children and teens who complete the challenge including a chance to win a \$1,000 college scholarship. Adult participants are entered into a raffle for gift cards to local businesses.

The learning challenge provides wonderful benefits: It keeps kids and teens reading during the nonschool months to help prevent the "summer slide" in reading proficiency; it challenges kids with new experiences; and it offers free weekly programs providing entertainment for the whole family.

Summer Learning Challenge is the single largest program that Friends funds each year. Friends is very grateful to the hard-working and creative library staff who managed to hold this fabulous event in 2020 and have developed a wonderful 2021 program.

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Happy Tuesday Programs

Live Performances Every Week via Zoom!

June 8 – August 3 at 4 p.m.

Mark your calendars for Tuesdays! The library is offering a fun array of children's special live programming. (Adults, you can attend too!)

Typically, these programs would be held in each of the libraries. This summer, the special live programs will be Tuesdays at 4 p.m. via Zoom.

Happy Tuesday Program Schedule

- June 8 | [Ricky Roo & Friends](#) – Puppet Show
- June 15 | [Conservation Ambassadors](#) – Australian Wildlife
- June 22 | [Alphabet Rockers](#)
- June 29 | [Conservation Ambassadors](#) – Amazon Rainforest
- July 6 | No Program
- July 13 | [Circus of Smiles](#)
- July 20 | [Conservation Ambassadors](#) – Desert Wildlife
- July 27 | [Puppet Art Theater](#) – The Boy Who Cried Wolf
- August 3 | [Conservation Ambassadors](#) – Wild America

Register on the library's website to obtain the Zoom link!

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Webstore

In the spring, Friends opened a webstore! Friends is excited to offer you children's and adult books and media items for sale on a regular basis.

Webstore URL

<https://friendsofrwclibrary.onlineweb.shop>

If you would like a particular theme and/or author for your books, there is a place in the Payment Option section under Checkout where you can give us input on what you want. If you are ordering for your child, let us know the first name/age of your child. Friends will use this information to select the best match for your bag. Please add these details by clicking on Send Additional Instructions just before you choose your payment option.

After checkout, you will receive a confirmation email about your order. Then our Friends volunteers will pack your book bag(s) within a few days. When your order is ready for pickup, you will receive an email. Pickup is at the Downtown Library during operating hours!

Library Bees News

Friends is collecting recipes for a **Friends Honey Cookbook** that will be available for free download later this year. Please submit your honey recipes (with tips or fun facts about the recipe) here: friendsofrwclibrary@gmail.com

Daniel Negrete conceived, directed and edited a wonderful documentary about the Redwood City Library Bees! You can learn about the library bees and how Friends has benefited! Link: <https://youtu.be/zrcAo0JNjfy>

The next batch of library honey is projected to be available in late June or early July. It will be sold via our webstore with pickup at the Downtown Library.



Join the Friends of the Redwood City Public Library

- Junior member, under 18 years old - \$10
- Friends - \$15
- Patrons - \$25
- Librarian's Circle - \$50
- Benefactors - \$100 or more

If you wish to make the gift in honor of a friend or loved one:

We will acknowledge 2021 Librarian's Circle and Benefactor levels in our spring 2022 Newsletter.

- Check this box if you wish for your donation to be listed as Anonymous.

Please make checks payable to Friends of the Redwood City Public Library, or **donate at our website**:

A Membership Card will be sent.

Name

Address

City

Zip Code

Email

**Please return to:
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Friends of the Redwood City Public Library is a 501(c)(3) organization. As such, your membership donation is tax deductible as allowed by law.

Friends Bookstore and Kiosk

Prior to the pandemic and library shutdown, Friends operated a volunteer-staffed bookstore inside the Downtown Library and a kiosk in the Redwood Shores Library.

At the publication of this newsletter, there has been only a brief discussion on reopening, with no concrete plan at this time.

Friends also has no plans to have any kind of book tent sale this summer.

For your book and DVD needs, please use our **webstore**! See story at the left!

In the fiscal year prior to the pandemic, our store sales earned Friends about \$45,000, roughly half of our library funding that year. We greatly appreciate monetary donations to help us overcome this shortfall. Thank you!



Donations received at May Event

Material Donations

Friends accepts material donations in new or like-new condition on the third Saturday of the month behind the Downtown Library from 10 a.m. to noon.

At this time, we are not accepting material donations inside the library facilities.