

# WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

## FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

**After-School Zone for kids ages 8-19:**  
Mondays - Thursdays, 3:15-5PM

**Unplugged Arcade for kids ages 10-19 years:**  
Fridays, 1-5PM

**Toddler Storytime for ages 2-3 years:**  
Wednesdays, 10:30AM

**Baby Storytime for ages 6-18 months:**  
Wednesdays, 1PM

## FOR ADULTS

**TECH HELP:** Thursdays 10AM-12PM Drop-in

**ESL Classes** [Call 746-4341 to register]:

**Beginning Level:** Mondays & Tuesdays 10-11AM

**Multi-Level Intermediate & Advanced:** Mondays  
11:10AM-12PM & Wednesdays 10AM-12PM

**Conversation Group:** Thursdays 1-2:30PM

**GED Classes** [Call 746-4341 to register]:  
Fridays & Saturdays 9:30-11:30AM

**Resume & Career Counseling** [Drop-In]:  
Fridays 11:35AM-1PM

**Reading Help** [Call 746-4341 for a time slot]  
One-to-One Tutoring

## BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS

**Jr. Kids' (1st-3rd graders):** *Versions of a folktale*

**Kids' (3rd-5th graders):** *Spiderwick Chronicles #1 (The Field Guide)*

**Kids' Books for Adults:** *The Trumpet of the Swan*







**Mystery:** *TBD*  
**Noon:** *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*

**Cook the Book:** Special diets (Keto, Blue Zone, Mediterranean, Paleo, Anti-Inflammatory, etc.)

Books available at the Customer Service Desk;  
CTBBC titles are on the last "Holds" shelf.

Events and times are subject to change. Please  
check our website for the most current information.

## BENICIA PUBLIC LIBRARY OCTOBER EVENT CALENDAR

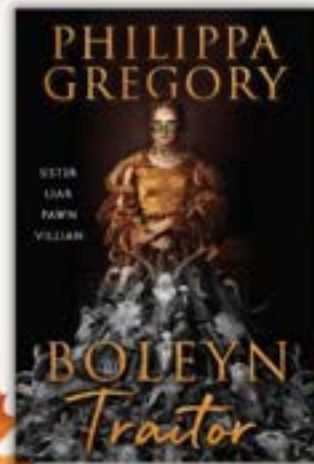
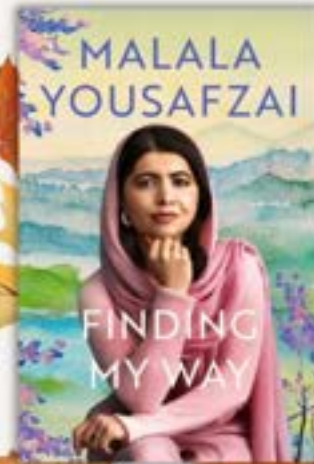
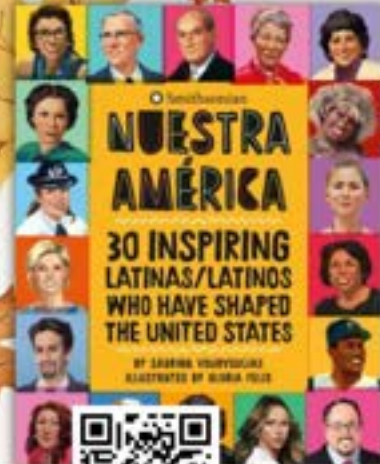
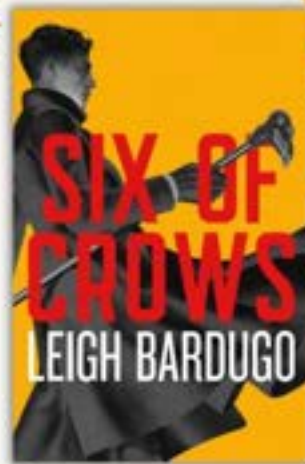
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>Children's activities are in <b>ORANGE</b> Adult events are in <b>BLUE</b> – Online in <b>ITALICS</b> Teen events are in <b>TEAL</b> Events for all ages are in <b>PURPLE</b></p> <p>Don't forget to look at the list of <u>weekly</u> events too!</p>  	<p>Program funding provided by the Friends of the Benicia Library. Donations accepted at <a href="https://bit.ly/donatetobpl">bit.ly/donatetobpl</a> or the QR code below.</p>  	<p>1</p> <p>10am Lawyer on the Line "registration"</p> <p>11am Tech Talk: COMPASS databases</p> <p>12pm Noon Book Club</p>	<p>2</p> <p>11am Emily Key &amp; Adrian Aldaba, <i>Nuestra América</i> [Online Author Talk]</p> <p>4pm <b>LEGO Club</b></p> <p>4pm BPL at the Farmers Market</p> <p>6pm Conservation of Biodiversity: A Keystone for Our Future</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2pm Writers' Salon</p> <p>6pm Board Games</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10am-12pm Friends' Donation Saturday</p> <p>3-5pm ARC Solano Art Gallery Reception</p>
<p>5</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>6:30pm Shut Up and Write!</p>	<p>7</p> <p>3:30pm Kids' Book Club</p> <p>6:15pm First Tuesday Poetry Group</p> <p>6:30pm Dystopian Futures, Real-World Lessons</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:30am Special Toddler Storytime by Benicia Firefighters</p>	<p>9</p> <p>4pm Leigh Bardugo [Online Author Talk]</p> <p>6-8pm Lawyer on the Line (registration opens 10/1)</p> <p>7pm Status and Conservation of the Purple Martin in CA in 2025</p> <p>6-8pm Members Only Book Sale</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6pm Board Games</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10am-4pm Friends' Second Saturday Book Sale</p> <p>3pm (sign-ups) Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7pm Great Decisions Extension: Songs Can Motivate Change</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:30pm Library Board Meeting [Council Chambers]</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9am Michael Bungay Stanier [Authors365 Online Author]</p> <p>10:30am CV Speaker: Hearing Devices That Work</p> <p>4pm <b>LEGO Club</b></p> <p>4pm BPL at the Farmers Market</p> <p>6pm <b>The Hunger Games: A Tribute Marathon</b> [Catching Fire]</p>	<p>17</p> <p>2pm Writers' Salon</p> <p>6pm Death Cafe</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10am-12pm Friends' Donation Saturday</p> <p>10am-12pm Food is Free Distribution</p> <p>1pm Cuddle Club</p> <p>1pm Fall Gardening Series: Cover Crops for Your Vegetable Garden</p> <p>3pm Horror Movie Trivia Night</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30pm Shut Up and Write!</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7pm Kids' Books for Adults Book Club (Via Zoom)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>4pm Malala Yousafzai [Online Author Talk]</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7pm Mystery Book Club</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>11:30am ASL Storytime</p> <p>2pm Fall Matinee Saturdays: Sleepy Hollow</p> <p>6pm Lucha Libre: Halloween Spooktacular</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>12pm Cook the Book Book Club</p> <p>3:30pm Jr Kids' Book Club</p>	<p>29</p> <p>11am Philippa Gregory [Online Author Talk]</p>	<p>30</p> <p>4pm BPL at the Farmers Market</p> <p>7pm Jack-O'-Lantern Contest &amp; Stories</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p> <p>10am-12pm Friends' Donation Saturday</p> 

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# OCTOBER

## Author Talks Online



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Come for the gardening tips, stay for the horror movie trivia!



### COVER CROPS FOR YOUR VEGETABLE GARDEN

Presented by:  
Maggie Kolk of UC Master Gardeners

Fall Gardening Series

**OCT. 18**  
**1-2PM**

Learn about the benefits of planting cover crops, including increased yield potential and much more!



## HORROR MOVIE TRIVIA NIGHT

**OCT. 18**  
**3-5PM**

PRIZES

In the Duffie Benicio Room.

OCTOBER 2025

Dystopian Futures,  
Real-World Lessons
**TUESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 7**  
**6:30-8PM**  
**BOOK DISCUSSION**

Both physical and electronic books available!

Explore how three classic works address censorship, surveillance, control, and resistance—and connect them to today's debates on free expression, privacy, and defending democracy.

BANNED BOOKS WEEK

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## LUCHA LIBRO: Halloween Spooktacular

**OCTOBER 25**  
**at 6PM**

COSTUMES ENCOURAGED!

Scan the code to add any event to YOUR calendar!  
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