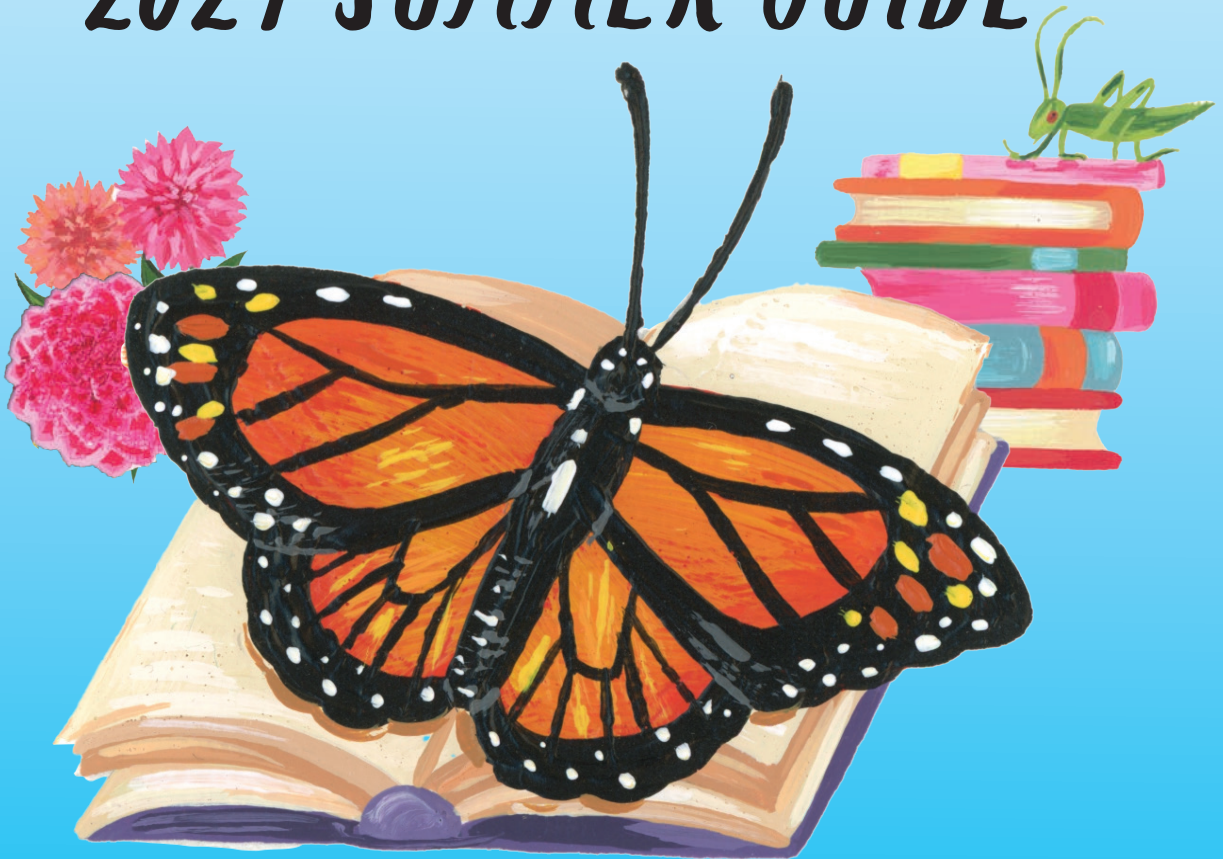


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EVERYBODY READS

2024 SUMMER GUIDE



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Children need to see themselves and others in the mirrors and windows that books provide. The titles chosen for the *Everybody Reads Summer Guide* represent the intentionality of giving voice and space to the underrepresented populations to which San Francisco Public Library has dedicated itself.

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We acknowledge that, as residents of San Francisco, we are guests on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who continue to live, learn and play here today. San Francisco Public Library and the Human Rights Commission are dedicated to empowering our community to seek the truth and better understand how historical events and the oppression of Indigenous Peoples have shaped our society today. We can honor the Ramaytush Ohlone by increasing our knowledge of their history and culture, by supporting reparations efforts and by taking care of the Earth, the animals and one another.

WELCOME TO SUMMER STRIDE



Dear Reader,

The golden days of summer are finally here! Summer is a time to play and have fun. It's also a time to continue learning and stretching our imaginations as we revel in the extra daylight hours. Books are a wonderful way to escape into new worlds and to discover new people, places and things that inspire and expand our minds. We are delighted to give you a set of new books by diverse authors and illustrators and a bunch of creative activities to kick off your summer adventures.

The Human Rights Commission and San Francisco Public Library created this *Everybody Reads Summer Guide*, which features a book-inspired activity kit, to help you have fun while building your reading skills. We also hope to see you at your neighborhood branch library where you can find unlimited reading options, hands-on workshops and other exciting events throughout the summer months. For a full schedule of programs, go to sfpl.org/summerstride.

We hope that these stories and activities encourage you to dream big and have your best summer yet!



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"It must be borne in mind that the tragedy of life does not lie in not reaching your goal.
The tragedy of life lies in having no goal to reach."

"Not failure, but low aim is sin."

"Every man and woman is born into the world to do something unique and
something distinctive and if he or she does not do it, it will never be done."

Benjamin Elijah Mays, 1894 - 1984

*Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays was a leader in the civil rights movement
and mentor to many, including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*



***WHAT MAKES
YOU UNIQUE?***

WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS?

WHAT'S SOMETHING SPECIAL YOU PLAN TO DO?

Benjamin Mays was a mentor and gave good advice to others.

WHO GIVES YOU GOOD ADVICE?

Name someone who gives good advice. What advice did they give?

PERSON 1

ADVICE

PERSON 2

ADVICE





Being positive and encouraging yourself requires regular practice.

Choose something good to say to yourself every day. Write it out.



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“ ”

“ ”

“ ”

DREAMS

I have for myself

Fill the cloud with the dreams you want to achieve.





Research argues that poetry and spoken word can help people process their experiences, improve health and access wisdom buried inside. Write an acrostic poem using the letters in the word *LOVE*. Use each letter to write a word or phrase.

L _____

O _____

V _____

E _____

Dream Ladder

Write one dream or goal on the cloud.



List steps you need
to achieve your goal

Ideas for Change

Think of something you'd like to change or someone you'd like to help. Write or draw your idea. Share why you want to see the change, challenges with the change and who might help you make the change.

My Idea



*What I want to change,
and why*



Challenges I might face



People who might help me





My Imagination

Draw an image in each square and include it in your story. Use this to plan your story. You can write it out or act it out later.

Where does the story start? Where are the characters going? How will they get there?

Who do they see or meet?

What do they say/talk about?

What happens next?

What happens after that?

How does it end?



A Little About Me



I am _____ years old.

My birthday is

Draw a birthday cake with candles for your next birthday.

This is my self portrait.

My favorite activity is...

Things that make me unique are...

What do you love about yourself?

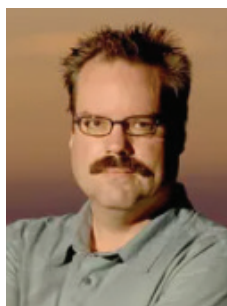


When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop

Written by Laban Carrick Hill and Illustrated by Theodore Taylor III



On a hot day at the end of summer in 1973, Cindy Campbell threw a back-to-school party at a park in the South Bronx. Her brother, Clive Campbell, spun the records. He had a new way of playing the music to make the breaks—the musical interludes between verses—longer for dancing. He called himself DJ Kool Herc and this is when “the Beat was Born.” From his childhood in Jamaica to his youth in the Bronx, this book tells how Kool Herc came to be a DJ, how kids in gangs stopped fighting in order to breakdance and how the music he invented went on to define a culture and transform the world.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR: LABAN CARRICK HILL

Laban Carrick Hill is the author of *America Dreaming: How Youth Changed America in the '60s*, *Harlem Stomp!: A Cultural History of the Harlem Renaissance*, which was a National Book Award finalist and *Dave the Potter*, a Caldecott Honor book, illustrated by Bryan Collier.



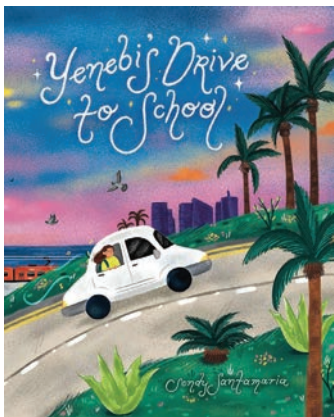
ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR: THEODORE TAYLOR III

Theodore Taylor III is an artist living in Richmond, Virginia. His work is inspired by his love of music, comics, animation, video games, street art and more. He is also a self-proclaimed pizza connoisseur. In 2014 he received the Coretta Scott King-John Steptoe New Talent Award for his work in *When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop*. The book also won the Texas Bluebonnet Award.



Yenebi's Drive to School

Written and Illustrated by Sindy Santamaria



A whole new spin on one loving family's morning drive to school.

Every morning, Yenebi is up at four o'clock.

She brushes her teeth, gets dressed and drags her sister Melanie to the car where Mami's waiting.

¡Se nos va a hacer tarde! ¡Apúrense!

For the next two hours, the sisters will be in the car driving—past tamale vendors (a favorite part), through la línea (least favorite part) and across the U.S. border. That's how they get to school every day. This is their normal. Vamos!



ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: SINDY SANTAMARIA

Debut author/illustrator Sindy Santamaria tells the story of one girl's commute, a commute Sindy herself made growing up as an American citizen living in Mexico and San Diego. *Yenebi's Drive to School* takes readers on a trip to school that many will recognize as very similar to their own. Santamaria is San Francisco Public Library's 2024 Summer Stride artist.



When the Stars Came Home

Written by Brittany Luby and Illustrated by Natasha Donovan



When Ojiig moves to the city with his family, he misses everything they left behind. Most of all, he misses the sparkling night sky. Without the stars watching over him, he feels lost. His parents try to help, but nothing seems to work. Not glow-in-the-dark sticker stars, not a star-shaped nightlight. But then they have a new idea for how to make Ojiig feel better—a special quilt stitched through with family stories that will wrap Ojiig in the warmth of knowing who he is and where he came from.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR: BRITTANY LUBY

Brittany Luby, of Anishinaabe descent, was raised on Treaty #3 Lands in what is now known as northwestern Ontario. She is the author of several acclaimed books, including *Encounter* and *Mii maanda ezhi-gkendmaanh / This Is How I Know*. She is a professor of history at the University of Guelph and currently lives in Ontario, on Dish with One Spoon Territory.



ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR: NATASHA DONOVAN

Natasha Donovan is a Métis illustrator originally from Vancouver, British Columbia. She has illustrated several celebrated books, including *Borders* by Thomas King and *Surviving the City* by Tasha Spillett-Sumner. She lives by the Nooksack River in Washington State.



Punky Aloha

Written and Illustrated by Shar Tuiasoa



Punky loves to do a lot of things—except meeting new friends. She doesn't feel brave enough.

So when her grandmother asks her to go out and grab butter for her famous banana bread, Punky hesitates. But with the help of her grandmother's magical sunglasses, and with a lot of aloha in her heart, Punky sets off on a BIG adventure for the very first time.

Will she be able to get the butter for grandma?



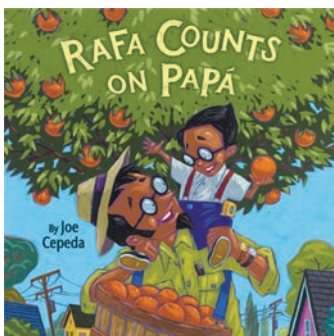
ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: SHAR TUIASOA

Shar Tuiasoa is a Polynesian artist from the island of O'ahu, in the town of Kailua, Hawai'i. When she is not in the ocean, enjoying the vibrant culture of her home, Tuiasoa spends her time imagining and creating for her illustration business, Punky Aloha Studio.



Rafa Counts on Papá

Written and Illustrated by Joe Cepeda



Rafa and his papá love to count and measure together. They know how many branches they climb to their favorite spot, they know how high their dog Euclid can jump and they know how far they can run. But there's one thing Rafa can't count or measure because it is infinite: the love that he and his papá share.



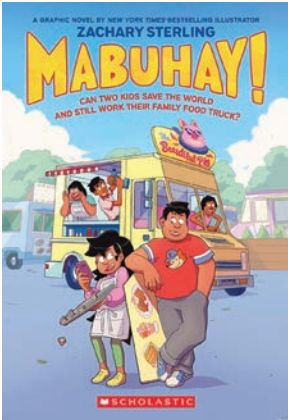
ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: JOE CEPEDA

Joe Cepeda is an award-winning illustrator of more than 35 books for children. He has illustrated books written by numerous notable authors, including Gary Soto, Pam Muñoz Ryan, Arnold Adoff, Monica Brown, Julius Lester and Toni Morrison. Cepeda is the author/illustrator of several early readers from the *I Like to Read* series, including *Up*, *I Dig*, *I See*, and *I Hop*.



Mabuhay!

Written and Illustrated by Zachary Sterling



Siblings JJ and Althea struggle to fit in at school. Between the leftover Filipino food in their lunches to having a last name that nobody can pronounce, any sense of belonging seems like a long shot. To make matters worse, they have to help their parents run the family food truck, dressing up as a dancing pig and passing out samples. But when witches, ogres and other creatures from Filipino folklore appear in their town and threaten their family, the siblings realize that the myths their parents have always told them may be more real than they'd suspected.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR: ZACHARY STERLING



Zachary Sterling is a Filipino American illustrator, sequential artist, writer and animation designer. Over the past several years, he has worked on comics and graphic novels for young adult readers as well as animation designs for Frederator Studios and Netflix. He lives in the suburbs of Portland, Oregon.



LIBRARIES FOR ALL



SUMMER STRIDE





2024 SFUSD SUMMER READING LIST

These great books are highly recommended
by the librarians of the SFUSD and SFPL.



PRE-KINDERGARTEN, KINDERGARTEN AND GRADES 1 & 2

j523.78 RASH Eclipse*
j576.83 BENB We Go Way Back*
j595.44 LANA Jumper*
j597.858 MART Not a Monster*
j598.0723 HAMI How to Bird*
jB TAYL Major Taylor*
jB VALD Jovita Wore Pants*
jF BAIL Henry, Like Always
jGN RAMM Batcat
jGN ROSE v.1 Super Magic Boy
jPS CEPE Rafa Counts on Papá
jPS HARP My Block Looks Like
jPS KIM Where's Joon?
jPS LUBY When the Stars Came Home
jPS SANT Yenebi's Drive to School
jPS THOM Salat in Secret
jPS TUIA Punky Aloha
jPS VALD Bunso Meets a Mumu
jR LERN Nat the Cat Takes a Bath
jR TABO Fox Has a Problem
CHINESE jPS KEAR 沒有魚兒的海洋
SPANISH jPS TREJ El Barrilito Mágico de Papá



*Nonfiction titles

GRADES 6, 7 & 8

j364.1628 DAY The Mona Lisa Vanishes*
j576.839 MCAN Where Are the Aliens?*

jF CHEN The Many Masks of Andy Zhou
jF MARR Salsa Magic
jF RHOD Treasure Island
jF RIVE Barely Floating
jF ROUM Tagging Freedom
jF WATE Mascot
jF WINA The Otherwoods
jF WOOD Remember Us
jF YEE The Misfits
jGN BAGL Duel
jGN LAI Ghost Book
jGN MART Mexikid*
jGN NIJK Ink Girls
jGN RODR Doodles from the Boogie Down
jGN SIND Shakti
jGN TANG Parachute Kids
TEEN GN HAUG The Baker and the Bard
TEEN GN PARA Malcolm Kid and the Perfect Song
TEEN CHINESE F MCIN 奇蹟機器狗
SPANISH jGN OGLE Cuatro Ojos



GRADES 3, 4 & 5

j591.77 LEIG The Deep!*

j594.58 FORR Search for a Giant Squid*
j782.4216 KOOL When the Beat Was Born*
j796.3576 SORE Contenders*
j811.6 HARR My Head Has a Bellyache*
j919.89 NERI My Antarctica*
jF CERV The Cursed Moon
jF CHEN It's Boba Time for Pearl Li
jF CHOK The Spirit Glass
jF CROW Montgomery and the Case of the Golden Key

jF GILE Epic Ellisons
jF HOBS Storyteller
jF OH Haru
jF WINS The Braid Girls
jGN BURG Skip!
jGN CHAN Super Boba Café
jGN FARU Saving Sunshine
jGN NGUY Saving H'non
jGN OGLE Four Eyes
jGN STER Mabuhay!
CHINESE j039.951 HAO 好餓的毛毛蟲 :給孩的第一本 全百科*
SPANISH jGN GOME Tekis



GRADES 9, 10, 11 & 12

TEEN 303.4833 SLAT Accountable*

TEEN 973 ABER America Redux*

TEEN F ALL All These Sunken Souls
TEEN F DEAN The King Is Dead
TEEN F GILB Everyone Wants to Know
TEEN F GRAV Rez Ball
TEEN F ILOH Salt the Water
TEEN F IXTA Shut Up, This Is Serious
TEEN F LE The Last Bloodcarver
TEEN F LOCK Forever Is Now
TEEN F OH The Colliding Worlds of Mina Lee
TEEN F WASS Seven Minutes in Candyland
TEEN GN AGUI Call Me Iggy
TEEN GN BREE Smash the Patriarchy*
TEEN GN EUNN If You'll Have Me
TEEN GN FAHM Huda F Cares?
TEEN GN FRAN The Hills of Estrella Roja
TEEN GN GIBB Ghost Roast
TEEN GN HICK Hockey Girl Loves Drama Boy
TEEN GN PHAM Family Style*
TEEN GN YANG Lunar New Year Love Story
TEEN GN YOU The Boy from Clearwater*



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