

AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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Take Part In One City Day

Our neighborhood libraries always shine bright, but you can help give select branches a glow-up as part of San Francisco's One City Day.

Initiated by San Francisco Mayor Daniel Lurie and First Lady Becca Prowda, it's a citywide day of volunteer service that all San Franciscans are invited to participate in, and will bring together residents, nonprofits, community groups, businesses and City employees.

One City Day takes place Saturday, July 11, with kickoff events in each of the City's 11 supervisorial districts.

The neighborhood libraries participating are:

- Merced Branch
- North Beach Branch
- Ortega Branch
- Portola Branch
- Presidio Branch
- Richmond/Senator Milton Marks Branch
- Western Addition Branch

Each location is seeking up to 10 volunteers to help with outdoor cleanup activities from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

One City Day – July 11, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
on.sfpl.org/onecityday26



Open House

Join us at the Mission Bay Library for a day of community, history and fun. Explore the Library's unique vinyl record collection, take in the beautiful views of Mission Creek and connect with neighbors, staff and local partners. Enjoy storytime, facepainting with Dana Fong and live music with the Dave Rocha Trio. Take in our newest exhibition featuring photos, art and memorabilia from the personal papers of Blanche Pastorino. Plus, pop by for a 20th anniversary cake cutting at 11 a.m.

Mission Bay Branch Open House – July 11, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Everybody's Climate

This month, connect with others to address the climate crisis in ways that are meaningful to you. SFPL's Everybody's Climate series includes films, concerts, author talks, poetry readings, book club discussions and workshops on climate communication, altar making and climate justice—as well as presentations on climate journalism, sustainable investing, public power and how to find hope after climate catastrophe.



Everybody's Climate celebrates an event for the whole family on July 11 with Library Day at The New Farm, featuring book giveaways, goats and live music by local Bay Beats musicians Luke Sweeney, Purnamasari and Fieldress.

Highlights of the Everybody's Climate series include screenings of two remarkable new documentaries, *Water for Life* and *A Radical Thread*, presented with their directors in person, and a four-part climate communication workshop that concludes with a trip to a local forest.

For more details, visit sfpl.org/everybodysclimate.

Library Day at New Farm – July 11, 11 a.m., The New Farm, 10 Cargo Way

Film Screening: *Water for Life* – July 8, 5 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Film Screening: *A Radical Thread* – July 26, 1 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level



Cat Psychology, Declawed

Learn more about the science behind cat behavior including the relationship among cat color, personality traits and intelligence from Dr. Karol Maybury, a professor of psychology at the University of Maine at Farmington and co-founder of the Maine Cat Lab.

Over the past two years, Maybury and co-researcher Bryce Cundick, MLS, of the Maine Cat Lab, with the help of 8,000 cat owners, have assessed almost 9,000 cats on feline personality traits and intelligence. Find out which types of cats were most agreeable, extroverted or introverted by delving into their research.

The Maine Cat Lab is a research group based in Western Maine, dedicated to studying feline behavior, cognition and human–cat interaction.



Dr. Karol Maybury and Bryce Cundick, MLS, of the Maine Cat Lab

The Science Behind Cat Color, Personality Traits and Intelligence – July 23, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

National Summer Learning Week

The annual National Summer Learning Week, July 6–10, is organized by the National Summer Learning Association (NSLA). Celebrate imagination, discovery and the ways communities can learn, explore and thrive during the summer months. Keep learning with the Library by attending these community events:

Compost Crafts in the Afternoon

Create with the San Francisco Environment Department and learn about composting for your garden. For ages 5 and older. Youth under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. July 7, 4 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch



Social Game Night

Bring family and friends for a night of gaming. Choose from a variety of games, and swap gently used board games with neighbors. For children and their caregivers. July 8, 4 p.m., Marina Branch



Summer Art Studio

Make the Library more creative and beautiful with art-centered, constructive volunteerism. For ages 13–18. July 9, 5 p.m., Merced Branch

Gather and Garden

Explore and enjoy the Library's community garden with activities, adventure and more. For children and their caregivers. July 9, 11 a.m., Portola Branch



Food Science Friday

Discover and taste the science of food with a new experiment each session. For ages 6 and older. July 10, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch

Coming Up:

August 5
Panel: Shaping Legacy Monument Case Studies Panel
Main Library, Koret Auditorium

August 12–13
Genealogy and Family History Symposium
Main Library, Koret Auditorium

August 22
Haight-Ashbury Small Business Stroll
Buena Vista Park, Haight St. and Buena Vista Ave.

August 22
World Arts West Legacy Artist Dialogue
Main Library, Koret Auditorium

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Events, Collections and Services



Karan Gupta and Aisha Rae McCulloch, San Francisco's current Youth Poet Laureate and Vice Laureate.

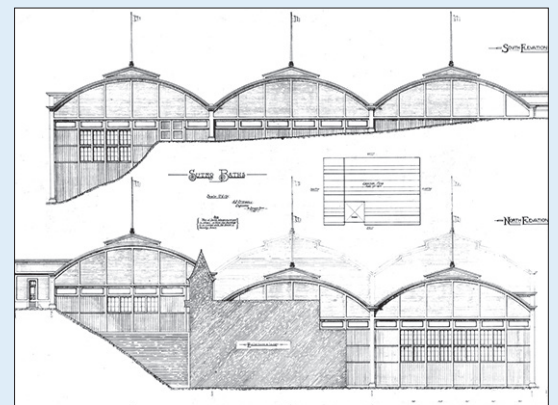
Calling Youth Poets

Are you a young poet, writer, or performer representing artistic excellence in San Francisco and between the ages of 14 and 19 years old? Applications are now open for the 2026–27 San Francisco Youth Poet Laureate cohort program.

In partnership with Youth Speaks, 826 Valencia and Mayor Daniel Lurie, San Francisco writers, poets and performers ages 14–19 are invited to apply for one of 20 spots in an advanced workshop series running September 2026 through February 2027. Two participants

will be selected as the next Youth Poet Laureate and Vice Laureate, with all cohort members receiving mentorship, publication opportunities and performances throughout the city. Applications are reviewed in June and July, with the final submission deadline on August 9 at 11:59 p.m.

Collections Corner: Sutro Baths Architectural Drawings



Sutro Baths Architectural Drawing (Building Plan 0049)

Ruins and lore are not all that remains of one of San Francisco's most iconic landmarks. Sutro Baths saw its heyday in the 1890s and early 1900s, then was destroyed by fire in 1966. Fortunately, the Sutro Baths Architectural Drawings are preserved at the San Francisco History Center. The collection of 286 drawings, sketches and prints, including original blueprints, was created between 1886 and 1952. It documents the many designs, structures and visions associated with Sutro Baths.

Alongside plans for the baths themselves, you'll also find drawings for related projects connected to the property—even proposals that were never built! A complete inventory is available at the San Francisco History Center Reference Desk. Some drawings have been digitized by the National Park Service, which now manages the property.

Presented by YELL

Youth Engaged in Library Leadership (YELL) is our summer internship intensive for 11th and 12th graders, and graduating seniors. Interns are placed in teams at many of our Library locations. All summer long, they are dedicated to learning about and supporting the library through field trips, book discussions, program assistance and more. Each team's culminating project, known as YELL Presents, is a collaborative in-person program created and executed by our teens. Projects are informed by thoughtful consideration of their strengths as a team, the interests and needs of their target audience and their desired contributions to their Library community. Some YELL Presents programs are designed for live participation, and some for self-directed engagement. Come support your San Francisco teens and enjoy any of the following YELL Presents programs.

YELL Presents

July 20, 2 p.m., North Beach Branch

July 21, 2 p.m., Ortega Branch

July 22, 2 p.m., Main Library, The Mix, 2nd Floor

July 23, 3 p.m., Richmond Branch; 5 p.m., Merced Branch

July 24, 2 p.m., Portola Branch

July 25, 12 p.m., West Portal Branch; 3 p.m., Excelsior Branch;

July 29, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch

July 30, 11 a.m., Western Addition Branch

July 31, 3 p.m., Parkside Branch

Check Out Local Music on Bay Beats



Want to check out the local music scene? Bay Beats, the Library's local music streaming platform, is your spot. Launched in 2023, Bay Beats has grown to include 481 albums by 429 local artists. In October we'll be adding 150 more albums to the site! Anyone can stream music on the Bay Beats platform (accessible online at baybeats.sfpl.org)—but if you are an SFPL library cardholder, you can log in and download individual songs or whole albums.

The selection of music on Bay Beats reflects the amazing, diverse musical talent in the Bay Area and includes albums from numerous genres: Rock, Rap, Latin, Punk, Pop, Country, Folk, Soul and more. If you're a musician yourself, we accept submissions for review March 1–May 31 every year. And don't miss the launch party this October at the Golden Gate Park bandshell for the release of the 2026 collection.

Nidhi Chanani's Favorite Reads

You can enjoy Summer Stride's featured books by Nidhi Chanani, *Super Boba Café* and *What Will My Story Be?*, at your local library. The author's appreciation of libraries goes back a long way: "From my youth to present day they've been important to my reading life," Chanani says. "I visited the library when I was young and it fostered my love of reading which is still active today."

Enjoy these books Chanani recommends for summer reading, and all year round. For the full booklist of Nidhi Chanani's recommendations, visit on.sfpl.org/nidhi-reads.



Blue by Suzanne Kaufman

A child spends a magical day by the sea with a magnificent great blue heron, blurring the line between reality and imagination in a joyful, dreamy adventure.



Swim Team by Johnnie Christmas

A Brooklyn girl forced to move to Florida discovers surprising strength, friendship and confidence as she confronts her fear of swimming and dives into a new life.



Romantic Comedy by Curtis Sittenfeld

A television writer who learns to keep love at a distance falls in love with a well-known singer.



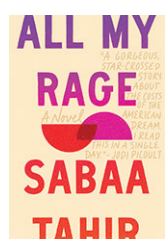
Night Market Rescue by Charlotte Cheng

A lonely stray dog discovers warmth, friendship and the hope of belonging as he explores a lively Taipei night market and unexpectedly connects with a lost little girl.



I'm an American by Darshana Khiani

A diverse classroom of children explores what it truly means to be American, weaving together family histories, values and lived experiences.



All My Rage by Sabaa Tahir

Two estranged best friends yearn to escape their racist desert town and fight to survive grief, pressure and systemic injustice.

Storytime with Bay FC

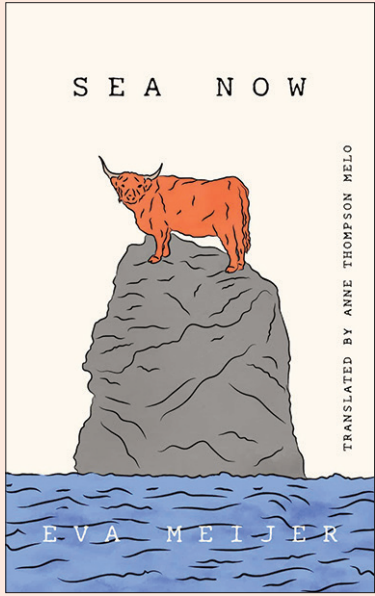
Listen to players from Bay FC—the Bay Area's professional women's soccer team in the National Women's Soccer League—read stories and share stretches. Players from the team read children's books aloud and share the importance of summer-long reading. Meet a player, enter a special raffle, take home a mini soccer stress ball and hang out with fellow Bay FC fans.



Bay FC and Ross Dress for Less are partnering all summer long to further youth education and literacy across the Bay Area by connecting with the public library systems to promote their summer reading programs.

A Read Aloud with Bay FC – July 27, 4 p.m., Park Branch





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JULY–AUGUST
Selection

Eva Meijer's *Sea Now*



Eva Meijer

Sea Now by Eva Meijer, translated by Anne Thompson Melo, is a haunting climate fiction novel set in a submerged Netherlands where rising seas have erased cities and forced survivors inland. Three women travel by boat in search of loved ones, moving through a transformed world of seabirds, whales and kelp forests. Blending philosophy and nature writing, the novel explores resilience, loss and the challenge of listening to a changing environment.

– Related Events –

Author Talk: Eva Meijer and Anne Thompson Melo in Conversation with Stegner Environmental Center Librarian Gregory Hom – Aug. 18, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Book Clubs: Eva Meijer's *Sea Now*

July 26, 2 p.m., Marina Branch

July 29, 6 p.m., Main Library, Environmental Center, 5th Floor

July 30, 7 p.m., Virtual Library

Learn more: sfpl.org/on-the-same-page



Image credit: Kirti Bassendine, Art on Market Poster Series, 2024

Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range

Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range is a photography and documentary film project amplifying the cultural stories of 10

Indigenous tribal groups in regions from the San Francisco Bay Area to Santa Barbara County: the Association of Ramaytush Ohlone, the Confederated Villages of Lisjan, the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of the San Francisco Bay Area, the Tamien Nation, Indian Canyon Chualar Tribe of the Costanoan-Ohlone People, the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band, the Rumsen Ohlone Tribal Community, the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, the Salinan Tribe of San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties and the Salinan T'rowt'raahl tribal community. The poster series *We Are Still Here*, on view in the Wallace Stegner Environmental Center, was funded and featured by the San Francisco Arts Commission's Market Street Poster Series in 2024. The project was developed by Kirti Fatania-Bassendine, a photographer and filmmaker whose work explores cultural identity, human relationships and connections between people and the natural world.

Exhibition – July 10, 2026–July 8, 2027, Main Library, Stegner Center, 5th Floor

Zine-making Workshop Inspired by *Hamburger Eyes*

Eager to learn how to make your own zine? Join us for a hands-on workshop and make your own! Inspired by the black-and-white photography zine *Hamburger Eyes*, and in connection with the current Jewett Gallery exhibition, *The Continuing Story of Life on Earth: 25 Years of Hamburger Eyes*, participants are invited to tap into their own creativity and make zines inspired by the show. Led by local artist and educator Edie Trautwein, participants will be guided through the zine-making process and will be provided with supplies, including pre-printed zine outlines, pens, crayons and glue sticks to illustrate and collage.

Zine-making Workshop – July 2, 5 p.m., Main Library, Latino Hispanic Room, Lower Level



Zine-making Workshop Inspired by *Hamburger Eyes*, Night of Ideas, 2026

Power & Public Memory: Shaping Legacy

The Power & Public Memory: Shaping Legacy Program is a series of public programs developed by the San Francisco Arts Commission that uplifts community stories and artist proposals for reimagined commemorative landscapes and inclusive spaces of public memory. The series is part of the Shaping Legacy initiative, a multi-year commitment to critically examine the monuments and memorials in San Francisco's Civic Art Collection. On July 2, SFPL launches the first program, a panel conversation with artist Kaleb Duarte, resident artists and collaborators about his temporary public art installation on Fulton Plaza, *Embassy of the Refugee: Where the United Nations Used to Be*.

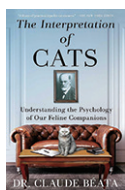


Image credit: Kaleb (Kaleb) Duarte, *Embassy of the Refugee*, 2026

Panel discussion – July 2, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Read About Cats

The Interpretation of Cats by Claude Beata



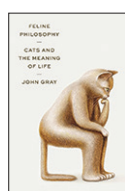
In this fascinating book—a bestseller in its native France—veterinarian and psychiatrist Beata draws on cutting-edge research and decades of experience to revolutionize our understanding of cats and transform our appreciation of feline mental wellbeing.

A Cat's Tale: A Journey Through Feline History by Paul Koudounaris



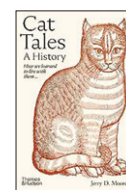
Publishers Weekly calls this a funny, charming and informative history of cats narrated by the author's own Baba, a domestic shorthair tabby. Full of fascinating historical anecdotes along with hilarious color photos of Baba in various costumes and wigs.

Feline Philosophy: Cats and the Meaning of Life by John Gray



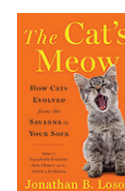
Critically acclaimed author Gray offers a feline-focused, although very serious, look at a number of topics from morality and death to the afterlife.

Cat Tales: A History – How We Learned to Live With Them...and They Learned to Live with Us by Jerry D. Moore



An exhaustive account of the entwined evolution of felines and humans. Includes illustrations and a deep historic look at the domestication of cats.

The Cat's Meow: How Cats Evolved from the Savanna to Your Sofa by Jonathan B. Losos



The author explains in an understandable and sometimes humorous way the science behind some famous cat breeds, the diversity of cat genetics, how cats communicate with each other and with their humans, and the newest high-tech cat research involving GPS and mini cameras – from *Library Journal*.

July 2026 Event Calendar

Adults

1 Wednesday

Book Swap
Golden Gate Valley, 1–2 p.m.

Sustainable Investing
Virtual, 12 p.m.

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

Intro to Clowning Anza, 4 p.m.

Dr. Eva Sheppard-Wolf
Main, Koret, 5:30 p.m.

1, 15 Wednesdays

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

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

Yoga Ingleside, 6 p.m.*

1, 8, 15 Wednesdays

Yoga North Beach, 1:15 p.m.*

Mandarin: Beginners
Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 3 p.m.*

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Wednesdays

Tai-Chi Anza, 1:30 p.m.

Tai Chi: Beginners
Western Addition, 1 p.m.

Mandarin: Beginners
Glen Park, 2:30 p.m.*

Intergenerational Mandarin
Bayview, 3 p.m.*

2 Thursday

Library Tour
Main, Atrium, 12–1 p.m.

Calligraphy / 抄經練書法
Chinatown, 2 p.m.*

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

Hamburger Eyes Zine-Making Main, Lower Level, 5–7:30 p.m.

Embassy of the Refugee
Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 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.

3 Friday

Chair Yoga Sunset, 2:30 p.m.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Fridays

Mandarin: Beginners
Ingleside, 2 p.m.*

3, 17 Fridays

Knitting Anza, 3–5 p.m.

5 Sunday

Public Power in SF / 是時候在三藩市全面實現公共電力
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2 p.m.

Karaoke Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

Board Game Swap
Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

5, 12, 19 Sundays

Climate Communication
Main, Lower Level, 1–3 p.m.

6 Monday

Chess & Go / 棋樂無窮
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 Mondays

Shut Up & Write
Potrero, 1:15–3:15 p.m.

Tai Chi with Patrick Lau
-Presidio
Beginners 1:30 p.m.
Advanced 2:15 p.m.

7 Tuesday

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

Weave Your Story
Marina, 3–4 p.m.

All About Roths Virtual, 3 p.m.

Explore Mushrooms
Excelsior, 4:30–6 p.m.

Crafting
Visitacion Valley, 4:30–6 p.m.

Protect Biodiversity in SF
Main, Environmental Ctr - 5th Fl, 5:30 p.m.

7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays

Genealogy Virtual, 12 p.m.

Mandarin: Beginners
Sunset, 12 p.m.*
Excelsior, 2 p.m.*

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

8 Wednesday

Genealogy Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

Weave Your Story
Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.*

Letters of Hope
Parkside, 4–6 p.m.

Women's Suffrage
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 6–7 p.m.

9 Thursday

Line Dancing Potrero, 12–1 p.m.

Aging & Dying Circle
Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.

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

Jazz for People who Hate Jazz Bayview, 5 p.m.

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

9, 23 Thursdays

French Convo Excelsior, 5 p.m.

10 Friday

Watercolor Greeting Card
Ortega, 2 p.m.*

Karaoke Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

10, 24 Fridays

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

Creative Art Afternoon
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2:30–4 p.m.

11 Saturday

Plant Swap
Sunset, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Cow Hollow Walking Tour
Golden Gate Valley, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.*

Open House

Mission Bay, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

SF Beekeepers

Ocean View, 11:15 a.m.

Kirk Waller: Stories & Music

Western Addition, 11:30–12:15 p.m.

Backyard Chickens

Excelsior, 11 a.m.

SFPL @ the New Farm

10 Cargo Way, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

La Familia Peña-Govea

Eureka Valley, 2–2:45 p.m.

Intro to Mime Ortega, 2 p.m.*

Purple Cloud

West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

Chinese Calligraphy

Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.*

Chair Yoga 4 Everyone

Potrero, 3 p.m.

Clowning, Juggling & More

Ingleside, 3 p.m.*

11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Mandarin: Beginners
Richmond, 10:30 a.m.*

Crafternoons / 創意無限周六午

Chinatown, 2:30–4 p.m.

Wild Goose Qigong

Marina, 8:30 a.m.

11, 25 Saturdays

Farima Berenji: Persian Dance Glen Park, 2 p.m.

12 Sunday

Manifesting Art Journals
Parkside, 2:30 p.m.*

Author: Chris Carlsson, Hidden San Francisco

Presidio, 2 p.m.

Crafting

Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

Meg Elison & Sarah Gailey

Main, Koret, 3–5 p.m.

13 Monday

Farima Berenji: Persian Dance Anza, 2 p.m.

13, 27 Mondays

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

14 Tuesday

Knit & Craft
Merced, 10:15–11:45 a.m.

Improve Financial Wellness

Virtual, 11 a.m.

Lawyers in the Library

Main, Lower Level, 1 p.m.*

Tea Tasting Ingleside, 3 p.m.*

Soundbath Portola, 4 p.m.

Cacao & Pocket Altars
Main, Lower Level, 5–7 p.m.

Soundbath

North Beach, 6:30 p.m.

On the Page, Off the Page
Park, 6 p.m.

14, 21, 28 Tuesdays

ESL Convo Club
Excelsior, 4:30 p.m.

14, 28 Tuesdays

Knitting Glen Park, 1–2:30 p.m.

Cantonese Bilingual Convo Club Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 6 p.m.

15 Wednesday

Covering Climate Now
Main, Environmental Ctr - 5th Fl, 5:30 p.m.

Dos Bandoleros: Spanish/Latin Rumba Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.*

Nuestra ciudad nuestra energía Excelsior, 6 p.m.

Author: Grace Loh Prasad, The Translator's Daughter
Sunset, 6 p.m.

Decorate Tote Bags

Parkside, 6 p.m.*

16 Thursday

Beekeeping Virtual, 11 a.m.

Transform Plastic into "Pleather" Portola, 2 p.m.*

Veterans Health Admin

Main, Atrium, 2–4 p.m.

Explore Gelli Prints

Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.*

Guided Meditations

Bernal Heights, 4:30–5 p.m.

Mini Zen Garden

Excelsior, 4 p.m.

活動：棋樂無窮
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Guided Meditations

Bernal Heights, 5–5:30 p.m.

Make Notebooks

Bayview, 5–6 p.m.

Author: Allison Carruth, Novel Ecologies Virtual, 6 p.m.

17 Friday

Coaster (Double Crochet Stitch) Ortega, 2 p.m.*

Walking Club

Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

Inspired by SFMOMA

Ocean View, 4–5 p.m.

18 Saturday

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

Creative Saturdays

Presidio, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Japanese Taiko Drumming

Ortega, 1–1:45 p.m.

Memoir Writing

Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

Drop-in Collage Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 1–3 p.m.

Paper-Cutting Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2:30 p.m.*

Author: Christopher Pollack, SF Parks Glen Park, 2 p.m.

Jazz for People who Hate Jazz Mission Bay, 2 p.m.

Fix-it Clinic: Clothes
Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

Yarn Spinning

Ocean View, 2 p.m.*

Kusudama Origami

Park, 3 p.m.*

19 Sunday

專題講座：中西文化下美國華人家庭面對的挑戰

Main, Koret, 12–5 p.m.

Correspondence Co-op

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

Jewelry Making Portola, 2 p.m.

Mending Circle

Excelsior, 2–3:30 p.m.

American Opera: Black Voices Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

Village Within a City

Noe Valley, 2–4 p.m.

Climate Justice Movement

Main, Lower Level, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

Panel: Ian Shoales, Nick Mamatas & Molly Tanzer
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 3 p.m.

21 Tuesday

Faux Stained Glass Suncatcher Sunset, 4 p.m.*

Chair Yoga 4 Everyone

West Portal, 6:30 p.m.

Author: Joaninha, Recipes for a Good Life Eureka Valley, 6 p.m.*

Author: Nina Schuyler, Afterword Merced, 6 p.m.

Author: Dr Jessi Gold, How do you feel? Virtual, 6 p.m.

Zinething Main, Hormel Ctr - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

Greg Gaar w/ Jay Blakesberg Park, 6 p.m.

22 Wednesday

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

Knitting Ortega, 2–4 p.m.

Mandarin: Beginners Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 3 p.m.*

Kirk Waller: Stories & Music
Mission Bay, 4 p.m.

Color & Chill
Western Addition, 4–5:30 p.m.

Writing Group

Excelsior, 5–6 p.m.

Author: Varla Ventura, Enchanted Plants Anza, 6 p.m.

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

Author: Osprey Orielle Lake, The Story is in Our Bones
Main, The Page - 1st Floor, 6 p.m.

23 Thursday

Paint Big Feelings
Ingleside, 1:30 p.m.*

Poetry Open Mic
North Beach, 3–5 p.m.

Lessons from Hurricane Helene
Main, Lower Level, 6 p.m.

Science of Cat Behavior
Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

24 Friday

Fight Financial Abuse
Excelsior, 2 p.m.

Long Exposure Photography
Main, Lower Level, 3–4:30 p.m.

25 Saturday

Mahjong Sunset, 1:30–3 p.m.

Sound Bath
Ingleside, 10:30 a.m.

For detailed descriptions of listings, go to sfpl.org/events. Programs run 1–2 hours in length, unless noted.

Mahjong: Beginners
Sunset, 10:30 a.m.*

Plant Swap
Ortega, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Paint Big Feelings
Bayview,



Check Out Our Summer Booklists

Road Trips [on.sfpl.org/roadbooks](https://www.sfpl.org/roadbooks)

Epic Road Trips of the Americas by Amy C. Balfour

Great Travel Movies [on.sfpl.org/travelmovies](https://www.sfpl.org/travelmovies)

The Motorcycle Diaries

We All Scream for Ice Cream! Picture Books to Melt Over [on.sfpl.org/icecream](https://www.sfpl.org/icecream)

Icy Fruit by Charlotte Cheng

Food52 Any Night Grilling [on.sfpl.org/julygrilling](https://www.sfpl.org/julygrilling)

Any Night Grilling by Paula Disbrowe

On View

[Jewett Gallery, Main Library, Lower Level](#)

The Continuing Story of Life on Earth: 25 Years of Hamburger Eyes

Celebrating its 25th anniversary, the black-and-white photography magazine *Hamburger Eyes* has blazed a trail in documentary photo publishing. Featuring more than 80 black-and-white photographs, zines, ephemera, merch and a new book coinciding with the exhibition. Through Sept. 24

[Skylight Galleries, Main Library, 6th Floor](#)

Sidewalk Stories: San Francisco, 1970s–1980s

Highlighting the work of four photographers who captured everyday scenes of San Francisco during the 1970s and '80s, *Sidewalk Stories* offers photographs sourced from our San Francisco History Collection. Through July 16. San Francisco History Center

This Must Be the Place: Photography in Print Media

Explore how artistic and commercial photography proliferated in the 1960s and 70s through an exciting display of publications from our Little Maga/Zine and History Center Collections. Through Aug. 27. Book Arts & Special Collections exhibition space, 6th Floor

[Other Exhibits, Main Library](#)

atemtuhe

atemtuhe honors the Ramaytush people, whose enduring presence on the San Francisco Peninsula continues today through deep relationship with their homelands. Through 2027. Atrium, 1st Floor

Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range

A photography and documentary film project amplifying the cultural stories of 10 Indigenous tribal groups, from the San Francisco Bay Area to Santa Barbara County. July 10, 2026–July 8, 2027. Stegner Center, 5th Floor

De Natura Libris: The Physical and Abstract Life of Books

26 black-and-white photographs accompanied by written musings by writers from different cultures and generations. Through July 30. International Center, 3rd Floor

The Unbuilding Archive: Liberated Futures for the Site of Compton's Cafeteria Riot

Commemorating the 60th anniversary of the 1966 Compton's Cafeteria riot, the first well-documented trans and queer uprising against police violence in the country, and the TurkuTaylor Initiative and Compton's x Coalition efforts to liberate the site and imagine alternative futures. Through Oct. 22. James C. Hormel LGBTQIA Center, 3rd Floor

We've Got Hamburger Eyes for SFPL's Photography Magazines

Find common touchstones of photographic practice and presentation in a curated set of selections from magazine titles available in the Bound Magazine Browsing Collection. Through July 9. Elevator Lobby, 5th Floor

We've Got Sole: Hip Hop, Hoops, and the Rise of Sneaker Culture

An exhibition paying homage to the legacy of the Black and Brown communities whose creativity, perseverance and style helped develop and shape what is now referred to as Sneaker Culture. Through Sept. 6. African American Center, 3rd Fl.

[Exhibits at the Branches](#)

Drawn to Painting: The Secret Life of a Muni Illustrator
Exhibition featuring reproductions of colored pencil drawings and oil paintings by professional artist Keith Scott Ferris. Ongoing. Portola Branch

Skateboarding San Francisco: Concrete, Community, Continuity

Satellite display celebrating the city's unique terrain and icons in skateboarding. Ongoing. Western Addition Branch

The 65th Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition

The Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition celebrates a landmark anniversary featuring artists who live, learn, work or worship on Potrero Hill and in the Dogpatch neighborhoods. Through Aug. 28. Potrero Branch

Through the Library Window: A Glance Back at Art and Community on Mission Creek

Drawing from the personal papers of Mission Bay resident and small business owner Blanche Pastorino, this exhibition reveals a layered portrait of the pier at 4th and Channel Streets. July 11–Dec. 2026. Mission Bay Branch

Book Clubs

[1 Wednesday](#)

Silent Book Club at Magnolia Park, 5:30–7 p.m.

Osprey Orielle Lake, *The Story is in Our Bones*

Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7 p.m.

[2 Thursday](#)

Elizabeth Kolbert, *The Sixth Extinction* Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

[7, 21 Tuesdays](#)

Ann Patchett, *The Dutch House* Glen Park, 1–3 p.m.

[8 Wednesday](#)

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

[8, 22 Wednesdays](#)

Silent Book Club Richmond, 3–5 p.m.

[9 Thursday](#)

Discuss Talking Books Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 3–4:30 p.m.*

[14 Tuesday](#)

Nilima Rao, *A Shipwreck in Fiji* Presidio, 3–4 p.m.

Colson Whitehead, *The Nickel Boys*

Virtual, 6–7 p.m.

[15 Wednesday](#)

Jess Walter, *So Far Gone* West Portal, 6–7 p.m.

[17 Friday](#)

Yuri Herrera, *Season of the Swamp* Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[18 Saturday](#)

Sam Kean, *Dinner with King Tut* Ortega, 11–12 p.m.

[19 Sunday](#)

Akwaeke Emezi, *Freshwater* Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[20 Monday](#)

Anne Berest, *The Postcard* Golden Gate Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[21 Tuesday](#)

Harper Lee, *To Kill a Mockingbird* Bernal Heights, 2–4 p.m.

Rosario Castellanos, *Cartas encontradas (1966-1974)*

Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

[23 Thursday](#)

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

[24 Friday](#)

Philip Pullman, *The Subtle Knife* Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[25 Saturday](#)

读书会：我与地坛 Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10–11 a.m.

[Longform Article Club](#)

Virtual, 10–11:30 a.m.

[26 Sunday](#)

Eva Meijer, *Sea Now* Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.

Talia Hibbert, *Get a Life, Chloe Brown*

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

[28 Tuesday](#)

Madeleine L'Engle, *A Wrinkle in Time* Visitacion Valley, 4–5:30 p.m.

[Luis Alberto Urrea, *The Hummingbird's Daughter*](#)

Excelsior, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

[29 Wednesday](#)

Candace Millard, *The Destiny of the Republic* Mission Bay, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

[Eva Meijer, *Sea Now*](#)

Main, Environmental Ctr - 5th Fl, 6–7 p.m.

[30 Thursday](#)

Talking Book Club Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 12–1:30 p.m.*

[Eva Meijer, *Sea Now*](#)

Virtual, 7–8 p.m.

Films

[7 Tuesday](#)

Memento (+Discussion) North Beach, 5 p.m.

[8 Wednesday](#)

Water For Life (+Discussion) Main, Koret, 5 p.m.

[13 Monday](#)

Gilda Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

[14 Tuesday](#)

Parting Glances Eureka Valley, 5:30 p.m.

Blurring The Color Line

(+Discussion) Main, Koret, 5 p.m.

Machuca (+Discussion)

North Beach, 5 p.m.

[15 Wednesday](#)

Harold and Maude Park, 5 p.m.

[16 Thursday](#)

How to Power a City Main, Lower Level, 12 p.m.

[21 Tuesday](#)

Nightcrawler (+Discussion) North Beach, 5 p.m.

[22 Wednesday](#)

How to Power A City Chinatown, 1 p.m.

Elemental: Reimagine Wildfire

Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

[26 Sunday](#)

A Radical Thread (+Discussion) Main, Lower Level, 1 p.m.

O Brother, Where Art Thou?

Glen Park, 2 p.m.

[27 Monday](#)

Woman in Hiding Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

[28 Tuesday](#)

Venus Boyz Eureka Valley, 5:30 p.m.

Loving Vincent

(+Discussion) North Beach, 5 p.m.

Tech Time

[1, 15 Wednesdays](#)

Tech Savvy at 60+ (Cantonese) Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

[1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Wednesdays](#)

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

[2, 16, 30 Thursdays](#)

MS Excel: Beginners Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 10–12 p.m.

[6 Monday](#)

Book A Librarian Marina, 3:30–5 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays](#)

教程：基本科技協助 (中文和英文) / **English & Chinese Tech Drop-In** Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 10–12 p.m.

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

[10 Friday](#)

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

[10, 24 Fridays](#)

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

[11 Saturday](#)

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

[11, 18, 25 Saturdays](#)

Tech Help West Portal, 12–4 p.m.

Tech Help / 科技協助

Sunset, 2–4 p.m.

[14 Tuesday](#)

Tech Time Marina, 2–3 p.m.

[16 Thursday](#)

WeChat Basics/微信基礎 Chinatown, 2–3:30 p.m.*

[17 Friday](#)

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

[23 Thursday](#)

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

[29 Wednesday](#)

Computer Skills Certificate Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 4–6 p.m.

Teens

The Mix at Main

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

[1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Wednesdays](#)

Rising Creators 1–3 p.m.

[2 Thursday](#)

Guitar Pedals, Experimental 5–6 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Tuesdays](#)

Rising Creators 1–3 p.m.
Sewing Basics 5–6 p.m.

[9 Thursday](#)

Dragon/Box Bookmaking 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

[22 Wednesday](#)

Cyanotype (Sun Prints) Portraits 2–4 p.m.

At the Branches

[1 Wednesday](#)

Jeweled Coasters North Beach, 3–4:30 p.m.

[2, 9, 23, 30 Thursdays](#)

Art Studio Merced, 5 p.m.

[3 Friday](#)

Watercolor Glen Park, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

[5 Sunday](#)

Chess Club Ingleside, 8–9 a.m.

[5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays](#)

Chess Club Ingleside, 2:30–4 p.m.

[8 Wednesday](#)

Pom Pom Making North Beach, 3 p.m.

[15 Wednesday](#)

Finger Knitting North Beach, 3 p.m.

[16 Thursday](#)

Journal Writing Excelsior, 1 p.m.*

Tiny Collage Merced, 5 p.m.

[17 Friday](#)

Sticker Keychain Portola, 2 p.m.*

[18 Saturday](#)

Gardening Merced, 11 a.m.

UC Admission Reps

West Portal, 1–4 p.m.

[29 Wednesday](#)

DIY Easy Snacks West Portal, 2–3:30 p.m.

July 2026 Event Calendar



Children's Storytimes

Storytimes for Babies

Songs, rhymes and books for infants and their caregivers.

Anza – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 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, 10:15–10:45 a.m.*
 Ingleside – Every Tuesday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.
 Main – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Merced – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 Mission Bay – Every Thursday, 10:15–11 a.m.*
 North Beach – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 Ortega – Every Thursday, 11:30–12 p.m.
 Park – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 11–12 p.m.
 Potrero – Every Tuesday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.*
 Presidio – Every Thursday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 Richmond – Every Monday, 11–12 p.m.*
 Sunset – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Visitacion Valley – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 West Portal – Every Wednesday, 10:30 a.m & 11:30 a.m.*
 Western Addition – Every Tuesday, 11:45–12:15 p.m.

Storytimes for Toddlers

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

Bernal Heights – Every Thursday, 10–10:30 a.m.*
 Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 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.*
 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 – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.*
 Noe Valley – Every Monday, 11:15–11:45 a.m.*
 North Beach – Every Thursday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 Ocean View – Every Thursday, 11:30–12 p.m.
 Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
 Ortega – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Park – 6, 13, 20, Mondays, 3:30–4 p.m.
 Parkside – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Portola – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Potrero – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.*
 Presidio – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
 Richmond – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
 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, 11:30–12 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 Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.
 Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
 Chinatown – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
 Marina – Every Friday, 3–3:30 p.m.
 Mission Bay – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.*
 North Beach – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
 Parkside – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Portola – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

Storytimes for Families

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

Anza – Every Thursday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
 Bernal Heights – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 10–10:30 a.m.*
 Chinatown – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 2–2:30 p.m.
 Excelsior – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)
 Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Glen Park – 8, 22, Wednesdays, 7–7:30 p.m.
 Golden Gate Valley – Every Friday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.*
 Main – 18, 25, Saturdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
 Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:15 a.m.
 Main (Salesforce Park Roof) – 1, 15, 29, Wed., 10–10:30 a.m.
 Marina – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
 Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Merced – Every Wednesday, 2–2:30 p.m.
 Mission Bay (Mission Creek Park South) – 15, Wed., 10–11 a.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 – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
 29, Wednesday, 6:30–7:30 p.m.
 Potrero – 2, Thursday, 10 am. & 10:30 a.m.*
 Sunset – 11, 18, 25, Saturdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
 Western Addition – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

Swing Into Stories

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

1st Tuesday – Garfield Square Playground
 (Treat Ave. & 26th St.)
 2nd Tuesday – Koret Children's Playground
 (Carousel at Golden Gate Park)
 3rd Tuesday – Helen Wills Playground
 (1401 Broadway)
 4th Tuesday – Redwood Grove Playground
 (McLaren Park, 200 John F. Shelley Dr.)

Children

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Early Childhood

2 Thursday

Mini-Makers
 Merced, 11–11:30 a.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 Mondays

Morning Play
 North Beach, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

9, 23 Thursdays

Gather & Garden
 Portola, 11 a.m.

11 Saturday

Little Artists
 Eureka Valley, 10 a.m.

11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Music Circle
 Potrero, 10:15–11 a.m.

13, 27 Mondays

Fun Dance Party
 Glen Park, 10 a.m.

18 Saturday

Play Date
 Ingleside, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

21 Tuesday

Little Artists
 Parkside, 11:15 a.m.–12 p.m.

Elementary School Age

1 Wednesday

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

2 Thursday

LEGO Free Play
 Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.

Tabletop Board Games

Anza, 3 p.m.

LEGO & Boat Building

North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

2, 16, 30 Thursdays

Pokémon Trading Card Game
 Richmond, 2–3:30 p.m.

2, 9, 16, 23 Thursdays

Summer Math Camp
 Excelsior, 4–5:30 p.m.

5 Sunday

LEGO Robotics
 Merced, 2:30–4 p.m.

LEGO & STEM Free Play

Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Sundays

Board Games Sunset, 1–4 p.m.

6 Monday

Hexaflexagons
 Glen Park, 3 p.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 Monday

Watercolor Excelsior, 4 p.m.

7 Tuesday

LEGO Free Play
 Richmond, 1–2:30 p.m.

Tree Frog Treks Merced, 2 p.m.*

Compost Crafternoon

Bernal Heights, 4 p.m.

Kimchi & Krautchi

Presidio, 4 p.m.

7, 14, 21 Tuesdays

Summer Math Camp
 Excelsior, 4–5:30 p.m.

8 Wednesday

It's Yoga Kids Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 11:30 a.m.

Rock the Bike Ortega, 2–3:30 p.m.

Game Night Marina, 4–6 p.m.

8, 22, 29 Wednesdays

Art Club Excelsior, 4 p.m.

9 Thursday

Play Dough Richmond, 1–2:30 p.m.

LEGO Robotics Excelsior, 2 p.m.

10 Friday

Slime Lab & Sensory Fun
 Anza, 3 p.m.*

Food Science Sunset, 3 p.m.

DIY Lava Lamps
 Western Addition, 3 p.m.*

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

11 Saturday

Puppy Dog Tales Potrero, 11 a.m.

Kimchi & Krautchi

Glen Park, 4 p.m.

11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Chess Club Excelsior, 1–3 p.m.

11, 25 Saturdays

Origami Sunset, 2 p.m.

12 Sunday

DIY Super Bouncy Ball
 Merced, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Slime

Golden Gate Valley, 2 p.m.

Kimchi & Krautchi Portola, 2 p.m.

Tie-dye Summer Butterflies
 West Portal, 2 p.m.

13 Monday

LEGO & Magna-Tiles
 Parkside, 2 p.m.

A Bit About Bats

Mission Bay, 3–3:45 p.m.

Slime Time Ingleside, 3 p.m.

14 Tuesday

Worm Play West Portal, 1:30 p.m.

Rainbow Breakfast Bowls
 Richmond, 11 a.m.*

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

11, 18, 25 Saturdays

Playtime Glen Park,
 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

12 Sunday

Therapy Dog
 Ortega, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Sun Prints Mission Bay, 2 p.m.

Film: Finding Nemo

Glen Park, 2 p.m.

12, 19, 26 Sundays

Mandarin Class
 Ocean View, 1:30 p.m.*

LEGO Letterpress Printing

Bayview, 2 p.m.*

Rainbow Breakfast Bowls

Anza, 3 p.m.*

Tree Frog Treks Parkside, 3 p.m.*

15 Wednesday

Marble Machines
 Marina, 1:30–3 p.m.

Tree Frog Treks Sunset, 1 p.m.

Keva Contraptions

Visitacion Valley, 1–2:30 p.m.

Magic w/ Perry Yan

Ortega, 2–2:45 p.m.

LEGO & STEM Free Play

Anza, 3:30–5 p.m.

Pool-Noodle Pompom Shooters
 Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

Slime Sunset, 3 p.m.

Slime Time Excelsior, 4 p.m.

16 Thursday

Tinkering Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.

Magic w/ Perry Yan

Western Addition, 2–2:45 p.m.

Make Play Dough

Ocean View, 4:30 p.m.*

LEGO & Lava Lamps

North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

17 Friday

Shrinky Dinks Parkside, 3 p.m.

18 Saturday

Tree Frog Treks
 North Beach, 11 a.m.*

Turkish Story Hr

Potrero, 2–3:30 p.m.

19 Sunday

LEGO Robotics Sunset, 2 p.m.

20 Monday

LEGO WeDo 2.0 Portola, 3 p.m.

21 Tuesday

Lizard Lady Reptiles
 Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.*

Magic w/ Perry Yan

Noe Valley, 5–5:45 p.m.

22 Wednesday

Giant Bubble Play
 Marina, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Slime Time Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 2 p.m.

KEVA Contraptions

Presidio, 2 p.m.

Magic w/ Perry Yan

Potrero, 5–5:45 p.m.

23 Thursday

Prescott Circus Theatre
 Ocean View, 3 p.m.

Cascada de Flores: Stories & Music

Potrero, 3 p.m.

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

14 Tuesday

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

15 Wednesday

Nature Hike West Portal, 2 p.m.

18 Saturday

Stories & Songs w/ Kirk Waller
 Excelsior, 11:15 a.m.

19 Sunday

Puppy Dog Tales
 Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.

Game Time

West Portal, 2–3:30 p.m.

22 Wednesday

LEGO Letterpress Printing
 West Portal, 2 p.m.

Crochet, Nautical Theme

Ingleside, 4 p.m.

Giant Bubble Play

Anza, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

30 Thursday

Book Club for Mom-Daughter, Sloan's Finding Lost
 West Portal, 6:45 p.m.

31 Friday

OctoPlay Bayview, 1:30 p.m.

Summerween

Eureka Valley, 3–4 p.m.

Family

2 Thursday

Book Club for Boys: The Honey Jar West Portal, 6:45 p.m.

7 Tuesday

Fur, Scales & Tails Animal Show Park, 4–4:45 p.m.

9 Thursday

Therapy Dog
 Ortega, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

11 Saturday

Story Hour in ASL Main, Deaf Services - 1st Fl, 1:30p.m.

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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	9–6	9–8	9–8	9–8	12–6	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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