



Put a children's book into Bisbee's library

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This Sunday, from 2 to 5 p.m., the Friends of the Copper Queen Library in Bisbee are inviting people to help them raise funds to add to the children's book collection.

Mark your calendar for Nov. 6 and join the Friends at Café Roka for the opening of the photography exhibition Personal Paperback.

For only \$20 per ticket, you will enjoy appetizers, wine and a viewing of 40 exhibition prints of the paperbacks photographed by Bisbee artist John Charley.

Charley explains his project this way: "I was reading an e-book and began thinking about how different it is from reading (or owning) a printed book. True, the words are there but once the power is shut off and the screen goes black it's almost like the book doesn't exist. A printed book is still there; it remains in our physical space. Paperbacks are often the first books we own and they influence our lives early on. With that in mind I began asking people that I know to lend me their favorite paperback books to be photographed. Once the collection of prints came together, I wanted to show them in a public venue, and what better way to do this than to have a benefit for children's literacy?"

Your ticket will also include you in a raffle for one of the exhibition prints. Tickets will be available at the front desk at the Copper Queen Library, High Desert Market, Bisbee Office Supply and at the door. All proceeds from the event, plus 10 percent of the proceeds from sales of the prints, will be used to purchase books for the Children's Collection at the Copper Queen Library and free children's literacy programming.

For more information on the Personal Paperback project, go to www.personalpaperback.net.

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