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**Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library** 

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# CHINESE GROOVE



L to R: Kathryn Ma (Photo: Andria Lo), Natalie Baszile

athryn Ma discusses her book *The Chinese Groove*, the story of 18-year-old Shelley's journey from China's Yunnan Province to San Francisco, where he confronts family discord, cultural adaptation and personal aspirations, relying on the notion of the "Chinese groove" to navigate his new reality. Come to the One City One Book showcase event on May 4, when Ma is in conversation with Natalie Baszile, author of *Queen Sugar* and *We Are Each Other's Harvest: Celebrating African American Farmers, Land, and Legacy*.

**Kathryn Ma in Conversation with Natalie Baszile** – May 4, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Kathryn Ma in Conversation at the Branches – June 1, 11 a.m., Ortega Branch and June 8, 3 p.m., Chinatown Branch



njoy live music, food, activities and a visit from local firefighters in their fire truck at Richmond's open house. Neighborhood organizations and merchants will be here to share information. Children and adults are invited to come dressed as a favorite Star Wars character: May the Fourth be with you! Free comic book giveaway while supplies last.

Join Merced Branch for a children's scavenger hunt, a tiny art show, button making, light refreshments, community representative tabling and visits from the Museum of Craft and Design as well as the SFPL Techmobile. Featuring performances by the Flying Angels Chinese Dance Company and Nevada Bret Jensen.

Meet Glen Park Branch Library staff and enjoy a great afternoon of festivities, food and fun for all ages, including the debut of the Glen Park Tiny Art Show! Our open house features The Museum of Craft and Design Mobile MakeArt Van. In addition, enjoy a Drag Story Hour with Panda Dulce, create your own letterpress print with Arion Press and listen to a musical performance by the Glen Park Duo.

Join West Portal Branch Library's annual Open House for fun activities including button making and book giveaways. Activities include face painting with Fog City Faces, a music performance by Corner Laughers and balloon twisting with Magic Bubbles



and Balloons. The Potrero Branch Library hosts an open house and the opening reception for the 63rd Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition. Join us after hours for live music, light refreshments, art

# Ralph Chessé: A San Francisco Century

n the second floor of the iconic Coit Tower, there's a modest mural by Ralph Chessé, a prolific but little-known San Francisco artist. The mural is his most visible and enduring legacy, but Chessé was a true Renaissance man. SFPL has partnered with curator Glen Helfand and the Chessé family to bring to the public the untold story of a pioneering artist's deep connection to San Francisco through a diverse range of artwork.

Born in 1900 in New Orleans, Chessé spent the bulk of his life in the Bay Area, and his artistic endeavors —painting, sculpture and notably, marionette production and performance—reflect numerous touchstones of the Bay Area's cultural and social life, from the WPA to theater, television and rock and roll. Until his passing in 1991, his life was fueled by creative endeavors as he explored different styles of art and even theatrical pursuits. His expressive, exquisitely carved puppets enacted everything from Shakespeare's tragedies to the teachings of animal kingdom educator Brother Buzz, in a beloved children's show that ran from 1953 to 1969 on mainstream television and was syndicated nationally. On view at the Main Library, *Ralph Chessé: A San Francisco Century* offers an overview of the artist's work, including rare puppets, paintings, woodcuts, photographs and documents that highlight his unique and under-recognized place in the City's history.



**Ralph Chessé: A San Francisco Century** – May 16–Aug. 18, Main Library, Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

#### **Related Programs:**

**Opening Reception** – May 18, 2 p.m., Main Library, Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

**Puppet Making Workshop with Ramon Abad** – July 20, 11 a.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level

Free Coit Tower Mural Visits – Aug. 16, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Coit Tower, 1 Telegraph Hill Blvd.

Image at left: Ralph Chessé with Brother Buzz puppet, (year unknown). Courtesy of the Chessé family

# Bay Beats Artists Play Live

Ou've heard them on Bay Beats—baybeats.sfpl.org — now see some of your favorite artists perform.

# One City One Book Is Here

Potrero Hillside, 1965. Painting by Charles Griffin Farr

projects for children and the chance to meet your local artists featured in this year's installation.

Richmond Open House – May 4, 1–5 p.m. Merced Open House – May 11, 1–5 p.m. Glen Park Open House – May 15, 1–5 p.m. West Portal Open House – May 25, 1–3 p.m. Potrero Open House – May 25, 6–9 p.m. Enjoy live music under the nautilus. On May 1, Patrick Galvin performs solo violin, playing music from baroque to contemporary classical. On May 29, Transient (David Molina) features traditional and invented instruments processed via electronics, creating atmospheric soundscapes.

An exciting and eclectic lineup of six Bay Beats bands perform and compete for votes and prizes: Jill Rogers and Crying Time, Bululú, The Seagulls, Afterthought & The Top Chefs, Al Harper and



Cardboard People. This all-day show is the main event at the opening of SFMOMA's *Art of Noise* exhibit.

And to kick off June, art-rock out to two genre-bending groups. Surplus 1980 fuses experimental out-jazz and progressive rock. Dizzy Twin explores a netherworld of weird, witchy and danceable vibes.

Atrium Tunes at Noon – May 1 and May 29, Main Library, Atrium

Bay Beats Battle of the Bands at SFMOMA - May 4, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., SFMOMA 151 3rd St., Free Community Day

Rock the Koret – June 1, 1 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

### Coming Up:

#### June-August Summer Stride All Library locations

#### June 1

**Library Day** Golden Bridges School, Hawk Creek Farm, 203 Cotter St.

#### June 3

**Bilingual Story Hour** with Sendy Santamaria Garfield Square Playground, Treat Ave. and 26th St.

#### June 9

*Authentic Selves* Main Library, LGTBQIA Center

#### **Throughout June**

**Cinematic San Francisco Film Series** Main Library, Koret Auditorium

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# **Events, Collections and Services**

# SF Tech Week Is Back

With so much chatter about tech and AI, Tech Week (May 11–18) offers an exciting opportunity to learn and explore. Tech Week is produced by SFPL in partnership with community organizations interested in



bridging the digital divide. Connect, explore and build your skills with us! Some classes available in Spanish or Chinese.

Curious about AI and scams? Sessions include how to detect AI, protect yourself against AI scams and learn to navigate AI.

Tech can be fun! Photowalks combine smartphone photography with

exploration. Preserve and scan family memories into digital treasures. Learn how WEEK to Zoom like a pro or explore your musical creativity in a digital music workshop. Step into a world where family fun meets futuristic tech for Robot Saturday. The excitement is hands-on.

Swing by our computer lab and program a robot arm stationed in Sweden. Spend the afternoon exploring and playing with an array of friendly robots. Find out more: *sfpl.org/techweek*.



## Small Business Week 2024

re you an aspiring entrepreneur or current small business owner? In addition to the events hosted by the Library's Small Business Center, you have online access to many eResources with your library card. Plan Builder makes writing your business plan a snap. Fill out your information at its prompts, at your own pace, and in the end you have a

business plan that is ready to share with loan officers, grant funders or investors. See examples of completed business plans at Entrepreneurship (Gale Business).

To identify new customers, use Reference Solutions and Mergent Intellect to find out where they are and reach out to them through direct marketing.

Grow your skills by logging into Udemy and take small business-related classes such as "Marketing Fundamentals" and "Financial Modeling for Small Businesses."

Finally, utilize the Nolo Legal Information Reference Center to find full-text copies of books like Legal Guide for Starting & Running a Small Business as well as forms and checklists such as "Checklist for Starting a Small Business."



### Discover Your Roots at Our Genealogy Conference

Take an enlightening journey into your family's past. Join the Library for an all-day Genealogical and Family History Research Conference, tailored for both beginners

and novice researchers. Discover how to tap into billions of records, including U.S. census data, historical newspapers, obituaries, government archives, city directories and captivating photo collections. Learn the art of repairing, preserving and digitizing your family's history book, cherished photos, records and personal letters. Don't miss this opportunity to delve into the past and create a bridge to your family's future. Mark your calendar, and we'll see you there!

Genealogical and Family History Research Conference – May 22, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Koret Auditorium, Main Library, Lower Level

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youtube.com/user/SanFranciscoLibrary

### **Collections Corner:** The Secret Life of Plants

ince it's May,

and the sun

out new life,

is coaxing

we are highlighting

a few small archival

present San Francisco's flowers and plants as

seen through different lenses, whether

aesthetic, scientific or

The Ernest

holds 200 original

Upton horticulture

Clayton Collection of

**California Wild Flowers** 

watercolors painted in

the 1940s. The Eugene A.

commercial.

collections that



California Poppy. Ernest Clayton Collection of California Wild Flowers

scrapbook (1869–1877) is an inventory of Upton's flower and plant stock at his nursery The John McLaren Collection includes McLaren's

Explore these collections in the archives at the San Francisco History Center, 6th floor, Main Library, or visit on.sfpl.org/sf-history.

on Scott Street near Turk. Our James G. Steele scrapbook holds a 19th-century collection of clippings and ephemera; Steele, a pharmacist specializing in medicinal plants, was one of the founders of the California College of Pharmacy. daybooks for plantings on San Mateo County estates, his correspondence with clients in San Francisco, and his reference library, with classic horticulture works dating from 1803.

# AANHPI 2024: Books, Movies and Music Visit sfpl.org/aanhpi











#### **Books for Kids**

Hi'iaka and Pana'ewa: A Hawaiian Graphic Legend by Gabrielle Ahuli'i The Takeout by Tracy Badua The Truth About Dragons by Julie Leung My Incredible India by Jasbinder Bilan

#### **Teen Books**

The Last Bloodcarver by Vanessa Le Into the Sunken City by Dinesh Thiru Gorgeous Gruesome Faces by Linda Cheng Catfish Rolling by Clara Kumagai

#### **Asian American Experimental Writing**

Dictée by Theresa Hak Kyung Cha I Love Artists: New and Selected Poems by Mei-mei Berssenbrugge *Still Dirty* by David Lau Foreign Bodies: Poems by Kimiko Hahn

#### **Queer Adult Fiction**

Land of Milk and Honey by C Pam Zhang Chlorine by Jade Song The Emperor and the Endless Palace by Justinian Huang Afterparties by Anthony Veasna So

#### **Movies and Music**

Nam June Paik Moon Is the Oldest TV Waikiki With A Hammer by Yaeji Rapa Nui

#### **Art Books**

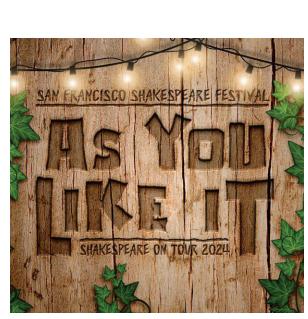
Corky Lee's Asian America Fifty Years of Photographic Justice by Corky Lee Nam June Paik Godzilla Asian American Arts Network Ruth Asawa Through Line

# May the Fourth Free Comic Book Day

ach year, on the first Saturday in May, the comic book industry unites to give away free comic books. In partnership with Comix Experience, the

Library is handing out free comic books and graphic novels for youth, while supplies last, at all library locations during regular business hours.

Free Comic Book Day – May 4, all Library locations



# Onstage This Spring at the Library

hakespeare on Tour presents As You Like It this May at SFPL. Escape to the forest of Arden in Shakespeare's antic comedy. This delightful one-hour abridged production features walk-on roles for audience volunteers and a short Q&A with the Shakespeare on Tour cast. Great fun for adults and youth alike.

As You Like It - May 11, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

# Weaving Stories, Celebrating AANHPI

e dazzled by Weaving Stories, SFPL's celebration of Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) heritage. In music, dance, film and the written word, many narratives unfold for you to enjoy through both virtual and in-person programs at the Library. This month and throughout the year, kids can dig into a vast array of energetic, creative programs, including author visits, visual art and crafting programs, music and dance performances and workshops. Our adult programs brim over with offerings, including author talks, book clubs, film screenings and panels on contemporary issues that impact the AANHPI community.

Visit *sfpl.org/aanhpi* for Weaving Stories programs, recommended reads and more.



Kathak Dance with SF Kala Kendra Learn about Kathak dance, one of the eight major forms of Indian classical dance. Participate and learn a few moves from this centuries-old North Indian art form. - May 5, 2 p.m., Potrero Branch

Makahiki with the Men of Hālau Ha'a Kea o Kinohi Learn about makahiki—a time of peace, feasting, competing in sport and games, hula and storytelling. Meet members of Mele o Kea, a fivepiece band with foundations in Hawaiian music. - May 11, 11 a.m., Eureka Valley Branch

### **Events for Youth**



**Illustrators Minnie Phan and Sophie Diao** Experience a read-aloud of new picture storybooks for children and participate in a drawing workshop on comics. - May 23, 2 p.m., Excelsior Branch

Chinese Yaji The Chinese custom of yaji is a special gathering to appreciate and create art. Our yaji includes an exploration of gugin music, classic games and light refreshments with tea. For children ages 7 and older. – May 31, 2 p.m., Sunset Branch

### Families & All Ages

### More Than a Song: APIA Singers

The APIA Biography Project celebrates its 11th annual AANHPI Heritage Month with activities at the Main Library. Throughout the month of May, explore the "Wall of Fame" and related exhibits at the Children's Center and the Chinese Center, about singers—past and present, local and international engaged in social justice through their actions and/or lyrics in the music industry. The first 50 children ages 12 and under to complete a scavenger hunt get a prize bag! Access activities online at apiabiography.sfsu.edu.

Events for Adults

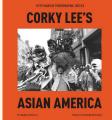


Film: Lasa And Legacy: A Docuseries About Filipino American Activism and Food A not-to-miss screening of Lasa and Legacy, a captivating docuseries showcasing pivotal chapters in Filipino

American history within the San Francisco Bay Area. Following the screening, engage in a panel discussion and Q&A session. - May 5, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium



**Nancy Jooyoun Kim and Parini** Shroff in Conversation New York Times



Corky Lee's Asian America: Fifty Years of Photographic Justice Celebrate Lee's Asian American legacy at our book launch. Lee, renowned for capturing **AANHPI** communities

authentically, shattered stereotypes through his lens. - May 23, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium



Author Curtis Chin, Everything I Learned, I Learned in a **Chinese Restaurant** In celebration of APA Heritage Month and



Celebrate Carnaval

ission Branch and the Bookmobile are returning to the

Carnaval parade! This year, SFPL is participating in the 2024 Carnaval Parade on Sunday, May 26, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The parade runs from 24th & Bryant Streets towards 15th Street from Mission Street. This year's Carnaval theme is "Honor Indigenous Roots."

Carnaval Parade + Bookmobile - May 26, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., SF Carnaval Parade Route

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bestselling author Kim and Shroff,

author of the debut novel The Bandit Queens, come together to discuss their writing and the strong characters who drive the narrative of their books. - May 7, 6 p.m., Main Library, Saroyan Gallery, 6th Floor

Pride Month, Join us

in San Francisco's vibrant Chinatown for a book talk and library pop-up featuring Chin, author of Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant. Presented in partnership with the Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco. – May 25, 6 p.m., Ross Alley

### Workshop: Coloring Outside the Lines with Real Soul



Katie Quan dives into the world of May 1, 4 p.m., Glen Park Branch comics and zines through the lens of an Asian American artist and educator. Hear her speak about her biggest comic influences, her own experience in the medium and how artists are breaking barriers left and right with their spectacular work. Then, learn how to start your own comics and create your very own zine.

May 2, 4 p.m., Excelsior Branch May 5, 3 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch May 11, 4:30 p.m., Richmond Branch May 15, 6 p.m., Ocean View Branch June 22, 2 p.m., Main Library, The Bridge, 5th Floor

June 26, 6 p.m., Eureka Valley Branch

# May 2024 Event Calendar

### <u>Adults</u>

#### <u>1 Wednesday</u>

Patrick Galvin on Violin Main, Atrium, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Coloring Outside the Lines** Glen Park, 4–5 p.m.

**English Convo Circle** Excelsior, 5–6 p.m.

**Decluttering** Virtual, 5–6 p.m.

Yoga Ingleside, 6–7 p.m.\*

**Off the Page** Main, Koret, 6–8 p.m.

1, 8, 15, 22 Wednesdays **Tai Chi with Patrick Lau** -**Presidio:** Beginners, 11:30 a.m.– 12:15 p.m. Advanced, 12:15–1 p.m. - **Sunset:** Beginners, 2–3 p.m.

**Meditation** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 12–12:30 p.m.

#### 2 Thursday

**Film:** *Better Luck Tomorrow* Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Coloring Outside the Lines** Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

2, 16, 30 Thursdays Chess Club Glen Park, 4–6 p.m.

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Thursdays Breath Meditation/ Gentle Yoga Richmond, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Tai Chi: Fall Prevention/ Arthritis North Beach, 12:30–1:30 p.m.\*

**Disability & Aging Services Drop-in** Sunset, 1–3 p.m.

Wild Goose Qigong Presidio, 2–3 p.m.

**Community Resources Drop-in** Anza, 2–5 p.m.

**English Convo Club** Mission, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

<u>3 Friday</u>

**Film:** *The Lighthouse* Excelsior, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

**Preserving Personal Collections** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 3–5 p.m.

<u>3, 17 Fridays</u> **Knitting** Anza, 3:30–5 p.m. **Melody Yan Fusion Music** Eureka Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Author: Kathryn Ma,** *The Chinese Groove* Main, Koret, 2–3:30 p.m.

Sashiko Mending West Portal, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

IMPROV THIS! Golden Gate Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

<u>4,11,18,25 Saturdays</u> Creative Afternoons / 創意無限周六午 Chinatown,2:30-4 p.m.

Wild Goose Qigong Marina, 9–10 a.m.

5 Sunday Author: Jing Li , *The Red Sandals* Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 1:30–3 p.m.

**Collecting Calligraphy** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 1–2 p.m.

Karaoke Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Indoor Houseplants** Mission Bay, 2–3:30 p.m.

Film: *Lasa And Legacy* Main, Koret, 2–4:30 p.m.

**Coloring Outside the Lines** Visitacion Valley, 3–4 p.m.

<u>6 Monday</u> Coffee & Community Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

<u>6, 13, 20 Mondays</u> **ESL Class** Visitacion Valley,

10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Beginning Tai-Chi Anza, 11:30 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

<u>6, 20 Mondays</u> **Older Writers Lab** Bernal Heights, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

7 Tuesday Clark Technique Glen Park, 2–3 p.m.

**The Opera In You: Write Your Story** Noe Valley, 3–5 p.m.\* Bernal Heights, 4:30–6:30 p.m.\*

Asian American Herbalism Eureka Valley, 6–7 p.m.\*

Authors: Nancy Jooyoun Kim & Parini Shroff

#### 8, 22 Wednesdays

**Dpt of Disability & Aging Services** Main, Atrium, 1–3:30 p.m.

<u>9 Thursday</u> Dpt of Veterans Affairs Main, Atrium, 12:30–3 p.m.

Film: The Novelist's Film Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Craft Club** West Portal, 5:45–7:15 p.m.\*

Kim Shuck's Poem Jam Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 6–7:30 p.m.

<u>10 Friday</u> Watercolor Glen Park, 1:30–5:30 p.m.

Chinese Fan Painting / 水墨團扇臨摹 Chinatown, 2-3:30 p.m.\*

Film: Spellbound Noe Valley, 2–4 p.m.

**Chili Oil Crunch Tasting** Bayview, 4–5 p.m.

Karaoke Excelsior, 4–5:30 p.m.

<u>11 Saturday</u> Chinese Calligraphy & Chess Visitacion Valley, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

**3D Print a Totoro Figurine** Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–2:30 p.m.\*

Village Within a City Noe Valley, 1–2:30 p.m.

Intro to 3D Printing Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 12:30–1 p.m.

**Fabric Origami Kimono Card** Visitacion Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.\*

**Guzheng w/ Melody Yan** Ingleside, 2–3 p.m.

**Cliff House's Totem Pole** Sunset, 2–3:30 p.m.

Shakespeare Fest: As You Like It Main, Koret, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Coloring Outside the Lines** Richmond, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

**Building Resilience** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2–4 p.m.

<u>11, 25 Saturdays</u> **Gentle Yoga** Mission Bay, 10–11 a.m. <u>14 Tuesday</u>

歡唱華語金曲 / Chinese Pop Karaoke Chinatown, 1:30-3:30 p.m.\*

**Refuse Refuse** Richmond, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Film/Discussion: The Stroll Main, Koret, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Author: Chris Ategeka Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 6–7 p.m.

**On the Page Off the Page** Park, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Chinese American Genealogical Research** Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

Vinyl Appreciation Mission, 7–8:30 p.m.

14, 28 Tuesdays Knitting Glen Park, 1–2:30 p.m.

<u>15 Wednesday</u> Book Exchange Golden Gate Valley, 1–2 p.m.

**Bay Beats Concert** Main, Fulton St Steps, 12–2 p.m.

**Employment Resources** Main, Atrium, 1–3:30 p.m.

English Convo Circle Excelsior, 5–6 p.m.

Yoga Ingleside, 6–7 p.m.\*

Film: Boogie Park, 5–7 p.m.

**Coloring Outside the Lines** Ocean View, 6–7 p.m.

Film: Chan Is Missing Glen Park, 6–7:15 p.m.

Adult Coloring Mission Bay, 6–7:30 p.m.

<u>16 Thursday</u> Learn Languages Chinatown, 1:30–2:30 p.m.\*

**Computer Skills: Seniors** Main, 1–2:30 p.m.

Fix-it Clinic/Clothing Repair Excelsior, 2–4 p.m. <u>17 Friday</u>

Social Security Planning Richmond, 4–5 p.m.

<u>18 Saturday</u> Affordable Housing Richmond, 1:30–5:30 p.m.\* **Tai Chi for Wellness** Park, 3–4 p.m.\*

**Streaming Music Party** 

3–4 p.m.

25 Saturday

**Tiny Art Show** 

**Therapy Pets** 

Excelsior, 1-2 p.m.

**Science Illustration** 

Author: Curtis Chin Main,

Open House West Portal,

Golden Gate Valley, 2-3 p.m.

Medicine in Art Main, Learn-

ing Studio - 5th Fl, 2-3:30 p.m.

**Tai Chi for Wellness** 

**Origami Cranes** 

Ortega, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Dental Health Care** 

Film: Out of the Dust

Journaling Club Main,

Portola, 2-3 p.m.\*

Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 2–3 p.m.

**Origami & Asian Snack Trials** 

**Ceramic Watering Jug Paint-**

ing Bayview, 2–3:30 p.m.

Film: Princess Mononoke

Noe Valley, 2-4 p.m.

Film: Home is a Hotel

28 Tuesday

Main, Koret, 3–5:30 p.m.

Film: Las Muralistas: Our

Walls, Our Stories Bernal

One City, One Book Event

Main, Koret, 4–7:45 p.m.

**Chinese Family History** 

29 Wednesday

10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.\*

**Beginners Tai Chi** 

**Bay Beats: Transient** 

Research Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

Walking Tour North Beach,

Main, Atrium, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Presidio, 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Heights, 5:30-8 p.m.\*

Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

Sunset, 3-5 p.m.

26 Sunday

Presidio, 1-3 p.m.\*

1-3:30 p.m.

1–4 p.m.

Sunset, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl,

<u>18, 25 Saturdays</u> Chair-based Yoga Visitacion Valley, 2–3 p.m.

<u>19 Sunday</u> **Plant Swap** Bernal Heights, 1–2 p.m.

**Correspondence Co-op** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 1–3:30 p.m.

Hong Kong Culture Day 香港文化日 Main, Lower Level, 1-4 p.m.

**Textile Craft** Excelsior, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Sashiko Mending** Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

**Origami Flowers** Main, Stong Rm - 1st Fl, 3–4:30 p.m.

19, 26 Sundays Bookbinding Mission Bay, 1:30–4:30 p.m.\*

20 Monday Positive Parenting North Beach, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Fire Safety Preparedness /

Chinatown, 2:30-3:30 p.m.\*

Ay Sus! Flavorful Health

Author: Laura Burges,

Park, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

3rd Fl, 6-7:30 p.m.

22 Wednesday

1–2 p.m.

**Genealogy Conference** 

Main, Koret, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Legal Aid - Housing Main,

Learning Studio - 5th Fl,

Film: Chan is Missing

Chinatown, 2–4 p.m.

**Cooking Matters** 

Film: Thieves' Highway

Eureka Valley, 4–5 p.m.\*

**Intro to Mindfulness** 

Noe Valley, 5:30–6:30 p.m

The Zen Way of Recovery

Zinething Main, Fulton Rm -

Film: Americaville

家居火災安全講座

Virtual, 5-6 p.m.

21 Tuesday

Glen Park, 1-2:15 p.m.

#### 3, 17, 31 Fridays

Watercolor Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.

#### <u>4 Saturday</u>

**Star Wars Party** Noe Valley, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

#### Knitting

Noe Valley, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Sunset, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

#### The Opera In You: Write Your Story Sunset, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Visitacion Valley, 3:30–5:30 p.m.\*

#### **Hot Siva Aerobics**

Visitacion Valley, 11–11:45 a.m.

#### **Oceans & Human Health**

Main, Environ. Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–2 p.m.

**Open House** Richmond, 1–5 p.m.

#### Main, Saroyan Area -6th Floor, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Spider Scientist** Virtual, 5–6 p.m.

**Family History Research** Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays

**Fit for Life** North Beach, 1–2 p.m.

**ESL Convo Club** Virtual, 3–4 p.m.

<u>8 Wednesday</u> Genealogy Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

**APAC Office Hours** Visitacion Valley, 1–3 p.m.

#### Film: All My Sons Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:45 p.m.

**Origami** Noe Valley, 4–5 p.m.

#### <u>12 Sunday</u>

**Calligraphy** Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Paper Marbling** Mission Bay, 2–4 p.m.

**Crafting** Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

Film: Lingering Dreams of Homeland Main, Koret, 3–5:15 p.m.

#### 12, 26 Sundays

**Color Your Cares Away** Bernal Heights, 1–3 p.m.

#### 13 Monday

**Emergency Prepareness** North Beach, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga Ortega, 1–2 p.m.

Author: Yvette Tan Virtual, 6–7 p.m. **Garden Tour** Noe Valley, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Knitting** Sunset, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Virtual Reality Hour Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**The Art of Memoir** Virtual, 12–2 p.m.

**Walking Tour** Noe Valley, 12–2:30 p.m.\*

Ralph Chessé Reception & Discussion Main, Lower Level, 1–5 p.m.

**Wooden Fish Ensemble** Golden Gate Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Storytelling Showcase** West Portal, 2–3:30 p.m.

作家:陳小梨 Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2–4 p.m.

Golden Gate Valley, 3-4:45 p.m.

#### **Chess Club** Bernal Heights, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 23 Thursday

Film: *Minari* Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

Basic Watercolor Golden Gate Valley, 2–4 p.m.

**Origami Chinese Hairpin** Sunset, 4–5:30 p.m.\*

Author: Corky Lee's Asian America Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 24 Friday

Watercolor Glen Park, 1:30–5:30 p.m.

**Beginners Tai Chi** Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Mobile MakeArt** Mission, 2–4 p.m. Asian American News & Global Press Virtual, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

**Intro to Mindfulness** 

Noe Valley, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

#### <u>30 Thursday</u>

**Film:** *Next Goal Wins* Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

Vietnamese Spring Rolls Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 1–3:30 p.m.\*

Mochi Richmond, 2–3 p.m.\*

Film: Picture Bride Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

Film: Dances for Camera Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 31 Friday

Book Binding / 手縫書手作 Chinatown, 2-3:30 p.m.\*

**Puzzle Swap** Bayview, 3–5:30 p.m.

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### On View

#### Jewett Gallery, Main Library, Lower Level

Ralph Chessé: A San Francisco Century Most of Chessé's life was spent in the San Francisco Bay Area, and his artistic endeavors- painting, sculpture and notably, marionette production and performance—reflected numerous touchstones of the Bay Area's cultural and social life, from WPA, theater, television and rock and roll. May 16-Aug. 18

#### <u>Skylight Gallery, Main Library, 6th Floor</u>

Wish You Were Here! A Tourist's Guide to the Schmulowitz Collection of Wit & Humor Take a bookish adventure far and wide through the pages of the Schmulowitz Collection of Wit & Humor. The collection was founded by San Francisco attorney, book collector and humanitarian Nat Schmulowitz (1889-1966) on April Fool's Day, 1947. Nat's joy of travel and love affair with world humor began in 1926 with his grand tour of Europe. Through May 31

#### Other Exhibits, Main Library

we were here is an interactive creative investigation of the Black American presence in San Francisco in the late 1800s and early 1900s, particularly at the occurrence of the 1906 earthquake. This exhibit grounds into an archival experience and recollection of a larger-than-life story told by Aurelious Alberga (1884-1988). Ongoing, African American Center, 3rd Floor

#### Exhibits at the Branches

63rd Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition The oldest annual art show in San Francisco owes its longevity to a group of artists who painted with, or under the tutelage of the late Charles Griffin Farr. Potrero Branch staff are delighted to host it once more to celebrate this legacy and our community. May 25–July 25, Potrero Branch. Opening reception: May 25, 6-9 p.m.

#### Tech Time

<u>May 11–18</u> Tech Week sfpl.org/techweek

1 Wednesday Tech Savy at 60+ Richmond, 1:30-2:15 p.m.

**Employment for People** with Disabilities Main, Atrium, 1–3:30 p.m.

<u>2 Thursday</u> **Basic Computer Skills** Series Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–3 p.m.\*

### 3 Friday

**Drop-In Tech Support** for Older Adults Richmond, 1:30-3 p.m.

4 Saturday **Tech Help** West Portal, 12–4 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays Tech Help Sunset, 1-4 p.m.

<u>6 Monday</u> Download eBooks & Audiobooks Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays Basic Tech Drop-In Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1-2:30 p.m.

**Tech Tuesdavs** Bayview, 1–3 p.m.

Ayuda De Computación En Español Main, Comp Ctr -5th Fl, 5-6:30 p.m.

8 Wednesday **Drop-in Tech Coaching** Eureka Valley, 3-4 p.m.

10 Friday **Specialized Phones** 

**Resources** West Portal, 2-4 p.m.

10, 24 Fridays

Smartphones for Older Adults 60+ (Cantonese) Sunset, 1-2:30 p.m. 11 Saturday

eBook Drop-In Main, Info Desk - 1st Fl, 3–4 p.m.

lot (Cantonese) Virtual,

#### 13 Monday Intro to ChatGPT/Copi-

2:30-3:30 p.m. **Detecting AI-Generated Content** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 2:30-5 p.m.

**Drop-in Tech Help** Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.

Photowalk in GG Park (Chinese & English) Main, 2–4 p.m.

Zoom Basics Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 4–5:30 p.m.

#### 14 Tuesday **Low-Cost Internet Providers**

Fl, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Computer Skills for Seniors** Virtual, 1-2:30 p.m.

Main, Learning Studio - 5th

**Tech Tools for Accessibilty** Virtual, 12-1 a.m.

Curso básico de correo electrónico Excelsior. 2–4 p.m.

Teens

ages 12-18.

The Mix at SFPL

1, 15 Wednesdays

Writers Club, 4–5 p.m.

Biblio Bistro, 4-6 p.m.

Hand Build w/ Clay, 4–5 p.m.

Queer & Trans Social Hour,

8 Wednesday

10, 24 Fridays

4:30-5:30 p.m.

18 Saturday

Karaoke, 4–5 p.m.

22 Wednesday

Snack Trials, 4–5 p.m.

10 Friday

Main Library, 2nd Fl. SFPL's

creative space for teens,

Email Basics Visitacion Valley, 5:30-7:30 p.m.\*

**Scan and Preserve Your** Photographs/ Escanea v **Conserva Tus Fotografías** Main, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.\*

#### 15 Wednesday

**Computer Skills for Seniors** Main, 10-11:30 a.m.\*

Use Google Translate Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Stay Safe Online Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–2 p.m.

**Online Safety: Passwords** & VPNs Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

Create a Gmail account (Cantonese) Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 12:30-1 p.m.

**Digital Music Production** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

#### 16 Thursday

**Use Smartphone/Tablets In** An Emergency Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 10-11 a.m.

Prepara tu dispositivo móvil para una emergencia Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Learn Canva Virtual. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Internet Safety Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 2-2:45 p.m.\*

Seguridad por Internet Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 3-4 p.m.\*

#### 17 Friday

1 Wednesday

**3 Friday** 

5 Sunday

3–5 p.m.

7 Tuesday

Film: Cruella

絲帶花環鑰匙鍊

6, 13 Mondays

Lucet Wood Fork

Chinatown, 3:30-5 p.m.\*

Art Club Anza, 2–3:30 p.m.

Teen Lounge Eureka Valley,

**Drop-In Tech Support** for Older Adults Ortega, 1:30-3 p.m.\*

Teens at the Branches

North Beach, 3:30-4:45 p.m.\*

Book Swap 青少年圖書交換

寫書評 Chinatown, 3:30-5 p.m.

Hawaiian Keyring 夏威夷編織

Petal Drawstring Bag

Photowalk in the Mission/ Caminata de Fotos en La Misión Main, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Tablet/Smartphones for Older Adults 60+ Sunset, 1-2:30 p.m.\*

**Computer Skills for Seniors** Main, 1-4 p.m.\*

Al & Crypto Scams Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 3-4 p.m.

#### 18 Saturday

Tech Support for Seniors Sunset, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Program a Robot Arm Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Program a Robot Arm Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 12-12:45 p.m.

AI & AI Robotics Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 1-2 p.m.

**Internet Safety & Security** Main, 2-2:45 p.m.

Navigating AI Main, 3-3:45 p.m.

#### 23 Thursday

Chinese eBooks/ 圖書館中文電子書 Chinatown, 2-3:30 p.m.

eBook Drop-In Main, Atrium, 4–5:30 p.m.

#### 28 Tuesday

**Drop-in Tech Coaching** Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

#### 29 Wednesday

Certificate in Microsoft Basics Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 4–6 p.m.

15 Wednesday

Excelsior, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Book Club: Teen Selects** 

Crafternoon

North Beach,

3:30-4:30 p.m.

16 Thursday

3:30-6:30 p.m.\*

17 Friday

方盒摺紙

21 Tuesday

**RPG: Sorcerers** 

& Sellswords

3:45-5:45 p.m.

Film: Moana

Glen Park.

**Tech Refurbathon** 

Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm,

Square Box Origami

Chinatown, 3:30-5 p.m.\*

#### **Book Clubs**

<u>1 Wednesday</u> **ASL Book Club** Virtual, 5-7 p.m.

1, 15, 29 Wednesdays Silent Book Club Richmond, 3-5 p.m.

2 Thursday Geetanjali Shree, Tomb of Sand Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 5 Sunday

C Pam Zhang, How Much of These Hills Is Gold Eureka Valley, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### 8 Wednesday

**Chinatown Readers** 

Chinatown, 5:15-7:15 p.m. Tarris Marie, Blaque Pearle Virtual, 6–7 p.m.

14 Tuesday

Agatha Christie, The Mysterious Affair at Styles

#### 15 Wednesday Emezi Akwaeke,

The Death of Vivek Oji Noe Valley, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Kathrvn Ma, **The Chinese Groove** West Portal, 6-7 p.m.

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

#### 18 Saturday Michael Finkel,

The Art Thief Ortega, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

19 Sunday **Great Books Discussion** Anza, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Mysteries Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

21 Tuesday Tertulia Literaria

#### 26 Sunday

Alka Joshi, The Henna Artist Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Jasmin Iolani Hakes, Hula Marina, 8–9 a.m.

28 Tuesday Paulette Jiles, News of the World Bernal Heights, 2-4 p.m.

Silent Readers Sunset, 3-5 p.m.\*

**Excelsior Reads** Excelsior, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

29 Wednesday Kathryn Ma, The Chinese Groove Golden Gate Valley,

**Mission Bay Reads** Mission Bay, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

2-2:45 p.m.

<u>14 Tuesday</u>

Virtual, 3:15-4 p.m.

15 Wednesday

Employment

18 Saturday

**Sr Community Service** 

Virtual, 11:15-12 p.m.

**Everything Roth IRAs** 

LinkedIn: Job Search,

Virtual, 2-3:15 p.m.

**BeneFITS 2 Work** 

Virtual, 11:30-12:30 p.m.

23 Thursday

Virtual, 2-3:30 p.m.

22 Wednesday

Part 2

Job Match

West Portal Great Books

Presidio, 3-4 p.m.

Noe Valley, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Small Business Advisor** 

Virtual, 2–4 p.m.

8 Wednesday

**Group** virtual, 6:30–8:30 p.m

#### 23 Thursday

Sewing Certification, 4–5 p.m.

#### 26 Sunday

Mario Kart 8 Tournament, 3–5 p.m.

#### Mix Recording Studio

#### **Guitar and Bass Lessons**

• Tuesdays, 5:30-6 p.m. • Wednesdays, 4-4:30 p.m. • Saturdays, 3:30-4 p.m

#### **Recording and**

Songwriting

• Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m. • Wednesdays, 5–5:30 p.m. • Saturdays, 4:30–5 p.m

#### **Recording Studio Orientation**

• Tuesdays, 6-6:30 p.m. • Wednesdays, 4:30-5 p.m. • Saturdays, 4-4:30 p.m.

Potrero, 5:30–7:45 p.m.

North Beach, 4:30-5:45 p.m.\*

#### 7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays

Portfolio Prep Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 5-6 p.m.\*

#### 8 Wednesday

**Teen Advisory Group** North Beach, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### 9 Thursday

Clay Emoji Paperclip Richmond, 4-5:30 p.m.

#### 11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Gardening Merced, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

#### <u>14 Tuesday</u>

Coloring North Beach, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Charm Necklaces Golden Gate Valley, 4-5:30 p.m.\*

#### 22 Wednesday

**Candy Lei** Excelsior, 3:30-5 p.m.\*

T(w)een Gaming Bayview, 3-5 p.m.

**Tiny Art Class & Show** Ortega, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

#### 23 Thursday

**Origami Graduation Leis** Merced, 5-6 p.m.

#### 29 Wednesday

**Financial Literacy** North Beach, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### 30 Thursday

**Candy Lei** Sunset, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

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#### Work It (Jobs, **Small Business: First Year** Business, Finance) Free Virtual, 12-1 p.m.

#### 2 Thursday

How to Apply For a CA State Job Virtual, 1–2:30 p.m.

#### 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Thursdays

Planea tu Negocio

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Fridays 4, 11, 18, 25 Saturdays

6, 13, 20 Mondays

Smart Money Coach Main, Study Room 441, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

#### 7 Tuesday

Starting a Business in SF Virtual, 12-1:30 p.m.

### <u>9 Thursday</u>

**Financial Tips: Self-Employed** Virtual, 12-1 p.m.

Virtual, 5-8 p.m.

1-3 p.m.

### Virtual, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### 11 Saturday

10 Friday

**Smart Money Coaching** Main, Atrium, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Programs for Black Entrepre-**

neurs Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm,

**Data Axle Reference Solutions** 

# May 2024 Event Calendar

### Children

Early Childhood 4 Saturday

**Big Play Date** Merced, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Indoor Games Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Big Play Date North Beach, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

11 Saturday Toddler Coloring Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Read, Sing and Play in Italian North Beach, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Peek-a-boo Tunnel Excelsior, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

13 Monday Little Artists Bernal Heights, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

14 Tuesday Mini Makers Merced, 11–11:30 a.m.

15 Wednesday **Miguel and Susan Govea** Excelsior, 10:30-11 a.m.

20 Monday Fun Day Dance Party Glen Park, 10–11 a.m.

25 Saturday Natural Crafts Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

30 Thursday Sensory-Friendly Stories & Play Western Addition, 11-11:45 a.m.

Elementary School Age

1 Wednesday LEGO Night Bernal Heights, 6–7:30 p.m.

2 Thursday **LEGO Free Play** Sunset, 2:30-4 p.m.

**LEGO & Musical Instruments** North Beach, 4-4:45 p.m.

### Family

### 2 Thursday

Library Rangers: Plankton Visitacion Valley, 4-5 p.m.

**Book Club: Eagle Drums** West Portal, 6:45-7:45 p.m.

3 Friday MakeArt Potrero, 3-5 p.m.

#### 4 Saturday

Origami Hour North Beach, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Craft Club Sunset, 2–3 p.m. **Tree Frog Treks** Glen Park, 3-4 p.m.\*

4, 11, 18, 25 Saturdays Giant Jenga Chinatown, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

5 Sunday **LEGO Free Play** Park, 2-3:30 p.m. Portola, 3-4 p.m.

**LEGO MINDSTORMS®** Robots Merced, 2-4 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays Dungeons & Dragons Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 3–5 p.m.

<u>6 Monday</u> Little Builders/Magna-Tiles Golden Gate Valley, 3-5 p.m.

6, 13, 20 Mondays **Math Games/Tutoring** West Portal, 3–4:30 p.m.

8 Wednesday Mini Pinatas Potrero, 1:15-3 p.m.

Japanese Flying Carp Chinatown, 2-3 p.m.\*

9 Thursday Mother's Day Craft Richmond, 3:30-5 p.m.\*

10 Friday Card Making North Beach, 4-5 p.m.

11 Saturday Mini Clay Foods Glen Park, 3-4 p.m.\*

11, 25 Saturdays Origami Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

12 Sunday Crafternoon West Portal, 2-3 p.m.

**Beginner Ukulele** Portola, 2-3 p.m.\*

<u>6 Monday</u> **Family Dance Party** Glen Park, 10-11 a.m.

7 Tuesdav **Mini Flower Bouquet** Visitacion Valley, 4–5 p.m.

8 Wednesday Film: Moana Bayview, 3–5 p.m. **Cookie Baking** 

#### 14 Tuesday

Lego Free Play Richmond, 3:30-5 p.m.

Puppy Dog Tales Eureka Valley, 3-4:30 p.m.

**Origami Envelopes** Mission Bay, 4-5 p.m.

15 Wednesday **Brian Magic** Chinatown, 3:45-4:30 p.m.\*

Junior Readers Marina, 6–7 p.m.

15, 22 Wednesday **LEGO Free Play** Bayview, 3-5 p.m.

16 Thursday **Japanese Snacks & Games** Sunset, 3-4 p.m.

**LEGO & Alka-Seltzer Rockets** North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

18 Saturday Makerspace Parkside, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Mini Clay Food Excelsior, 2-3 p.m.

19 Sunday Chess Drop-In West Portal, 2-4 p.m.

21 Tuesday Light-up Firefly Craft Golden Gate Valley, 3-4 p.m.

23 Thursday LEGO Free Play Ingleside, 4:30-6 p.m.

24 Friday Marble Machine Noe Valley, 3-4 p.m.

**Comics & Drawing Hour** Sunset, 3-4 p.m.

25 Saturday **Three Sisters Harvest Party** Main, Children's Center - 2nd Fl, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.\*

**Ghibli Snack Trials** Noe Valley, 3-4 p.m.

#### 11, 25 Saturdays **Chinese Poetry & Stories** (Mandarin) Portola,

11 a.m.-12 p.m.

12 Sunday **Rolled Beeswax Candles** Bayview, 2-3 p.m.

**Table Tennis/Ping Pong** Visitacion Valley, 2-4 p.m.

### Children's Storytimes

#### **Storytimes for Babies**

Songs, rhymes and books for infants and their caregivers.

Anza – Every Saturday, 10:30–11:30 a.m. Bernal Heights - Every Wednesday, 12-12:30 p.m.\* Chinatown – Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m. Eureka Valley - Every Wednesday, 1:30-2 p.m. Golden Gate Valley – Every Tuesday, 11:15–11:45 a.m. Ingleside – Every Tuesday, 1:30–2 p.m. Main - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 10:30-11 a.m. Merced – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m. Mission Bay - Every Thursday, 10:15-10:45 a.m.\* North Beach – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m. Ortega - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 10:30-11 a.m. Park – Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m. Potrero – Every Tuesday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.\* Presidio - Every Thursday, 10:15-10:45 a.m. Richmond - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 11-11:30 a.m. Sunset - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 10:30-11 a.m.

Popping Boba Bayview, 3-4 p.m.

2 Thursday **Graphic Novel:** The Magicians Portola, 4-5 p.m.

29 Wednesday

31 Friday

1 Wednesday

3:30-4:30 p.m.

**LED Paper Circuits** 

Chinatown, 3:45-4:45 p.m.\*

Chinese Yaji Sunset, 2-3:30 p.m.

Middle School Age

Teen Gaming Excelsior,

4 Saturday Tween Creative Writing Western Addition, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Star Wars Day Yoda Ears** Bayview, 3-4 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays Chess Club Ingleside, 2:30-4 p.m.

8 Wednesday Suminagashi Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

13 Monday Graphic Novel: Saving Sun*shine* Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

14, 21, 28 Tuesdays **Young Writers** Glen Park, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

15 Wednesday Vietnamese Coconut Pandan Waffle Ingleside, 3-4:30 p.m.\*

<u>16 Thursday</u> Origami Flowers Anza, 4–5 p.m.

19 Sunday Anime & Manga Park, 2-3:30 p.m.

20 Monday Graphic Novel: Superman Smashes the Klan Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

29 Wednesday Mini-Carnival Marina, 2-5 p.m.

**Open House** Glen Park, 1–5 p.m.

Al Robots Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2:30-3:30 p.m. **Decoden Mirror** 

Portola, 3-4:30 p.m.\*

22 Wednesday Page St. Lounge Park, 2–4 p.m.

West Portal - Every Wed., 10:30-11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Western Addition - Every Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Storytimes for Toddlers

Books, songs, movement and more. For toddlers 16 months through age 2 and their caregivers.

Bernal Heights - Every Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m.\* Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m. Español/English Eureka Valley - Every Tuesday, 1:30-2 p.m. Excelsior – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m. Glen Park – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m

Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m Ingleside – Every Sunday, 1:15–1:45 p.m. 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Main – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m. Merced – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m. Mission - 2, 9, 16, 23 Thurs. 10:15-10:45 a.m. & 11-11:30 a.m.\* 1, 8, 15, 22 Wednesdays, 11-11:30 a.m.\* Mission Bay – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.\* North Beach – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. Ocean View - Every Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m. Every Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. (Minnie & Lovie Ward Rec Center) Ortega - Every Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m. Park - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 3:30-4 p.m. Parkside - Every Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m. Portola - 6, 13, 20 Mondays, 10:30-11 a.m. Potrero - Every Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m.\* Presidio - Every Tuesday, 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Richmond - Every Tuesday, 11-11:30 a.m.\* Sunset – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m. Visitacion Valley – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m. West Portal – Every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Western Addition – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

#### **Storytimes for Preschoolers**

Stories, songs, fingerplays and more for ages 3–5.

Bayview – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m. Español/English Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m. Español/English Chinatown – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m. Excelsior - Every Wednesday, 10:30-11 a.m. Mission Bay – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m. North Beach – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

Parkside - Every Thursday, 10:30-11 a.m. Portola - Every Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m.

#### **Storytimes for Families**

#### Books, songs, rhymes and fun for children of all ages.

Anza – Every Thursday, 10:30–11:30 a.m. Bernal Heights - Every Saturday, 10-10:30 a.m.\* Chinatown – Every Saturday, 2–2:30 p.m. Excelsior - 6, 13, 20 Monday, 10:30-11 a.m.

Every Saturday, 10:30-11 a.m. Glen Park - 8, 22 Wednesdays, 7-7:30 p.m. Golden Gate Valley – Every Friday, 1:15–1:45 p.m. Main - 4, 11, 18 Saturday, 11-11:30 a.m. Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m. Español/English Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. English/ (Cantonese)

#### 4 Saturday

Star Wars Sensory Bottles Ocean View, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

DIY Mini Koinobori Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 1–2 p.m.

SFSymphony Concert Mission Bay, 1–2 p.m.

The Green Sound Band Ingleside, 12-12:30 p.m.

Magic w/ Dan Sneider Ortega, 2-3 p.m.

Spin Me a Shadow, Tell Me a Tale Presidio, 2-3 p.m.

Origami Club Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

Soap Making Portola, 3-4:30 p.m.\*

#### 4, 11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Playtime Potrero, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays

Board Games Sunset, 2-3 p.m.

Ocean View, 5–6:30 p.m.\*

#### 9 Thursday

Bookmaking Ingleside, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

#### 10 Fridays

MakeArt Bernal Heights, 3–5 p.m.

#### 11 Saturday

**Collaging Patterns of Home** Parkside, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.\*

**Dental Health Care** Ortega, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Fix-it Clinic: Bike Repairs** Bernal Heights, 1–3 p.m.

Arion Press Excelsior, 1-4 p.m.

Open House Merced, 1–5 p.m.

Chinese Opera Masks Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

**Gado-Gado Tasting** Park, 3-4 p.m.\*

Tea Party Portola, 3-4 p.m.\*

13 Monday

Storvtime: Officers Der & Marshall Glen Park, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

#### <u>14 Tuesday</u>

Dog Reading Circle Bernal Heights, 4-4:30 p.m.

**Board Games/LEGO** Noe Valley, 6–7:30 p.m.

#### 15 Wednesday

**Author: Hanna Usman** Virtual, 6–7 p.m.

#### 16 Thursday

Big Play Date Ocean View, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

#### 17 Friday

MakeArt Glen Park, 3–5 p.m.

#### 18 Saturday

Painted Rocks Garden Mission Bay, 10:30-11:30 a.m.\*

LEGO Robots Ortega, 1–2 p.m.\*

**KEVA Contraptions** Presidio, 6-7 p.m.

#### 23 Thursday

Karaoke Portola, 2-3 p.m.

#### 25 Saturday

**Potrero Hill Artists** Reception Potrero, 6–9 p.m.

#### 29 Wednesday

Riddle ContestPortola, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Board Games/Puzzles** Park, 3:30-5 p.m.

**AANHPI Family Dance Party** Excelsior, 3-4 p.m.

#### 30 Thursday

**Book Club: Mother-Daughter** West Portal, 6:45-7:45 p.m.

#### <u>31 Friday</u>

**Family Dance Party** Potrero, 3-4 p.m.

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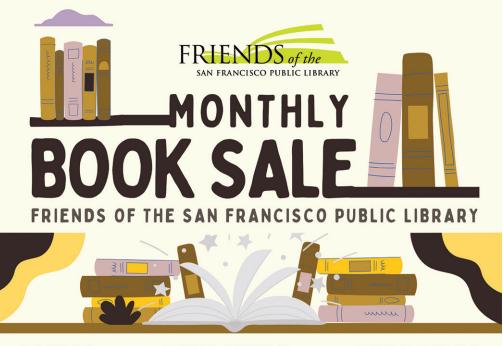
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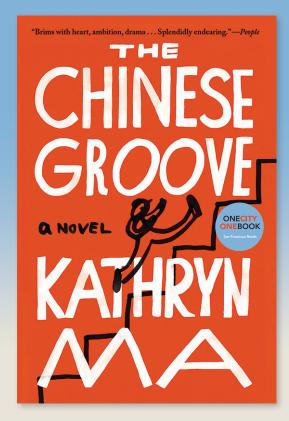
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