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Learn something new at your Library: Martial Arts turns to dance with Capoeira Mandinga at Himmel Park Branch Library

Pima County Public Library will host a performance of the Brazilian dance form Capoeira (**kap-oo-air-uh**) on Saturday, June 25, from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The performance will take place in the grassy park area just west of the Himmel Park Branch Library, 1035 N. Treat Road. The show is free and open to all ages.

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian martial art form believed to have been created by Africans brought to Brazil as slaves. Capoeira used dance, song, and rhythm to hide the martial arts training the slaves were practicing as a dance or game to their enslavers. It has since become widely popular as a sport and dance both in Brazil and worldwide.

Saturday's performance is sponsored by Pima County Public Library's Adult Services as part of the Library's Summer Reading Program, which has the theme "One World, Many Stories." The performers are from Capoeira Mandinga Tucson.

The next free family event planned by Adult Services is storytelling with Jordan Hill, known locally for bringing stories to life.

That storytelling will take place Saturday, July 16, at the Crossroads at Silverbell District Park, 7548 N. Silverbell Road, near the Wheeler Taft Abbett, Sr. Branch Library. The performance takes place from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

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