Bookapalooza is here and we are thrilled to celebrate with you over delicious crepes, story book characters, beautiful student book displays, poetry readings, and live music! Please spend an hour or two this Sunday afternoon at The Brazos Bookstore to support your child’s classroom, add to your home library, and share the love of reading with your friends and family. Best of all, 15% of all purchases made that day will go directly to The Post Oak School!

This is a day that will showcase our Montessori students’ progression into literacy from story writing at the Primary level, collaboration with peer musicians and book reading before an audience for Lower Elementary, an opportunity for hands-on engagement with a professional graphic novel illustrator for Upper Elementary students, and a display of individualism and artistry during the Middle and High School poetry slam.

The joy of reading is a gift that we all share, and the approach towards literacy at The Post Oak School is a unique and beautiful one. We look forward to celebrating the magic of reading and our great Post Oak community with you this Sunday!

Remember to bring cash to support Middle School’s Micro Economy Project!

Warmest regards,

Valerie Volpi and Pragnya Patel, 2016 Bookapalooza Co-Chairs
Who’s Ready for Book Fair!?

Live Music at Book Fair!
7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Alex Winkler** is a Houston musician, songwriter, and composer who performs with the city’s top jazz musicians and artists. His instruments include piano, bass guitar, vocals, as well as electric guitar and trumpet. Alex is a graduate of The University Of Houston Moores School of Music where he studied composition and piano. Alex has received many awards including second place in the 2012 Robert Avalon International Composition Competition and the 2012 University of Houston’s Louisa Sarofim Composition Contest. He has also participated in the 2015 NYU/ASCAP Film Scoring workshop and was recently accepted to the prestigious Scoring for Motion Pictures and Television program at USC beginning in the fall of 2016.

**Thomas Helton** is a composer and bassist who writes and performs music in both solo and ensemble settings. As a composer, Mr. Helton has been awarded a Houston Arts Alliance Individual Artist Fellowship Grant, an artist residency for the commission and premiere of *Pride* from Diverse Works Art Space in Houston, as well as many other commissions.

As a Bassist, Thomas Helton performs with his own ensemble, The Core Trio, and performs with many of Houston’s celebrated jazz and free improvisation artists. Thomas has released three CDs: *Doublebass, Experimentations in Minimalism,* and *Saga* and recently released a new solo, DVD collaboration with videographer Jonathan Jindra. »
EVENTS FOR ALL AGES!

Parking at Brazos
If the parking lot of Brazos Bookstore is full, there is plenty of street parking along Wroxton Road from Kirby all the way to Morningside Drive.

SCHEDULE

Noon
Event kicks off!

12:30–1:00
Storytime with Cory
(great for YCC & PRI)

1:00–1:30
Photo op with Elephant & Piggie
(great for YCC & PRI)

1:30–2:30
Storytime with Cory
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3:00–5:00
“I wrote that book!” Book display and readings, Post Oak Ukulele Jam
(great for PRI & Elementary)

5:00–7:00
Graphic Novel Artist Kory Merritt talks about Poptropica: Mystery of the Map
( Elementary)

7:00–9:00
Middle School and High School Poetry Slam, Jazz Performance, and Middle School micro-economy sale
(all sales cash only)

Melange Creperie
a Parisienne-style street cart featuring French crêpes will be waiting to serve you!

3:00–7:00 p.m.
cash or credit

Melange Creperie

Parking at Brazos
**CALENDAR**

**APRIL 17–23**

- **Sun 4/17**
  - Bookapalooza!
  - Noon to 9 p.m. at Brazos Bookstore

- **Tues 4/19**
  - New Parent Welcome Reception
  - 5–6:30 p.m. (Bissonnet campus)

- **Wed 4/20**
  - Spanish Market for Elementary & Middle School
  - 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

- **Thurs 4/21**
  - YCC Parent Ed meeting
  - 2 p.m.

- **Fri 4/22**
  - IB Info Night
  - 5–6 p.m. (Museum District campus)
  - Spring Environmental Lecture
  - 7–8 p.m. (Museum District campus)

- **Sat 4/23**
  - High School Prom

**APRIL 24–30**

- **Tue 4/26**
  - Bearkats Celebration Banquet
  - 6–8 p.m. in the gym

- **Wed 4/27**
  - Middle School Class Play
  - 6:30 p.m. in the gym

- **Thu 4/28**
  - High School class pictures
  - (Museum District campus)

- **Thu 4/28–Fri 4/29**
  - Third graders to Camp Allen

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**NOTICE BOARD**

**ANNUAL SPRING ENVIRONMENTAL LECTURE**

**HOW WE CAN UNLEASH OUR HOMES & CARS FROM FOSSIL FUELS**

**THURS., APRIL 21**

**7 TO 8 PM**

**POST OAK HIGH SCHOOL**

**1102 AUTREY STREET**

**WITH DR. DANIEL COHEN**

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, RICE UNIVERSITY**

PLUS POST OAK STUDENTS’ EV CAR CONVERSION AND A LINE UP OF ELECTRIC CARS, INCLUDING TESLA & LEAF.

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**Spanish Market**

**Wed., April 20**

**9 a.m.–2:30 p.m.**

Maya Pinto’s class is hosting this event for Elementary and Middle School students to practice their conversational Spanish and enjoy a market experience. Funds raised will go to MD Anderson Cancer Center.

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**Early Dismissal**

**Fri., April 22**

**HDYCC: 11:00 a.m.**

**FDYCC: 11:20 a.m.**

**PRI: 11:30 a.m.**

**EL, MS, and HS: noon**

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**TO AVOID THE SCHOOL’S EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS ARRIVING IN YOUR JUNK MAIL FOLDER,** please add info@postoakschool.org to your safe sender list or address book/contacts.

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