

# AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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## Last Call for Summer Stride

Your favorite summer learning program ends on Aug. 31. Be sure to log your last few hours and come in to get your adorable tote bag finishing prize! Also, great news: our raffles and book giveaways run through August as well.

## Films: Death, Dying and Grief, Oh My!

Explore these poignant and thought-provoking films with us every Thursday this August. This month's series is presented in tandem with our Death and Dying series, in which we explore the complexities of death and grief.

**Thursday at Noon Films** – Aug. 1-29, 12 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium



**Aug. 1: *Coco*** – A young boy named Miguel embarks on a fantastical journey into the Land of the Dead to reconcile with his ancestors and pursue his dreams of becoming a musician.



**Aug. 8: *Harold and Maude*** – A darkly humorous and heartwarming tale of a young man's fascination with death and his transformative relationship with a spirited octogenarian who teaches him the joy of living.



**Aug. 15: *The Big Chill*** – Nominated for three Oscars, this film follows a group of college friends reuniting for a funeral, reflecting on their past and present lives over a poignant weekend together. Also showing in Latino/Hispanic Community Room.



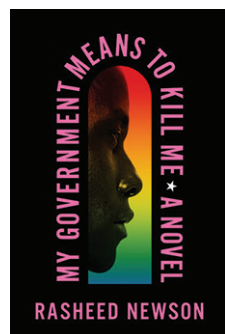
**Aug. 22: *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl*** – A touching story of an unlikely friendship between a misfit teen and a classmate with leukemia, exploring creativity, friendship and the realities of life and death.



**Aug. 29: *Moon Manor*** – Join us for a thought-provoking journey with Jimmy, who plans a unique FUNeral as he faces Alzheimer's disease, exploring the art of living and dying with humor and introspection.

## On the Same Page:

## *My Government Means to Kill Me* by Rasheed Newson



L to R: Rasheed Newson, photo: Christopher Marrs. Andrew Sean Greer, photo: Kalie Roberts

coming-of-age story. His book was a 2022 *New York Times Book Review* Editor's Choice and LAMBDA Literary Award finalist. A writer and producer of TV hits, Newson lives in Pasadena with his husband and children.

Join the conversation on Aug. 7 for a book club discussion and on Aug. 14 for an author event with Newson and Greer.

**R**asheed Newson discusses his novel *My Government Means to Kill Me* with Pulitzer Prize-winning author Andrew Sean Greer. The book follows Trey Singleton III, a gay Black man leaving 1980s Indianapolis for NYC, where he confronts political turmoil and the AIDS epidemic. Through encounters with figures like Bayard Rustin and struggles against Fred Trump, Trey engages in activism with ACT UP, balancing family dynamics amid life-and-death realities. Combining history and fiction, Newson crafts a vibrant Black queer

**Book Club: *My Government Means to Kill Me*** – Aug. 7, 7 p.m., Virtual Library

**Author Event: Rasheed Newson and Andrew Sean Greer in Conversation** – Aug. 14, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

## Exhibitions Closing This Month



**E**xperience two blockbuster exhibitions before they close, each offering a unique glimpse into San Francisco's creative communities.

**Ralph Chessé: A San Francisco Century** showcases the life and work of the multitasking artist. Chessé spent most of his life 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 the WPA, theater and television to rock and roll. At every turn, Chessé's life and work continue to offer a wonderful world of surprises.

**HBC52: The Hand Bookbinders of California 52nd Annual Members' Exhibition** showcases the wide-ranging talents of their members—who come from around the globe—from historical models to original content, with books bound in wood, paper and leather.

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

**HBC52: The Hand Bookbinders of California 52nd Annual Members' Exhibition** – Through Aug. 18, Main Library, Skylight Gallery, 6th Floor



Anatomy by Dominic Riley

## Bay Area International Deaf Dance Festival

**D**eaf artists from across the globe gather to share their stories encompassing tales of triumphs, challenges, cultural aspects and artistic identities, in a vibrant panel discussion at the 12th annual Bay Area International Deaf Dance Festival (BAIDDF). Panel members from Botswana, Colombia, Jamaica, Italy and the U.S. will visit San Francisco to perform and lead workshops featuring



ASL dance, jazz, hip-hop, ballet and more. The events are produced by the Urban Jazz Dance Company. Sign language interpreters will be available, as will captions in English, and the event will be voiced in English and Spanish.

**Panel Discussion: Deaf Performers of the Bay Area International Deaf Dance Festival** – Aug. 10, 12 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

*"If you've never had a chance to see a performance by Deaf artists, it is an extraordinary experience not to be missed!"*

— comment from a performance attendee

## Coming Up:

**Sept. 7**  
**43rd Annual Northern California Book Awards**  
Main Library,  
Koret Auditorium

**Sept. 7 and 14**  
**African American Shakespeare Company: Maya Angelou**  
(9/7) Potrero Branch  
(9/14) Western Addition

**Sept. 12**  
**From Disco Days to the Tech Craze: 50 Years of ArtSpan**  
**Opening** Main Library,  
Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

**Sept. 22-28**  
**Banned Books Week**

**Through Aug. 16**  
**Free Lunch at the Library!**  
Mondays-Fridays, 12-1 p.m.,  
Main, Children's Ctr, 2nd Fl.



# Events, Collections and Services

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## Back-to-School Tools at Your Library

Summer is winding down and school will be back in session soon. Explore these eResources to get your student or yourself back into the academic groove:

**Brainfuse HelpNow** offers a wide range of online live tutoring for students from kindergarten and up with a focus on writing and language skills development. Lifelong learners can also sign up for help with preparing for the high school equivalency exams, citizenship tests and résumé writing. Videos, tutorials and practice lessons are also available for those looking to study alone.



**Gale in Context** Elementary and Middle School editions are a go-to resource for researching topics for school projects, essays and more. Students can look up quick facts about their chosen topic or dive deeper into book and magazine articles or videos. Students looking for resources on significant figures specifically can check out **Biography in Context**.

Geography and global awareness are more important than ever. Students 3rd grade and up can study the culture and facts of other nations through **CultureGrams Kids Edition**.

All of these eResources and more are available through our eLibrary at [sfpl.org/research-learn/elibrary](https://sfpl.org/research-learn/elibrary).



## Collections Corner: Two New Collections Online

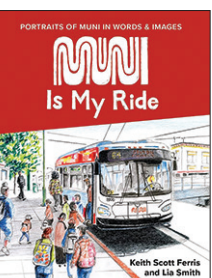
In collaboration with the Internet Archive, the San Francisco History Center has completed the digitization of two significant collections documenting 20th-century immigrant voices of San Francisco: the Paul Radin Papers and the bilingual Chinese/English newspaper *East/West*.

The Paul Radin Papers consist of interviews with members of various ethnic groups in California—mostly from the San Francisco Bay Area—carried out by more than 200 workers in the State Emergency Relief Administration of California (SERA) under the supervision of Paul Radin. The interviews were conducted between 1934 and 1935.

The Chinese American journal *East/West* began in Chinatown, San Francisco, in 1967, published by Gordon Lew. The complete run of the newspaper includes 1,125 weekly issues and ends in 1989. The newspaper reports and documents its content through the lens of the Chinese American experience: political and social events both local and national, local business advertisements and international developments affecting the Asian diaspora.

The digitization was completed with grant funding awarded by National Historical Publications & Records Commission (NHPRC), affiliated with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Explore these collections online by visiting [on.sfpl.org/sf-history](https://on.sfpl.org/sf-history).

## Discover Muni with the Library



Come get excited and prepared to take Muni together with the Library and SFMTA! Participants 10 and older can meet at one library where they'll play Muni Trivia with Lia Smith, author of *Muni Is My Ride*, engage in fun activities, and meet Muni operators and staff to ask about their work. Pick up a special transit bingo card to fill in while taking Muni together to the next library branch for a surprise event and to turn in your card for Muni prizes. Transit between libraries will be free for youth and their families.

**Muni Discovery Day** – Aug. 2, 1 p.m., Glen Park Branch, 3 p.m. Bernal Heights Branch; Aug. 16, 1 p.m., Ocean View Branch, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch

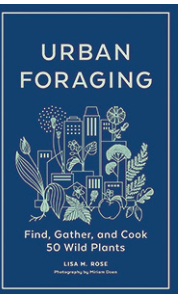
## August Reading Recommendations

Discover how to identify and harvest local plants. This booklist features guides on foraging, recipes, urban foraging tips and Bay Area hiking adventures. [on.sfpl.org/Foraging](https://on.sfpl.org/Foraging)



**Foraging: An Illustrated Guide to Edible Wild Plants** by Kit Carlson

From berries to mushrooms to nuts, there are plenty of edible varieties for you to discover; learn everything you need to know to become a confident forager with *Foraging*.



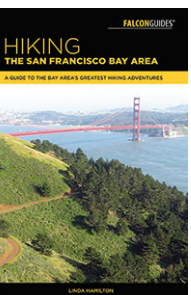
**Urban Foraging: Find, Gather, and Cook 50 Wild Plants** by Lisa M. Rose

Turn the lilac bush found in a vacant lot into a delicious, delicately flavored jelly for your morning pastry. Discover a new way to feast on fresh food. *Urban Foraging* is a stylish, scrumptious guide to wildcrafting in the city.



**Forage. Gather. Feast: 100+ Recipes From West Coast Forests, Shores & Urban Spaces** by Maria Finn

Celebrate the pleasure of the wilderness (or even your backyard) with this approachable forage-to-kitchen cookbook featuring 110 recipes using foragable foods—from seaweed love to mushroom lust and everything in between.



**Hiking the San Francisco Bay Area: A Guide to the Bay Area's Greatest Hiking Adventures** by Linda Parker Hamilton

This guide covers every corner of this beautiful and diverse region, leading you to roaring waterfalls and wind-whipped mountaintops, verdant forests and wildflower-covered meadows.

## Bulgarian Collection Now Available at the Main

SFPL recently inaugurated a new Bulgarian collection, located in the International Center on the 3rd Floor of the Main Library. The collection was made possible through the generous support of Ripne Kalinke, the Bulgarian Cultural Center based in San Jose, and the local Bulgarian community who generously donated books. The collection symbolizes a bridge between cultures, inviting patrons to explore the rich literary tradition of Bulgaria and the Cyrillic alphabet, which was created by the saints Cyril and Methodius in the 9th century. The Bulgarian alphabet holds immense importance worldwide, serving as a cultural symbol that preserves the identity and heritage of Bulgarians and other Slavic peoples. Its inclusion in prestigious institutions underscores its global significance and the enduring legacy of Cyril and Methodius in world culture.



## YELL Teen Intern Photo Album



Left: Summer Stride illustrator Sindy Santamaria meets YELL interns to share her journey as an illustrator and lead a drawing activity. Above: YELL interns from Portola Library visit the Main Library for tours and an orientation for their summer internship.

Visit [instagram.com/themixatsfpl](https://instagram.com/themixatsfpl) for reading recommendations and more.



# Summer Stride August 2024



## Youth Events

### Lunch at the Library

Enjoy free lunch at the library through Aug. 16. For ages 18 and younger. Meals are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Monday–Friday, 12 p.m. through Aug. 16, Main Library, Children’s Center, 2nd Floor



### Letterpress Printing with The Arion Press

Make your own keepsake with a tabletop letterpress and your own design with

LEGO on Provisional Press. Reservations required.

Aug. 3, 2 p.m., Sunset Branch

Aug. 9, 2 p.m., Bayview Branch



### Cultural Arts with Rachel-Anne Palacios

#### Mexican Tin Art

Learn how to make Mexican tin art. For children and their families. Reservations required.

Aug. 6, 2 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

#### Henna

Learn the history of henna and how to create your own designs. Reservations required.

Aug. 8, 3:30 p.m., Ingleside Branch. For ages 12–18.

Aug. 13, 3 p.m., Richmond Branch. For ages 5–13.

### Farmers Market Tasting

Sample fresh flavors and cool treats featuring fruits and vegetables from the farmers market all summer long.

Aug. 13, 15, 2 p.m., Main Library, Children’s Center, 2nd Floor

## Family Events

### Community Music Center’s Bayanihan Equity Center Choir in SOMA

Listen to the choir perform a program of Filipino classics from throughout the years, with a few American pop surprises.

Aug. 2, 2 p.m., Mission Bay Branch



### MakeArt with Museum of Craft and Design

Create artwork with the Museum of Craft and Design (MCD) as its Mobile MakeArt travels around the City facilitating art workshops inspired by MCD exhibitions and local artists.

Aug. 2, 3 p.m., Potrero Branch

Aug. 16, 3 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

Aug. 30, 3 p.m., Glen Park Branch



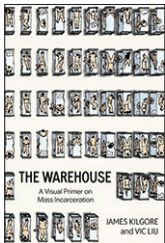
### Kathak Dance with SF Kala Kendra

Discover kathak, a major Indian classical dance. Participate and learn a few moves from this centuries-old North Indian art form.

Aug. 3, 1 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

Aug. 31, 11 a.m., Richmond Branch

## Adult Events



### Author Talk

Join co-authors James Kilgore and Vic Liu, along with advocate Aminah Elster, for a discussion on *The Warehouse: A Visual Primer on Mass Incarceration*.

Aug. 3, 3 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

### Film Screening and Discussion



Don’t miss the screening of *The God Given Talent*, a documentary on Charles Curtis Blackwell’s creative journey. Join us for the film, discussion and a poetry performance.

Aug. 17, 2 p.m. Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

### Summertime Menu



#### Nourishing Modern Hungers

Meet San Francisco’s Food Ethnographer and explore food culture as a portal to our deepest needs, desires, dreams and well-being.

Aug. 3, 2 p.m., Presidio Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2880

Aug. 10, 2 p.m., Mission Bay Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2838

Aug. 17, 2 p.m., Merced Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2825



#### A Tale of Two Chutneys

Discover healthy chutneys with essential herbs and spices. Learn their significance in Indian cuisine and enjoy a sampling session.

Aug. 3, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch



#### Watermelon Basket

Learn to carve a watermelon basket, fill it with fruits and enjoy a fresh fruit salad with snacks and homemade chai.

Aug. 11, 2 p.m., Eureka Valley Branch. Reservations required: (415) 355-5616

Aug. 18, 1 p.m., Ocean View Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-5615

Aug. 31, 2 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2848



#### Summer Pickling

Explore pickled foods’ tradition and health benefits, demonstrating quick refrigerator pickling with seasonal vegetables and sampling treats.

Aug. 24, 2 p.m., Marina Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2823

### Let’s Get Physical



#### Breathwork and Chakras

Join Erynne Elkins for a transformative journey of self-discovery with breathwork and chakra alignment, accompanied by music and vocal prompts.

Aug. 3, 2 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

#### Self-Defense for the People

Learn self-defense for everyday urban situations like riding the bus, waiting for BART, going to your car or leaving work.

Aug. 4, 2 p.m., Parkside Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-5770

Aug. 23, 2 p.m., Main Library, Latino Community Room. Reservations required: (415) 557-4411

### The Art of Craft!



#### Botanical Self-Expression

Tap into your creativity and explore the beauty of botanical self-portraiture, led by San Francisco artist Alexandra Blum.

Aug. 7, 6 p.m., Glen Park Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2858

Aug. 8, 2 p.m., Excelsior Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2868



#### Natural Dye Methods 101

Join Ocean Escalanti to learn natural dyeing with local plants. Gain insight into sustainable

practices, plant identification and vibrant pigments.

Aug. 10, 2 p.m., Ingleside Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2898

Aug. 24, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-2808

Aug. 31, 2 p.m., Noe Valley Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-5707

#### Create Natural Dye from Food Waste

Explore the spectrum of colors that can come from your compost bin. Artist Margaret Seelie will show you how to dye a set of napkins with avocado pits and onion skins.

Aug. 14, 4 p.m., Anza Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-5717

Aug. 17, 2 p.m., Bayview Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 355-5757



#### Screenprinting with Calixto Robles

Create your own work of print art using pre-prepared screens. Paper will be provided, bring your own tote bag or T-shirt to get printed.

Aug. 17, 3 p.m., Western Addition Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 557-5727

Aug. 24, 3 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch.

Reservations required: (415) 557-2810



# August 2024 Event Calendar

## Adults

### 1 Thursday

**Heat Prepardness**  
West Portal, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**SF Chronicle Online**  
Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

**Film: *Coco*** Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Curator Tour: Ralph Chesseé**  
Main, Lower Level, 6–6:30 p.m.

**1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Thursdays**  
**Breath Meditation/Gentle Yoga** Richmond, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Shut Up & Write**  
Glen Park, 12:30–2:30 p.m.

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

**Wild Goose Qigong**  
Presidio, 2–3 p.m.

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

**1, 29 Thursdays**  
**Chess Club** Glen Park, 4–6 p.m.

### 2 Friday

**Film: *I Never Promised You a Rose Garden***  
Excelsior, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

### 2, 16 Fridays

**Knitting** Anza, 3:30–5 p.m.

### 3 Saturday

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

**Programa de Cocina: 18 Reasons** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Kathak Dance**  
Visitacion Valley, 1–2 p.m.

**Chinese Calligraphy & Chess**  
Visitacion Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.

**Natural Dye Methods**  
Ortega, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Nourishing Modern Hungers**  
Presidio, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Breathwork, Chakras & Books**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

**Village Within a City**  
Noe Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Reusable Tote Bag**  
Ocean View, 2–4 p.m.\*

**A Tale of Two Chutneys**  
West Portal, 2–4 p.m.

**Dialogue: The Warehouse: A Visual Primer on Mass Incarceration** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Film: *Love & Basketball***  
Potrero, 3–5:15 p.m.

**3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Saturdays**  
**Creative Afternoons / 創意無限**周六午 Chinatown, 2:30–4 p.m.

### 4 Sunday

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

**Film: *Selena* (en español)**  
Mission, 1–3 p.m.

**Self-Defense** Parkside, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Virtual Tour: Prague**  
Richmond, 2–3 p.m.

**Karaoke** Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Queer Collage** Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Mandarin for Beginners** Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2–4 p.m.

**Reading: *The Masque of Anarchy*** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

### 4, 11 Sundays

**Paint-by-Number**  
Potrero, 2–4:30 p.m.\*

**5, 12, 19, 26 Mondays**  
**Beginning Tai-Chi**  
Anza, 11:30 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

**Chronic Disease Mgmt: Older Adults** Glen Park, 2–4 p.m.

### 6 Tuesday

**Artful Stitches**  
Chinatown, 2–4 p.m.\*  
Richmond, 6–7:30 p.m.\*

**Craft** Visitacion Valley, 4:30–6 p.m.

**End of Life Choices** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**6, 13, 20, 27 Tuesdays**  
**ESL Online Convo Club**  
Virtual, 3–4 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Book Exchange**  
Golden Gate Valley, 1–2 p.m.

**Employment: People w/ Disabilities**  
Main, Atrium, 1–3:30 p.m.

**Stamp Making**  
Noe Valley, 5–6 p.m.

**Author: B. Stannard, *Alcatraz Ghost Story***  
Ortega, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Botanical Self-Expression**  
Glen Park, 6–7 p.m.\*

### 7, 14, 21, 28 Wednesdays

**Tai Chi with Patrick Lau**  
-Presidio:  
Beginners, 11:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m.  
Advanced, 12:15–1 p.m.

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

### 7, 21 Wednesdays

**Yoga** Ingleside, 6–7 p.m.\*

### 8 Thursday

**Film: *Harold and Maude***  
Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Botanical Self-Expression**  
Excelsior, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Movement w/ Music**  
Marina, 3–4 p.m.

**Craft** West Portal, 5:45–7:15 p.m.\*  
**Kim Shuck’s Poem Jam** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 6–7 p.m.

**Film Club: *Bullitt*** Main, Stong Rm - 1st Fl, 6–7 p.m.

**8, 22 Thursday**  
**French Conversation**  
Excelsior, 5–6 p.m.

### 9 Friday

**Knitting for Beginners**  
Ocean View, 2–4 p.m.\*

**Film: *Black Panther***  
Noe Valley, 2–4:15 p.m.

**Karaoke** Excelsior, 4–5:30 p.m.

### 9, 23 Fridays

**Watercolor**  
Glen Park, 1:30–5 p.m.  
Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.

### 10 Saturday

**Plant Swap** Ortega, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Panel: Performers of Int’l Deaf Dance Festival**  
Main, Koret, 12–1:30 p.m.

**Iris Folding Style Decoration**  
Visitacion Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.\*

**Natural Dye Methods**  
Ingleside, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Nourishing Modern Hungers**  
Mission Bay, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Author: William Gee Wong**  
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2–4 p.m.

**Building Resilience Series**  
Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2–5 p.m.

**Film: *Missing***  
Potrero, 3–5:15 p.m.

### 10, 24 Saturdays

**Gentle Yoga**  
Mission Bay, 10–11 a.m.

**Breathwork Meditation**  
Mission Bay, 11:15 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 11 Sunday

**Make Summer Last Sun-catcher** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 1–2 p.m.

**How to Write a Memoir in English** Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 2–3 p.m.

**Artful Stitches**  
Portola, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

**Watermelon Basket**  
Eureka Valley, 2–4 p.m.\*

### 12 Monday

**Older Writers Lab** Bernal Heights, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Chair Yoga** Ortega, 1–2 p.m.

**TBBC Writer’s Salon** Main, Talking Books & Braille Center - 2nd Floor, 12–1:30 p.m.

### 12, 26 Mondays

**Meditation** Western Addition, 11–11:30 a.m.

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

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

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

**13, 27 Tuesdays**  
**Knitting** Glen Park, 1–2:30 p.m.

**14 Wednesday**  
**Genealogy** Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

**Dpt of Disability & Aging Services** Main, Atrium, 2:30–5 p.m.

**Film: *Dragonwyck***  
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:45 p.m.

**Create Natural Dye from Food Waste** Anza, 4–6 p.m.\*

**Decoupage Tiles Craft**  
Mission Bay, 5:30–7 p.m.\*

**Film: *Ghostbusters: Afterlife***  
Park, 5–7 p.m.

**Author: Rasheed Newson in conversation** Main, African American Ctr - 3rd Fl, Lower Level, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 14, 28 Wednesdays

**Spanish Convo Club**  
Noe Valley, 4–5:30 p.m.

### 15 Thursday

**SF Examiner Online**  
Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

**Film: *The Big Chill*** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 12–1:30 p.m.

**Creative Crafternoon**  
Marina, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Film: *Amateur on Plastic***  
Richmond, 6–7:15 p.m.

### 15, 22 Thursdays

**Chinese Calligraphy / 張老師書法學習**  
Chinatown, 2–4 p.m.\*

### 16 Friday

**Heart Sutra Copying / 心經抄寫** Chinatown, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

**Music CD Appreciation**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 17 Saturday

**Walking Tours - Boom and Bust** Main, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.\*

**Walking Tour** North Beach, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.\*

**Kobagi Petal Drawstring Bag**  
Ingleside, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Karaoke** Main, Stong Rm - 1st Fl, 1–3 p.m.

**Transgender Community Archives Project** Main, Hormel Ctr - 3rd Fl, 1–5 p.m.\*

**Tai Chi for Wellness**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Nourishing Modern Hungers**  
Merced, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Vital Pillars of Wellness**  
Presidio, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Bel Canto Flute Choir**  
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

**Natural Dye from Food Waste**  
Bayview, 2–4 p.m.\*

**Film: *The God Given Talent: the Creative Life of Charles Curtis Blackwell***  
Main, Koret, 2–4 p.m.

**Author: Christopher Pollock, *San Francisco’s Parks***  
Glen Park, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Voices of Incarceration**  
Park, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Screenprinting**  
Western Addition, 3–5 p.m.\*

**Film: *Mo’ Better Blues***  
Potrero, 3–5:30 p.m.

**17, 24 Saturdays**  
**Sidewalk Series**  
Richmond, 1–5 p.m.

**17, 31 Saturdays**  
**Healthier Home Cleaning**  
Sunset, 12–1 p.m.

**Knitting** Sunset, 8–9 a.m.

**18 Sunday**  
**Walking Tours - Castro Village** Eureka Valley, 1–3 p.m.\*

**Watermelon Basket**  
Ocean View, 1–3 p.m.\*

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

**Camping Gear Swap**  
Glen Park, 2–3 p.m.

**Mini Charm Keychain**  
Portola, 2–3 p.m.\*

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

**Intro to Modern Tarot** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Panel: China-Burma-India Battlefield of WWII**  
Main, Koret, 2–4 p.m.

### 18, 25 Sundays

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

### 20 Tuesday

**Jewelry Making**  
Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

**Sea Glass Pendant Necklace**  
Presidio, 4–5 p.m.\*

**Pressed Flower Bookmark**  
Sunset, 4–5:30 p.m.\*

## On View

### Jewett Gallery, Main Library, Lower Level

#### ***Ralph Chesseé: A San Francisco Century***

The father of the beloved children’s television program, *Brother Buzz*, Ralph Chesseé spent the bulk of his life in the San Francisco Bay Area. His artistic endeavors—painting, sculpture and, notably, marionette production and performance—reflected numerous touchstones of the local cultural and social life, from the WPA to theater, television and rock and roll. Through Aug. 18

### Skylight Gallery, Main Library, 6th Floor

#### ***HBC52: The Hand Bookbinders of California 52nd Annual Members’ Exhibition***

The 52nd Annual Members’ Exhibition showcases the wide-ranging talents of members with original content as well as historical models. Through Aug. 18.

### SF History Center Exhibit Space,

#### Main Library, 6th Floor

#### ***Square and Circle Club: Preserving a 100-Year Legacy***

This exhibition showcases the club’s 100 years as a pillar of Chinatown. Through Sept. 22, San Francisco History Center Exhibit Space

### Other Exhibits, Main Library

#### ***Authentic Selves: Celebrating Trans and Non-binary People and Their Families***

Through first-person accounts and beautiful images, this exhibit seeks to challenge damaging myths and stereotypes about trans and nonbinary people. Through Aug. 4, Hormel LGBTQIA Center, 3rd Floor

**Brynna Jacobson on Geoen-gineering** Main, Environ. Ctr - 5th Fl, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

**Game Night** Eureka Valley, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Rogue Recovery**  
Park, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Zinething** Main, Fulton Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

**21 Wednesday**  
**Presentation: My China Roots** Virtual, 1–2:30 p.m.

**Pedro José Pastrana**  
Main, Atrium, 12–1 p.m.

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

**Film: *Maid In Manhattan***  
Chinatown, 2–4 p.m.

**Textile Surface Design**  
Mission, 6–7:30 p.m.\*

**Film: *21 Jump Street***  
Glen Park, 6–7:45 p.m.

**Afterlife Beliefs/ Funerary Rites in Asia**  
Virtual, 7–8:30 p.m.

**22 Thursday**  
**Film: *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl*** Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Stamp Making**  
Ingleside, 4–5 p.m.

**Film: *Half Cocked***  
Richmond, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Mission Community Market Tour** Mission, 8–9 a.m.\*

### 23 Friday

**Self-Defense** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2–3 p.m.\*

**24 Saturday**  
**Bound Magazines Bingo**  
Main, 5th Fl, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Blood Drive**  
Portola, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.  
**Therapy Pets** Excelsior, 1–2 p.m.

**Films: “Lefty” O’Doul & Being Ty Cobb** Main, Koret, 1–2:30 p.m.

**Summer Pickling**  
Marina, 2–4 p.m.

**Natural Dye Methods 101**  
Sunset, 3–4 p.m.\*

**Screenprinting**  
Bernal Heights, 3–5 p.m.\*

### 25 Sunday

**Authors: *Black Fire—This Time, Volume 2***  
Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 1–2:30 p.m.

**Journaling Club** Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 2–3 p.m.

**SF Opera Behind the Scenes**  
Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

**DragonBeard**  
Main, Koret, 2–4 p.m.

### 26 Monday

**Older Writers Lab** Bernal Heights, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Solar Prints**  
Noe Valley, 4–5 p.m.

### 27 Tuesday

**Grotto Nights: Theme is Marriage** Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Poetry** North Beach, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Sequoia Living Sr. Ctrs**  
Main, Atrium, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 28 Wednesday

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

**Film: *Force of Evil***  
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Chess** Bernal Heights, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 29 Thursday

**Film: *Moon Manor***  
Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Film: *The Music of Chance***  
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:45 p.m.

**Zines** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 4–7 p.m.

### 30 Friday

**Felt Hair Clips**  
Chinatown, 1:30–3 p.m.\*

### 31 Saturday

**Natural Dye Methods 101**  
Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Watermelon Basket**  
Visitacion Valley, 2–4 p.m.\*

**Tribute: Our Manongs & Manangs** Main, Lat/Hisp Mtg Rm, 2–5:30 p.m.

**Citizen Coyotes of SF**  
Park, 3–4:30 p.m.





## Book Clubs

### 1 Thursday

讀書會：重見光明：從苦難到醫治的旅程 *From Darkness To Sight* Virtual, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Jon Fosse, *Septology***  
Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Rasheed Newson, *My Government Means to Kill Me***  
Virtual, 7–8 p.m.

### 7, 21 Wednesdays

**Next Chapter** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 1–2 p.m.

**Silent Book Club**  
Richmond, 3–5 p.m.

### 13 Tuesday

**Cozy Capers & Mysteries**  
Presidio, 3–4 p.m.

**Michelle Cassandra Johnson, *Finding Refuge*** Virtual, 7–8 p.m.

### 14 Wednesday

**Chinatown Readers**  
Chinatown, 5:15–7:15 p.m.

### 15 Thursday

**Literate Goat**  
Potrero, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 17 Saturday

**Laurent Groff, *The Vaster Wilds*** Ortega, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 18 Sunday

**Great Books Discussion**  
Anza, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

### Friends of Dorothy

Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

### 20 Tuesday

**Tertulias Literarias**  
Noe Valley, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 21 Wednesday

**Reading Circle** Golden Gate Valley, 2–2:45 p.m.

### Book Club

Noe Valley, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

### Ulloa Reading Corner

West Portal, 6–7 p.m.

### 23 Friday

**Wolf Hall Trilogy**  
Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

### 25 Sunday

**Marina Readers**  
Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Genre Smoosh** Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

### 27 Tuesday

**Mario Vargas Llosa, *Feast of the Goat*** Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

### Silent Readers

Sunset, 4–6 p.m.

### Excelsior Reads

Excelsior, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

### 28 Wednesday

**Gish Jen, *Thank You, Mr. Nixon*** Mission Bay, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Great Books** Virtual, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

## Tech Time

### 2 Friday

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

### 3, 10, 24, 31 Saturdays

**Tech Help** West Portal, 12–4 p.m.

### 6, 13, 20, 27 Tuesdays

**Tech Drop-In** Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–2:30 p.m.

### Tech Tuesdays

Bayview, 1–3 p.m.

**TAyuda De Computación (Español)** Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 5–6:30 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Tech Savvy at 60+**  
Richmond, 1:30–2:15 p.m.\*

### 9, 23 Fridays

**Tablets/Smartphones: Adults 60+ (Cantonese)**  
Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.

### 10 Saturday

**Mobile Phone Photo Club**  
Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–3 p.m.

### eBook Drop-In

Main, Atrium, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 12 Monday

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

### 14 Wednesday

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

### Intermediate Computer Skills Series

Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 4–5:30 p.m.\*

### 16 Friday

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

### 17 Saturday

**Zoom for SFPL Virtual Programs** Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 1–2 p.m.

### 22 Thursday

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

### 23 Friday

**Streaming Video Party** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 3–4 p.m.

### 27 Tuesday

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

### 28 Wednesday

**Earn a Certificate in Micro-soft Basics** Main, Comp Ctr - 5th Fl, 4–6 p.m.

### 29 Thursday

**Xiaohongshu Basics /小紅書簡介** Chinatown, 2–3:30 p.m.\*

### 30 Friday

**Tablets/Smartphones: Adults 60+, Adults w/ Disabilities**  
Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.\*

## Work It (Jobs, Business, Finance)

### 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Fridays

### 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Saturdays

### 5, 12, 19, 26 Mondays

**Meet w/ a Smart Money Coach** Main, Study Rm 441, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

### 1 Thursday

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

### 3 Saturday

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

### 4 Sunday

**Resumes/Cover Letters**  
Virtual, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 8 Thursday

**Small Biz Office Hours**  
Virtual, 2–4 p.m.

### 14 Wednesday

**LinkedIn for Job Search, Pt 2**  
Virtual, 2–3:15 p.m.

### 15 Thursday

**Interviewing Essentials**  
Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

### 27 Tuesday

**Plan for Business Success**  
Virtual, 12–1 p.m.



## Teens

### The Mix at SFPL

Main Library, 2nd Fl. SFPL's creative space for teens, ages 12–18.

### 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.

### 1, 15, 29 Thursdays

**Create a Halftone Image in Photoshop**, 4–5 p.m.

### 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Thursdays

**Sewing Basics**, 4–5 p.m.

### 3 Saturday

**SF Rock Project**, 3–4 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Batik Dye Process**, 3–5 p.m.

### 7, 14 Wednesdays

**Comic & Graphic Novel Creation**, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

### 8 Thursday

**Build a Guitar Overdrive Pedal**, 2–4 p.m.

### 8, 22 Thursdays

**Digital Design Studio**, 4–5 p.m.

### 10 Saturday

**Biblio Bistro**, 4–6 p.m.

### 14 Wednesday

**Biblio Bistro**, 4–6 p.m.

### 17 Saturday

**Karaoke**, 4–5 p.m.

### 23 Friday

**Queer & Trans Social Hour**, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

### 25 Sunday

**Mario Kart 8 Tournament**, 3–5 p.m.

### 28 Wednesday

**Snack Trials**, 4–5 p.m.

### Teens at the Branches

### 2, 9 Fridays

**Food + Science**  
Parkside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

### 3, 10, 17, 24 Saturdays

**Gardening**  
Merced, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 4 Sunday

**Teen Art Club** Anza, 2–3:30 p.m.

### 6 Tuesday

**Film: *Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness***  
Potrero, 5–7 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Decoden Hair Clip**  
Excelsior, 2–3 p.m.\*

### 8 Thursday

**Spyglass Summerscapes**  
Merced, 5–6 p.m.

### 12 Monday

**Ping Pong**  
North Beach, 4:15–5:15 p.m.

### 14 Wednesday

**Book Swap**  
青少年圖書交換寫書評  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.

### 16 Friday

**Ride Muni w/ SFMTA & SFPL**  
Ocean View, 1–2 p.m.

### 20 Tuesday

**Film: *Mean Girls***  
Potrero, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

### 21 Wednesday

**Crafternoon**  
Excelsior, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

### 28 Wednesday

**Tasty Vegan Snacks**  
Sunset, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

### T(w)een Gaming

Bayview, 3–5 p.m.

### 30 Friday

**Monopoly** 大富翁棋盤遊戲  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.\*



## Family

### 1 Thursday

**Breakfast Around the World**  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.\*

### Unique Derique

Marina, 1–1:45 p.m.

### Homemade Ice Cream in a Bag

Ocean View, 3:30–4:30 p.m.\*

### Unique Derique

North Beach, 3–3:45 p.m.

### 2 Friday

**The Ohlone Sisters**  
Eureka Valley, 1:30–2:30 p.m.  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

### Popcorn Physics

North Beach, 2:45–3 p.m.

### Bayanihan Equity Center Choir

Mission Bay, 2–2:45 p.m.

### Bubbleology

Portola, 2–3 p.m.

### Film: *Up*

North Beach, 3–5 p.m.

### 2, 16 Fridays

**MakeArt** Potrero, 3–5 p.m.

### 3 Saturday

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

### Magic Science Show

West Portal, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### Danza Azteca

Ingleside, 11–11:45 a.m.  
Merced, 3–3:45 p.m.  
Western Addition, 11–11:45 a.m.

### The Ohlone Sisters

Bernal Heights, 12–1 p.m.  
Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.

### Flying Angels Chinese Dance Co.

Ocean View, 2–2:30 p.m.

### Origami

Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

### Mandarin for Beginners

Portola, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 3, 10 Saturdays

**Youth Chess Club**  
Excelsior, 1–3 p.m.

### 3, 17, 24, 31 Saturdays

**Playtime** Potrero, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

### 4 Sunday

**Flying Angels Chinese Dance Co.** West Portal, 1:30–2 p.m.

### The Ohlone Sisters

Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.

### DIY Tic-Tac-Toe Board

Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

### 4, 11, 18, 25 Sundays

**Board Games** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

### 7 Wednesday

**Make Kimchi** Main, Children's Creative Ctr - 2nd Fl, 1:30–3 p.m.\*

### Paint & Take

Bayview, 3–5 p.m.

### Animal Ambassadors

Park, 4–5 p.m.\*

### 8 Thursday

**Slime Time** Eureka Valley, 2–3 p.m.

### Play Dough

Richmond, 3–5 p.m.\*

### Library Rangers: Pollinators

Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

### 8, 22 Thursdays

**Gather & Garden**  
Portola, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 10 Saturday

**STEM Free Play**  
Noe Valley, 10–11:45 a.m.

### Magic Science Show

Eureka Valley, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### Kathak Dance

Richmond, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### Unique Derique

Excelsior, 1–1:45 p.m.

### CMC LGBTQ+ Choir

Potrero, 1–1:45 p.m.

### Taiko Drumming

West Portal, 11–11:45 a.m.  
Portola, 2–2:45 p.m.

### Playtime

Potrero, 11–12:15 p.m.

### Alphabet Rockers

Ortega, 2–2:30 p.m.

### Animal Ambassadors

Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.\*

### 10, 24 Saturdays

**Poetry & Stories in Mandarin**  
Portola, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

### 11 Sunday

**Urban Native Plants**  
Glen Park, 2–4 p.m.

### 12 Monday

**Chocolate Chip Cookie Baking** Potrero, 4–5:30 p.m.\*

### 13 Tuesday

**Game Night** Parkside, 4:30–7 p.m.

### Board Games/LEGO

Noe Valley, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 14 Wednesday</

# August 2024 Event Calendar



## Children

### Early Childhood

#### 1, 8 Thursdays

**Little Learners**  
Ocean View, 12–1 p.m.

#### 3 Saturday

**Big Play Date** Parkside,  
10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

#### 4, 11 Sunday

**Mandarin for Beginners** Visi-  
tacion Valley, 2:30–4:30 p.m.\*

#### 5, 19 Mondays

**Family Dance Party**  
Glen Park, 10–11 a.m.

#### 10 Saturday

**Toddler Coloring** Glen Park,  
10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

#### Bubbleology

Bernal Heights, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

#### 12 Monday

**Little Artists**  
Bernal Heights, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

#### 13 Tuesday

**Mini Makers**  
Merced, 11–11:30 a.m.

#### 17 Saturday

**Toddler Trucks & Trains** Glen  
Park, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

#### 24 Saturday

**Finger Painting**  
Glen Park, 10:30–11:30 a.m.\*

#### 25 Sunday

**Playtime** Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

### Elementary School Age

#### 1 Thursday

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

**Magic Science Show**  
Chinatown, 2–3 p.m.

**Slime Time** Anza, 3–4 p.m.

**LEGOs/Rubber Band-  
powered Boats**  
North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

**LEGO Robotics**  
Parkside, 4–5:30 p.m.\*

#### 2 Friday

**Marble Machine**  
Chinatown, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Food Science Party**  
Sunset, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Salt Painting**  
Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

#### 2, 16 Fridays

**It's Yoga Kids**  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl,  
1–1:45 p.m.

**LEGO Creature Challenge**  
Glen Park, 3–5 p.m.

**Book Club: Choose Your Own  
Adventure** Merced, 4–5 p.m.

#### 3 Saturday

**Lego Mindstorms**  
Bayview, 2–3 p.m.

**Letterpress Printing**  
Sunset, 2–3 p.m.\*

**3, 10 Saturdays**  
**Puppet Movie Studio**  
Excelsior, 1–2 p.m.\*

**Magic Science Show**  
Marina, 4–5 p.m.

**3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Saturdays**  
**LEGO Free Play**  
Chinatown, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

#### 4 Sunday

**LEGO Motorcars**  
Park, 2–3:30 p.m.\*  
Merced, 3–4 p.m.\*

**Beginner Ukulele**  
Portola, 3–4 p.m.\*

#### 4, 11, 18, 25 Sundays

**Dungeons & Dragons**  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl,  
3–5 p.m.

#### 5 Monday

**Parachute Competition**  
Visitacion Valley, 1:30–3 p.m.

**LEGO Free Play**  
Potrero, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Make Bouncy Balls**  
Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

#### 5, 12, 19, 26 Mondays

**Watercolor** Excelsior, 3–4 p.m.

#### 6 Tuesday

**Mexican Tin Art**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Rhythm & Dance**  
Visitacion Valley, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Mandarin for Beginners**  
Mission Bay, 3–5 p.m.

#### 7 Wednesday

**Mandarin for Beginners**  
North Beach, 3–5 p.m.\*

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

#### 8 Thursday

**Rainbow Loom Bracelets**  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl,  
1:15–2:30 p.m.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover**  
Main, Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl,  
12–3 p.m.

**Build It** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

#### 9 Friday

**Letterpress Printing**  
Bayview, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Learn to Engineer** Main, Chil-  
dren's Ctr. - 2nd Fl, 1–2 p.m.\*

**Card Making**  
North Beach, 4–5 p.m.

#### 10 Saturday

**LightBot Puzzle Game** Main,  
Children's Ctr. - 2nd Fl, 1–2 p.m.\*

**Origami** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

**Terrariums**  
Ocean View, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Washi Tape Painting**  
Marina, 2–4 p.m.

**Succulent Planters**  
Western Addition, 4–5 p.m.\*

#### 11 Sunday

**Crafternoon** West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

**Rhythm & Dance**  
Merced, 2–3 p.m.\*

**Back to School Jam**  
Ingleside, 3–4 p.m.

#### 13 Tuesday

**Therapy Pets**  
Parkside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

**Henna Body Art**  
Richmond, 3–4 p.m.\*

**Play Dough**  
Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

#### 14 Wednesday

**Marble Machine**  
Ingleside, 3:15–4:45 p.m.

**KEVA Contraptions**  
Western Addition, 3–4 p.m.

**Rhythm & Dance**  
Potrero, 5–6 p.m.\*

#### 15 Thursday

**Library Rangers: Pollinators**  
Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

**LEGO Free Play**  
Ingleside, 4:30–6 p.m.

**LEGOs Build-O-Rama**  
North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

#### 17 Saturday

**Makers Art Party** Main, Chil-  
dren's Ctr. - 2nd Fl, 12–1 p.m.

**Mandarin for Beginners**  
Mission Bay, 3–5 p.m.

#### 18 Sunday

**Puppy Dog Tales**  
Merced, 2–3 p.m.

**Chess Drop-In**  
West Portal, 2–4 p.m.

#### 21 Wednesday

**Bubbleology**  
Ingleside, 3:15–4:15 p.m.

**LEGO Free Play**  
Bayview, 3–5 p.m.  
Anza, 4–5:30 p.m.

#### 23 Friday

**Electronic Snap Circuits**  
電路模型工作坊  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.\*

**Comics & Drawing**  
Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

#### 24 Saturday

**Origami** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

**Make Toys from Trash**  
Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.

#### 24, 31 Saturdays

**Mandarin for Beginners**  
North Beach, 3–5 p.m.\*

#### 27 Tuesday

**Button Making**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3:30–5 p.m.

#### 31 Saturday

**Makerspace**  
Parkside, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

**Drive-in Movie**  
Excelsior, 2–4 p.m.

### Elementary School Age

#### 2 Friday

**Muni Discovery Day**  
Glen Park, 1–2 p.m.

#### 4, 11, 18, 25 Sundays

**Chess Club** Ingleside, 2:30–4 p.m.

#### 7 Wednesday

**littlebits** Glen Park, 1–2 p.m.

**Lip Balm** Ortega, 3–4 p.m.\*

#### 8 Thursday

**Henna Body Art**  
Ingleside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.\*

#### 11 Sunday

**Intro to Clowning**  
Bayview, 2–3 p.m.\*

#### 12 Monday

**Graphic Novels: Shirley and  
Jamila Save Their Summer**  
Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

#### 13 Tuesday

**Crafty Kids**  
Visitacion Valley, 1–3 p.m.

#### 17 Saturday

**Puppet Movie Studio**  
North Beach, 1–2 p.m.\*

#### 26 Monday

**Graphic Novels: A First Time  
for Everything** Glen Park,  
4:30–5:30 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, 11–11:30 a.m.  
Golden Gate Valley – Every Tuesday, 11:15–11:45 a.m.  
Ingleside – Every Tuesday, 1:30–2:30 p.m.  
Main – Every Monday, 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 Tue., 10:15–10:45 a.m.\* (Español/English)  
Ortega – Every Monday, 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 – Every Monday, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
Sunset – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Visitacion Valley – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.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.–12:45 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.  
Eureka Valley – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
Excelsior – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Glen Park – Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
14, 28 Wednesdays, 7–7:30 p.m. (Pajama Storytime)  
Ingleside – Every Monday, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
Every Sunday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.  
Main – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Merced – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
Mission Bay – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.\*  
Noe Valley – 27 Tuesday, 6:30–7 p.m. (Pajama Storytime)  
North Beach – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Ocean View – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
1, 8 Thursdays, 11:15–11:45 a.m. (Ocean View Branch)  
15, 22, 29 Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. (Minnie & Lovie  
Ward Rec Center)  
Ortega – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Park – Every Monday, 3:30–4 p.m.  
Parkside – Every Tuesday, 10–11 a.m.  
Portola – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
28 Wednesday, 6:30–7:30 p.m. (Pajama Storytime)  
Potrero – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.\*  
Presidio – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m. and 11–11:30 a.m.  
Every Wednesday, 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.  
Marina – Every Friday, 2–2:30 p.m.  
Mission Bay – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
North Beach – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 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 – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)  
Every Friday, 1:30–2 p.m. (English/Español)  
Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Golden Gate Valley – 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Fridays, 1:15–1:45 p.m.  
Main – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)  
Every Wednesday, 10–10:30 a.m. (Salesforce Park Rooftop)  
Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/粵語課程  
Cantonese)  
Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
Marina – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Merced – Every Wednesday, 2–2:30 p.m.  
Noe Valley – Every Thursday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.\*  
Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
Ortega – Every Thursday, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.  
Parkside – Every Sunday, 1:30–2 p.m.  
Portola – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Potrero – Every Thursday, 10–10:30 a.m.\*  
Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.\*  
Sunset – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Western Addition – 8, 22 Thu., 11–11:30 a.m. (Japanese/日本)  
Every Sunday, 3:30–4 p.m.

## Swing Into Stories

Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m.–12 noon., Storytime at 10:30 a.m.

1st Tuesday – Garfield Playground (Treat & 26th Streets)  
2nd Tuesday – Koret Playground (Golden Gate Park,  
by the carousel)  
3rd Tuesday – Hilltop Playground (Newcomb Ave &  
Whitney Young Circle)  
4th Tuesday – Redwood Grove Playground (McLaren Park,  
200 John F. Shelley Dr.)

## Fall Events for Youth

**S**ay goodbye to summer and welcome the fall season. Celebrate the end of Summer Stride and get ready for a new school year by participating in Library programs for youth.

**Leap into School Success** Twirl, whirl and spin away the last days of summer with a family dance party. Make strawberry smoothies with a bicycle-powered blender and obtain school supplies. For children ages 5 and older.  
**Aug. 11, 3 p.m., Ingleside Branch**

**Swap Clothing** Exchange gently used children's clothing, accessories and shoes for ages 5–13.  
**Aug. 24, 2 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch**

**Blow Bubbles** Celebrate the end of summer days with bubbles. Test your bubble-making skills and learn about surface tension.  
**Aug. 31, 10:30 a.m., Parkside Branch**





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& 11th St., near Island Cove  
Market, Wed., 2–6 p.m.

Youth: Swing Into Stories

Tuesdays in July, 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Storytime 10:30 a.m.

Aug. 6, Garfield Square Play-  
ground, Treat & 26th St

Aug. 20, Hilltop Park, Newcomb  
Ave. & Whitney Young Circle

Aug. 13, Koret Children’s  
Playground, Golden Gate  
Park, carousel

Aug. 27, Redwood Grove  
Playground, McLaren Park,  
200 John F. Shelley Dr.

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ANZA	550 37th Ave.	355-5717	1–5	10–6	10–8	1–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
BAYVIEW/BROOKS BURTON	5075 Third St.	355-5757	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
BERNAL HEIGHTS	500 Cortland Ave.	355-2810	1–5	10–6	10–7	12–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
CHINATOWN/LAI	1135 Powell St.	355-2888	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
EUREKA VALLEY/MILK	1 José Sarria Ct. (at 16th St., near Market)	355-5616	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
EXCELSIOR	4400 Mission St.	355-2868	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
GLEN PARK	2825 Diamond St.	355-2858	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	10–7	1–6	10–6
GOLDEN GATE VALLEY	1801 Green St.	355-5666	1–5	10–6	10–6	11–8	12–8	1–6	10–6
INGLESIDE	1298 Ocean Ave.	355-2898	1–5	10–6	10–6	10–8	12–7	1–6	10–6
MAIN LIBRARY	100 Larkin St.	557-4400	12–6	9–6	9–8	9–8	9–8	12–6	10–6
	The Mix at SFPL	557-4404	12–6	1–6	1–8	1–8	1–8	1–6	10–6
MARINA	1890 Chestnut St.	355-2823	1–5	10–6	10–6	1–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
MERCED	155 Winston Dr.	355-2825	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
MISSION - Temporary Branch	1234 Valencia St.	355-2800	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
MISSION BAY	960 Fourth St.	355-2838	1–5	10–6	10–6	11–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
NOE VALLEY/BRUNN	451 Jersey St.	355-5707	1–5	11–6	10–8	12–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
NORTH BEACH	850 Columbus Ave.	355-5626	1–5	10–6	10–8	1–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
OCEAN VIEW	345 Randolph St.	355-5615	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	10–7	1–6	10–6
ORTEGA	3223 Ortega St.	355-5700	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	11–8	1–6	10–6
PARK	1833 Page St.	355-5656	1–5	11–6	10–8	12–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
PARKSIDE	1200 Taraval St.	355-5770	1–5	1–6	10–8	10–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
PORTOLA	380 Bacon St.	355-5660	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	10–7	1–6	10–6
POTRERO	1616 20th St.	355-2822	1–5	1–6	10–8	12–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
PRESIDIO	3150 Sacramento St.	355-2880	1–5	1–6	10–8	10–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
RICHMOND/MARKS	351 9th Ave.	355-5600	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
SUNSET	1305 18th Ave.	355-2808	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
VISITACION VALLEY	201 Leland Ave.	355-2848	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
WEST PORTAL	190 Lenox Way	355-2886	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
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