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[Upcoming Book Discussion & Speakers Bureau Programs](#)

- 07/17/2011**
How Wild Was It? An Overview of Crime and Justice in Arizona Territory, a Road Scholar program with Paul Hietter
 Prescott Public Library, Prescott
- 07/18/2011**
The Politics of 1950's American Film: a film screening and discussion of "On the Waterfront (1954)"
 North Valley Regional Library, Anthem
- "Farewell to Manzanar," a book discussion

Program Explores 1950's American Politics through Film



ASU's Center for Film, Media, and Popular Culture, with support from an [Arizona Humanities Council Opportunity Grant](#), presents a free film discussion series that begins in June and runs through September 2011 at two Maricopa County Libraries. The series, "The Politics of 1950s American Film," features four movies shown at the Northwest Regional Library, Surprise, and at the North Valley Regional Library. The films include

Touch of Evil (1958), Invasion of the Body Snatchers (1956), On the Waterfront (1954), and Johnny Guitar (1954). [Click here for a full listing of program dates and locations.](#)

Key Ingredients Last Stop in Payson

Key Ingredients: America by Food opened at the Payson Public Library on Friday, June 24, with a public ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception sponsored by the Rim Country Regional Chamber of Commerce. Payson is the last stop for the

Key Ingredients tour in Arizona. Payson's local exhibit includes collections of vintage cooking and promotional items that reflect changes in technology and culture over the decades. The library is also offering discounted passes to the Rim Country Museum to see the historic kitchen of pioneer Anna Mae



Payson Public Library Director Terry Morris cuts the ribbon as members of the public, library staff, and Library Friends of Payson look on.

Sedona Public Library,
Sedona

07/19/2011

"Going Back to Bisbee," a
book discussion

Copper Queen Library,
Bisbee

07/20/2011

"Black Elk Speaks," a book
discussion

Prescott Public Library,
Prescott

07/23/2011

*Descanse en Paz:
Traditional Cemeteries and
Handmade Grave Markers
in the Southwest*, a Road
Scholar program with Dick
George

Butterfly Lodge Museum,
Greer

07/25/2011

*The Politics of 1950's
American Film: a film
screening and discussion of
"On the Waterfront (1954)"*
Northwest Regional Library,
Surprise

07/26/2011

*Visual Humor-Some
Humorous Analogies
Between Language and Art*,
a Road Scholar program
with Don and Alleen Nilsen
Copper Queen Library,
Bisbee

07/27/2011

"Hopi Summer: Letters
from Ethel to Maud," a
OneBookAZ book
discussion
Scottsdale Public Library,
Main Branch, Scottsdale

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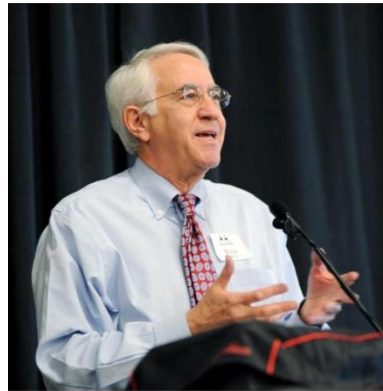
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The library is offering a series of public events that also reflect local foodways, including couponing and Picnic in a Jar classes, Fry Bread for Families sales, and a closing event featuring a Deep Pit cooking demonstration. [Go to AHC's website for more details.](#)

"We are very pleased to be able to bring Key Ingredients to our area," said Director Terry Morris of the Payson Public Library, "and we hope that it will inspire many to become even more involved in the cultural life of our community." Key Ingredients closes in Arizona on August 7, 2011.

Board Member Highlight

Bruce Meyerson



Bruce Meyerson at the Project Civil Discourse –
Arizona's Sales Tax Referendum Town Hall (May 2010)

BRUCE E. MEYERSON has served on the Arizona Humanities Council's (AHC) Board of Directors for the past five years and is the founder of AHC's award-winning program [Project Civil Discourse](#).

Bruce is a full-time mediator, arbitrator, trainer and facilitator in Phoenix, Arizona. He is a graduate of the Georgetown University Law Center (1972) where he was an Editor of the Law Journal. He began his practice as the Executive Director of the Arizona Center for Law In the Public Interest. He served on the Arizona Court of

Appeals for five years and has been General Counsel of Arizona State University. From 1990 through 2000, Mr. Meyerson practiced commercial and employment litigation with Meyer, Hendricks, Victor, Osborn & Maledon, and Steptoe & Johnson.

Bruce regularly serves as a mediator and arbitrator in virtually all aspects of commercial, employment, construction, real estate and business litigation, in cases ranging in value of up to \$1.5 billion. Bruce has resolved successfully over 2500 cases in mediation and recently has been selected to be included in the ADR category of the "Best Lawyers in America."

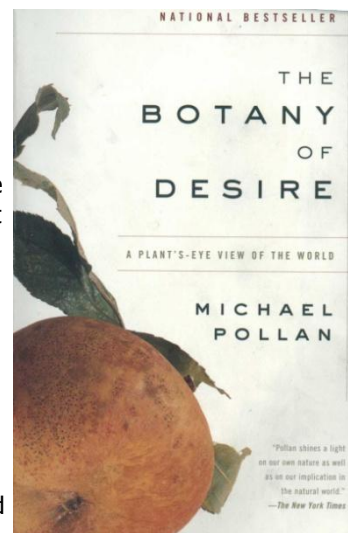
Community Book Discussion Highlight

The Botany of Desire by

Michael Pollan

Author Michael Pollan presents the reader with an entertaining and thought-provoking question: have we domesticated plants or have they domesticated us? He attempts to provide the answer by taking on the plants' point of view. He examines the relationship between humans and four specific plants: the apple (represents sweetness), the tulip (beauty), cannabis (intoxication), and the potato (control).

This book has enjoyed immense popularity since its original publication in 2001, even resulting in a 2009 PBS special, now available on DVD. We added this and five other titles to our Community Book Discussion library this



year. Please visit the website to see them all!
Interested in hosting or participating in an AHC Community Book Discussion? [Click here for guidelines about AHC's Community Book Discussion program and a full list of our fiction and non-fiction titles.](#)



**Saturday, October 22, 2011
10 AM to 6 PM**

**Civic Space Park in downtown Phoenix
Be an Exhibitor at**

[The Arizona Humanities Festival: Stories of Us!](#)

Exhibitors will have a unique opportunity to connect with diverse audiences in a vibrant and urban setting. More than 2,500 people are expected to attend the festival and interact with authors, presenters, and artists from around Arizona-many of them nationally known figures!

Booths are 10' x 10' and include an 8' table, two chairs, and electricity. Exhibitors will also be listed on the festival website and event program.

**To be a part of this exciting event, contact Julie Gavin
at 602-257-0335 x25 or jgavin@azhumanities.org**

\$59,477 Awarded in Grants

In its most recent funding cycle, the Arizona Humanities Council awarded \$59,477 to support ten humanities projects. The grant recipients and their programs are:

City of Chandler, CHANDLER. N.J. Harris/Kesler Neighborhood History Project. Total grant award: \$10,000.

Tucson Chinese Association, TUCSON. Second Annual Chinese Immigrant History Symposium. Total grant award: \$5,000.

UofA, Center for Latin American Studies, TUCSON. The Borderlands Film Series: Historical & Contemporary Immigration Issues. Total grant award: \$5,000.

Yuma County Library District, YUMA. Authors Across America. Total grant award, \$2,045.

Bisbee Council on the Arts and Humanities, BISBEE. Cochise County History on the Move: Coming Face to Face with History. Total grant award: \$10,000.

Amerind Foundation, DRAGOON. Interwoven Traditions: The Cultural Legacy of Southwestern Textiles. Total grant award: \$5,000.

Museum of Northern Arizona, FLAGSTAFF. "Heritage Insights" Programming at the 2011 Hopi and Navajo Festivals of Arts and Culture. Total grant award: \$5,500.

UofA, Arizona State Museum, TUCSON. Through the Eyes of the Eagle: Illustrating Healthy Living. Total grant award: \$9,700.

Arizona Archaeological Society, Northern Arizona Chapter, FLAGSTAFF. Hohokam Archaeology: Yesterday and Today on YouTube. Total grant award: \$1,732.

Mesa Media, Inc., POLACCA. Hopi Perspectives on Hopihiniwtipu (Hopi History). Total grant award: \$5,500.

Submit Your Nomination for the 2011 Dan Shilling Public Humanities Scholar Award



Each year, the Arizona Humanities Council (AHC) recognizes a humanities scholar who has distinguished him/herself by enhancing public understanding of the role that the humanities play in transforming lives and strengthening communities.

The award honors Dan Shilling's many years and contributions as AHC's executive director from March 1984 to December 2003. AHC's board established the award to mark Dan's legacy, reflect the esteem in which he is held, and to recognize Dan's own respect for scholarship.

The deadline for submissions is August 31, 2011.

[Click here to download guidelines, past awardees, and a nomination form for the Dan Shilling Public Humanities Scholar Award.](#)

Arizona Trivia

July's Question:

What Arizona landmark was misidentified as being in Colorado, on a hastily recalled U.S. stamp?

Tell us your answers on [AHC's Facebook page](#).

Answers will be revealed in next month's e-newsletter.

Answer to June's Trivia

Question: Where was the only recognized civil war battle fought in Arizona?

Answer: Picacho Peak

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