

Copper Queen Library News

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April is **National Poetry Month**, and the Copper Queen Library is planning a month of poetic activities to celebrate poets and poetry, starting with the Balcony Scene. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from Noon until 12:30, local poets will take turns reading their works from the second floor balcony, broadcasting their words out onto Main Street. The rest of the month is scheduled, as follows.

Tuesday, April 3

How to Get Published | Panel | 5:30 - 7

Tuesday, April 10

Poetry Reading by Michael Gregory | 5:30 - 7

Tuesday, April 17

Poetry Workshop with Ken Lamberton | 4 - 5

Poetry Reading by Ken Lamberton | 5:30 - 7

Tuesday, April 24

Poetry Workshop w/ AZ Humanities Poet Leilani Clark | 4 - 5

Poetry Reading by Leilani Clark | 5:30- 7

Monday, April 30

Poetry Critique Society w/ Ken Lamberton | 5 - 7

Wednesday, May 2

Out Loud and Off the Page | Season 3

Readings from James Coull's FreeWrite Class

Central School Project | 6 - 8

For more information, or to participate in the Balcony Scene or Workshops, contact Program Coordinator Alison Williams at awilliams@bisbeeaz.gov or 520-432-4232.

POETRY MONTH FEATURES LEILANI CLARK

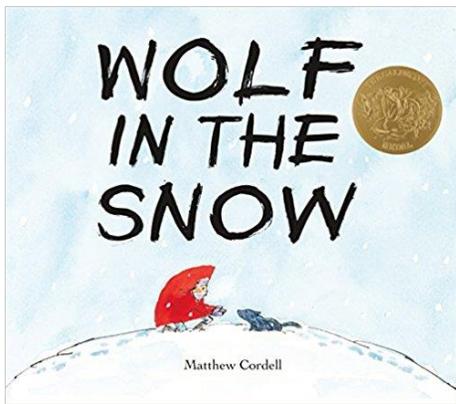


Leilani Clark is a native-born Tucsonan of Native (Diné/Santa Clara) and African American heritage. She is a community organizer and activist who has been involved in the Immigrant Rights Movement and fight to preserve cultural education in public AZ schools before, during and after the 2010 signing of anti-Migrant bill, SB 1070, and anti-Ethnic Studies bill, HB 2281. Leilani's political analysis further broadened around gender equality after surviving sexual assault and an oppressive rape culture of silence and victim-blaming. In 2013 Leilani began dabbling in the art of spoken word to confront silence around gender violence in movement spaces and in 2014 she relocated to Las Vegas, NV where she further explored the art of slam poetry. Leilani fired up the local Sin City open-mic scene, regularly performing poetry, music and previously co-hosting Las Vegas's longest running weekly open-mic, "The Human Experience." The winds recently brought her back to her hometown and she's been actively using the art of slam poetry to convey messages of cultural pride, social justice, healing and empowerment. Leilani will facilitate a writing workshop on Tuesday, April 24 at 4 PM entitled Even Words Not Spoken Break Silence: Writing to Reclaim, Heal & Transform where she will share her journey using writing as a method to heal from trauma, validate the truth and break through silence. Strategies will be explored to transition written word to spoken word and build confidence in stage performance and personal story telling. And then at 5:30 PM, she will perform a reading of her work.

NEW GAMES NOW AVAILABLE FORM YOUR OWN GAME CLUB!

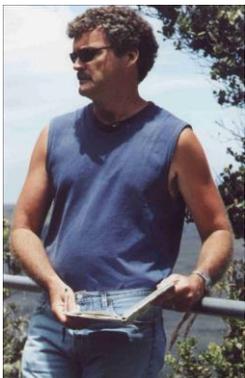


CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARDS



A girl is lost in a snowstorm...a wolf is lost, too. How will they get home? This is the story of *Wolf in the Snow* illustrated and written by Matthew Cordell and winner of the 2018 Caldecott Medal which honors the artist of the most distinguished American picture book for children. And winner of the Newbery Award which honors the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children is Erin Entrada Kelly for *Hello, Universe*, a story where Filipino folklore and real life converge at the bottom of a well. Check these out and other children's award winners today!

KEN LAMBERTON POETRY WORKSHOP & READING



"I gauge my life by the swallows. Their nature, like many things in the world, is cyclic; They live inside the regular heartbeat of the land."

Ken Lamberton will be hosting a poetry workshop and reading at the Copper Queen Library on Tuesday, April 17, beginning at 4 PM. An American writer, artist, and naturalist, Ken is the author of several celebrated nonfiction books, including *Wilderness and Razor Wire*, which won the 2002 John Burroughs Medal for Outstanding Nature Writing. He is also a guest facilitator at the Library's monthly Poetry Critique Society which meets every last Monday of the month to share poetry and receive constructive feedback to improve their writing, all in a safe and positive environment. Lamberton spent 12-years in the Arizona prison system, where he joined the Creative Writing Workshop of poet and author Richard Shelton (author of *Going Back to Bisbee*). Shelton's workshops significantly influenced his writing career, and he began writing articles and essays about the natural history of the Southwest in the early 1990's.

RAIN GRANT SPROUTS CHILDREN'S SCIENCE RESOURCES

The Copper Queen Library was recently awarded a grant from RAIN (Rural Activation and Innovation Network) to support children's science resources, including books, program materials, brain games and a digital microscope that will be used to explore Bisbee's unseen, microscopic world. RAIN is working across Cochise County to bring informal science learning to libraries like ours. A new collection of science books are now housed in the EASY section of the Children's Library and include board books from National Geographic's Look and Learn Collection, as well as Easy Nonfiction books from the Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science Series published by Harper Collins. The Library is also developing a Preschool STEAM Club that will feature science-based projects which will include growing crystals, making slime, growing plants on the balcony using seeds from our new Seed Library, and having fun with our first ever microscopic scavenger hunt!

ACADEMY AWARDS 2018

The Academy Awards were announced at the beginning of March and the winners are as follows:

Best Picture: *The Shape of Water*

Best Actor: Gary Oldman for *Darkest Hour*

Best Actress: Frances McDormand for *Three Billboards Outside of Ebbing, Missouri*

Best Director: Guillermo del Toro for *The Shape of Water*

Best Foreign Language Film: *A Fantastic Woman*

Best Documentary: *Icarus*



Check out this year's winners and past winners at the Copper Queen Library! Checked out already? Place a hold on it, and we'll send you an email when it becomes available!

