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TIME TO START PLANNING YOUR NEW YEAR!

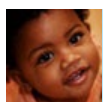
The winter Tempe Opportunities brochure is bursting at the seams with great new and continuing classes and programs for all ages, interests and abilities. Topics include exercise and fitness, educational programming, sports, music, art, dance and more. Quality programs are offered at convenient times and locations, at affordable prices.

You can pick up the latest issue of the brochure at a City of Tempe facility, as well as view it online at www.tempe.gov/brochure.

Tempe resident registration opens at 9 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 5. Non-Tempe resident registration begins at 9 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 12. Most classes and programs start the first week in January.

We have upgraded our registration system, making it easier than ever for you to find and sign up for classes. You will need to create a new customer account to access program information. Visit www.tempe.gov/brochure for easy step-by-step instructions to set up your account today.

Here's a sample of some of the great programs available for you and your family this winter.



Tots (0-5 years)



Listen, learn, play, create...and cook! Join Storybook Chef Angie Sams as she shares her favorite children's book and tasty, healthy, kid-approved recipes in **Storybook Chef; Parent & Me**. Angie Sams, a nutrition instructor for the Kid Zone Enrichment Program, brings 20+ years of industry expertise to Tempe as its new chef. Chef Sams also offers cooking classes for youth and adults.



Expose your child to new and fun learning experiences through a variety of our Special Interest classes including **Pee Wee Science, Thinking Toddler** and **Preschool Prep**. Tots will build and create projects using different skills and textures designed to promote healthy and positive brain development.



Youth (5 – 12 years)



Youth will explore real-world concepts in physics, engineering and architecture while building their favorite Minecraft®, LEGO® Jedi and Mindstorm, robot or battle bot in one of our **Play-Well TEKnologies LEGO Engineering Mini Camps** or **S.T.E.A.M. and Robotics®** programs. Kids will absorb skills and knowledge through entertaining interactions with instructors and peers.

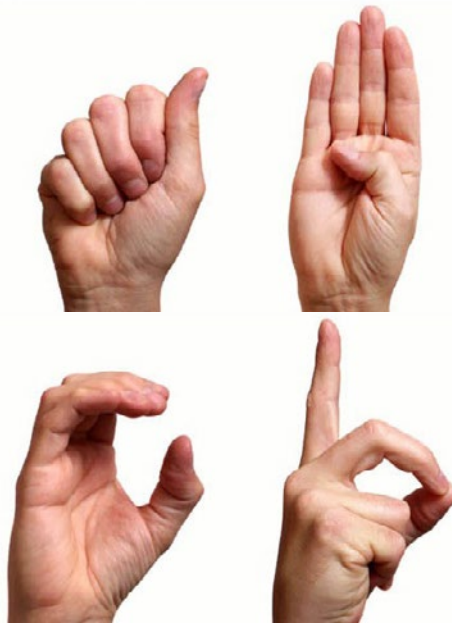
When it comes to sports, we've got you covered. Whether your child is looking to improve their jump shot, swing or stroke, there's a program being offered this winter. Be sure to check out all of our options for staying active including **Youth Hoops, LadyHawks Softball, Junior Golf, Soccer, Archery** and more.



Local trained teens provide one-on-one interactive multimedia literacy instruction to struggling 1st graders to help bolster confidence and proficiency with their reading and language skills in **Reading Sprouts**. Additionally, 3-8th grade students have the opportunity to receive tutoring in **Math Sprouts** and receive help with English papers, essays and book reports in **Writing Sprouts**. These programs are free of charge and offered at the [Tempe Public Library](#) Teen Center.



Teens (12 – 18 years)



Learn how to fingerspell the manual alphabet, core vocabulary for conversational signs, grammar and key components of the Deaf culture in **American Sign Language for Teens**. The program will commence with a silent ASL party to put your skills into practice.

Teens will learn how to respond to emergencies and illness with first aid, CPR and other appropriate care along with the babysitting basics. The one-day **Babysitting Class plus CPR/AED/FA** provides teens the knowledge and skills to confidently care for young children. Participants will receive a babysitter and CPR certification card.



Adults (18+ years)



Looking for a new way to experience Tempe Town Lake? Try the latest craze sweeping the nation – Stand-Up Paddleboarding. Tempe is excited to offer a variety of programs for all levels of adventure including **Introduction to Stand-Up Paddling, Stand-Up Paddling Fitness** and **Stand-Up Paddling Yoga**. Additionally, Tempe has several different **Rowing** and **Kayaking** programs available.

Is one of your New Year Resolutions to get fit, shed a few pounds or just exercise more? Well, good news! We've got LOTS of classes to help you achieve your goals. From **Boot Camps** and **Personal Fitness** to **Boxing** and **Martial Arts**, from **Dancing** and **Running** to **Pilates** and **Yoga**, there is a class to fit every lifestyle.





Adults 50+



Looking to improve your artistic ability? Try one of our Arts & Crafts classes including **Acrylic and Oil Painting**, **Watercolor Painting** and **Drawing Color B&W**. Classes are available for all experience levels and focus on composition, technique and color theory. Master your iPad through a variety of classes that start at the beginning with the basics and then progress to help you improve your skill and comfort level. Classes include **iPad Essentials**, **Pinterest** and **Facebook on the iPad**, **My Favorite App** and **Creating with your iPad**. The classes are offered at no cost.



Tennis



The **Kiwanis Tennis Center** offers a full-range of programs and playing opportunities for all ages and abilities. In our **Learn to Play Tennis** programs, quality instructors introduce the basic elements of tennis to ensure a positive, successful and fun experience. The Junior and **Adult Tennis Academies** help intermediate and advanced players improve their skills by utilizing the latest teaching methods endorsed by the USTA. **Drop-In Programs, Organized Playing Opportunities, Private Lessons** and **Adult Specialty Clinics** are also available.



Adapted Recreation



Tempe's Adapted Recreation Program provides a variety of classes, leagues and social events for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Our **Friday Night Social Activities** offer awesome opportunities for participants looking to meet others, get active and have a great time! Choose from **Bingo**, **Fabulous Friday Social Dances**, **Karaoke** and **Game Night** and **Movie Night**.



Aquatics



Dive into a new exercise routine with Tempe's water fitness classes, including **Shallow Water Exercise**, **Transitional Water Exercise** and **Aquatics High Intensity Interval Training (H.I.I.T.)**. Programs are available for adults, ages 15 years and older. Classes are offered five days per week at convenient times to fit within your schedule. Looking for even more flexibility? Check out our **Unlimited Water Fitness Program** which allows you to create your own schedule each month.



Ready to register? Here's how:

1. Online at www.Tempe.gov/Brochure

2. In-person at one of the following City of Tempe facilities:

[Recreation Administration Office](#)

[Edna Vihel Activities Center](#)

[Kiwanis Recreation Center](#)

[Escalante Multi-Generational Center](#)

[North Tempe Multi-Generational Center](#)

[Pyle Adult Recreation Center](#)

3. Fax in a registration form with credit card number to 480-350-5058.

4. Mail your registration to:
Class Registration
3500 S. Rural Road
Tempe, AZ, 85282.

For more information, contact Recreation Services Administration at 480-350-5200.

SEWING 4 A CAUSE



Gather the gang and come to the [Tempe Public Library](#) to practice your sewing skills and help out a good cause - making pet beds for local animal shelters and rescues, including Maricopa County Animal Care and Control, Ohana Animal Rescue and Lost Our Home Pet Rescue. Join us from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10.

The library will provide two sewing machines, patterns and materials for the event. Feel free to bring your own machines and materials.

Enjoy good company, holiday music and hot cocoa. Visit the Library's [event calendar](#) for more information about the event.

SWIMMING WITH SANTA

Santa is exhausted from delivering toys all over the world, and Mrs. Claus is always so busy archiving the naughty/nice list, so they decided that the best place for a post-holiday vacation would be the Kiwanis Recreation Center.

On Monday, Dec. 26, you can spend your post-holiday vacation with Santa riding the waves or playing games with Mrs. Claus on the pool deck. Of course, all that splashing around and having fun can make you thirsty, so we are also offering complimentary cookies and milk to all of our guests.

Join Mr. and Mrs. Claus on December 26 from 1-5 p.m. The jolly couple will be there from 1-3 p.m. but the waves and water slide continue from 3-5 p.m. Tickets are on sale now and are \$5 for children ages 2-12 years and \$7 for children 13 years and older, and are available through Friday, Dec. 23. Day of admission will be \$7 for ages 2 - 12 years and \$9 for ages 13 years and older. Tickets can be purchased online at www.Tempe.gov and at the Kiwanis Rec Center, located at 6111 S. All-America Way Tempe, AZ 85283. For more information, visit www.Tempe.gov/SWS or call (480) 350-5201.



3RD ANNUAL WRITING CONTEST

Tempe Community
WRITING CONTEST



Sharpen your pencils and warm up your laptops... It's time to get started on your entry for the Tempe Public Library's [3rd Annual Tempe Writing Contest](#) and Book Cover contest.

High school students, college students and adults are encouraged to submit original works of fiction, creative

nonfiction (including memoirs and essays) or poetry for the Tempe Writer's Forum Volume 3. Entries will be accepted between Jan. 17 and Feb. 21, 2017.

The book cover contest returns for a second year and is open to ages 14 years and older. Community members can submit their original cover design between Jan. 17 and Feb. 21, 2017. The winning submission will be featured as the cover of the Tempe Writer's Forum Volume, which will be published in April 2017.

ALL ABOARD! CATCH THE TRAINS OF TEMPE EXHIBIT



The exciting and interactive Trains of Tempe exhibit rolled into the [Tempe History Museum](#), 809 E. Southern Ave., last month. The 1,200 square foot exhibit examines the history of trains in Tempe and the surrounding communities from earliest efforts to

bring rail service to the area, to the modern endeavors in mass transportation, including light rail and street car.

Guests will enjoy a 3-dimensional experience created through the use of artifacts and archival materials, photographs and video, several of which are on loan from the [Arizona Railway Museum](#) in Chandler and/or private collectors.

Trains of Tempe offers engaging displays and activities for visitors of all ages including:

- Interactive computer station featuring a [GIS Story Map](#) that showcases the former sites of train stations and bridges in Tempe
- Learn about a train robbery, Prisoners of War, the mule-drawn Goodwin Trolley and more from actual newspaper accounts and photographs
- Climb aboard a train engine, dress up in train worker garb and snap a selfie or stop by the telegraph station to send and receive messages in Morse Code



An overview of the Trains of Tempe exhibit can be viewed here <https://youtu.be/zq3KuWlhql8>.

The Trains of Tempe exhibit was produced in partnership with Arizona Railway Museum. It was made possible through the support of the City of Tempe, Tempe Historical Society and [AZ Humanities](#). The exhibit runs through September 2017 and will feature engaging programs for audiences of all ages. For more information, visit www.Tempe.gov/Museum.

FOOD FOR FINES

You always hear that it's better to give than to receive, but what if you could do both? Feed the hungry and pay your library fines without taking a dollar out of your wallet with the [Tempe Public Library's](#) Food for Fines program. During November and December, bring canned-food items to the library, located at 3500 S. Rural Rd., and have your library fines waived in exchange. Don't have fines? You can still participate by donating canned food for entry into a drawing for a gourmet basket donated by [Whole Foods Market Tempe](#).

Every can of food you bring to the library is worth \$1 off your balance. Bring in 30 items or a 30 pound bag of dog food for our 4-legged friends, and your account balance will be zeroed out. Get more information at www.Tempe.gov/DonationsforFines.

The food will benefit non-profit group [Tempe Community Action Agency](#) (TCAA), which serves the Tempe community.



Food for Fines

TEMPE HISTORY MUSEUM HAS THE HOLIDAYS COVERED



The [Tempe History Museum](#) likes to celebrate the holidays in style – and this year is no exception.

Holiday enthusiasts are invited to experience a Tempe Christmas tradition by visiting the [Petersen House Museum](#), located 1414 W. Southern Ave. Celebrating turn-of-the-century style with a Danish flair in honor of Niels Petersen, the house will be festively decorated with personal tours for visitors.

Enjoy refreshments on the porch and create memories with your family during Tempe's Christmas at the Petersen House. The home is open from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday Dec. 3, 10 and 17 and again from 1 – 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4, 11 and 18. For more information visit www.tempe.gov/museum or call 480.350.5100.



To receive up-to-date information about exciting events and opportunities happening between Connecting Tempe newsletters, become a fan of Tempe Opportunities on [Facebook](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, Dec. 5

[Tempe Resident Registration Opens](#)

Winter 2017 Session

Saturday, Dec. 10

[Sewing 4 a Cause](#)

1:00 p.m.; [Tempe Public Library](#) Meeting Room A

[Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade](#)

4:30 p.m.; Tempe Beach Park

Monday, Dec. 12

[Non-Tempe Resident Registration Opens](#)

Winter 2017 Session

Monday, Dec. 26

[Swimming with Santa](#)

1 p.m.; [Kiwanis Recreation Center](#)

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