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Palmdale City Library's African-American Book Club to Discuss *Queen Sugar*

PALMDALE – The Palmdale City Library will host the next meeting of the African-American Book Club and discuss *Queen Sugar* by Natalie Baszile on Tuesday, Aug. 16 from 6:45 to 7:45 pm at the Library, located at 700 E. Palmdale Blvd.

When Charley unexpectedly inherits eight hundred acres of sugarcane land, she and her eleven-year-old daughter say goodbye to smoggy Los Angeles and head to Louisiana. She soon learns, however, that cane farming is always going to be a white man's business. As the sweltering summer unfolds, Charley struggles to balance the overwhelming challenges of a farm in decline with the demands of family and the startling desires of her own heart.

New members are always welcome. The group meets on the third Tuesday of every month from 7 to 8 pm.

The Palmdale City Library is open seven days a week. Hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm; Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm; and Sunday from 1 to 5 pm.

For more information, please call the Palmdale City Library at 661/267-5600 or TDD 661/267-5167, or visit [www.cityofpalmdale.org/library](http://www.cityofpalmdale.org/library).