



October 2025 E-Newsletter

President's Message



Dear Friends,

Farewell summer, hello autumn! I love the coming of fall colors and how the temperature feels just right for doing just about anything. I am always excited by the work we, the board, and members of the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library are doing. Our special library programs were very popular and brought our community together. Check out a few photos from our events below.

Many thanks to our volunteers who staffed our Book Sale in the Garden last month. We had a great turnout and lots of books are now being enjoyed by new owners. Keep bringing us your gently used books so that others can enjoy them after you're done. Our Bookstore is here to serve Diamond Bar.

New programs are happening in our library, be sure to check the listings for our October events for children, teens, and adults.

Our service motto this month is: "Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud" by Maya Angelou. I think I see a lot of rainbows these days. Thank you all for your support and kindness.

Sincerely,

Susan Pantages
Diamond Bar Friends of the Library President

Summer Book Sale in the Reading Garden





September Snapshots from the Library



Our DIY Hobbit Door Wreath program in September was a big hit. Our beloved hobbit characters from J.R. Tolkien's Lord of the Rings series came to life and we created a beautiful door wreath honoring Gandalf, Frodo Baggins, Samwise Gamgee, and Aragorn and others.



We celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month with Flamenco Music & Dance on Saturday, September 20th. Flamenco dancer Susana Elena took us on a magical trip to Spain.

Our children learned to move and danced like flamenco dancers and shouted “OLE”! Didn't they have fun?

October Events and Programs at the Diamond Bar Library

The Friends of the Library are pleased to bring these special programs and exciting classes to the Diamond Bar Library during October 2025. Join us!



Design a Bookmark! Show off your creativity! On **Tuesday, October 7th at 4 – 5 PM**, aspiring artists in grades K-12 can submit an original bookmark design inspired by reading, books, libraries, or your own imagination. The Winner will see their art displayed throughout the County.

Do you love mysteries? Are you a brave reader? Mystery in-a-bag is for you. During the month of October, grab a bag from the display counter in the Children's Area, then venture into the unknown with your mystery read. Fill out and return the enclosed Review Card to the Ask Us Desk for a prize. On **Wednesdays October 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th all day**,

Smart Start, Baby Band is back! Come play with us on **Friday, October 10th and October 15th** from **10:15-10:45 AM!** Did you know that music helps your baby's brain make more learning connections, build fine and gross motor skills, and teach social skills? Play time is music time!

Smarty Pants Story Time is back! On **Wednesday, October 15th** from **10:15–10:45 AM**, let's get ready for school! Enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and movement while learning school readiness skills and having fun. This program is especially for ages 2 – 5 with their parent or caregiver.

Fiber Arts Meetup for adults continues! On **Thursday, October 16th** from **1-2:30 PM**, come and get crafty with us. Whether you crochet, knit, embroider, or otherwise work with fiber, bring your project and work with other fiber artists. And make a new friend or two as well. This program is for adults.

Cozy up at Pajama Storytime on Thursday, October 16th from 6:45-7:15 PM. Bring your jammies and blanket and join us for a mellow evening of stories, songs, and rhymes. Don't forget your favorite stuffy!

Teen Read Month: DIY Book Bedazzling. On Friday, October 17th from 4-5 PM, come try out the newest BookTok trend and Bling out your favorite book! Bring your own book or choose one of ours to bedazzle with gem diamond art techniques. You'll get a chance to share about a variety of titles. For ages 13-17.

New Parent Engagement Program: Learn About Library Programs and Services. Just for new parents, join us at a special program designed for you. Bring your new baby and learn about all the great programs and services we have for parents, caregivers, and children. Also, connect with other new parents and families in our community. We love to strengthen families and communities. **Saturday, October 18th from 10:15-11:15 AM.**

Can't get enough of Jigsaw? Cozy or Hygge season is coming. The Hygge Jigsaw Puzzle Race and Swap is happening on **Monday, October 20th from 4-6:30 PM.** Celebrate all things cozy and comforting by trying your hand at speed puzzling! Grab your friends or register solo and join a team on the night of the event. First to finish wins!

Need just a little help getting around the digital library? Digital Drop-In: Libby & Hoopla are here to help. Come in on **Tuesday, October 21st at 1:00 PM** and have a librarian lead you through the process of downloading free eBooks, audiobooks, and music. For Adults.

Sandbox Playdate will be on **Wednesday, October 22nd from 10:15-11:00 AM.** Join us for a fun playdate in the sandbox! Dig for treasures, explore sand toys and enjoy this special sensory experience while bonding with other families.

MakMo: the Magic of Grids. Did you know that grids have been used throughout history to organize information and design the world around us? Join us as we explore some magical crafts that use grids to have fun and help us with our lives. **Thursday, October 23rd from 4-5 PM.**



September 27th Local Authors Event

On Saturday, September 27th at 2 PM we celebrated literacy with local authors as we heard how they came to write their books. Our previous Diamond Bar Library Manager Pui-Ching Ho introduced us to her newest book, ***Inspiring Stories for Boys and Girls to Unlock Their Superpowers***, which was No. 1 on Amazon for its first week. She was joined by five other very interesting local authors: Glenda Armand, Cathleen Earle, Dr. Ronda Hampton, Marriyan Hill and Dr. Donna Marie Hunter who shared their books with us. This was a very enjoyable and interesting afternoon with many guests and community groups attending. Thank you to Diamond Bar/Walnut AAUW and Diamond Bar Woman's Club for joining us.





Four Seasons Fall Book Group

On **Saturday, November 8th at 11 AM**, our Fall Book Group selection will be ***Lonely Castle in the Mirror*** by Mizuki Esujimura. The discussion will take place inside the Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room.

Seven students find unusual common ground in this warm, puzzle-like Japanese bestseller laced with gentle fantasy and compassionate insight. *Lonely Castle in the*

Mirror is a mesmerizing, heart-warming novel about the unexpected rewards of embracing human connection.

Limited copies of the book will be available at the Diamond Bar Library. Hoopla has eBooks and audiobooks available, and Libby has audiobooks. You do not need to have read the book to participate—everyone is welcome. Come and join us and bring a friend to two.

Do you have a suggestion for a book or a theme for our Read Together Diamond Bar 2026 month in April? You can email us [here](#) with your thoughts and suggestions. Call 909-576-8536 or visit our website at www.dblibraryfriends.org for more information.



Four Seasons Book Club

Sponsored by Diamond Bar Friends of the Library

Join Friends of the Diamond Bar Library
Four Seasons Book Group Fall Book Discussion

Lonely Castle in the Mirror by Mizuki Esujimura

Saturday, November 8, 2025, 11 am
Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room
21810 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765



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*Diamond Bar Library has some books to borrow.
Hoopla has ebooks and audiobooks
Libby has audiobooks*

Sponsored by the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library.
This program is free to the public.
Join us for a lively and interesting discussion on reading and books.



*Refreshments will be served.
For more information, please call 909 576-8536*

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Please be a “Friend” of the Diamond Bar Library and join today! Your contribution will support programs, materials, and improvements for the Diamond Bar Library.

Membership Dues:

\$10 -Individual (Yearly)

\$15 -Family (Yearly)

\$250 -Lifetime

\$350 -Lifetime Family

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*Check out our \$5-a-bag section! You can fill up a bag of books for just \$5.

*Come in and browse our specially priced book sets. They make great gifts or collectors' items!

*Every season we will have a special themed basket for one lucky customer to win! Visit our bookstore, purchase a book, and enter to win the basket. One ticket per transaction can be entered into the opportunity drawing.

Come visit us inside the Diamond Bar Library!

We are open Monday-Saturday 11 AM-5 PM.

Diamond Bar Library
21800 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765
Bookstore: (909) 612-0276

Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, November 8 at 11 AM:** Fall Four Seasons Book Group to discuss *Lonely Castle in the Mirror* by Mizuki Esujimura. Inside the DB Library Windmill Room.
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Consider making a gift to support the Diamond Bar Library. Funds will go towards library programs, new books and media, capital improvements, and more.

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