



ASIAN-AMERICAN FESTIVAL SET FOR JUNE 6

Celebrate and learn about the customs and traditions of Asian-Americans with entertaining, educational events for the entire family as Tulsa City-County Library presents the 13th annual Asian-American Festival from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 6 at the Martin Regional Library, 2601 S. Garnett Road.

Explore the colorful cultures of Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Vietnam and other countries in Asia.

The festival kicks off at 10:45 a.m. with a traditional Chinese dragon dance. The festival also features martial arts demonstrations and an interactive tai chi presentation; Kamishibai storytelling; traditional Japanese drumming and tea ceremony; traditional Indonesian, Korean and Indian dances; authentic arts and crafts booths; kite-flying demonstrations; interactive educational booths featuring hands-on crafts and activities for kids; cosplay and traditional dress contests; plus a food concession with traditional Asian cuisine provided by India Palace and Lone Wolf Food Truck.

While you're at the festival, be sure to check out the new collection of Chinese materials, made possible by Tulsa City-County Library's partnership with the Shanghai Library.

Visit www.TulsaLibrary.org/asianfestival for participating groups and schedule of presentations, or call 918-549-7323 for more information about the Asian-American Festival.

ENTER TO WIN COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

The Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan and the Tulsa Zoo are partnering on the Think Big, Save for College Sweepstakes, an opportunity to win one of three prizes in a random drawing.

Participants must be Oklahoma residents who are at least 21 years of age and a parent, legal guardian or grandparent of a child age 16 or younger who is also an Oklahoma resident.

Prizes include:

\$2,529 towards college and a Zoo to U Program certificate

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\$529 towards college and a Zoo basket

Entry forms are available at the Tulsa Zoo or go to www.tul-sakids.com contest page to submit a form online. Entry deadline is June 12, 2015. The drawing is sponsored by the Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan.

from our readers

Dear Editor,

I wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed reading the "From the Hip" column in the April 2015 edition of Tulsa Kids. As a new mom, it was the first issue that I actually sat down and read. Ms. Vantrese treated an annoying issue with a hilarious style that I found very refreshing. In fact, it had me laughing out loud. I could completely commiserate with the humble brag posts, as I see a lot of that content on my Facebook feed and have definitely been guilty of it myself on multiple occasions! Needless to say, I look forward to picking up the May issue of Tulsa Kids, and plan on becoming a regular reader.

Thanks for the great content!

Sincerely,
Meghan Harrison

GRAHAM RECOGNIZED AS TOP EDUCATOR

Jenks Freshman Academy Teacher Kim Graham was honored with the grand prize in Dr. Robert Herman Orthodontics' Teacher Appreciation Contest. More than 100 students and community members across Green Country submitted essays nominating teachers for this recognition.

As the top teacher in the contest, Graham will get complimentary braces for herself or a family member. The five teachers selected as local winners will each get to choose between a spa day, OU football tickets or OSU football tickets.

The local winners are Janice Johnson, a second-grade teacher at Henryetta Elementary; Evett Barham, a leadership teacher at Pryor High School; Chaneta Redding, a homeschool teacher from Tulsa; and Laurie Logan, a careers teacher at Ewing Halsell Middle School in Vinita.

"I clearly remember the significant impact of the teachers I was very lucky to have teach me," Dr. Herman said. "Our team is thrilled to recognize the exemplary commitment that our community's teachers demonstrate on a daily basis in the classroom and beyond."

Dr. Robert Herman Orthodontics serves patients of all ages with main offices in Tulsa and Bartlesville, and satellite offices in Henryetta, Pryor and Vinita.



THE STAFF OF DR. ROBERT HERMAN ORTHODONTICS PRESENTS KIM GRAHAM WITH AWARD.

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BY JOHN FANCHER, COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR, TULSA CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY

summer reading program hits the right notes

Tulsa City-County Library's children's and teen summer reading programs go beyond the books to encourage education through imagination.

With the assistance of the Tulsa Library Trust, families throughout Tulsa County will enjoy hundreds of free programs designed to promote STEM efforts and inspire young minds to

pursue knowledge. By providing enlightening programs, the library seeks to increase the educational impact of the summer reading program. The events allow families to experience, not only literature, but the arts, theater and music.

National and local performers will entertain children of all ages at Hardesty Regional Library's Connor's Cove, 8316 E. 93rd St. Featuring seating for more than 400 people, Connor's Cove is an ideal area for singing, dancing and learning.

Here are a few programs to enjoy in comfy Connor's Cove:

- **Gustafer Yellowgold, June 5, 11 a.m.-Noon.** Since 2005, this little guy from the sun, who landed in the Minnesota woods, has become an international phenomenon.



LUCKY DIAZ AND THE FAMILY JAM BAND



SUGAR FREE ALLSTARS

- **Sugar Free Allstars: Fun & Funky Music for Families, June 9, 11 a.m.-Noon and 2-3 p.m.** All toes will be tapping when this duo sets up the drum kit and plugs in the Hammond B-3 organ.

- **Lucky Diaz and The Family Jam Band, June 10, 1:30-2:30 p.m.** This musical duo is known for using crafty lyrics and irresistible beats to keep the groove going. Their album, "Fantastico," received a Best Children's Album Latin GRAMMY.

- **Steve Weeks Music, June 16, 11 a.m.-Noon and 2-3 p.m.** Diverse musical styles ranging from reggae to bluegrass will keep kids interested in the educational messages.

For families who like maximizing their outdoor time in the summer, enjoy these performances at Guthrie Green, 111 E. M.B. Brady Street, the first three Wednesdays in June, 10-11 a.m.

- **Tulsa Children's Museum Presents Bubble Art, June 3**

- **Sugar Free Allstars: Fun & Funky Music for Families, June 10**

- **Steve Weeks Music, June 17**

Or join Tulsa City-County Library's Imagination Station for Storytime in the Park at QuickTrip Plaza at River Parks, 41st and Riverside, each Thursday in June at 10 a.m.

- **Indiana Bones: Keepers of**

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Legends, June 4

• **Lucky Diaz and The Family Jam Band, June 11**

• **Steve Weeks Music, June 18**

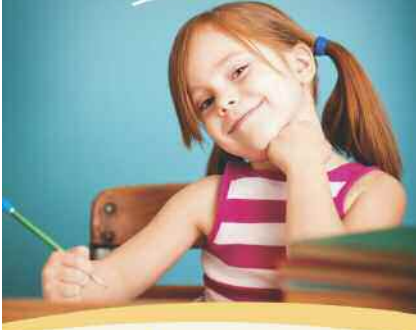
• **Balloons, Juggling and Fun With Dustin Reudelhuber, June 25**

The summer reading program culminates with the Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers' Literature. This year's winner is Sharon Draper, who will accept the award Aug. 28, 7 p.m., at Connor's Cove. She also will present awards to winners of the 2015 Young Peoples Creative Writing Contest at the presentation.

Draper is the author of more than 30 books for children and teens. Before establishing her successful career as a writer, she taught for more than 25 years in Cincinnati public schools as a language-arts teacher. She was selected as Ohio's Outstanding High School Language Arts Educator, Ohio Teacher of the Year, and National Teacher of the Year in 1997.

For a daily listing of TCCL programs, visit www.tulsalibrary.org and click on the calendar link. You can select the day and see a listing of programs to find convenient times and library locations that dovetail with your schedule.

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Get out and GO in the Tulsa metro area. Find these events and more at www.tulsakids.com/calendar.



DAY-BY-DAY

Monday, June 1

Harriet Tubman: Hero and Leader

Learn about the life and accomplishments of Harriet Tubman, courageous and determined "conductor" on the Underground Railroad. Join Kristen T. Oertel, associate history professor, University of Tulsa, and author of recent biography of Harriet Tubman, for this entertaining, inspiring performance. For ages 8-18. Brookside Library, 11-11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, June 2

Mini Masters - Art of the Land and Sea

Artists have been inspired by the land and the sea for centuries. Come and feel inspired by landscapes and seascapes. Learn about line, shape, form, texture, color, value and space within the works that are studied in the galleries. For ages 3-6, who must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited and advanced registration is required: 918.596.2774. Gilcrease Museum, 2-3 p.m. gilcrease.utulsa.edu

Tuesday, June 2 (cont.)

Full Strawberry Moon Walk (FREE)

Engage your senses and explore the Oxley trails in the evening. Oxley Nature Center, 6700 Mohawk Blvd.; 7-8:30 p.m.

* Drillers Home Game @ 7:05 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3

See sidebars for on-going events/ activities.

* Drillers Home Game @ 12:05 p.m.

Thursday, June 4

Safe Kids Car Seat Check-Up (FREE)

Get your car seat checked for proper installation by trained professionals. Broken Arrow Fire Dept., Station 6, 3159 N. 9th St.; 1-3 p.m.

* Drillers Home Game @ 7:05 p.m.

Tulsa City-County Library FREE Summer Reading Events



American Indian Dances and Storytelling with Mike and Lisa Pahsetopah

Bixby Library: Monday, June 8; 1:30-2:15 p.m.

Collinsville Library: Tuesday, June 9; 2-3 p.m.

Rudisill Regional Library: Wednesday, June 3; 10-11 a.m.

Balloons, Juggling and Fun with Dustin Reudelhuber

Bixby Library: Monday, June 22; 1:30-2:15 p.m.

Broken Arrow Library: June 23; 1-1:50 p.m.

Broken Arrow Library/ South: Thursday, June 25; 2-3 p.m.

Charles Page Library: Wednesday, June 24; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Judy Z. Kishner Library: Tuesday, June 9; 2-3 p.m.

Martin Regional Library: Thursday, June 25; 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Nathan Hale Library: Wednesday, June 3; 2-3 p.m.

Owasso Library: Monday, June 8; 1:30-2:15 p.m. and 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Cartooning/ Illustration Workshop with Morgan Taylor

Hardesty Library: Wednesday, June 3; 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Helmerich Library: Wednesday, June 3; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Owasso Library: Thursday, June 4; 1:30-2:15 p.m.

Pratt Library: Monday, June 1; 1-2 p.m.

Gustafer Yellowgold

Hardesty Library: Friday, June 5; 11 a.m.-noon

Indiana Bones, "Keeper of Legends"

Broken Arrow Library: Tuesday, June 2; 1-1:15 p.m. and 2-2:50 p.m.

Brookside Library: Friday, June 5; 11-11:45 a.m.

Charles Page Library: Wednesday, June 3; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Kendall-Whittier Library: Wednesday, June 3; 1-1:45 p.m.

Librarium: Friday, June 5; 1-2 p.m.

Owasso Library: Monday, June 1; 1:30-2:15 p.m. and 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Jazz It Up with Scott and Tony

Brookside Library: Monday, June 29; 4-4:45 p.m.

Judy Z. Kishner Library: Tuesday, June 23; 2-3 p.m.

Pratt Library: Monday, June 29; 1-2 p.m.

Schusterman-Benson Library: Thursday, June 25; 2-3 p.m.

Lucky Diaz and the Family Jam Band

Hardesty Library: Wednesday, June 10; 2:30-2:30 p.m.

Martin Regional Library: Friday, June 12; 1-1:45 p.m.

Pratt Library: Friday, June 12; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Rudisill Regional Library: Wednesday, June 10; 10-11 a.m.

Schusterman-Benson Library: Thursday, June 11; 2-3 p.m.

Mad Science Show: The Science of Superheroes

Broken Arrow Library: Tuesday, June 16; 1-1:50 p.m. and 2-2:50 p.m.

Pratt Library: Monday, June 15; 1-2 p.m.

Matt Sandbank's Shadow Puppet Factory

Bixby Library: Monday, June 15; 1:30-2:15 P.M.

Broken Arrow Library/ South: Thursday, June 11; 2-3 p.m.

Brookside Library: Monday, June 15; 4-4:45 p.m.

Helmerich Library: Wednesday, June 17; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Herman and Kate Kaiser Library: Tuesday, June 16; 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Librarium: Friday, June 12; 11 a.m.-noon

Martin Regional Library: Thursday, June 18; 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Nathan Hale Library: Thursday, June 11; 11 a.m.-noon and

Wednesday, June 17; 2-3 p.m.

Pratt Library: Friday, June 19; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Suburban Acres Library: Tuesday, June 16; 1-1:45 p.m.

Steve Weeks Music

Brookside Library: Friday, June 19; 11-11:45 a.m.

Hardesty Library: Tuesday, June 16; 11 a.m.-noon and 2-3 p.m.

Maxwell Park Library: Wednesday, June 17; 2-3 p.m.

Nathan Hale Library: Friday, June 19; 2-3 p.m.

Owasso Library: Monday, June 15; 1:30-2:15 p.m. and 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Sugar Free Allstars present Fun & Funky Music for Families

Hardesty Library: Wednesday, June 10; 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Kendall-Whittier Library: Wednesday, June 10; 1-1:45 p.m.

Superhero Science Show with Magician Brad "Bradini" Evans

Collinsville Library: Tuesday, June 23; 2-3 p.m.

Helmerich Library: Wednesday, June 24; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Herman and Kate Kaiser Library: Tuesday, June 9; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Maxwell Park Library: Wednesday, June 10; 2-3 p.m.

Zarrow Regional Library: Tuesday, June 2; 2-2:45 p.m.

Tulsa Children's Museum Presents RECESS+

Brookside Library: Friday, June 12; 11-11:45 a.m.

Nathan Hale Library: Wednesday, June 10; 2-3 p.m.

Zarrow Regional Library: Tuesday, June 16; 2-2:45 p.m.

Tulsa Children's Museum presents Science of Triangles

Broken Arrow Library: Tuesday, June 9; 1-1:50 p.m.

Herman and Kate Kaiser Library: Tuesday, June 23; 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Thursday, June 4 (cont.)

Brookside Rumble & Roll (FREE)

The annual Brookside Rumble and Roll attracts hundreds of motorcycle riders and onlookers to Brookside each year.; 7 p.m.

Friday, June 5

Mini Masters - Art of the Land and Sea

See previous description, 10 a.m.

Kids Dig Books

Listen to stories about Northwest Coast Indian children, their historical environment, culture and animal companions. Afterwards, enjoy the art-making activity relating to the stories you have just heard. For ages 3-6, who must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited and advanced registration: 918.596.2774. Gilcrease Museum, Noon-1 p.m.

Busker Carnival at the Guthrie Green (FREE)

Flying debris, aerial artists, fire spinners and more are on hand at Busker Carnival. Street performers from around the nation converge on **Tulsa's First Friday Art Crawl** for an evening of weird and astonishing entertainment. This year's acts include World Champion Uni-cyclist Jamey Mossengren, Tricks of Light fire spinners, Voler: Thieves of Flight aerial artists and the return of Mama Lou Strongwoman performing feats of strength that make a grown man cry. Add to that both musicians and magicians, and you have Tulsa's very own Busker Carnival! Bring the kids and bring your wallet – these folks work for tips; 5:30-11 p.m.

* Drillers Home Game @ 7:05 p.m.

Saturday, June 6

Kids' Fishing Day (FREE)

Head to the Bass Pro pond for a free day of fishing. The first 500 children (accompanied by an adult) 12 and under will receive a free fishing pole compliments of TTCU and Bass Pro Shops. 8 a.m.-11 a.m.

Kids' Workshop at The Home Depot (FREE)

Learn do-it-yourself skills and tool safety the first Saturday of each month at the Home Depot at 901 S. Elgin; 9 a.m.-noon. 918.583.3400

CPR Class

Citizen CPR and Tulsa Parks are teaming up with other area parks to offer FREE training in basic CPR. These are courses for the layperson and participants will learn basic CPR for victims ages infant-adult with hands-on practice. Whiteside Park, 4009 S. Pittsburgh Ave. 9:30 a.m.-noon. To register or get more information on these or AHA certified classes, go online to www.tulsacrpr.com.