

# AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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## November Open Houses

**C**elebrate 93 years of service at Anza Branch's Open House! Connect with local community partners, enjoy fun activities for all ages, jump into the spotlight with some improv theater and treat yourself to tasty light refreshments. It's a day of celebration, creativity and connection—and we'd love to see you there!

Join us in celebrating the Ingleside Branch Library by connecting with each other and with our library staff. At 11 a.m., enjoy the Little Explorers Petting Zoo and face-painting with Dana Fong. The fun continues at noon with World Music by Bill Fiege, and at 12:30 p.m. you can join in the special Ingleside Branch silk-screen printing. We hope to see you there!

Connect with your community at the Marina Branch Open House. The morning starts by making smoothies with a bike, a fire truck visit, button making, giant chalking, bubbles and hula hooping. You'll also find an interactive window art gallery, community resource fair, book giveaways and more. Starting at 12:30 p.m., join us for bingo in the Courtyard followed by light refreshments at 2 p.m.

**Anza Branch** – Nov. 1, 2 p.m.

**Ingleside Branch** – Nov. 15, 11 a.m.

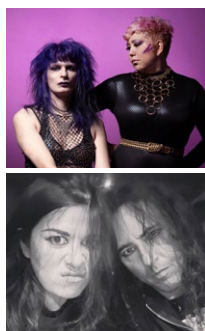
**Marina Branch** – Nov. 22, 11 a.m.

## Bay Beats Goth Show

**H**alloween and Day of the Dead have passed, but goth is all year round. The Main Library and Bay Beats will host our first-ever Goth

Show on Saturday, November 22, featuring brand-new Bay Beats darkwave duo Yama Uba and veteran Bay Beats goths Godgifu. Based in Oakland, Yama Uba delivers highly melodic, dark post-punk, while Godgifu is a dark electronic/gothic duo from San Francisco. Bay Beats is the Library's local music streaming platform, allowing you to listen to more than 450 albums by Bay Area musicians. More info: [baybeats.sfpl.org](http://baybeats.sfpl.org)

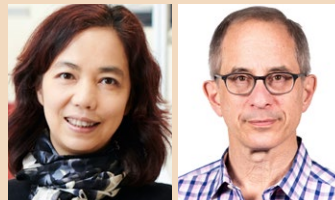
**Goth Show** – Nov. 22, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium



## One City One Book: *The Worlds I See*

**T**his month, join in the conversation! Check out a copy of our 20th One City One Book selection, *The Worlds I See: Curiosity, Exploration, and Discovery at the Dawn of AI* by Dr. Fei-Fei Li. Throughout November and December, citywide programs, discussions and events will explore the timely themes of *The Worlds I See*.

Learn more at [sfpl.org/onecityonebook](http://sfpl.org/onecityonebook).



**Author Dr. Fei-Fei Li in Conversation with Adam Lashinsky, Editor-at-Large for the San Francisco Standard**

Discover the story behind *The Worlds I See*, as Dr. Fei-Fei Li sits down with technology journalist Adam Lashinsky.

**December 17, 6 p.m. / Doors open 5:45 p.m.**

Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

### Related Programs and Events

Step into conversations about creativity, technology and the future as the Library explores the way artificial intelligence is shaping art, storytelling and everyday life. November offers hands-on activities, inspiring speakers and lively discussions connected to *The Worlds I See*. Whether you're curious about AI's possibilities or simply eager to connect with fellow readers, these programs invite you to learn, create and imagine what's next. Bring your questions and a spirit of discovery—you'll leave with new insights and plenty to talk about long after the events conclude.



#### Art Meets AI

Nov. 2, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

#### Navigating AI: An Intro to AI Tools

Nov. 4, 10 a.m., Tenderloin Technology Lab, 150 Golden Gate Ave., 3rd Floor

#### Connect with Technology: AI-Powered Fundraising for Nonprofits

Nov. 5, 1 p.m., Virtual Library

#### Curiosity, Creativity and Collaboration Across San Francisco

Nov. 5, 5 p.m., Main Library, Skylight Gallery, 6th Floor



**De Kai, Author of *Raising AI: An Essential Guide to Parenting Our Future*, in Conversation with Ina Fried, Chief Technology Correspondent at Axios**

Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

#### Book Club: *The Worlds I See*

Nov. 15, 2 p.m., Presidio Branch

#### Imagining Fashion With AI

Nov. 16, 2 p.m., Main Library, Steve Silver Music Room, 4th Floor

**Author Nina Schuyler in Conversation with Frances Dinkelspiel**

Nov. 18, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level



#### Workshop: Root & Remix—Writing from Culture, Memory and Imagination

Nov. 19, 4 p.m., Noe Valley Branch

Nov. 25, 6:30 p.m., Main Library, Steve Silver Music Room, 4th Floor



#### Film: *Coded Bias*

Nov. 23, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

More One City One Book-related programs will be happening in December. Visit [sfpl.org/onecityonebook](http://sfpl.org/onecityonebook) for a complete event listing.

## First Person

**L**earn about and celebrate American Indian indigenous cultures during National Native American Heritage Month this November. We have programs on native plants and beading as well as a picture book reading, with more to come as we continue the programming into December.

### Youth Programming Highlights

#### Game of Staves

Make and play the Ohlone game Staves, and learn about indigenous plants in San Francisco with the Ohlone Sisters. Space limited. For children and their caregivers.

Nov. 1, 11 a.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch and 1 p.m., Potrero Branch

Nov. 2, 1:30 p.m., Noe Valley Branch and 3:30 p.m., Merced Branch

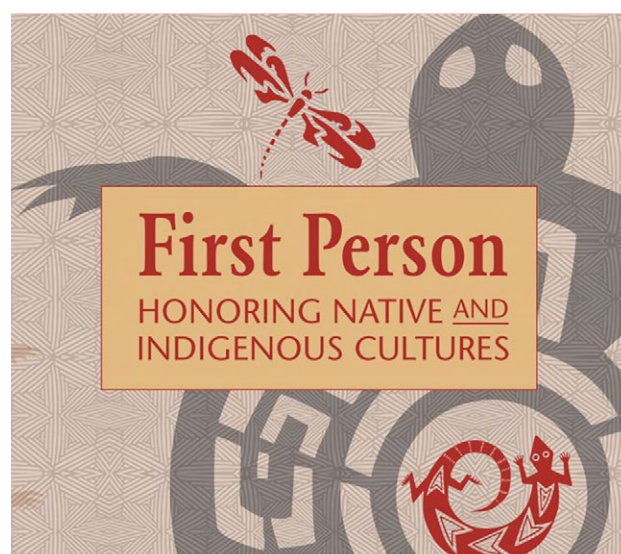
### Adult Programming Highlights

#### Native American Beading

Learn the basics of jewelry design and beading with expert Native American beader Kalorie Roanhorse. Space limited. Reservations required.

Nov. 5, 5 p.m., West Portal Branch

Nov. 12, 4 p.m., Main Library, Children's Center, 2nd Floor



## Coming Up:

Throughout December  
***The Worlds I See* Book Clubs**  
Various locations

December 12  
**Inked Zodiac: *The Art of Jimmy Shy***  
Main Library, Chinese Center Exhibit Space

December 13  
**Community Baby Shower**  
Portola Branch

December 28  
**Kwanzaa**  
Main Library, Bayview Branch



Look for the red, white and blue! Official SF ballot drop boxes are located at 20 SFPL Locations. Be sure to put your ballot in the box marked with the American flag that says "OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP BOX" (and not in our silver book return bins!).



# Events, Collections and Services

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youtube.com/user/SanFranciscoLibrary

## Spend Fall Break at SFPL

Learn about the different components of a strong résumé and begin an outline using a variety of resources.  
**Résumé Building for Teens** – Nov. 22, 10 a.m., Chinatown Branch

Learn beginner Filipinx folk dance movements, as well as the origins of dances and cultural attire.  
**Barangay Dance Company** – Nov. 22, 1 p.m., Bayview Branch

Meet author Lisa Brown for a reading of her latest work, *The Moving Book*, and participate in an interactive drawing demo. For children ages 6 and older.  
**Author Lisa Brown** – Nov. 22, 3 p.m., Richmond Branch

Teens from STEM Stairway teach beginner coding with Scratch, Python and activities. For children ages 9 and older.  
**Coding Club** – Nov. 23, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch

Play Street Fighter II, Mario Kart and more on Super Nintendo! Meet fellow 12–18-year-old gamers.  
**Super Nintendo Classic Edition** – Nov. 23, 4 p.m., Main Library, The Mix, 2nd Floor

Create a structure using magnetic building pieces. For ages 6 and younger.  
**Little Builders Magnets** – Nov. 24, 10 a.m., Glen Park Branch

Make a simple craft based on Huichol yarn painting, a traditional art form of the Huichol people of Mexico. For ages 8 and older.  
**Huichol Yarn Painting** – Nov. 24, 2:30 p.m., Parkside Branch



Film Double Feature  
Jack Skellington, the Pumpkin King of Halloweentown, gets bored and kidnaps Santa after he learns of the wonder of Christmas.  
**The Nightmare Before Christmas** – Nov. 26, 12:30 p.m., Glen Park Branch

Reciting vows in the woods, Victor unknowingly weds a zombie by placing a ring on her finger.  
**The Corpse Bride** – Nov. 26, 2 p.m., Glen Park Branch

Make a mini-hotel for insects to keep in your backyard. For children and their caregivers.  
**Gardening Club** – Nov. 26, 4 p.m., Excelsior Branch

Make music in a supportive group setting, singing and playing along to a repertoire of children's songs, folk songs and traditional favorites in English and Spanish. For children ages 0–7 and their caregivers.  
**Family Music Circle** – Nov. 29, 10:15 a.m., Potrero Branch

Explore engineering with Lowell High School's CardinalBotics team as they tinker with LEGO Mindstorms. For ages 6 and older.  
**LEGO Robotics** – Nov. 29, 3 p.m., West Portal Branch

Learn to play chess or improve your game. For ages 5 and older.  
**Chess Club** – Nov. 30, 2:30 p.m., Ingleside Branch

## Collections Corner:

### Amplifying First People Voices in the Archives

*This month, the San Francisco History Center highlights two collections that lift up the voices of First People:*

**Alcatraz Indian Occupation Records (SFH 11):** In 1969, Indians of All Tribes—a group of Native American activists from UCLA and the San Francisco Bay Area—occupied Alcatraz Island, sparking national awareness of Indigenous rights and self-determination. The 19-month occupation ended in 1971. Collected materials include letters, legal files, photographs and news clippings.

**Barbara Cameron Papers (GLC 63):** Cameron, a Native American lesbian writer and activist, grew up on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. After moving to San Francisco in 1973, she became a powerful voice for LGBTQ+ and Indigenous rights. Her papers feature speeches, writings, photographs and materials on race, HIV education and homophobia.



*Alcatraz: Indians of All Tribes, Vol. 1, No.1, Jan. 1970, p. 7. Alcatraz Indian Occupation Records.*

Discover these inspiring stories and more at the San Francisco History Center—where history lives and voices of resistance are never forgotten. [sfpl.org/sfhistory](https://sfpl.org/sfhistory)

## Día de los Muertos

Celebrate Día de los Muertos with community, crafts and culture. Contribute photos, keepsakes or drawings to the vibrant ofrenda at Western Addition Branch, on display through November 5. On November 1, join Portola Branch after storytime to learn about the holiday's Latinx roots and help decorate the garden. Later, head to Bernal Heights Branch where artist Calixto Robles leads a community altar creation with live music by René y Familia. Or visit Sunset Branch for a special craft club with themed crafts and treats for children ages 5 and older. Honor loved ones and celebrate life through art, tradition and togetherness.



**Gather and Garden** – Nov. 1, 11 a.m., Portola Branch  
**Calixto Robles and René y Familia** – Nov. 1, 2 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch  
**Craft Club** – Nov. 1, 2 p.m., Sunset Branch



## Reflecting on the Vietnamese Diaspora 50 Years After the Vietnam War

The Vietnam War ended on April 30, 1975, and 50 years later, the Library is commemorating this important anniversary by hosting the traveling exhibition, *Textures of Remembrance: Vietnamese Artists and Writers Reflect on the Vietnamese Diaspora*. The exhibition features works by 25 Vietnamese artists and writers whose narratives texturize the Vietnamese diasporic experience. The works showcased reveal personal struggles and memories, demonstrating the continued effects of the Vietnam War on identity, sense of family and community and representation. Importantly, this exhibition shares works made within and for the Vietnamese diasporic community to humanize the refugee experience from the inside out.

The exhibition will be on view from Nov. 14, 2025 – Jan. 9, 2026 in Skylight Gallery on the 6th Floor.



## Hoopla for Crafting and Cooking

Need ideas to keep busy inside as the weather turns colder? Hoopla Binge Passes are for you. With a single checkout, you can get full access to **Creativebug** and **Craftsy**.

**Creativebug** is a great place to find quick craft projects for decorating or gift wrapping. Learn how to create luminaries or gift tags. Make homemade gifts like lip balm or soap. You can even bake delicious truffles or painted cookies.

**Craftsy** is the place to go for bigger projects. Classes include step-by-step guides for sewing dresses, knitting clothes, quilting or baking bread, pastries and pies.

Ready to start creating? Enjoy these craft programs for free from the comfort of your home with your library card.



# One City One Book Booklists

## AI & Technology

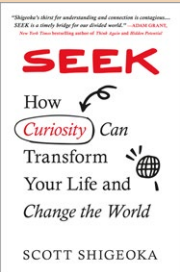
Fei-Fei Li’s story is deeply connected to the evolution of artificial intelligence and its ethical implications. These books explore the promise, risks and human dimensions of AI and technology. [on.sfpl.org/OCOBAl](https://on.sfpl.org/OCOBAl)



**Raising AI: An Essential Guide to Parenting Our Future** by De Kai  
Drawing parallels between parenting and teaching AI systems, *Raising AI* resonates with a human-centered approach to building ethical technology.

## Creativity & Curiosity

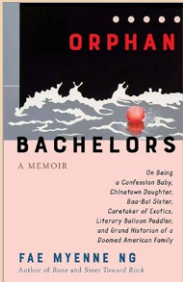
Fei-Fei Li credits her curiosity and creativity as essential to her scientific breakthroughs. These books celebrate curiosity, imagination and the spark of discovery. [on.sfpl.org/OCOBCuriosity](https://on.sfpl.org/OCOBCuriosity)



**Seek: How Curiosity Can Transform Your Life and Change the World** by Scott Shigeoka  
Exploring the way deep curiosity builds empathy and innovation, *Seek* echoes Li’s belief in curiosity as a transformative force.

## Journeys of Belonging & Identity

*In The Worlds I See*, Fei-Fei Li weaves her immigrant story into her groundbreaking work in AI, showing how resilience, family and identity shape achievement. These books—memoirs, essays and fiction—explore the immigrant experience, belonging and the pursuit of opportunity. [on.sfpl.org/OCOBJourneys](https://on.sfpl.org/OCOBJourneys)



**Orphan Bachelors** by Fae Myenne Ng  
A memoir of San Francisco’s Chinatown that confronts the legacy of immigration, silence and family history, much the way Li reflects on her own roots.

## AI in Fiction

Artificial intelligence isn’t just shaping our real-world future—it has also become an endlessly fascinating theme in fiction. These novels imagine AI as companion, antagonist or mirror, raising major questions about identity, creativity and what it means to be human. [on.sfpl.org/OCOBFiction](https://on.sfpl.org/OCOBFiction)



**Afterword** by Nina Schuyler  
A grieving linguist creates an AI version of her deceased mentor, blurring the lines between memory, technology and human connection.

# Tattoo Design Inspiration and Zine Making

The Main Library becomes an artistic hub with a pair of inspiring creative workshops exploring themes in the exhibition *Living Tattoo Traditions: American Irezumi and Beyond*. Led by Edie Trautwein of Fish Juice, the workshop Memory Keeping Zine Making connects the storytelling



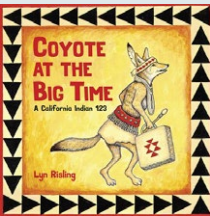
aspect of irezumi tattoos with zines, using the medium as a way to interpret and explore cross-cultural practice through identity and experience. For one evening only, rarely seen treasures from the SFPL’s

reference-only collections will be on display—art books, botanical prints, ship diagrams, landmark photographs and more. These gems offer striking motifs and untapped ideas for tattoo artists, designers and anyone drawn to the art of ink. Drop in, sketch freely and talk with archivists and artists about bringing archival and rare book imagery into new creative work.  
**Memory Keeping Zine Making** – Nov. 6, 6 p.m. Main Library, 6th Floor, outside the San Francisco History Center/Book Arts & Special Collections  
**Ink & Archives** – Nov. 6, 6 p.m. Main Library, 4th Floor, Art, Music & Recreation Center and 6th Floor, outside the San Francisco History Center / Book Arts & Special Collections

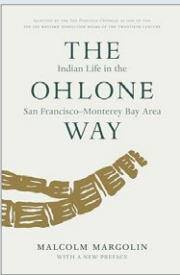
# First Person Recommended Reading

## Ohlone Sisters Book Recommendations

Learn about Indigenous past, present and futures in books recommended by Carla and Desiree Muñoz, facilitators of past and present Ohlone knowledge.



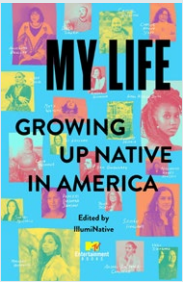
**Coyote at the Big Time: A California Indian 123** by Lyn Risling  
Follow Coyote on the exploration of Indigenous culture, heritage and community in California, while learning to count.



**The Ohlone Way: Indian Life in the San Francisco-Monterey Bay Area** by Malcolm Margolin  
Combining historical insight with vivid storytelling, Malcolm Margolis offers a beautiful exploration of the daily life, spirituality and culture of the Ohlone people before the arrival of the Spanish.

## Teen Titles

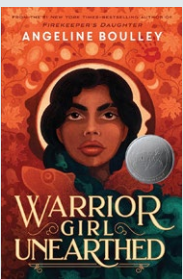
Explore teen fiction titles highlighting Indigenous authors and featured characters in a wide variety of genres, all available at SFPL.



**My Life: Growing Up Native in America** by IllumiNative  
With heart, pathos, humor and insight, 20 renowned writers, performers, athletes and activists share through essays and poems the depth and complexity of modern Native American identity, resiliency and joy.



**Sheine Lende: A Prequel to Elatsoe** by Darcie Little Badger  
Shane helps to track missing persons, whether or not their families can afford to pay. She’s determined to find a missing boy from their local Lipan Apache community, even if the path may lead through another world.



**Warrior Girl Unearthed** by Angeline Boulley  
During a summer internship at the tribal museum Perry learns that local institutions are profiting from the remains and artifacts of her Anishinaabe tribe. But when she devises a dangerous plan to rectify the situation, Perry uncovers a deadly mystery involving missing Indigenous women. Set in the same community as *Firekeeper’s Daughter*.

## Adult Titles

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with powerful reads by Indigenous authors. These novels, memoirs and essays spotlight Native voices, traditions and contemporary stories.



**Love Is a War Song** by Danica Nava  
A heartfelt story of first love, identity and the challenges of navigating tradition in a modern Native world.



**Mask of the Deer Woman** by Laurie L. Dove  
A chilling mystery that draws on the powerful Deer Woman legend to explore Indigenous strength and justice.



**Stealing Little Moon: The Legacy of the American Indian Boarding Schools** by Dan SaSuWeh Jones  
A multi-generational account of a Ponca Nation family’s experiences with the Chilocco boarding school, where government policies sought to erase Indigenous identity, but family, memory and culture endured through trauma.



# November Event Calendar

## Adults

### 1 Saturday

**Tai Chi**  
Golden Gate Valley, 1:30 p.m.

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

**Gather & Garden**  
Portola, 11 a.m.

**Japanese Traditional Music**  
Western Addition, 12–1 p.m.

**AIDS Memorial Quilt Repair**  
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl,  
12–4 p.m.

**Shell Trinket Dish**  
Visitacion Valley, 2:30 p.m.\*

**Filipino Weaving**  
Presidio, 2–4 p.m.

**Open House** Anza, 2–5 p.m.

**Live Improv**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Art of the Literary Portrait**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl,  
3–4:30 p.m.

### 1, 15, 29 Saturdays

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

### 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

**Creative Afternoons / 創意無限周六午**  
Chinatown, 2:30–4 p.m.

### 2 Sunday

**Write Gripping Stories**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl,  
1:30–3 p.m.

**Plant Swap** Bernal Heights, 1 p.m.

**Karaoke** Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Iranian Women in Network**  
Main, Lower Level, 2–4 p.m.

**Art Meets AI**  
Main, Koret, 2–4 p.m.

**Family Documentarians**  
North Beach, 3 p.m.

**Crafting**  
Western Addition, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 2, 16 Sundays

**Handicraft**  
Chinatown, 2 p.m.

### 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays

**Wild Goose Qigong**  
Marina, 9 a.m.

### 3, 10, 17, 24 Mondays

**Tai Chi With Patrick Lau**  
Presidio  
• Beginners: 1:30 p.m.  
• Advanced: 2:15 p.m.

**Shut Up & Write**  
Potrero, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

### 3, 17 Mondays

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

### 4 Tuesday

**Intro to AI Tools** Main, 10 a.m.\*

**Art Conservation Clinic**  
Main, Lower Level, 3–7 p.m.

**Home Share/Home Match**  
Virtual, 6 p.m.

### 4, 18, 25 Tuesdays

**ESL Convo Club**  
Virtual, 3 p.m.

### 5 Wednesday

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

**APACC Office Hrs**  
Visitacion Valley, 1–3 p.m.

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

**Stamp Making**  
Mission Bay, 5:30–7 p.m.

**Curiosity Across SF**  
Main, Skylight Gallery - 6th Fl,  
5–7 p.m.

**Autumn Geese Origami**  
Parkside, 6 p.m.\*

### 5, 12, 19 Wednesdays

**Tai Chi**  
Anza, 1:30–3 p.m.

### 5, 19 Wednesdays

**Yoga** Ingleside, 6 p.m.\*

### 6 Thursday

**Medicare Clear & Easy**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3:15 p.m.

**Aging & Disability Resources**  
Main, Atrium, 2–4 p.m.

**Cohousing Resources**  
Noe Valley, 5:30–7 p.m.

**French Convo**  
Excelsior, 5 p.m.

**Author Natalie Garay**  
Marina, 5–6:15 p.m.

**UV Resin: Beginners**  
Bayview, 5 p.m.\*

**Medicare Clear & Easy**  
Richmond, 5–7 p.m.

**Memory Keeping**  
Main, Skylight Gallery - 6th Fl,  
6–7:30 p.m.

**Tattoo Inspiration From the Archives**

- Main, History Ctr - 6th Fl,  
6–7:30 p.m.
- Main, AMR Ctr - 4th Fl,  
6–7:30 p.m.

### 6, 13, 20 Thursdays

**Breath Meditation**  
Richmond, 11 a.m.

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

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

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

**Computers for Beginners**  
Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl,  
9:30 a.m.\*

### 7 Friday

**中文講座: 正確垃圾分類與預防食物浪費指南**  
Visitacion Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Learn to DJ**  
Main, Lower Level, 3–5 p.m.

### 7, 14 Fridays

**Diabetes Education**  
Noe Valley, 1–3 p.m.

**Knitting** Anza, 3–5 p.m.

### 8 Saturday

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

**Puzzle Swap**  
Merced, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

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

**Kathak Dance**  
Glen Park, 2 p.m.

**3D Printing/Tinkercad**  
Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl,  
2–4 p.m.

### 8, 22 Saturdays

- **Gentle Yoga**  
Mission Bay, 10 a.m.
- **Tai Chi (Beginners)**  
Mission Bay, 1 p.m.

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

### 9 Sunday

**Button Making Famous Colombians**  
Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl,  
1–2:30 p.m.

**Author: Dr. Joe Pierre, False**  
Virtual, 2 p.m.

**Civil Liberties Now**  
Main, Lower Level, 2–4 p.m.

**Crafting**  
Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

### 10 Monday

**TBBC Writer's Salon**  
Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 12p.m.\*

### 10, 24 Mondays

**Coloring w/ Coffee**  
Anza, 11–12 p.m.

### 11 Tuesday

**Song of Truth**  
Main, Koret, 6–6:45 p.m.

### 12 Wednesday

**Handling Debt** Virtual, 1 p.m.

**Genealogy** Virtual, 1 p.m.

**Author: De Kai, Raising AI**  
Main, Koret, 6:30–8 p.m.

**Narcan Basics** Park, 6 p.m.\*

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

### 13 Thursday

**Senior Fitness** Ortega, 1 p.m.

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

**Kim Shuck's Poem Jam**  
Main, Lower Level, 6 p.m.

**Panel: They Lit the Fuse!**  
Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

**Project Homeless Connect**  
Main, Atrium, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

### 14 Friday

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

**Disaster Prep (Cantonese) / 粵語講座: 災難中的應對**  
Visitacion Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Karaoke** Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

### 15 Saturday

**SFMTA Resources**  
West Portal, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Yoga, Ayurveda & Mental Health** Main, Lower Level, 11 a.m.

**Ukrainian Commemorative Program** Main, Koret, 1–5 p.m.

**Author: Charles Bush, The Boy with the Jade**  
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,  
2–3 p.m.

**Intro to Pre-Philippine Tattoos**  
Main, Hormel Ctr - 3rd Fl,  
2–3:30 p.m.

**Filipino Weaving**  
Merced, 2 p.m.\*

**Memoir Writing**  
Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

**LEGO Minifigure Collecting**  
Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.

**Meditative Drawing**  
Sunset, 3 p.m.\*

**Presentation: Sly & the Family Stone** Park, 3–4:30 p.m.

**Storytime for Grown-ups**  
Western Addition, 4 p.m.

### 16 Sunday

**Lacemaking/Fiber Arts**  
North Beach, 1:30 p.m.\*

**Kim Shuck's Poem Jam**  
Main, Lower Level, 1–2:30 p.m.

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

**Yuri Liberzon, Classical Guitar** Richmond, 2 p.m.

**Write Memoirs, Shorts & Essays** Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl,  
2–3:30 p.m.

**Restorative Breathwork**  
Bernal Heights, 3 p.m.

**Author: Richard Wolinsky**  
Main, Hormel Ctr - 3rd Fl,  
3–5 p.m.

### 17 Monday

**Sand Painting**  
Noe Valley, 4–5 p.m.

### 18 Tuesday

**Cantonese Bilingual Convo Club** Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,  
3 p.m.\*

**Spellbound Crafts**  
Anza, 4–5 p.m.

**Macramé Daisy Keychain**  
Sunset, 4 p.m.\*

**Traditional EcoTea**  
Visitacion Valley, 5 p.m.

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

### 18, 25 Tuesdays

**Fit for Life** North Beach, 1 p.m.\*

### 19 Wednesday

**Mandarin Bilingual Convo Club** Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,  
10 a.m.\*

**Aging & Disability Resources**  
Main, Atrium, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Chinese Genealogy Resources** Virtual, 11 a.m.

**Journaling**  
Golden Gate Valley, 1–2 p.m.

**Scrap Quilting**  
Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

**Writing from Culture/ Memory**  
Noe Valley, 4–5:30 p.m.

**Accessory Swap**  
Western Addition, 5–6:30 p.m.

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

### 20 Thursday

**Basic Watercolor**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2 p.m.\*

**Veterans Health Resources**  
Main, Atrium, 2–5 p.m.

**Library Commission Meeting**  
Main, Virtual, Koret, 4:30–8 p.m.

**Tiny Art** Excelsior, 4 p.m.\*

### 21 Friday

**Yoga**  
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 2 p.m.

**Origami Rose** Chinatown, 2 p.m.\*

### 22 Saturday

**Mahjong (Beginners)**  
Sunset, 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

**Open House**  
Marina, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Drop-in Collage**  
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 1–2 p.m.

**Bay Beats Goth Music Concert** Main, Koret, 1–3 p.m.

**Macreme Plant Hanger**  
Main, African American Ctr -  
3rd Fl, 2–4 p.m.

**Creative Mending**  
Noe Valley, 2 p.m.\*

**Puzzle Swap** Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

### 23 Sunday

**Philosophy & Chinese Culture**  
Main, Lower Level, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

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

### 24 Monday

**Blood Drive**  
Bernal Heights, 12–5 p.m.

### 25 Tuesday

**Aging & Disability Resources**  
Main, Atrium, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Knitting** Glen Park, 1–2:30 p.m.

**Aging & Disability Resources**  
Main, Atrium, 1–3 p.m.

**Origami Rose**  
Chinatown, 2 p.m.\*

**Writing Group**  
North Beach, 6–7 p.m.

**Writing from Culture/ Memory**  
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl,  
6–7:30 p.m.

### 30 Sunday

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

**Darn Your Socks**  
Glen Park, 2–4 p.m.

## On View

### Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

#### *Living Tattoo Traditions: American Irezumi and Beyond*

Featuring photographs and interviews with 25 artists, American Irezumi and Beyond explores the unique way in which the art of the tattoo tells stories of identity, place and cross-cultural embodiment and experience. Satellite displays on the 5th and 6th Floors showcase thematically related works from the SFPL archives. Through March 1, 2026. Jewett Gallery, Lower Level.

### Other Exhibits, Main Library

#### *First Person Mural: atemtuhu (to listen)*

Created by artist Belen Islas in close collaboration with Dr. Jonathan Cordero, Executive Director of the Association of the Ramaytush Ohlone, to honor the Ramaytush people, whose enduring presence on the San Francisco Peninsula continues today through deep relationship with their homelands. Through 2027. Atrium, 1st Fl.

#### *Textures of Remembrance: Vietnamese Artists and Writers Reflect on the Vietnamese Diaspora*

Through contemporary art and writings, the exhibition explores a date that impacts many Vietnamese Americans: April 30, 1975, the end of the Vietnam War. Featuring works by 25 artists and writers, these narratives texturize the Vietnamese diasporic experience, in which refugees are not objects of rescue but instead subjects of artistic and political transformation. Nov. 14, 2025–Jan. 9, 2026. Skylight Gallery, 6th Fl.

#### *Display: A Magazine for Every Interest, a Magazine for Every Tattoo*

Drawing from bound volumes of magazines in the archives and the loose issues often on display in the Reading Room, this pop-up display both drills deeper into the theme of American Irezumi and demonstrates broader themes that unite tattoos across cultures. Nov. 7, 2025–Jan. 8, 2026. Magazines and Newspapers Center, 5th Fl.

#### *Fashioning Bay Area Punk: Style, Subversion, Shock!*

Explore the themes of fashion, style and subversion found through the SFPL's Punk Rock Archive and Little Maga/Zine collection. Through March 15, 2026. South Salon, 6th Fl.

#### *80th WWII Anniversary: Remember "Comfort Women"*

Photos and original artwork highlight the history, activism and ongoing struggle of "Comfort Women" for redress and justice. Through Feb. 1, 2026. International Center, 3rd Fl.

#### *Display: 30 Years of Tachyon Press*

Tachyon Publications, a San Francisco-based publisher of science fiction and fantasy, commemorates its 30th anniversary. Through Nov. 20. General Collections, 3rd Fl.

#### *Display: Celebrating Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater*

An exploration of movement and memory through the lens of dance, with images that pay tribute to Alvin Ailey's impact and artistry. Through Dec. 29. Art, Music & Recreation Center, 4th Fl.

### Other Locations

#### *Skateboarding San Francisco: Concrete, Community, Continuity*

Satellite display celebrating the city's unique terrain and icons in skateboarding. Through Jan. 30, 2026. Ortega Branch.

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## Book Clubs

### 4 Tuesday

**Dorothy West, *The Wedding***  
Virtual, 6 p.m.

### 4, 18 Tuesdays

**Elena Ferrante, *My Brilliant Friend***  
Glen Park, 1–3 p.m.

### 5 Wednesday

**Jim Terry, *Come Home, Indio***  
Noe Valley, 5 p.m.

### 6 Thursday

**Larissa FastHorse, *The Thanksgiving Play***  
Virtual, 6 p.m.

### 12 Wednesday

**Marie Benedict, *The Queens of Crime***  
Presidio, 3 p.m.

### Chinatown Readers

Chinatown, 5:15–7:15 p.m.

### 12, 26 Wednesdays

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

### 13 Thursday

**Discuss Talking Books**  
Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 3 p.m.\*

### 15 Saturday

**讀書會：台灣漫遊錄**  
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10–11:30 a.m.

**Robin Wall Kimmerer, *Braiding Sweetgrass***  
Ortega, 11 a.m.

**Dr. Fei-Fei Li, *The Worlds I See***  
Presidio, 2–3:30 p.m.

### 16 Sunday

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

**Tommy Pico, *Nature Poem***  
Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

### 17 Monday

**Deborah A. Miranda, *Bad Indians: A Tribal Memoir***  
Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

### 18 Tuesday

**Jacobo Bergareche, *Los días perfectos***  
Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Karla Cornejo Villavicencio, *The Undocumented Americans***  
Mission Bay, 6:30 p.m.

**Morgan Talty, *Fire Exit***  
West Portal, 6 p.m.

### 20 Thursday

**讀書會：共讀·共賞**  
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Silent Book Club at Saluhall**  
Main, 6–7:30 p.m.

### 21 Friday

**Jeanette Winterson, *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit***  
Noe Valley, 3 p.m.

### 23 Sunday

**Matt Haig, *The Midnight Library***  
Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Rebecca Roanhorse, *Tread of Angels***  
Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

### 25 Tuesday

**Juan Rulfo, *Pedro Páramo***  
Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

**Visitacion Valley Readers**  
Visitacion Valley, 4–5 p.m.

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

## Tech Time

### 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

**Tech Help / 科技協助**

- Sunset, 2–4 p.m.
- West Portal, 12–4 p.m.\*

### 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays

**Tech Help**

- Sunset, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
- West Portal, 1:30–3:30 p.m. (Cantonese/Mandarin)

### 3 Monday

**Download eBooks / Audiobooks**  
Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

**Intro to eBooks & More**  
Noe Valley, 4–5 p.m.

### 3, 10 Mondays

**Basic Computer Series (Español)** Excelsior, 10–12 p.m.

### 4, 18, 25 Tuesdays

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

### 5, 12, 10, 26 Wednesdays

**Computer Basics**  
Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 12–1 p.m.

### 5, 19 Wednesdays

**Tech Savvy at 60+**  
Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

### 6, 13, 20 Thursdays

**Computer Basics**  
Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 6–7 p.m.

### 10 Monday

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

### 12 Wednesday

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

### 13 Thursday

**Drop-in Tech Help (Older Adults)**  
Visitacion Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

### 14 Friday

**Drop-in Tech Help (Older Adults)**  
Richmond, 1:30–3 p.m.

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

### 18 Tuesday

**Tech Tuesdays**  
Bayview, 1–3 p.m.

### 20 Thursday

**ChatGPT Basics / ChatGPT簡介**  
Chinatown, 2–3:30 p.m.

### 21 Friday

**Tablets/Phones (Older Adults 60+)**  
Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.\*

### 25 Tuesday

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

## Business, Jobs & Finance

### 2 Sunday

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

### 3 Monday

**Cosmetology Careers**  
Virtual, 2–3 p.m.

### 4 Tuesday

**Fix Your Digital Marketing**  
Main, Lower Level, 12–2 p.m.

**Job Match** Virtual, 3:15–4 p.m.

### 5, 12, 19, 26 Wednesdays

**Career Coaching**  
Main, Sycip Rm - 4th Fl, 3–5 p.m.

### 6 Thursday

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

**QuickBooks Part 1**  
Excelsior, 1–3 p.m.

### 9 Sunday

**Estate Planning Basics**  
Glen Park, 2–3 p.m.

### 10 Monday

**Rebuild Your Career in the U.S.**  
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 2–3 p.m.

### 13 Thursday

**Avoid Probate in CA**  
Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

### 18 Tuesday

**BFITS Community Partners**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 11:30–1 p.m.

**Small Business Financial Mgmt** Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Senior Employment Program**  
Virtual, 11:15–12 p.m.

### 20 Thursday

**Pick a Medigap Plan**  
Virtual, 11–12:15 p.m.

### Resume Writing

Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

## Teens

### The Mix at SFPL

Main Library, 2nd Floor, SFPL's creative space for teens, ages 12-18

### 4 Tuesday

**Paint w/ Acrylics**  
2–4 p.m.

### 4, 18, 25 Tuesdays

**Sewing Instruction**  
4–5 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Biblio Bistro**  
4–6 p.m.

### 23 Sunday

**Super Nintendo Classic**  
4–6 p.m.

### 26 Wednesday

**Snack Trials**  
4–5 p.m.

### The Mix Recording Studio

**Guitar & Bass Lessons**

- Saturdays, 2–2:30 p.m.

**Recording Studio Orientation**

- Wednesdays, 4:30–5:30 p.m.
- Saturdays, 4–5 p.m.
- Sundays, 2–3 p.m.

**Music Studio Jam**  
6 Thursday, 5–6 p.m.

### Teens at Branches

### 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

**Gardening** Merced, 11–12 p.m.

### 2 Sunday

**Silent Reading Café**  
Bayview, 2–3 p.m.

### 2, 16, 30 Sundays

**Craft Club**  
North Beach, 2–3 p.m.

### 5 Wednesday

**Gaming Party**  
North Beach, 3–4 p.m.

### 6, 20 Thursdays

**Art Studio** Merced, 5–6 p.m.

### 9 Sunday

**Finding Your Voice**  
Ortega, 1–3 p.m.

### 12 Wednesday

**Homework Hangout**  
Noe Valley, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Book Swap / 青少年讀書交換寫書評**  
Chinatown, 3:30 p.m.\*

### 13 Thursday

**Monogram Mayhem**  
Western Addition, 4–5:30 p.m.

**Collaboration Canvas**  
Merced, 5–6 p.m.

### 16 Sunday

**Basic Budgeting**  
Marina, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Huichol Yarn Painting**  
Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

## Ask a Conservator Day: Art Conservation Clinic



Do you have family heirlooms or works of art in need of some TLC? Join us for a free conservation clinic where members of the public can bring in an item from their collection and have it assessed by a professional conservator. Bay Area experts specializing in the conservation of books, photographs, documents, paintings, glass, textiles and other objects will be available for one-on-one consultations. Attendees will learn about the history, composition and condition of their item and can receive advice on safe handling and storage. Space limited. Reservations strongly encouraged. [on.sfpl.org/art-clinic](https://on.sfpl.org/art-clinic)  
**Ask a Conservator Day: Art Conservation Clinic** – Nov. 4, 3 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Meeting Room, Lower Level



## International Games Month

GAME ON for International Games Month at the Library—a global celebration of games, play and community. There’s something for everyone, whether you love board games, card games or video games. Discover new favorites, challenge friends and explore the ways games inspire creativity and learning. All ages and skill levels are welcome, so bring your curiosity and your game face!

## Films

### 5 Wednesday

**The Game**  
Glen Park, 5:30 p.m.

### 5 Wednesday

**Beyond Recognition**  
Portola, 5 p.m.

### 7 Friday

**Jurassic World Rebirth**  
Bayview, 2 p.m.

### 7 Friday

**Gook**  
Excelsior, 3:30 p.m.

### 8 Saturday

**Drawing From Satyricon**  
Main, Lower Level, 11 a.m.

### 10 Monday

**On Dangerous Ground**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

### 12 Wednesday

**Gather**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

### 12 Wednesday

**Snow White (2025)**  
Bayview, 3 p.m.

### 13 Thursday

**Indians Like Us**  
Potrero, 6:15 p.m.

### 15 Saturday

**Wicked Sing-Along**  
Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Arsenic & Old Lace**  
Chinatown, 1 p.m.

### 19 Wednesday

**Smoke Signals**  
North Beach, 3 p.m.  
Park, 5 p.m.

### 24 Monday

**Crime of Passion**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

### 26 Wednesday

**The Nightmare Before Christmas**  
Glen Park, 12:30 p.m.

### 26 Wednesday

**Corpse Bride**  
Glen Park, 2 p.m.

### 30 Sunday

**Thabyay: Creative Resistance in Myanmar**  
Main, Koret, 1 p.m.

# November Event Calendar

## Children

### Early Childhood

[1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays](#)  
**Toddler Playtime**  
Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

[3, 17 Mondays](#)  
**Family Dance Party**  
Glen Park, 10–11 a.m.

**Infant Parent Support Group**  
Glen Park, 2–3 p.m.

[6 Thursday](#)  
**Mini-Makers**  
Merced, 11–11:30 a.m.

[9 Sunday](#)  
**STEM Playdate**  
Ocean View, 1:30–3 p.m.

[10 Monday](#)  
**Pre-Soccer Skillbuilding**  
Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.\*, 11 a.m.\*, & 11:30 a.m.\*

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

[12 Wednesday](#)  
**Read Aloud & Dance**  
Potrero, 3–3:45 p.m.

[13 Thursday](#)  
**Playtime in Japanese / 日本語** Western Addition, 11–11:30 a.m.

[18 Tuesday](#)  
**Little Artists**  
Parkside, 11:15 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Quiet Dog Reading Circle**  
Parkside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[19 Wednesday](#)  
**Nutcracker Sweets Ballet**  
Sunset, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

[22 Saturday](#)  
**Instrument Petting Zoo**  
Ocean View, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**STEM Playtime**  
Visitation Valley, 10–11 a.m.

**Arabic Story Hour**  
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 2–3 p.m.

[23 Sunday](#)  
**Pre-Soccer Skillbuilding**  
Merced, 2 p.m., 2:30 p.m. & 3 p.m.

### Elementary

[1 Saturday](#)  
**Sugar Skull Masks**  
Noe Valley, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

**Día de los Muertos Crafts**  
Sunset, 2–3:30 p.m.

[1, 8, 15 Saturdays](#)  
**Capoeira Game**  
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 11 a.m.\*

[1, 8, 15, 29 Saturdays](#)  
**Giant Jenga**  
Chinatown, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

[2 Sunday](#)  
**Game Of Staves With the Ohlone Sisters**  
• Noe Valley, 1:30–2:30 p.m.  
• Merced, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

**LEGO/STEM Free Play**  
Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

[2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays](#)  
**Board Games**  
Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

[3, 10, 17 Mondays](#)  
**Homework Help**  
Ortega, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

[4 Tuesday](#)  
**LEGOs** Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Crafternoon**  
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

[4, 18 Tuesdays](#)  
**Homework Lounge**  
Excelsior, 4 p.m.\*

[5 Wednesday](#)  
**Marble Machine**  
Excelsior, 2–3:30 p.m.

**LEGOs** Bayview, 3–5 p.m.

**Jr Readers** Marina, 6–7 p.m.

**LEGOs & Robotics**  
Bernal Heights, 6–7:30 p.m.

[6 Thursday](#)  
**The Monkey King Opera Puppets** Western Addition, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

**LEGOs** Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.

**LEGOs & Mini Basket Craft**  
North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

[7 Friday](#)  
**Therapy Pet**  
Glen Park, 4–5 p.m.

[7, 21 Fridays](#)  
**Scratch Coding**  
Sunset, 4–5 p.m.

[8 Saturday](#)  
**Shrinky Dinks**  
Parkside, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

**Puppy Dog Tales**  
Potrero, 11–12 p.m.

**Huichol Yarn Painting**  
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 1–2 p.m.

**Sock Puppets**  
Marina, 2:30–4 p.m.

**Coding Club**  
West Portal, 2–2:45 p.m.

[8, 22 Saturdays](#)  
**Origami**  
Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

[9 Sunday](#)  
**LEGO Robotics**  
Merced, 2:30–4 p.m.

**Slime Time**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Self-Portrait Collage**  
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

[9, 23 Sundays](#)  
**Crafts**  
Chinatown, 2–3 p.m.

[10 Monday](#)  
**Watercolor**  
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

[12 Wednesday](#)  
**Author: Lisa Brown**  
Merced, 11–11:45 a.m.

**Turkey Finger Puppet**  
Ingleside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

**Art Club**  
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

[12, 26 Wednesdays](#)  
**Learning Lounge**  
North Beach, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

[13 Thursday](#)  
**Paper Albrijes**  
Chinatown, 3:45 p.m.\*

[14 Friday](#)  
**Weaving Basket**  
Chinatown, 3:45 p.m.\*

**Crafting** Anza, 3–4 p.m.

**Big Bilder Forts**  
Bayview, 3–4 p.m.

**Therapy Dog**  
Eureka Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

[15 Saturday](#)  
**Math Fest**  
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 12–4 p.m.

**STEM 4 Kids** Ortega, 2 p.m.\*

**Beaded Corn**  
Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[16 Sunday](#)  
**LEGO Robotics**  
Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

**Clay Pinch Pots**  
Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

[19 Wednesday](#)  
**LEGOs** Presidio, 2–3 p.m.

**LEGOs & Magna-Tiles**  
Anza, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Scribble Bots** Potrero, 3–4 p.m.

**Bookworms** Marina, 6–7 p.m.

[20 Thursday](#)  
**Nutcracker Sweets Ballet**  
Bayview, 11–11:30 a.m.

**K-pop Demon Hunters Karaoke**  
Portola, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

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

**Craft the Story**  
Ingleside, 4 p.m.\*

[21 Friday](#)  
**Toilet Paper Roll Turkey**  
Chinatown, 3:45 p.m.\*

**Jr Readers**  
Glen Park, 4–5 p.m.

[22 Saturday](#)  
**Lisa Brown**  
Richmond, 3–4 p.m.

[23 Sunday](#)  
**Coding Club**  
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

[24 Monday](#)  
**Huichol Yarn Painting**  
Parkside, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

[29 Saturday](#)  
**LEGO Robotics**

**Game Time**  
Western Addition, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Dance Party**  
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

[23 Sunday](#)  
**Board Games Swap**  
Glen Park, 1–2 p.m.

[24 Monday](#)  
**Little Builders Magnets**  
Glen Park, 10–2 p.m.

**Livestream: SF Opera's The Monkey King**  
Ortega, 2–5 p.m.

**LEGOs**  
Glen Park, 3–5:30 p.m.

[26 Wednesday](#)  
**Page Street Lounge**  
Park, 2–4 p.m.

**Gardening**  
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

[30 Sunday](#)  
**Chess** Ortega, 2–4 p.m.

## Middle School

[1 Saturday](#)  
**Tween Creative Writing**  
Western Addition, 3–4:30 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** – 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.\*  
**Ingleside** – 18, 25, Tuesdays, 1:30–2 p.m.  
**Main** – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Merced** – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**Mission Bay** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:15–11:15 a.m.\*  
**North Beach** – 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**Ortega** – 6, 13, 20, Thursday, 11:30–12 p.m.  
**Park** – Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**Potrero** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 1:15–1:45 p.m.\*  
**Presidio** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**Richmond** – Every Monday, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
**Sunset** – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Visitation Valley** – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**West Portal** – Every Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.  
**Western Addition** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 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.\*  
**Eureka Valley** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**Excelsior** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.  
Every Wednesday, 6–6:30 p.m. (Español/English)  
**Glen Park** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
12, Wednesday, 7–7:30 p.m. (Pajama Time)  
**Ingleside** – Every Monday, 11:30–12:30 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** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m. & 11–11:30 a.m.\* (Español/English)  
4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.\*  
**Mission** – 5, 12, 19, Wednesdays, 11–11:30 a.m. (Español)  
**Noe Valley** – Every Monday, 11:15–11:45 a.m.\*  
**North Beach** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**Ocean View** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11:30 a.m.  
6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. (Minnie & Lovie Ward Rec Center)  
**Ortega** – 11, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Park** – Every Monday, 3:30–4 p.m.  
**Parkside** – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Portola** – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Potrero** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.\*  
**Presidio** – 4, 18, Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.  
**Richmond** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**Sunset** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Visitation Valley** – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**West Portal** – Every Tuesday, 11:30–12 p.m.  
**Western Addition** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.

### Storytimes for Preschoolers

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

**Bayview** – 6, 13, 27, Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m. (Español/English)  
Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m. (Español/English)  
**Chinatown** – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**Excelsior** – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Marina** – 7, 14, 21, Fridays, 2–3 p.m.  
**Mission Bay** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.\*  
**North Beach** – 18, 25, Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.  
**Parkside** – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Portola** – 4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 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 Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Excelsior** – 6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)  
**Golden Gate Valley** – 7, 14, 21, Fridays, 1:15–1:45 p.m.\*  
**Main** – Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m.  
4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11:15 a.m  
Every Wednesday, 10–10:30 a.m. (Salesforce Rooftop)  
6, 13, 20, Thursdays, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Cantonese 粵語課程)  
**Marina** – Every Saturday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.  
4, 18, 25, Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Merced** – Every Wednesday, 2–2:30 p.m.  
**Noe Valley** – Every Thursday, 10:15 a.m. & 11 a.m.\*  
**Ortega** – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Parkside** – Every Sunday, 1:30–2 p.m.  
**Portola** – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Potrero** – 6, 13, Thursdays, 10 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.\*  
20, Thursday, 10–10:30 a.m.\*  
**Sunset** – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.  
**Western Addition** – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

### Swing Into Stories

Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.–noon. Storytime at 10:30 a.m.

4 Tuesday – Garfield Square Playground (Treat Ave & 26th St)  
18 Tuesday – Helen Wills Playground (1401 Broadway)  
2 Tuesday – Redwood Grove Playground (200 John F Shelley Dr)

## Family

[1 Saturday](#)  
**Game of Staves w/ the Ohlone Sisters**  
Golden Gate Valley, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.  
Potrero, 1–2 p.m.

**Playtime**  
Potrero, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Día de los Muertos**  
Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

**Origami**  
Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

[1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays](#)  
**Music Circle**  
Potrero, 10:15–11 a.m.

[2 Sunday](#)  
**Puppy Dog Tales**  
Ortega, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

[2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays](#)  
**Chess**  
Ingleside, 2:30–4 p.m.

[5 Wednesday](#)  
**Paper Flower Headbands**  
Potrero, 3–4 p.m.

[6 Thursday](#)  
**For Boys: Tae Keller, When You Trap A Tiger**  
West Portal, 6:45–7:45 p.m.

[8 Saturday](#)  
**Little Artists**  
Eureka Valley, 10–11 a.m.

**Board Game & Puzzle Swap**  
Ocean View, 1–2:30 p.m.

**SF Symphony Concert**  
Ortega, 12–1 p.m.

**Mongolia's Republic Day**  
Main, Koret, 12–2 p.m.

**Natural Presidio**  
Potrero, 2–3 p.m.

**The Monkey King Puppeteer**  
Richmond, 3–4:15 p.m.

[8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays](#)  
**Playtime**  
Potrero, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

[9 Sunday](#)  
**The Monkey King Puppeteer**  
Parkside, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

[13 Thursday](#)  
**Natural Presidio**  
Portola, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

**Fall Lanterns**  
Golden Gate Valley, 5 p.m.\*

[15 Saturday](#)  
**Bike Repair Clinic**  
West Portal, 11–1 p.m.

**Yo-Yoing**  
Excelsior, 11–12 p.m.

**Autumnal Placemats**  
Potrero, 12 p.m.\*

[16 Sunday](#)  
**Puppy Dog Tales**  
Visitation Valley, 2–3 p.m.

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

[18 Tuesday](#)  
**Nutcracker Sweets Ballet**  
• Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 11–11:45 a.m.  
• Visitation Valley, 2–2:45 p.m.

[19 Wednesday](#)  
**Tambourines**  
Excelsior, 2–3 p.m.

[20 Thursday](#)  
**Autumnal Placemats**  
Potrero, 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

**Therapy Pet**  
Richmond, 3–4 p.m.

**Mother-Daughter: Anne Nesbet, The Long Way Around**  
West Portal, 6:45–7:45 p.m.

[21 Friday](#)  
**Puppy Dog Tales**  
West Portal, 3–4 p.m.

[22 Saturday](#)  
**Barangay Dance Co.**  
Bayview, 1–1:45 p.m.

**Open House** Marina, 11–3 p.m.



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The mission of Friends of the San Francisco Public Library is to support, strengthen and advocate for a premier San Francisco Public Library.



Families joined in storytime, crafts, pizza and play at the Big Play Date hosted by the Parkside Branch—one of many joyful programs made possible with support from Friends of the Library.



Neighbors joined in play, crafts, and outdoor fun at the Play in Your Park Event hosted by Friends of Jackson Park, with free children's books provided by Friends of the SFPL.

## A Season of Giving at the Library

November reminds us to take a moment to reflect on all the ways that giving enriches our community. Throughout the San Francisco Public Library system, each children's storytime, author talk and reading nook is made possible by the spirit of giving that surrounds our city. Friends of the San Francisco Public Library proudly assists in channeling that kindness into opportunities for learning, discovery and connection.

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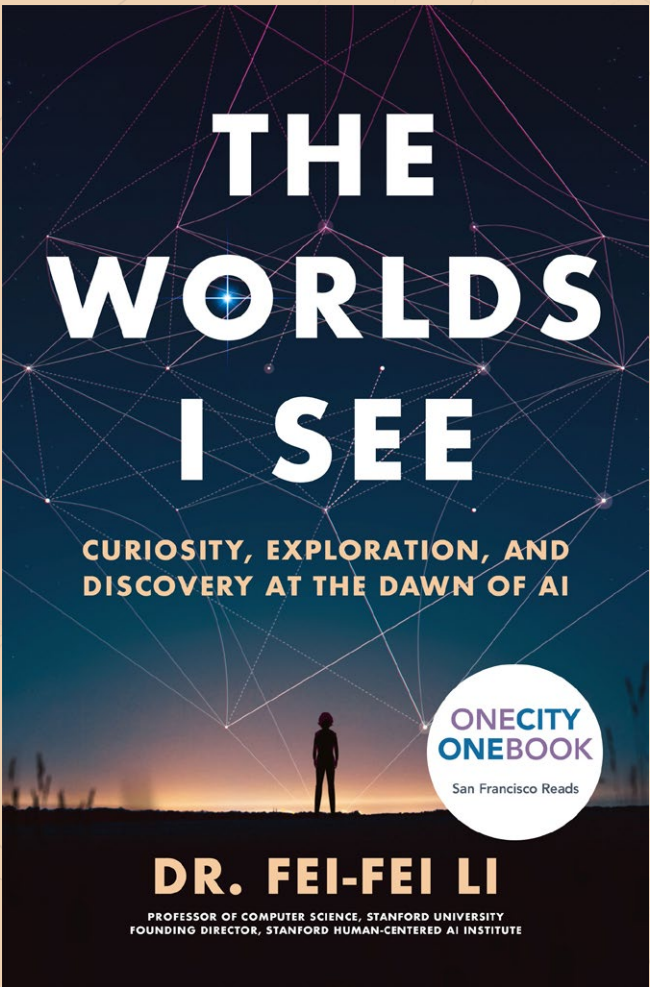
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