



EXPLORATION FRIDAY WORKSHOPS

Friday, December 13, 2024 · 8:00 am - 9:45 am

GRADES	WORKSHOP TOPIC / PRESENTER / DESCRIPTION
K & 1+ LSC	FROM SOIL TO SALAD: BACKYARD COMPOSTING Presented by Garden Gail & Mallory Quigg, Keep Phoenix Beautiful In this hands-on workshop, children discover the wonders of gardening and composting, learning how to turn kitchen scraps into nutrient-rich soil for growing their own food. Students will engage in fun activities that bring the magic of composting to life, inspiring a deeper connection to the environment.
K & 1+ LSC	BOOKS N' COOKS Presented by Jenna Harden Students will enjoy a story and then engage in a cooking project related to the story. This session is a fun opportunity to learn basic cooking skills and practice kitchen safety.
2 & 3	MAD SCIENTISTS Presented by Valley Youth Theatre In this playful and imaginative session with Valley Youth Theatre, students will become Mad Scientists who will name and discover a brand-new creature and create a zany invention together as a team. Through games, storytelling, improvisation, immersive play, and more - this exciting adventure is just waiting for student's imaginations.
2 & 3	YOGA Presented by Kandi Neal In this interactive yoga session, children will have fun, move their bodies, and learn to relax through creative poses and calming exercises.
4	EXPEDITION DAYS ON THE ROAD Presented by Jen Bruening, McDowell Sonoran Conservancy This workshop brings the Sonoran Desert to the classroom. With fun and interactive activities, students will explore ecosystems and learn about wildlife and invasive plant species. Students will also understand the role they play in the Sonoran Desert and learn about the things that they can do to protect our environment for future generations.
4	HOLIDAY CRAFT & REINDEER MIX Presented by Paige Rogers Students will learn to make poinsettia napkin rings followed by a fun build your own reindeer mix treat.
5	WINTER-THEMED CARD MAKING Presented by The Walter Hive Get into the holiday spirit with our Winter-Themed Card Making workshop! In this hands-on session, you'll create festive cards perfect for the holidays using string art, yarn, and a variety of winter-themed shapes. Whether you're making art for the first time or looking to try a new technique, this workshop is great for all skill levels. Join us to design beautiful, personalized cards that will add a special touch to your holiday greetings.
5	CHEMYSTERIES Presented by Kathy Folley, Arizona Science Center Investigate the properties of various solid, liquid and gas chemicals, and explore the mysterious changes that occur when they are combined. You won't believe this color-changing chemistry isn't magic!
6 & 7+ LSC	REPTILE REHAB Presented by Phoenix Herpetological Sanctuary How do we take care of rescued reptiles with medical needs? How would you take care of a tailless alligator? A three-legged lizard? Learn how our team provides special care for these animals and how these medical needs can be helped and prevented in the future.
6 & 7+ LSC	THE GREAT SUNFLOWER PROJECT Presented by SciStarter In this workshop, we'll work together to identify and track pollinators in our school gardens, collecting data on their activity. We'll take on different field research roles and learn how to submit our findings to the scientists in need of our observations. Students will walk away from this workshop as a citizen scientist, equipped with the knowledge and tools to continue supporting real scientific research!
8	BOOKMAKING + CREATIVE WRITING Presented by Paper Jam N Print Paper Jam + Print, a collaborative print studio in downtown Phoenix, will share tips and tricks for easy at-home bookmaking, and teach multiple ways to make a book using simple found materials. All materials will be provided, and students will leave with instructions on bookmaking and a handful of sample books that they made in class!
8	MONARCH BUTTERFLIES IN ARIZONA Presented by Desert Botanical Garden Discover the wonders of monarch butterflies and other insects in Arizona through this workshop! You will learn about butterfly biology, see live caterpillars, and plant your own plant to take home to support monarch butterflies.