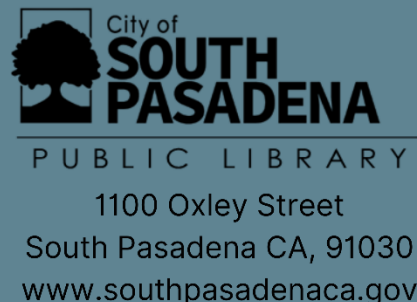




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## **South Pasadena Public Library Announces Scary Story Contest for Children and Teens, and Fall Storytime Schedule**

South Pasadena (Calif.) – The South Pasadena Public Library is looking forward to its fall programs, including the Scary Story Contest and Storytimes.

In celebration of Spooky Season, the South Pasadena Public Library will hold the Fourth Annual Scary Story Contest for children and teens. Youth in kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to submit entries to the South Pasadena Public Library from Wednesday, August 14 through Saturday, September 14. Submissions should be delivered to the South Pasadena Public

Library Children's Reference desk. The winners will be announced in mid-October.

Participants may submit their work starting on Wednesday, August 14. Each submission must include an official entry form, which will be available at the Children's Reference desk, and on the "Children" section of the Library website at

<https://www.southpasadenaca.gov/Your-Government/Department-Service-Areas/Library/Children>.

One entry per person. Submitted stories can be up to 500 words, or 1 page typed. No weapons may be used in the story. All entries must be the original work of the student. Parents may transcribe a young child's story. Entries, which will be judged by the Children's Librarians, will be judged based on creativity and originality. The winning compositions will be featured on the library's website and social media.

The Scary Story Contest is sponsored by the Friends of the South Pasadena Public Library.

The South Pasadena Public Library's Fall Storytimes will return the week of September 17. Toddler and Preschool Storytimes will be offered in the Library Community Room. Family Storytime will be held on the Oxley Street side of Library Park, weather permitting. Attendees should bring a blanket to sit on the grass.

Children's Librarians will share stories, fingerplays, flannel boards, and music with children during storytime. Preschool Storytimes, for ages 3-5, will be held on Tuesdays, September 14 through November 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Toddler Storytimes, for ages 1-3, will be held on Thursdays, September 19 through November 21 from 10:30 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. Family Storytimes, for all ages, will be held on Saturdays, September 21 through November 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Contact the Children's Services Librarians at [childrenlibrarian@southpasadenaca.gov](mailto:childrenlibrarian@southpasadenaca.gov) or call (626) 403-7330 for any questions.

The South Pasadena Public Library is located at 1100 Oxley Street in South Pasadena. Visit the Library website at [www.southpasadenaca.gov/library](http://www.southpasadenaca.gov/library) for information about services and programs. The Library is open Monday, Friday, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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