

BORN FREE

Culver City Reads is now in its third year! This lively and fun-spirited program aims to get people excited about reading – and to raise money for the Culver City Julian Dixon Library. More specifically, Culver City Reads is a community-wide reading fest sponsored by the Culver City Friends of the Library to promote reading, education, and literacy. This program encourages people of all ages to read the same book and, in the process, raise money to support and improve the programs, facilities and equipment at the library. The book selected for this year is the highly acclaimed bestseller “Born Free: A Lioness of Two Worlds” by Joy Adamson. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the library and will also be available for purchase at the circulation desk commencing in May, 2007.

Throughout the next several months, the Friends will hold a series of events and activities revolving around this book to show children and adults alike how books come alive and to raise funds for the Library. Look for guest appearances at the library, farmers market and other locations around town; bring your little ones to a safari-themed story hour at the library; dress up in khakis or an animal costume for a Saturday program; or share your insights about the book at an evening discussion group at the library. And be sure to join us when the program culminates in an “under the stars” screening of the movie Born Free at Veterans Park. This will truly be a summer of adventure and learning!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 22 (Tuesday) Complete
Go to www.ccfol.org for photos of the safari through the farmers market and downtown that kicked off Culver City Reads 2007.

July 3 (Tuesday) 7:00 PM – 7:50 PM
Safari Story Time and Craft at the Library!
Meet some of the amazing animals from “Born Free,” listen to stories about lions and make a fun lion craft.

July 21 (Saturday) 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Go wild about reading at ECO Station, Culver City's own exotic wildlife rescue station!
Enjoy an incredible tour, including the Wildcat Sanctuary, home to Jay the Bobcat, and an African Serval named Ibis, and meet hundreds of rescued animals. Free to Friends of the Library members!
(Memberships available at the door.)

August 7 (Tuesday) 6:30 PM – 7:50 PM
Safari Story Time and Craft at the Library! It's your turn to read! Read stories to live animals from the Paws 4 Healing R.E.A.D. program and make a fun animal craft.

August 8 (Wednesday) 7:00 PM – 7:50 PM
Book Discussion Group: Join your friends and neighbors in reading “Born Free: A Lioness of Two Worlds” and then share your insights in this professionally facilitated discussion group led by Mary Menzel, Director of the California Center for the Book at UCLA.

August 11 (Saturday) 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Join us for a “roaring” good time at the under the stars screening of the movie Born Free at Veterans Park! Be sure to get there early to enjoy music, games, prizes, auction, costume parade, sandwiches and other treats! Don't leave without a signed book and some fun souvenirs.

August 25-26 (Sat. & Sun.) 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Be sure to hunt down our booth at Fiesta La Ballona! Buy some gently used books or a few safari souvenirs to support the library!

For more information about these or any of our activities and events, please look for flyers or check out the display cases in the Library, call 310-559-1676 or visit www.ccfol.org

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