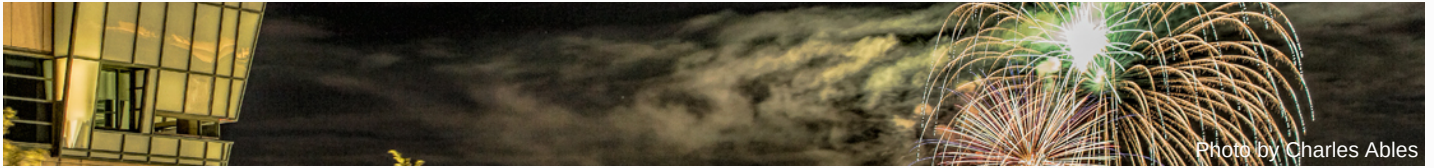


# BETWEEN THE LINES

PRESCOTT VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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BY CASEY VAN HAREN

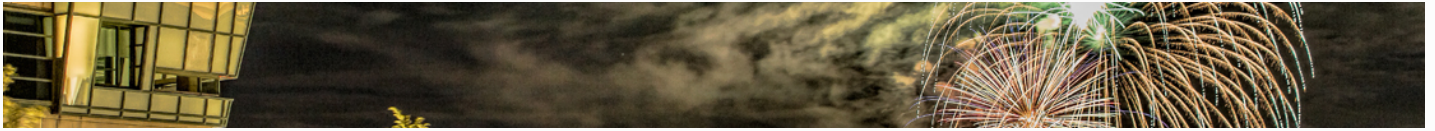
Here we are 2021! It's hard to believe we have been in a pandemic for the last nine months. Our lives have been turned upside down, and as the days seemed to blur one into another (what day is it? Blursday), I can't help but think back over the last year and look at all the positive and meaningful changes that happened. Don't get me wrong, this year has been difficult on so many levels, but I am an eternal optimist and look at the good and the lessons learned.

Technology helped us stay connected to not only coworkers, but family and friends. Zoom and FaceTime became common in schools, businesses, and at home. I FaceTimed with my family weekly, if not daily.

People gained a deep appreciation and understanding of just what our doctors, nurses, and first responders go through to keep us healthy and safe.

We learned resilience. Our community shifted their thinking and realized that this pandemic would not be short lived. We had to be flexible, understand what we can control, cope with the lockdown, and ask for help. The library drive-up window became the lifeline for many in our community. To some, we were their only point of contact.

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People began to exercise, do yoga, meditate, go camping, hiking, adopt pets, and look after their own well-being.

Murder hornets never really showed up!

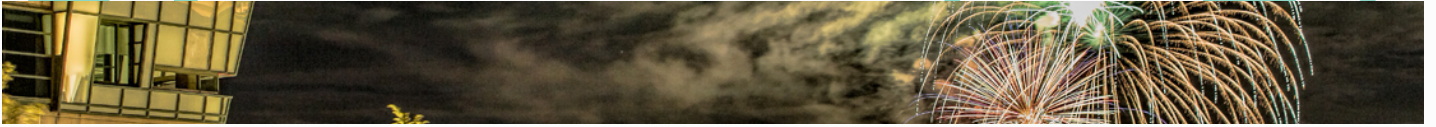
We realized the importance of voting and having our voice heard and showed up in record numbers to vote.

Drive-in movies became popular again! Parks and Recreation set up a giant movie screen at Findlay Event Center and showed movies.

Our library volunteers made masks for our staff and first responders. We are fortunate to have such skilled, amazing and thoughtful volunteers.

I hope the year 2021 brings more good news and that it will inspire others to grow and learn.





# HIGHLIGHTS

## CHILDREN'S

### New Year, New Programs

It doesn't look like we will be able to have any in-person programs for quite a while yet, but we will continue to provide various options for keeping up with books, learning, and literacy.



#### Facebook:

The Children's Department will be posting at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and will be featuring new books, interesting facts, and ideas for exploring nature.

#### YouTube:

We will be adding shorter (5 min) new videos with sign language for our Baby Time children, and read stories for our preschool children with a song, finger play, or flannelboard activity.

Check these out as well as our website, [pylib.net](http://pylib.net), for other special plans for our younger elementary students, too.

## TWEEN (AGES 9-13)

We now have origami take and make crafts in the Children's Department!

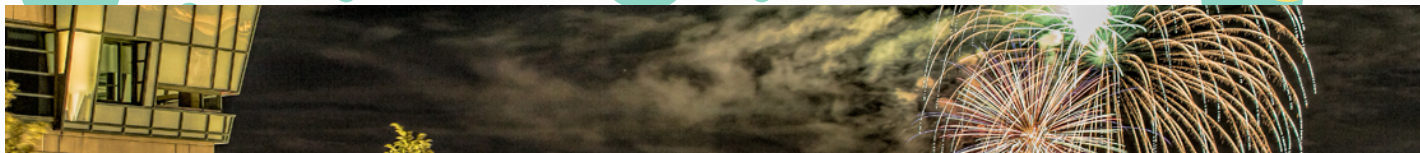
Learn how to make your own paper crane! Or sea lion! Or whale! We'll have new designs available every two weeks.

This activity is recommended for ages 9 and up. Thank you!



You are welcome to donate your completed origami creation to the library. We will happily hang it up downstairs in the Community Origami Mobile, where everyone can marvel at your skills! If you've found that you've grown attached to your little paper creation, you are welcome to keep them, too. Far be it for us to get in the way of friendship.





## HIGHLIGHTS

### YOUNG ADULT

#### Join Our New Teen Advisory Board!

We are excited to announce that we are starting a new Teen Advisory Board (TAB) and are looking for volunteers. This is your chance to boss us around and earn community service hours at the same time! TAB teens help the Teen Librarian plan new library events, create displays, and suggest library materials. TAB also spends time hanging out, getting to know one other, and occasionally eating free food. So, if you know of any teens from ages 14-18, send them to the Young Adult Department or apply at [pvlib.net/teens](http://pvlib.net/teens).

From a new Crafternoon take-home craft, and a 3D Printer virtual program, to a Teen Murder Mystery Live Virtual Event, the YA Department has several exciting programs and events going on this month! Make sure to pick up your murder mystery kit at the YA department and join us live virtually on Friday, January 29th at 3 PM. Don't forget to [register](#) because there is limited space available.



### ADULT



#### New Programs & Classes

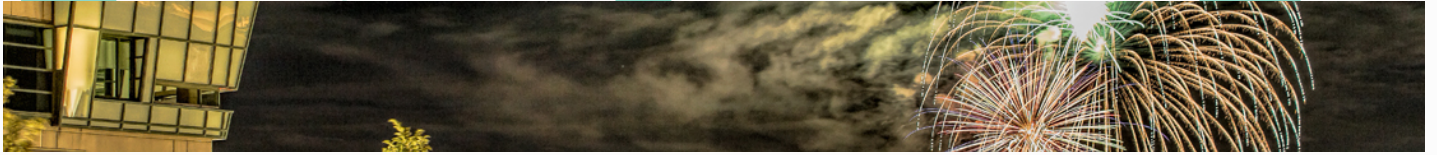
One new program to look for in the new year is **Skillshare**. Skillshare is an online learning community with thousands of classes for creative and curious people on topics including illustration, design, photography, video, freelancing, business, marketing, and more. On Skillshare, millions of members come together to find inspiration and take the next step in their creative journey.

PVPL patrons will be able to "checkout" a Skillshare seat for 3 weeks, where you have unlimited access to over 22,000 on-demand classes. Each class includes resources, projects, and community discussions.

Another all-ages library program starting in the new year is **Citizen Science Kits**. Citizen Science is a collaboration between scientists and those who are just curious or concerned and motivated to make a difference. People just like you are collecting data by taking photos of clouds or streams, documenting changes in nature, using smartphone sensors to help scientists monitor water and air quality or playing games to help advance health and medical research. Learn more at [Scistarter.com](http://Scistarter.com)

The Library will have Citizen Science kits available for patrons to checkout, including: Measuring Light in the Night Sky, Zombee Hunting, and Stream Mapping.





# STAFF SUGGESTIONS

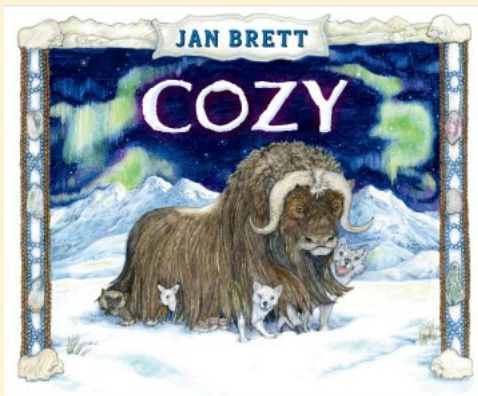
## CHILDREN'S

### New Year, New Books

There are so many new books heading to our libraries in Yavapai County for children. Here are several:



**Daniel's Little Songs for Big Feelings** - With more than 50 songs, this is a book which helps young children navigate first experiences and developmental milestones.



Winter is a favorite time to pull out Jan Brett's classic book, **The Mitten**. She now has another book, **Cozy**, with a similar theme: The coat of a huge woolly musk ox named Cozy is the winter home for a growing number of Alaskan animals who mostly get along.

## TWEEN

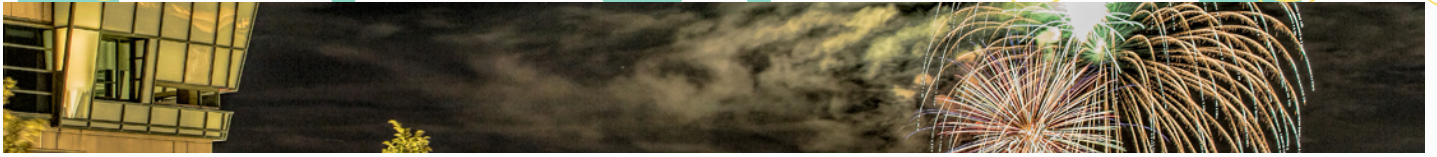


### **Lightfall Book One: The Girl & The Galdurian** by Tim Probert

**Lightfall** is a graphic novel series set in a fantasy world where the sun has burned out and been replaced by large, artificial lights, and the dark is something to be feared beyond all else.

Bea, an anxious young girl, lives with her adopted grandfather, the Pig Wizard. (He's a wizard. Who is also a pig. Hence the adopted.) She helps him make potions for their customers and, as his memory is starting to lapse, she helps him keep track of most everything else.

When her grandfather disappears under exceedingly mysterious circumstances, it's up to Bea to find him. Joining Bea on her quest is Cadwallader, who is on a quest of his own to find his family. Together, the two of them just might stand a chance against whatever dangers might be lurking in the shadows of their wide and sprawling world.



# STAFF SUGGESTIONS

## YOUNG ADULT



**“Books are...portals into places  
I’ve never been and people I’ll  
never be.”**

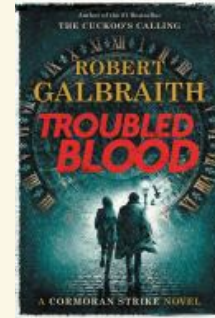
### — Bookish and the Beast

Part small-town romance, part Beauty and the Beast, this adorable HEA is for all the shippers out there!

Set in the Geekerella universe, **Bookish and the Beast** is a standalone novel that anyone can read!

Not only are college applications stressful but Rosie’s also grieving over her mother’s death & the loss of her mother’s rare sci-fi books. Meanwhile, Vance, a Sci-Fi movie star, gets sent to Rosie’s small town after a tabloid scandal. The two collide and dislike one another instantaneously. But in true fairy tale fashion, true selves emerge & romance blossoms. Oh, and there’s bonding over books. A ton of books. Overall, a great feel-good read.

## ADULT



### **Troubled Blood**

(Cormoran Strike #5)  
by Robert Galbraith

Robert Galbraith is a pseudonym for J.K. Rowling, the author of the Harry Potter series.

In book #5 of this series, the main character, Private Detective Cormoran Strike, is visiting family in Cornwall where he agrees to take on a cold case from 1974. As Strike and his partner, Robin Ellacott, investigate the disappearance, they come up against a fiendishly complex case with leads that include tarot cards, astrology, mob connections, a psychopathic serial killer, and witnesses who cannot all be trusted.

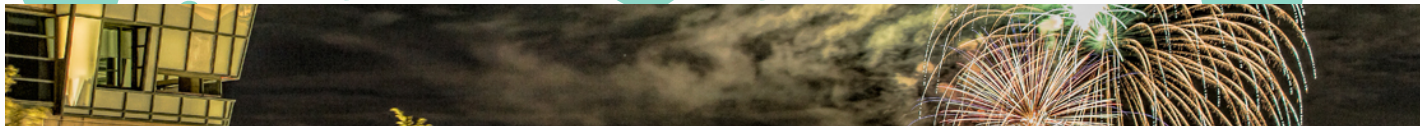
Titles in this series:

#1 Cuckoo’s Calling

#2 The Silkworm

#3 Career of Evil

#4 Lethal White



## JANUARY CALENDAR

- ★ Online Chair Yoga - Registration Required for all Yoga Classes at [pvlib.net](http://pvlib.net)>Attend>Programs & Classes

MONDAYS 10-11AM

TUESDAYS 10-11AM

WEDNESDAYS 10-11AM

THURSDAYS 10-11AM

FRIDAYS 10-11AM



- ★ Online Morning Stretch - [Wednesdays 8:30-9:30am](#)

- ★ Online Yoga Nidra - [Thursdays 12-1pm](#)

- ★ Checkin' Out the Neighborhood - PVPL's Podcast:  
Lynn Kaylor - A Local Author

[Tuesday, January 12th, <https://anchor.fm/pvpl>, on the library website, or your favorite podcast source.](#)

- ★ Master Gardener Talk: Rainwater Harvesting-  
Online Pre-recorded Program

[Tuesday, January 12th, 4pm Registration Required](#)

- ★ AZ Speaks: Chiles & Chocolate: Sweet and Spicy Food in the American West - Virtual Live Program

[Friday, January 15th, 3 - 4pm Registration Required](#)

- ★ Jim the Boy - A Novel, A Deeper Look

Seven week class, every Tuesday and Thursday starting

[Tuesday January 26th - March 11th, 10:00am Registration Required](#)

- ★ Royal Masquerade: Teen Murder Mystery Party -  
Virtual Live Program

[Friday, January 29th, 3pm Registration Required](#)





# CHILDREN'S 2020 TOP 10 LISTS

## 2020 TOP TEN HOLDS

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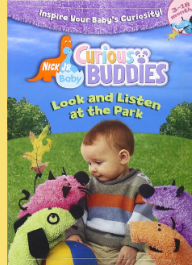
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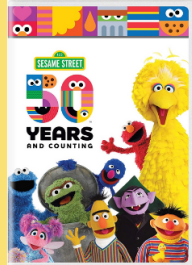
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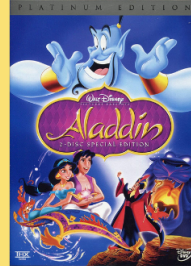


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## 2020 TOP TEN CHECKOUTS

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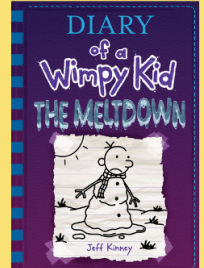
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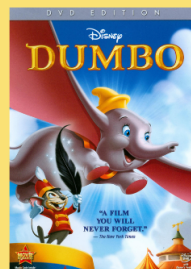
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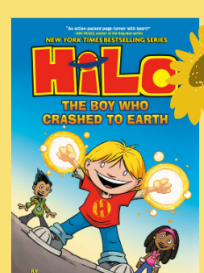
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# YA 2020 TOP 10 LISTS

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# ADULT 2020 TOP 10 LISTS

## ADULT 2020 TOP TEN HOLDS

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## ADULT 2020 TOP TEN CHECKOUTS

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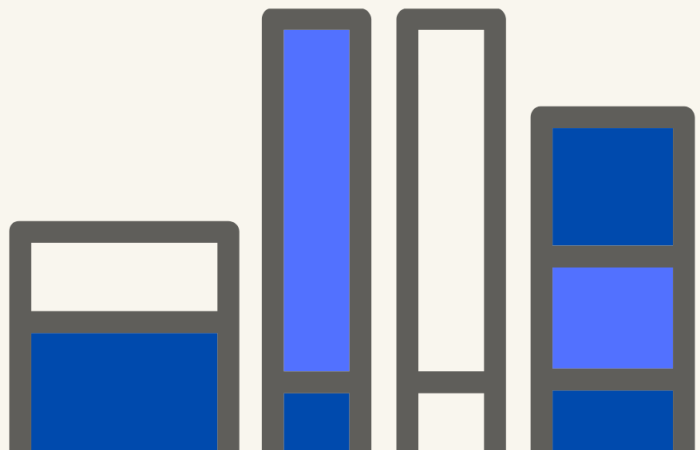
## IN OTHER NEWS

FRIENDS OF THE PRESCOTT VALLEY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKSTORE

# UPCOMING SALES

**January 4-17: Yellow  
and White Dot Sale -**  
items with a yellow or  
white dot are 25¢

**Late January: Graphic  
Novels and DVDs**



## IN OTHER NEWS

Calling all artists, collectors, craftspeople, or non-profits! We are looking to fill our Library with arts, crafts, and creativity in 2021 with 2D art showcases on our Library walls and 3D displays in our display cases.



All artwork must contain subject matter suitable for display in a public building frequented by persons of all ages.

There is no fee for participation, and artists may list their work for sale if they choose. All sales of active displays will be conducted by the Town with the understanding that 20% of the sales total will be donated to the Arts and Culture Commission for the sustainment and expansion of public art offerings.

For more information or to apply for these opportunities, please contact Arts and Culture Coordinator, Isabella Chewning, at (928) 759 3127 or [ichewning@pvaz.net](mailto:ichewning@pvaz.net).