Tricycle Music Fest Returns

ock out this fall as we kick off our 12th annual Tricycle Music Fest! Families are invited to the Library for a unique early literacy experience. We are excited to host some of the best Grammy®-winning artists in the category of children's music. Plus, after each event, one lucky concertgoer will win a shiny red tricycle to roll away in style.

This year’s lineup includes the change-making music of 2023 Grammy® Award winners, Alphabet Rockers, with a kickoff concert at Merced Branch. They also rock the east side at Bernal Heights. Next up is a Library favorite local band, La Familia Peña-Govea, who will perform at Excelsior’s Sunday Streets. The following weekend, catch them at Richmond Branch.

Proving that music and reading go hand in hand, 2015 Latin Grammy® winner and best-selling author, Lucky Diaz, will share his music and writing at the Main Children’s Center and a special park performance at Parque Niños Unidos (23rd St and Treat Ave). Tricycle Music Fest wraps up with the progressive funk of Bay Area’s very own Purple Fox and the Heebie Jeebies. They’ll share their sweet sounds at Portola and give an encore performance the same day at Park Branch’s Open House. Learn more at sfpl.org/tricycle.

Litquake Presents

Your favorite litfest is back, in a big way—and even better news, SFPL is playing host to some of the most exciting programs.

Beyond Combat Narratives: The New Wave of Military Writing — Writers Abby Murray, Andria Williams, Lauren Kay Johnson, Liam Curley, M.C. Armstrong and Steven Moore discuss emerging trends in the military genre and the challenges and importance of writing against masculine traditions and combat-driven narratives. — Oct. 15, 12 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

Graphic Memoirs Panel — Hear from a panel of memoirists who tell their stories in a visual way. Featuring Amy Kurzweil (Flying Coach: A Graphic Memoir); Thiem Pham (Family Style: Memories of an American from Vietnam); Julia Wertz (Impossible People: A Completely Average Recovery Story) and Rina Ayuyang (The Man in The McIntosh Suit). — Oct. 14, 12 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

Clive Jones: When We Rise: My Life in the Movement — A not-to-miss evening with Jones reading from his book, followed by a discussion with Dr. Tyler TerMeer, Chief Executive Officer of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. Jones is an American human rights activist who led the 2009 National March for Equality in Washington, DC. He also served on the Advisory Board of the American Foundation for Equal Rights, which challenged California’s Proposition II in the US Supreme Court. — Oct. 17, 5:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

Let Freedom Read

Take part in Banned Books Week, Oct. 1–7. In the Main Library’s atrium, cozy up in our Banned Book Nook and snap a selfie while reading something wonderfully “subversive,” like Charlotte’s Web. Censored titles will be given away for free and available for checkout.

Visit exhibits at the Main: Censoring Creation: Freedom and Restriction in Art, Music and Sports, on the 4th Floor and Imagine Being Arrested for Selling Poetry: Shig Murao, City Lights and HOWL in the History Center, 6th Floor. The branches also join the fun with their own creative displays featuring banned books. See them all!

Events:

Banned Books Week Letter Writing and Button Making — Oct. 1, 1 p.m.; Oct. 2, 4 p.m. and Oct. 4, 4 p.m., Main Library

Silent Book Club and Dear Banned Author Letter Writing — For adults & teens. Oct. 2, 4 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch

Wear Banned Books Craft — Youth ages 12–18. Oct. 4, 4 p.m., Main Library, The Mix, 2nd Floor

Dear Banned Author Letter Writing — For teens. Oct. 5, 4 p.m., Portola Branch

The Right to Read Panel with Censored YA and Children’s Authors — The Library and Litquake host MariNaomi, Sarah Hoffman and Jasmine A. Stirling, in a discussion moderated by Ian Hoffman, for adults & teens. Oct. 7, 11 a.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level


Banned Books Button Making — For children ages 5 and older. Oct. 24, 4 p.m., Merced Branch

Take Part: Read a Banned Book. Exercise your freedom to read with a title from our banned book lists. See Page 5.
**Filipino American History Month**

Explore Your China Roots During Family History Month with a New Database

October is Family History Month, and the Library has a new database to help you search for your ancestors: **My China Roots**. A leading database for Chinese genealogy, **My China Roots** counts over 200 million searchable Chinese ancestors. It contains one of the largest collections of digitized Chinese family tree books (zupus) and other records from China. And since there are over 50 million people of Chinese descent living outside of the People’s Republic of China, **My China Roots** has collected immigration records, overseas Chinese burial and obituaries, overseas Chinese directories and association records and more from countries all around the world. **My China Roots** is an excellent complement to the other genealogy databases provided by SFPL: Ancestry Library Edition, Fold3 Library Edition, HeritageQuest Online and Newspaper ARCHIVE Library Edition. See sfpl.org/genealogy for more information on all the digital and physical resources the library has that can help with genealogy research.

**Related Programs:**
- **San Francisco Genealogy Group: An Intro to Chinese Genealogy Research** – Oct. 11, 1 p.m.  
  RSVP: on.sfpl.org/genealogy-10-11-23

**Heart to Heart: Deepening Conversations with Loved Ones** – Oct. 24, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room

**Halloween Printing Event**

The **Book Arts & Special Collections Center** is pleased to present our first ever **Halloween Printing Event** on Saturday, Oct. 7 from 2-4 p.m. on the 6th Floor of the Main Library. Experience hands-on letterpress printing on the Library’s 1909 Albion hand press and take home a broadside keepsake. We will print an image from our own collection, with the friendship print of the American Printing History Association’s NorCal Chapter. Everyone is invited but keepsakes are limited to the first 100 guests.

The **Marjorie G. and Carl W. Stern Book Arts & Special Collections Center** is home to the Robert Grabhorn Collection on the History of Printing & the Development of the Book, the Richard Harrison Collection of Calligraphy & Lettering, the Schmulowitz Collection of Wit & Humor, the George M. Fox Collection of Early Children’s Books and the Little Maga/Zine Collection. Learn more about the collections by visiting the Library’s website at sfpl.org/bookarts, and make your own discoveries by visiting us seven days a week, no appointment necessary. We are free and open to the public! For more information, please contact Book Arts & Special Collections at (415) 557-4560.

**Halloween Printing Event** – Oct. 7, 2–4 p.m., Main Library, 6th Floor, San Francisco History/Book Arts & Special Collections Centers

**Celebrate 50 Years of Planet Drum**

San Francisco-based Planet Drum was founded by Peter Berg and Judy Goldhaft in 1973. Berg was involved in civil rights activism and the local Diggers group with Goldhaft before focusing purely on environmental work. A 1972 United Nations Conference on the Environment led him to develop the concept of a “bioregion,” which has spread across the planet as a way to think about caring for the environment. Planet Drum has used art and poetry to inspire environmental activists. The celebration with Planet Drum features artists, poets, cartographers and historians discussing the effort the organization has had on their work. You’ll be inspired to take your own environmentalist actions after this celebration.

Additionally, Planet Drum’s “Art Bundles” are also being shown in the Main Library’s 5th Floor Environmental Center until Jan. 6, 2024.

**Exhibition: 50 Years of Planet Drum** – Through Jan. 7, Main Library, Stegner Environmental Center, 5th Floor

**Panel: Planet Drum** – Oct. 14, 3 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

**Youth Programs**

**Youth and families are invited to become part of our community celebrating Filipino American History Month. Connect with your local librarian to learn about Filipino history, culture and traditions. (Youth programs are for children and their families except where noted.)**

- **Learn about Filipino culture while sampling snacks and rating your favorites.**  
  Oct. 5, 4 p.m., Marina Branch  
  Oct. 13, 3:30 p.m., North Beach Branch  
  For ages 10-18
  Oct. 24, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch

- **Create a mini-pabitin, a popular Filipino  
  party game where treats and toys are suspended from a wooden hanging.**  
  Oct. 12, 4-5 p.m., Ingleside Branch

- **Learn Filipino history while taste testing  
  varieties of ketchup, including a staple in many Filipino kitchens—banana ketchup.**  
  Oct. 14, 2 p.m., Ocean View Branch

- **Design your own handkerchief inspired by Filipino’s beautiful artwork of ikat (tie-dye). Wear comfortable clothes to work  
  with the indigo dye vat.**  
  Oct. 21, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch

- **Talk about recent graphic novels with fellow comics fans. The book selection is  
  Halina Filipino: A New Yorker in Manila by Arnold Are. For ages 11-14**  
  Oct. 23, 4:30 p.m., Glen Park Branch

- **Learn about Filipino culture while making turon, Filipino banana lumpia.**  
  For children ages 8 and older.  
  Space limited. Reservations required: (415) 355-2898 (starting 19-25)  
  Oct. 25, 3 p.m., Ingleside Branch

- **Learn about Filipino culture while making halo-halo. Space limited. Reservations required: (415) 557-4554**  
  Oct. 28, 1 p.m., Main Library, Children’s Center, 2nd Floor

- **Wrap up summer by learning about halo-halo. Halo-kalea/mix-in is Tagalog, in a Filipino-style shaved ice dessert that  
  combines different toppings for an instant version of this sweet treat.**  
  Oct. 6, 3 p.m., Bayview Branch

- **Discover ilocano weaving by local weaver Rachel Lozada. It highlights cultural signiﬁcance to Filipino-Americans, linked to early  
  1900s migration.**  
  Oct. 7, 1 p.m., Park Branch

- **Author Cindy Fazzi and Professor May-lee Chai discuss Fazzi’s debut thriller  
  Multo, featuring Filipino American bounty hunter Domingo—a unique hero.**  
  Oct. 14, 2 p.m., Main Library, Hormel Center

- **Retired city planner ma. Teresa Ojeda revisits early Filipino history in San Francisco (1900–1940), revealing widespread  
  settlement beyond Chinatown.**  
  Oct. 21, 2 p.m., Main Library, Hormel Center

**Adult Programs**

- **FACINE’s 30th Filipino film fest honors acclaimed director Marilou Diaz-Abaya, screening films Marilou Diaz-Abaya:  
  Filmmaker on a Voyage and Sa Pusod ng Dagat.**  
  Oct. 22, 1 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **Solidarity Journalism: Learn about the basics of solidarity of reporting and how to center the stories and perspectives of your community.**  
  Oct. 27, 2 p.m., Virtual Library

- **Human Rights Advocate Jose “Chito”  
  Diokno, Bantayog ng mga Bayani Foundation Chair, discusses preserving and safeguarding the Monument of Heroes.**  
  Oct. 28, 2 p.m., Main Library, Latino Hispanic Community Room

- **Jen Soriano, Robyn Rodriguez and Alexis  
  David lead us on an afternoon of reading  
  and discussion about mental health care for  
  Filipinx communities. Soriano reads from her debut book Nervous: Essays on Heritage and Healing, named a top 5 nonfiction  
  debut of 2023 by Poets & Writers Magazine.**  
  Oct. 29, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

**Collections Corner:**

Filipino American History in the Archives

Happy American Archives Month! The San Francisco History Center is the official archives for the City & County of San Francisco. In addition to collecting and preserving City Records, the Center rounds out the City’s narrative by providing access to personal and organizational papers, correspondence, diaries and photographs. In honor of Filipino American History Month, we spotlight the Celestino Tagimacruz Alfafara Papers.

Born in the Philippines, Celestino T. Alfafara (1897–1990) immigrated to the United States in 1929. Alfafara challenged the California Alien Land Law with the victorious test case he filed in 1945. The case went all the way to the California State Supreme Court, Alfafara v. Fross, and the victory enabled Filipinos to gain the right own property in California. In his personal life, Alfafara was married to Juanta Cayton and raised two children. Alfafara was an active member of Filipino heritage organizations including the Caballeros de Dimas-Alang, a Filipino American fraternal organization. The collection includes photographs, scrapbooks and correspondence. Alfafara’s granddaughter, knowing the importance of these records and their enduring value, donated them to the archives in 2019. We encourage you to visit any archive for American Archives Month. Keep the San Francisco History Center, 6th Floor, Main Library on the top of your list on sfpl.org/sf-history.
¡VIVA! Programs in October

Javier Zamora’s Solito

If you liked Solito by Javier Zamora, then you will like these memoirs and life stories, which explore themes of identity, migration and the harrowing experiences of children and family immigrants, detailing their journeys to different countries, including the United States, while shedding light on issues related to refugees and undocumented immigrants.

The Naked Don’t Fear the Water: An Underground Journey with Afghan Refugees by Matthieu Aikins

In 2016, Afghan Omar and journalist Matthieu Aikin fled war-torn Afghanistan, documenting their perilous refugee journey to Europe.

Map of Hope and Sorrow: Stories of Refugees Trapped in Greece by Helen Benedict and Eyad El Awadwan

A powerful collection of stories from refugees stuck in asylum limbo in Greece.

Our Migrant Souls: A Meditation on Race and the Meanings of “Latino” by Héctor Tobar

A revealing journey across America uncovers the true meaning of “Latino” today. Tobar’s Pulitzer-winning title challenges racist notions about “Latino” in the US, weaving personal experiences and Latinx students’ stories.

Mini-Cactus Piñata with Chukaruka

Make your own piñata in the shape of a cactus. The cactus or, nopal in Spanish, has a deep significance in Mexican culture. It represents resilience, strength, adaptability and endurance. For children ages 5–15. Space limited.

Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble

Enjoy the sounds of these talented youth performers as we move to the music and learn insights as to the components of Afro Latino music.

¡VIVA! 16th Street!

Celebrate the legendary 16th Street strip—a mecca for Latinx queerness—with a film screening, live performances and star panel featuring icons Mitzy Lee, Adela Holiday, Mahogany Sánchez, Per Sia, Tina Valentin Aguirre and Augee Robles. Curated by Julián Delgado Lopera. Dance party follows at Mother (formerly Esta Noche).

An Intimate Look at AIDS Portraits from the San Francisco Bay Area, 1989–95

During the height of the AIDS epidemic in the late 1980s and early 90s, photographer Jeanne O’Connor captured intimate portraits of AIDS patients during her visits to various Centers for AIDS Services in the Bay Area. As a guest artist for Sharon Siskin’s Positive Art classes, which provided free visual art classes to students living with HIV/AIDS, one year O’Connor would set up a makeshift studio in the classroom and bring in a view camera loaded with Polaroid film.

Experience this intimate presentation of O’Connor’s black-and-white photographs up close, in two locations at the Main Library — in the San Francisco History Center on the 6th Floor and in the James C. Hormel LGBTQIA+ Center on the 3rd Floor.

Photographs on view are a selection from the Jeanne O’Connor AIDS Self-Portraits Collection in the James C. Hormel LGBTQIA+ Center’s archives.

AIDS Portraits by Jeannie O’Connor: San Francisco Bay Area, 1989–95 – Oct. 14–Feb. 29, 2024, Main Library, San Francisco History Center, 6th Floor and James C. Hormel LGBTQIA+ Center, 3rd Floor

Gallery Talk and Reception – Nov. 4, 5 p.m., Main Library, San Francisco History Center, 6th Floor

World Premiere of New Work by Artist-in-Residence James Q. Chan

Step into THE MAIN°, by filmmaker and Library artist-in-residence James Q. Chan, is a series of immersive 360-degree documentary films, where our shared experience of a beloved institution comes alive beyond the bookshelves. Follow staff and patrons as they navigate you through the various departments and services for a behind-the-scenes perspective within the bustling Library ecosystem. Captured using high-definition 360° cameras, this observational film explores the interconnectedness of our collective memory of place and the role of San Francisco Public Library in fostering a sense of community and cultural heritage through an immersive, full-circle visual experience.

Chan is an Emmy-nominated producer and director based in San Francisco. In 2022, Chan was one of four inaugural artists-in-residence at the Library, a program administered by the San Francisco Arts Commission with funding from the Library.

Interactive: Step into THE MAIN° – Oct. 19, 5 p.m., Main Library, Steve Silver Beach Blanket Babylon Music Center, 4th Floor

Programs are in person unless listed as virtual. Register for virtual programs at sfpl.org/events.
Treats (And Not Tricks) This Halloween

Welcome to spooky season and partake in some of the not-so-scary activities for youth and families. Bring a friend to a Halloween dance party or donate an item to a costume swap, then check out a favorite book or movie to take home.

For all ages

Costume Swaps – Get ready for a fun Halloween by exchanging costumes with neighbors. Costumes should be clean, in good condition and for any age. Oct. 8-2 p.m., Glen Park Branch
Oct. 21, 2 p.m., Portola Branch

Treat or Trick – Visit in your costume on Halloween for Treat or Trick. Oct. 31, 5 p.m., Park Branch

For children and their families

Costume Swap – Bring your gently used Halloween costume to swap out for a new look. For ages 1-13. Oct. 15, 1 p.m., Ortega Branch

Dance Party – Witches will wiggle and monsters will mash at this special Halloween-themed dance party. Make the most of it by arriving in costume. Oct. 25, 3 p.m., Excelsior Branch

Stuffa Sleeper – Drop off your stuffed animal between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. Stuffed animals can come in costume if they like. Pick up the following day. Oct. 26, 11 a.m., Ocean View Branch

Cute and Creepy Craft – Conjure up something that will make your home spooky for Halloween. Come dressed in your costume if you like. Oct. 28, 10:30 a.m., North Beach Branch

Halloween Storytime – Come dressed in your scariest, sparkliest or silliest costume for a spooky tale. Oct. 29, 3 p.m., Ocean View Branch

For Teens

Mug Cakes – Bring a mug and bake a delicious Halloween treat. Oct. 19, 4-5 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch

Costume Creation for Drag Halloween Extravaganza – Create a costume in the Maker Space from 12-3 p.m. and attend a workshop led by a drag makeup artist. Then strut your stuff on our runway for a costume show with prizes from 3-5 p.m. Performances. Snacks and drinks. For ages 12-18. Oct. 28, 12 p.m., Main Library, The Mix, 2nd Floor

Take Part: Read a Banned Book

Exercise your freedom to read with a book list from our banned book lists.

Picture Books on sfpl.org/banned-childrens-books

Young Adult Titles on sfpl.org/banned-teen-books

Adult Titles on sfpl.org/banned-adult-books

Classic and Infamous Titles on sfpl.org/banned-classics

Youth Services

Teens

The Mix at SPL

Main Library, 2nd Fl. SFPL’s creative space for teens...

NOW: Ages 12–18.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Tuesdays
Virtual Reality Game Day
4-6 p.m.

4 Wednesday
Wear Banned Books 4-6 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26, 27 Wednesdays
Basic Sewing 4-5 p.m.

Video Editing 4-5 p.m.

5, 19 Thursdays
Writer’s Club 4-5 p.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 Fridays
Made at The Mix 4-5:30 p.m.

10 Tuesday
3D Printing 4-5 p.m.

11 Wednesday
Biblio Bistro 4-6 p.m.

13 Friday
Queer Social Hour 4:30-5:30 p.m.

14, 28 Saturdays
The Mix Arcade 3-4 p.m.

18 Wednesday
Día de los Muertos Clay Skulks 5-6 p.m.

21 Saturday
Karaoke 4-5 p.m.

24 Tuesday
Drop-in Tech-Coaching Eureka Valley 4-5 p.m.

25 Wednesday
Excerpt from the Lives of Others

7, 14, 21, 24, 31 Tuesdays
Teen Town Hall Meetup

26 Saturday
Library in Motion Bernal Heights, 4-5:30 p.m.

27 Sunday
Halloween Mugs Cakes Bernal Heights, 4-5:30 p.m.

28 Sunday
Halloween Treats (And Not Tricks)

30 Sunday
Halloween Storytime

31 Tuesday
Halloween Decorations Golden Gate Valley, 2-3 p.m.

31 Wednesday
Frightening Flings

31 Thursday
Halloween Costume Swap

31 Friday
Halloween Mug Cakes Bernal Heights, 4-5:30 p.m.

4 Tuesday
Six Hours Role-Playing Game: Invaders and Earthlings

5 Wednesday
Dominos North Beach, 3-30 p.m.

5 Thursday
Dance Party

5 Friday
Word Search Game of the Philippines

7 Saturday
Teen Book Review

7, 21 Saturday
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12 Thursday
DVF Shaw Girls Bernal Heights, 4-30 p.m.

13 Friday
Halloween Little Ghost Reading

13 Saturday
Random Rhythm Gaming

14, 28 Saturdays
Teen Book Review

15 Sunday
Halloween Themed Pom Pom Making North Beach, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

2, Monday
Teen Book Club: Teenage Novels, Arnold Arre’s Turon, Filipino Banana

5 Tuesday
Teen Book Swap

10 Thursday
Teen Art Club

11 Saturday
Teen Book Review

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24 Tuesday
Teen Book Swap

28 Saturday
Teen Book Swap

3 Tuesday
Repayment and Relief Programs for Student Loan Borrowers

9 Tuesday
Juan Gaytoso, Marks of Identity Virtual, 6-7:30 p.m.

10 Tuesday
Priya Parker, The Art of Gathering Virtual, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

11 Wednesday
Cozy Capers & Mysteries Prejudice, 5-6 p.m.

14 Saturday
Book Club Main, Latino/Hispanic Meeting Rm, 2-4 p.m.

15 Sunday
Great Books Discussion: Halloween Themed Artza, 10-11 a.m.

18 Wednesday
Reading Together, Silent Book Club Richmond, 3-30 p.m.

19 Thursday
Literate Goat Potrero, 6-7:30 p.m.

21 Saturday
Barbara Kingsolver, Demon Copperhead Ortega, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

24 Saturday
Barbara Kingsolver, Demon Copperhead Bernal Heights, 2-3 p.m.

5, 19 Thursdays
Book a Librarian Parkside, 4-5 p.m.

5, 26 Thursdays
Basic Computer Skills — Internet Basics 1-2:30 p.m.*

6, 13 Friday
Drop-in Tech Support for Older Adults Richmond, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

7, 4, 21 Saturdays
Tech Help West Portal, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

7 Thursday
Career Coaching Mai, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

3 Thursday
How to Apply For a California State Job Virtual, 1-2 p.m.

3 Thursday
Wu Ming, A Teacher’s Story

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Children

Elementary School Age

1 Sunday
LEGO Free Play
Park – 2, 3–3:30 p.m.
– Merced, 2–4 p.m.
Tabletop Gaming Main, Children’s Center – 2nd Fl, 3–5 p.m.
2, 16, 23, 30 Mondays
Watercolor Escorial – 3–4 p.m.
3 Tuesday
LEGO Masterminds Golden Gate Valley, 4–5:30 p.m.
4 Thursday
LEGO Free Play Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.
Library Rangers with Creepy Crawly Visitation Valley, 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Measure the Wind and LEGOs North Beach, 4:45–4:55 p.m.
7 Saturday
Art Walk: Make Your Own Art Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.
Craft Stick Monsters Escorial – 2, 3–1 p.m.
Origami Club Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.
14, 21, 28, Sundays
Grand Math Wind Chinatown, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
15 Sunday
Dungeons & Dragons Club Main, Children’s Center – 2nd Fl, 3–5 p.m.
11 Wednesday
Marble Machine Chinatown, 3:30–4:30 p.m.
12 Thursday
Making a Pinhole Viewer Sunset, 2–3 p.m.
14 Thursday
Giggle Hat Goldies Main, Children’s Center – 2nd Fl, 1–2 p.m.
16 Monday
Button Maker Golden Gate Valley, 3:30–5 p.m.
WRITE NOW! Main, Children’s Center – 2nd Fl, 4–5 p.m.

Family

17 Tuesday
Math Games with Mathnasium Sunset, 2–3:30 p.m.
18 Wednesday
LEGO Free Play Bayview, 3–5 p.m.
Paper Airplanes Presidio, 6–7:30 p.m.
20 Friday
LED Paper Circuits Chinatown, 3:30–4:30 p.m.*
Campaniello Flowers Merced, 4–5 p.m.
23 Monday
Button Maker Potrero, 3–4 p.m.
27 Friday
Make Whirligigs Presidio, 3:30–4:30 p.m.
28 Saturday
Monster Stuffed Marina 2:30–4:30 p.m.
10 Monday
Board and Card Games Glen Park, 4–5 p.m.
31 Tuesday
Halloween Craft Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

Middle School Age

7 Thursday
Tween Creative Writing Group Western Addition, 10:30 a.m.–11 a.m.
10, 24, Tuesdays
Young Writers Group Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.
13 Friday
Sugar Skull Bayside, 4–5 p.m.
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Slime Time Arcas, 2:30–3:30 p.m.
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Snackivity Noe Valley, 6–5:30 p.m.

Family

Every Sunday-Saturday
Banned Books Week: The Hill’s We Climbing Main, Children’s Center - 2nd Fl, 12–1:30 p.m.
1 Sunday
Tiny Art Canvas Submission Deadline Glen Park, 1–1:30 p.m.
10 Tuesday
Art of Wiccaniki Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.*
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Community Baby Shower – Oct. 28, 2 p.m., Chinatown Branch

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