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**March 2018** 

# Spring classes, activities and events in March

We know. We can't believe it's already springtime either. As you welcome the new season and warmer weather, check out all of Tempe's spring activities, classes and events in the <a href="Tempe">Tempe</a> Opportunities brochure. Registration is now open and many classes begin in March.



## **SPRING ACTIVITIES ROUNDUP**

Visit www.tempe.gov/brochure to see all spring offerings and to register for classes and programs.

## **Tots**

Arts and crafts

Parents and tots will work together on different weekly projects in Super Duper Art Time at the

<u>Escalante Community Center</u>. Messy Art for Minis is another parent/tot class at



<u>Edna Vihel Arts Center</u>, where getting messy is perfectly acceptable. Check out pg. 6-7 of the brochure for all art offerings for tots.

## Technology for tots

Might as well get them started early! Your toddler can take part in Super Duper Tablet Fun or get a jump start in the S.T.E.A.M. and Robotics®; Preschool Robotics, where toddlers will be introduced to age-appropriate tot bots. Check out pg. 9 of the brochure for more info.



Dance and fitness

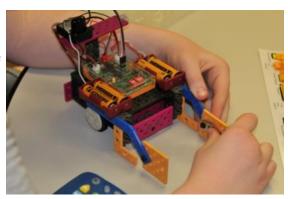
Movement is an essential part of learning and staying healthy. Introduce your tot to parent/child dance classes and gymnastics. Take part in preschool or toddler yoga classes where the kids will learn body awareness, balance and flexibility. Check out pg. 8 of the brochure for all class offerings.

# SPRING ACTIVITIES ROUNDUP (CONT.)

#### Youth

### Technology and science

Youth ages 8-16 can try their hand at coding in Code Club (pg. 13), where they will learn different computer programming languages. Robot fans can check out the introductory class Jr. Robotics using LEGO® WeDo® (pg. 15) on March 17, where students will learn engineering concepts and the name of robot components.



#### Arts and crafts

Youth ceramics classes teach students several different techniques and how to use the pottery wheel. Comic lovers can learn to draw or paint their favorite characters in Comic Art Drawing and Painting. Check out pg. 11 of the brochure for class times and more info.



### Youth sports

Every spring several youth sports programs start back up again, including flag football, Junior Golf, Youth Hoops, LadyHawks Softball and soccer leagues. Check out <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/YouthSports">www.tempe.gov/YouthSports</a> for all sports offerings.

#### Teens

#### Arts and crafts

Teens can join sewing or ceramics classes beginning in March or try their hands at Mixed Media Collage, which mixes paper, paint, fabric, pastels and stitching. Check out pg. 19 of the brochure for more info.

#### Sports and fitness

Does your teen want to try something new? Rock-climbing or archery classes may peak their interest this spring. Basketball and softball are also available for students in grades 6 -8. Check out pg. 21 of the brochure for more info.

#### CompuGirls Camp

In this hands-on camp students will construct electrical circuits and embellish them with artwork while engaging in meaningful discussions about culture and identity. Lunch provided. Fee: None. To register call 480-350-5327. This camp is for girls ages 13-16.

# **SPRING ACTIVITIES ROUNDUP (CONT.)**

#### Adults 18+

Arts and crafts

Tempe's popular Create it Sewing sessions provide a fun atmosphere with plenty of support for the experienced or the novice sewer. Painting classes are also available for beginners, offering water color or oil painting. Arts and crafts classes for adults can be found on pgs. 30-31 in the brochure.



#### Technology and continued learning

Take a Computer Basics class to get up-to-speed with the latest in digital technology or hone your writing skills at a Writing Workshop with Duane Roen, whose workshops will guide you through the autobiography and memoir writing process. Class offerings can be found on pg. 33 of the brochure.



#### Health, fitness and dancing

Learn how to kayak on Tempe Town Lake (pg. 31) or try one of the city's several yoga classes to get your heart pumping (pg. 35-37). Make dinnertime a healthier time by attending the March Cooking Demonstration called *Joy of Vegetables* (pg. 38). Or put on your dancing shoes and check out a NEW Country Waltz dance class at Edna Vihel Arts Center (pg. 33).

#### Adults 50+

Arts and crafts

Tempe offers several arts and crafts classes for adults 50+ including Pastel Painting and Watercolor Painting classes. Class offerings can be found on pg. 44 of the brochure.

#### Health and fitness

A variety of health and fitness classes are available including Stretch and Tone, a class designed for beginners or those who haven't exercised in a while. You can also try several yoga classes or newly popular TaiChi/Body Balance class. Offerings can be found on pgs. 46-47 of the brochure.



# SPRING ACTIVITIES ROUNDUP (CONT.)

#### Adapted Recreation

Tempe offers several classes and programs for children and adults with intellectual and physical disabilities. Zumba classes begin again in March and athletes can still join Special Olympics groups, which range from powerlifting to track and field to volleyball. Check out all offerings on pages 49-50 in the brochure.



# **SPRING SWIMMING**

Swim lessons in March

Pool season will be here before you know it! Tempe offers swim lessons for swimmers of all ages and skill levels, including babies as young as 8 months. Private lessons are also available. See classes and registration at <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/swim.">www.tempe.gov/swim.</a>



## **MUSIC AND ART EVENTS**



Third Thursday at the Museum: An Evening with FABRIC – How to Do Fashion Illustration

Thursday, March 15, 7 p.m. , Tempe History Museum

The Tempe History Museum will host local fashion professionals from FABRIC (Fashion and Business Resource Innovation Center) who will discuss tools and styles of fashion design. This event is free and family-friendly.

Performances at the Museum: Treasurefruit
Friday, March 30, 7 p.m., Tempe History Museum
This rock band offers fresh modern rock inspired by
artists ranging from Django to Hank to Hendrix. This
event is free and family-friendly. Visit
www.tempe.gov/MuseumEvents for more info.



# **MUSIC AND ART EVENTS (CONT.)**

TCA Theatre & Stray Cat Theatre present: Gidion's Knot March 9 - 24, Tempe Center for the Arts, ages 13+

A distraught mother and an emotionally overwhelmed primary school teacher have a fraught conversation about the mother's son, Gidion. <u>Click here</u> for more info.



Williamsburg Salsa Orchestra Friday, Mar. 30, 7:30 pm, Tempe Center for the Arts

New York City-based Williamsburg Salsa Orchestra

(WSO), a thrilling 11-piece salsa group, brings its innovative and modern sound to Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) for one night only. <u>Click here</u> to learn more.



## **FAMLY FUN AT THE LIBRARY**

Looking for something the whole family can enjoy? Check out the Tempe Public Library's free Family Fitness Fridays, where everyone can get moving with exercises, yoga dancing and more. The Family LEGO® Lab brings families together to build a variety of projects. And color Me Happy will allow you to reduce stress and explore your inner artist while listening to soothing music. Visit <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/library">www.tempe.gov/library</a> for days and times.

# OVERDRIVE BOOKMOBILE AT THE LIBRARY MARCH 14, 15

The Digital Bookmobile National Tour is making a stop at the <u>Tempe Public Library</u>, providing an interactive experience for community members to learn about and try eBooks and audiobooks available from the library. Events are free for library lovers of all ages.

When: Wednesday, March 14 from 12:30-6:30 p.m. AND Thursday, March 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Rd. (SW corner or Rural and Southern) What: One-on-one tutorials on eBooks and audiobooks, interactive workstations, touchscreen activities, digital book sampling

Visit www.tempe.gov/library for more info.





# RIO SALADO AND BEACH PARK MASTER PLAN

Online comments can now be submitted for the Rio Salado and Beach Park Masterplan, a comprehensive planning effort to develop improvement recommendations that will shape the park area over the next 20 to 30 years. Online comments are available through March 14. Visit <a href="www.tempe.gov/parks">www.tempe.gov/parks</a> and click on the Rio Salado and Beach Park Masterplan button to learn more and take the survey.



#### SPRING TRAINING GAMES



Take the family out to a ball game at <a href="Tempe Diablo Stadium">Tempe Diablo Stadium</a>, spring training home of the <a href="Los Angeles Angels">Los Angeles Angels</a>. The Angels will host the Rockies, Mariners and D-backs in March. Enjoy an evening game on Wednesday, March 15 vs. the White Sox or Monday, March 19 vs. the Mariners. For tickets and a full schedule, visit <a href="www.tempe.gov/diablo">www.tempe.gov/diablo</a>.

# ESCALANTE'S ANNUAL EGG HUNT

Don't miss Escalante's Annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31 at <u>Escalante Community Center</u>. Kids will enjoy an egg hunt followed by arts and craft activities. The egg hunt is from 10-10:30 a.m. for kids ages 2-6 and from 10:45-11:15 a.m. for kids ages 7-10. The fee is \$3.

# APRIL POOLS DAY AND WEEKEND WAVES AT KRC

The Kiwanis Recreation Center will host its annual April Pools Day on Saturday, April 7 from 1-5 p.m. The event will feature water safety activities, CPR demos and swim lessons. Firefighters will also be on-hand to talk about water safety and show off a fire truck. Admission is free. April Pools Day also marks the return of spring weekend waves at the Kiwanis Wave Pool. Visit www.tempe.gov/waves for more info.



# **GLOW PADDLE ON TEMPE TOWN LAKE**



Get you glow on at Tempe Town Lake by taking part in Glow Paddle on Friday, April 6 and 20 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Paddle across the lake with fun glow gear and enjoy the evening view. Visit <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/FamilyFun">www.tempe.gov/FamilyFun</a> for more info.

# **COLLEGE CONNECT WORKSHOP ON APRIL 7**

College Connect is hosting it final workshop of the school year on Saturday, April 7 from 9:45 a.m. to Noon. Topics for the workshop will be high school transition for eight graders and a Summer Job and Volunteer Opportunities Fair. Registration is encouraged. Visit <a href="https://www.collegeConnectTempe.org">www.collegeConnectTempe.org</a> for more information and

to register.



## SUMMER YOUTH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM KICK-OFF

Looking for something fun and rewarding to do this summer – volunteer! Find out about all of the great program opportunities available to youth 6<sup>th</sup> grade through college at the Summer Youth Volunteer Program Kick-Off. Join us from 3 – 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 7 in the lower level of the Tempe Public Library.

Meet with the City's volunteer coordinator and program leaders to learn about amazing opportunities including summer camp and teacher assistants, Tempe History Museum and Library program aids, Jr. Lifeguards and more. Registration is not required. More details at <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/volunteer">www.tempe.gov/volunteer</a>.

