

## President's Message



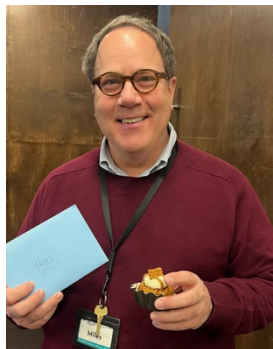
### Lorie De Marco

As our 2026 Friends of the Library year draws near to a close, we look forward to enjoying our annual visit from the talented Local color singers in December. This program always draws a good crowd, so get there early for a good seat. If you are currently a member of the Friends of the Library, you will also have the opportunity to vote on the proposed slate of Executive Officers for 2027. This will take place at a very short meeting right before the performance begins. If you have not joined the Friends of the Library, please consider making this a 2027 goal. Our Friends membership money goes directly into the projects, programs, and needs of our wonderful library, and is not only appreciated by the library staff, but by the community as a whole. Looking forward to many enjoyable moments in the New Year!

## Meet Miles Hill

Idyllwild Library employee

Three years ago, the Idyllwild library hired an amazing individual. If you haven't encountered Miles at the front desk of the library, you don't know what you're missing! Born in the Coachella Valley and raised there his entire life, Miles comes from a family of teachers and super achievers, which makes it even more interesting that Miles is so low-key.



He did spend some time as a substitute teacher and has a degree in Spanish Literature. He also spent time in Spain and is fluent in Spanish. But when asked about what he considers his "Superpower", without hesitation Miles responds... empathy! "I'm a great listener and I have a knack for relating to all people, even those who some might consider unlovable. They seem to know it because they're drawn to me and the library is the perfect place to encounter them." His calm demeanor and smiling eyes tell you, you're the most important person in the world. He is truly one of a kind.

He grew up spending time in the Indio Library, was a volunteer in the Rancho Mirage library, and he was employed for many years in the La Quinta library as the "Outreach Coordinator". When his mom had to go into assisted living and he was no longer needed to be her caregiver, he moved to the family home in Pine Cove.

He loves small towns and is happy talking forever to someone in the library who needs a caring listener. He also loves to be alone, read, cook and contemplate. He loves his co-workers at the Idyllwild Library, and the part-time position he shares with Megyn which gives him plenty of free time. He feels he's in a "transitional stage" as he nears retirement age, and dreams of writing. If you see quiet, smiling Miles sitting behind the desk at the library and you're having a hard day, don't hesitate to stop and just say hi. He will most likely look into your soul, and his eyes will tell you, YOU have value. That's the kind of guy he is. We're so lucky to have him.

## Upcoming Kids Events

Mark your calendars for the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the next 3 months (October 3<sup>rd</sup>, November 7<sup>th</sup> & December 5<sup>th</sup>) for a special kids activity at the library. Dubbed “Little Music Makers”, kids of all ages will participate in a hands-on music program to explore rhythm, pitch and melody through high-energy singalongs, movement games, and instruments. Bring your kids to the Library on the first Saturday and watch them thrive!

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# Little Music Makers

with Ms. Laura & Friends

1ST SATURDAYS AT 10 AM

September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5



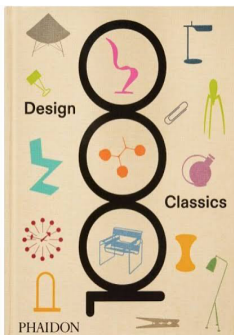
**ALL AGES**

Join us for a fun, hands-on music program for children! Kids will explore rhythm, pitch, and melody through high-energy singalongs, movement games, and instruments.

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Riverside County Library System

Little Free Library



*Do you have children's books that your kids have grown tired of, outgrown, or just don't need any more? Please consider donating them to the library to be sold at the bookstore. Your donations are greatly appreciated!*

*We are always in need of adult art & craft books and specialty books like you'd put out on your coffee table. If you have any you'd like to part with, please drop them by the library in the big basket at the front door. All sales go directly to purchase new books for the library and other library needs.*

**Don't Forget...**  
**Story Time Wednesdays: 11:00 a.m.**

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## Storytime

"CONSTRUCTION"  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30  
AT 11AM

Come "build" a love for reading at our storytime!



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"AUTUMN"  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23  
AT 11AM

Un-be-leaf-able tales await—fall into storytime with us!



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## Storytime

"FIRE PREVENTION" with Idyllwild Fire Dept  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7  
AT 11AM

We're hot on the trail for safety! Join us for a burning-good storytime!



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## Storytime

"NOCTURNAL ANIMALS"  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14  
AT 11AM

Swoop in for an owl-fully fun nocturnal animal storytime!



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Every Wednesday at 11 am, bring your little ones to a social and interactive story time at the library.

## Monthly Tech Help w/ your devices:

Did you know we have a new monthly Tech Help" drop-in? A very bright and accomplished high-schooler named Tate will be at the library every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5 pm to help the “technically challenged” (seniors) with whatever they're struggling with.

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## TATE'S TECH TROUBLESHOOTING HOUR

Wed., Sept. 16

EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY  
5:00 TO 6:00 PM

Drop-In, Friendly Computer & Device Help with local high school student and robotics team member, Tate Donovan.

Get help with:

- Setting up email & linking accounts
- Adjusting phone settings & privacy
- Exploring AI tools & internet search tips
- Navigating phone, tablet, or laptop features
- and more!

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## Monthly Film Club

Award winning filmmaker Gary Leva will be leading a monthly "Film Club". Like a book club, but you watch a movie on your own before you come and discuss w/ other film lovers.

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## Film Club

with Gary Leva

**WEDNESDAY,  
OCTOBER 21  
5:00 PM**

Join award-winning filmmaker and former USC Film School professor Gary Leva to discuss this month's film in a wide-ranging discussion. If you love great films and sharing them with others, Film Club is for you!

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## Upcoming Events

**Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> – Gary Leva's new monthly "Film Club"**  
Book club style group meets to unpack assigned films watched at home and explore the behind-the scenes craft of cinema.

**Oct. 21<sup>th</sup> – Speaker Melinda Niekum "The Silk Road"**  
Photo & video presentation explores how centuries of trade and cultural exchange along the ancient Silk Road shaped key historical sites in Central Asia & North India.

**Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Adult & Teen Spelling Bee**  
Think you're a good speller? See how you do against adults and teens.

**Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – Author Talk: Bobbie Becerra**  
Bobbie is a powerful public speaker who will be sharing her memoir "Learning to Take It: How I Grew to Accept Abuse."

**Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> – Writer's Block: with Jolie Tunnel**  
Jolie will talk about her own publishing journey both Indie & with a publisher. She is the author of the Loveda Brown historical novels centered here in our mountains.

**Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – Local Color Christmas Concert**

Mark Your Calendars and come join us....

**Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup>  
Music Trivia Night.**

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# TRIVIA NIGHT

**Feeling Smart?  
Join us for a night of trivia!**

**WED., SEPT 30**

**THEME:**



**AT 4:00 PM**

An individual multi-round trivia competition. The theme will be "music." Prize awarded to winner!

**FOR ALL AGES**

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- ☐ Family ..... \$25.00
- ☐ Business or Organization ..... \$50.00
- ☐ Sapphire ..... \$100.00
- ☐ Ruby ..... \$250.00

- ☐ Emerald..... \$500.00
- ☐ Diamond ..... \$1000.00

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