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August 2026 E-Newsletter

Message from the Friends' Board



Welcome Back to School and Happy Reading!

As August arrives, summer begins to wind down, and a brand-new academic year is just around the corner. Whether you are heading back to the classroom or moving up to the next grade, preparing for college, or simply diving into a fresh routine, the Diamond Bar Library is here to support you every step of the way!

Summer Program Wrap-Up: A Resounding Success!

Before we look ahead, we want to send a heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in our 2026 Summer Library Programs. Our librarians created brilliant and fun programs for all ages, and thanks to your enthusiasm, curiosity, and community spirit, this year's programs were an absolute triumph! From engaging youth activities to inspiring reading challenges, our library was buzzing with life all season long. We are so grateful to our wonderful community for making this summer unforgettable.

August Celebrations & Giveaways

August is packed with fun reasons to visit the Diamond Bar library:

- Back-to-School Celebration: To help kick off the new school year with excitement, the library is giving away free keychains starting August 1st while supplies last. Stop by the front desk to grab yours and add a fun touch to your backpack or locker!

- National Book Lovers Day is August 9th: Celebrate your passion for reading on National Book Lovers Day! To honor the occasion, we will also be handing out free “I Love Books” stickers beginning on August 3rd. Wear them proudly and show the world your love for a great story.

Call for Writers: The Next Chapter Writing Contest

Do you have a story waiting to be told? Celebrate the art of the story by entering LA County’s Next Chapter Writing Contest!

- About the Contest: This exciting competition invites local writers to submit flash fiction stories of 750 words or less.
- Eligibility: The contest is open to teens and adults, ages 13 years and up.
- Submission Deadline: Submit your work by **August 17, 2026**.
- Winners Announcement: Winners will be officially announced on **November 14, 2026,** at a special event hosted at the West Hollywood Library and West Hollywood Park.

Grab your pen or open a blank document and let your creativity shine!

Treasures Await at the Used Bookstore

If National Book Lovers Day has inspired you to expand your personal library, be sure to visit the Friends of the Library Bookstore! Find us inside the library, across from the self-check out stations.

We are fully stocked with a wonderful selection of great books for readers of all ages and interests. Whether you are looking for gripping fiction, insightful non-fiction, heart throbbing romances, books in Chinese and Korean, children’s books, or study aids for the school year, you are sure to find a hidden gem—all at unbeatable prices. We also have CDs, puzzles, and new offerings every week. Every purchase you make directly supports library programs and resources, so you can read good books while doing good for your community.

Come on by this August—we cannot wait to celebrate the new school year and our shared love of reading with you!

New Library Chair Tabletops

The Friends recently funded replacement of some of the library chair tabletops.



August Programs at the Diamond Bar Library



Come check out the many programs the Library has to offer for August here.

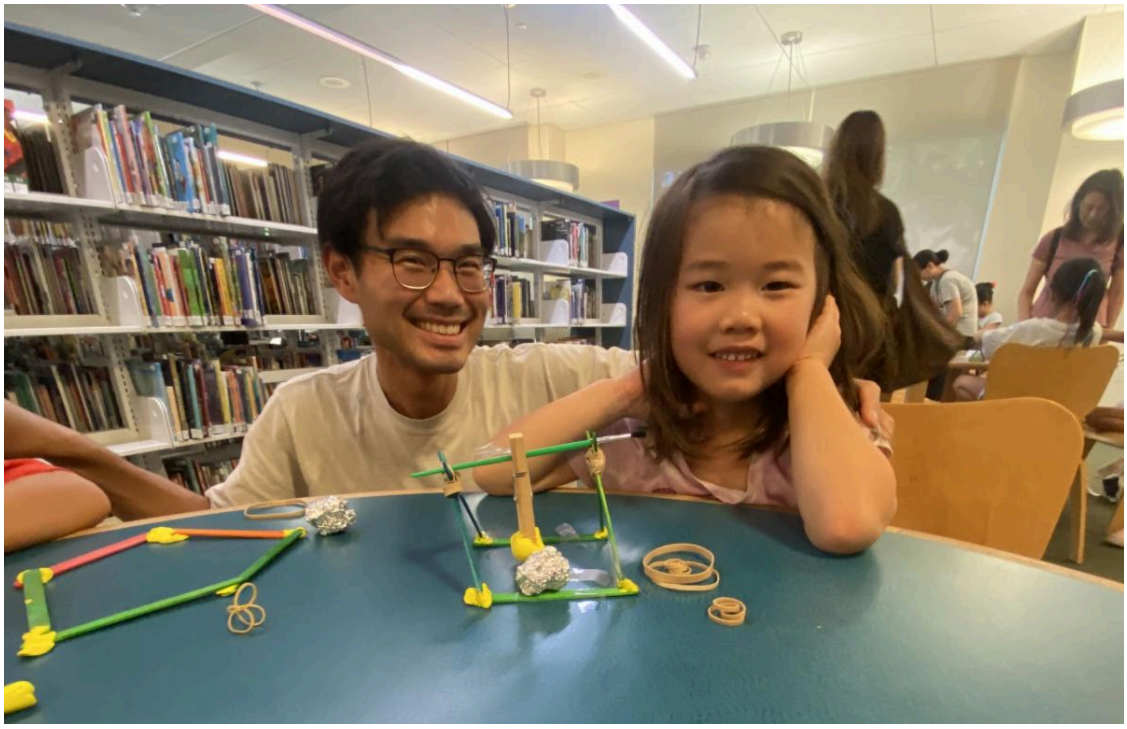
There will be Smarty Pants Storytime, Sandbox Playdates, Plant Swap, Family Craft Party, Button Making for Teens, and more!

July Snapshots from the Library

Big Blue Blocks



Soccer STEM Challenge



Wild Man Dan



UC Application Workshop



READ TOGETHER Diamond Bar

Four Seasons Book Club



The Four Seasons Book Club is the quarterly book discussion organized by the Friends to discuss a wide range of books. Reading the featured book isn't required to participate–everyone is welcome. Come join us and bring a friend or two!

On Saturday, July 25th at 11 AM the Four Seasons Book Club met and discussed *Crown City* by Naomi Hirahara in the Library Windmill Room, where Ms. Hirahara made a special appearance. It was a great turnout!




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Please mark your 2026 calendars for the final Four Seasons Book Club meeting as follows on Saturdays at 11 AM:

- Fall-November 14th at the Windmill Room

Become a Member!



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

Click **here** to make a membership contribution.

Membership dues may be tax deductible as permitted by law, tax ID 95-4611640.

Our Bookstore



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 and receive an entry ticket 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.

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Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, November 14th at 11AM:** Four Seasons Book Club meeting. (Book TBD) Inside the **Library Windmill Room**.

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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