

AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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Last Call for Summer Stride

Your favorite summer reading program ends on August 31. Be sure to log your last few hours—or finish five activities on the 2026 Adult Challenge Card—and come in to get your adorable tote bag finishing prize! You can also keep striding to 40 hours or 10 activities to get that snazzy bandana... while supplies last.

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August Open House

Come celebrate Ocean View Branch's annual Open House! Starting at 11 a.m. join in on a watercolor activity with Vica Lew. At noon, enjoy light refreshments, and at 2 p.m. experience the Insect Discovery Lab with SaveNature.Org.

Ocean View Open House – Aug. 15, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

Genealogy and Family History Symposium

The annual two-day Genealogy and Family History Symposium at the Main Library has expanded this year. San Francisco Public Library (SFPL) is partnering with the California Genealogical Society (CGS) to bring speakers from SFPL, CGS, the Oakland FamilySearch Center, SFgenealogy and other organizations to give presentations on a wide range of topics, including genetic genealogy, researching San Francisco ancestors, how to use *FamilySearch.org* and how to research specific topics such as African American, Portuguese, Chinese, Filipino American, Russian American ancestries and more.

You will also be able to learn about the plentiful physical and electronic resources available at SFPL that can aid your research. Additionally, there will be ample opportunities to connect with fellow family historians, join discussion groups and speak with representatives from Ancestry, the Sutro Library, the Oakland FamilySearch Center, CGS and the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California. For a full schedule of events, see sfpl.org/gfhs.

Genealogy and Family History Symposium 2026 – Aug. 12 and 13, 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Lobby, Lower Level



Filipino boxer Pancho Villa, c. 1920, SF News Call Bulletin Photo Morgue, SF History Center

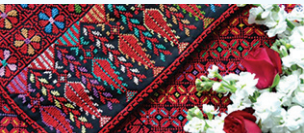
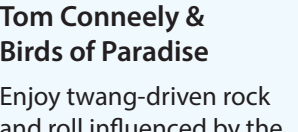
Little Brown Dolls No More

Little Brown Dolls No More: The Rise of Filipino Boxers in the Squared Circle pays reverence to Filipino boxers and their innovation to American boxing, a colonial import turned powerful expression of identity, resilience and resistance. The “little brown doll of the Philippines” was a patronizing nickname used by sports writers in the 1920s and 1930s to refer to Filipino boxers. The boxing ring or “the squared circle,” however, became a platform for these fighters to claim dignity, pride and visibility in the early twentieth century. The exhibition explores how colonial relationships facilitated the movement of people, culture and sport from the Presidio of San Francisco to the Philippines, and then back to San Francisco where these young Filipino men threw their first punches on American soil.

Exhibition: Little Brown Dolls No More: The Rise of Filipino Boxers in the Squared Circle – Aug. 21, 2026–Jan. 14, 2027, Main Library, Filipino American History Center and International Center, 3rd Floor

Opening Reception – Sept. 3, Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

— Summer Stride Programming —

YOUTH		ADULT		ALL AGES	
	Musical Stories with Cascada de Flores		Farima Berenji, <i>Companions of the Sun</i>		Julia Vee, <i>Phoenix Hoard Series</i>
	Enjoy a telling of <i>El Brujo y la Sirena</i> , <i>The Wizard and the Mermaid</i> : a story about the sea, with music from Latin America and the Caribbean.		Experience Persian dance traditions through live performance and a book talk exploring Iranian dance, ritual and spirituality.		Hear about dragons, magic, world-building and the creative process behind the fantasy series.
	Aug. 1, 11 a.m., Excelsior Branch		Aug. 1, 1 p.m., Potrero Branch		Aug. 9, 3 p.m., Marina Branch
			Aug. 16, 2 p.m., Portola Branch		
	LEGO Letterpress Printing with Arion Press		Edible and Poisonous Mushrooms of Northern California		Birding with Golden Gate Bird Alliance
	Learn about the history of letterpress printing and make your own keepsake with LEGO and a tabletop letterpress. Reservations required.		Learn mushroom identification and the differences between edible and poisonous varieties through hands-on exploration.		Improve your birding skills with expert guidance and learn the basics of birdwatching. Dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes.
	Aug. 5, 5 p.m., Glen Park Branch		Aug. 1, 2:30 p.m., Noe Valley Branch		Aug. 1, 10 a.m., Presidio Branch
					Aug. 5, 10 a.m., Sunset Branch
	Local Talent with Music Is First! Band		Tom Conneely & <i>Birds of Paradise</i>		San Francisco Beekeeper's Association
	Listen to the Music Is First! Band live as they share their love of music and childhood education. For ages 4–12 and their caregivers.		Enjoy twang-driven rock and roll influenced by the Bakersfield sound and classic harmony traditions.		Learn about urban beekeeping, bee biology, pollination and communication while viewing a live observation hive and sampling honey.
	Aug. 6, 12:15 p.m., Richmond Branch		Aug. 22, 2 p.m., Ortega Branch		Aug. 1, 11:30 a.m., North Beach Branch
	Aug. 6, 3 p.m., Parkside Branch				Aug. 12, 11:15 a.m., Excelsior Branch
	Letters of Hope and Art for Connection		Creating Music with AI		Letters of Hope and Art for Connection
	Create handwritten letters and artwork for care packages that spread kindness and support.		Create music using your voice, instruments and AI tools in a collaborative, hands-on workshop for all experience levels.		Create handwritten letters and artwork for care packages that spread kindness and support.
	Aug. 11, 4 p.m., West Portal Branch		Aug. 23, 2 p.m., Portola Branch		Aug. 22, 2 p.m., Noe Valley Branch
	Inventurous: Transform Plastic into “Pleather”		Weave Yourself Into Your Story with Cristina Edwards		Inventurous: Transform Plastic into “Pleather”
	Transform everyday plastic waste into durable, fabric-like material using heat and pressure.		Create a bookmark, wall hanging or patch while learning about weaving traditions from around the world.		Transform everyday plastic waste into durable, fabric-like material using heat and pressure.
	Aug. 25, 2 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch		Aug. 29, 1 p.m., Ortega Branch		Aug. 25, 2 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

Coming Up:

September 2 Shaping Legacy Mini Film Fest Main Library, Koret Auditorium	September 9 Mapping Genocide with SF's American Indian Cultural District Main Library, Koret Auditorium	September 19 45th Annual Northern California Book Awards Main Library, Koret Auditorium	September 26 Día de la Ingeniería/ Engineering Day Exploratorium, Pier 15 (Embarcadero at Green St.)
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Events, Collections and Services



Left to Right: Potrero Branch, Ingleside Branch, Ortega Branch

Friendly, Quiet Spaces at Your Library

With 27 Branch Library locations plus the Main Library, there's always a free place for youth, families, college students and adults to study or work. With free Wi-Fi, bathrooms and plenty of outlets, these staff-recommended spaces offer great environments to focus, be productive and work alongside others across the city.

Library Outdoors

Eureka Valley Branch

An outdoor patio spot for quiet contemplation or reading a book, offering greenery and relative privacy near the heart of the Castro.

Noe Valley Branch

If you enjoy being outdoors, visit a lush garden located at the back of the library. Maintained by community volunteers, it offers tables, chairs and a peaceful place to read, study or relax.

Ortega Branch

This lively branch is popular with youth, families and adults—and you can join in the energy. When you need a break from studying, step out into the reading garden to take in an impressive ocean view.

Just For Teens

Glen Park Branch

Because the City has limited spaces designed specifically for teens, this library's dedicated teen area is a gem. Enjoy natural light, tables for working and the convenience of being close to the print station.

Ingleside Branch

Teens can use this welcoming space anytime, with exclusive teen-only access during after-school hours. Make use of the worktable, comfy chairs and four desktop public computers with Internet access.

Take In an Inspiring City View

Potrero Branch

The Library located atop a hill offers a skyline view of the City. Settle into comfy chairs on the second floor to read or relax or visit the Children's Area to enjoy a similar scenic outlook.

If you're looking for library study rooms, we have those too! Check which locations offer Study Rooms and learn how to reserve one: sfpl.org/study-rooms

Comfy Spaces at Main

Deaf Services Center, 1st Floor

This welcoming center includes seating for children and adults, comfy reading chairs and study carrels for independent work. It's also home to a vibrant mural and specialized assistive technology for the Deaf community.

Small Business and Jobs & Career Centers, 4th Floor

A great spot to explore resources for your next hustle, career advancement and support for small business owners, this area offers a cozy, office-like atmosphere with natural light from the Atrium.

Magazines & Newspapers Reading Room, 5th Floor

With high ceilings, open table seating, and light streaming from the atrium skylight, the reading room is an inviting place to catch up on the day's news or catch up on your work.

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facebook.com/sfpl.org

x.com/SFPublicLibrary

instagram.com/sfpubliclibrary

youtube.com/user/SanFranciscoLibrary

Collections Corner:

Treasure Island's History with the Federal Theatre Project

For a brief time during the Golden Gate International Exposition, Treasure Island hosted sold-out theatrical works of children's plays, new African American plays, modern dance performances and shows in French, Spanish, Italian and German. Offerings included the Broadway hit *Swing Mikado* and *One Third of a Nation* (an exposé of housing conditions in New York City) as well as other topical "Living Newspaper" plays.

Designed as a combined work-relief program and artistic experiment, the project was funded by the Works Progress Administration. Productions were intended to be relevant to all Americans as well as entertaining. San Francisco shows were mounted at the Alcazar Theatre beginning in 1936. Political opposition prompted Congress to end the project in June of 1939.

The Doris Cook Federal Theatre at Golden Gate International Exposition Collection notably includes printed programs and brochures. The collection is available at the San Francisco History Center in the Main Library.



Image: Brochure, 1939, Doris Cook Federal Theatre at Golden Gate International Exposition Collection

Ready or Not, School is Back!

It's that time of year again—the start of the new school year, and if you're a parent or caregiver, you're probably feeling relief mixed with the quiet pride of surviving another summer, or if you're a student, questioning why someone hasn't invented a time machine yet.

No matter what mood you're in, the Library has you covered! These eResources will help before and during the school year:

Brainfuse Homework & Job Help – On-demand (1 p.m.–10 p.m.) one-to-one homework help in English, Spanish and Cantonese for K–12, college and adult learners. Subjects include math, science,

digital literacy, English and more. Features writing assistance, a practice test center, digital literacy help and a 24/7 question center.

In Context: Opposing Viewpoints –

Find balanced "pro" and "con" arguments on controversial social issues.

Science Online – Covers a broad spectrum of scientific disciplines with definitions, essays, diagrams and experiments.

To lessen your stress, you can find all of the databases seen above under Articles & Databases at sfpl.org/articles-databases.



Haight-Ashbury Small Business Stroll

Explore the Haight-Ashbury neighborhood during this guided stroll presented by the Library's Small

Business Center in partnership with the Park Branch. Known for its independent spirit, the Haight is home to eclectic retailers, neighborhood institutions and creative entrepreneurs. Visit six local businesses, including Pipe Dreams, Love on Haight and San Francisco Mercantile, and hear their stories. Each stop includes a brief Q&A with a business owner or manager, followed by time to browse, shop and connect. The event concludes with a community raffle featuring prizes from participating businesses.

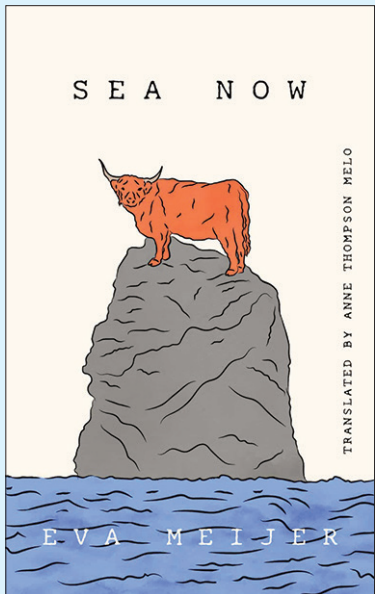
Haight-Ashbury Small Business Stroll – Aug. 22, 2 p.m., Buena Vista Park (Haight St. and Buena Vista Avenue W.) Learn more: on.sfpl.org/haightbizstroll

Employment Resource Fair

SFPL and the Division of Adult Parole Operations are partnering to connect system-impacted job seekers with employment opportunities, career resources and support services. Meet employers and community organizations offering resources related to housing, education and reentry. The event also features presentations from the San Francisco Department of Human Resources and California Department of Human Resources on City and State employment pathways, hiring processes and application systems.

Open to job seekers with conviction histories as well as other community members interested in exploring opportunities and understanding the application process.

Employment Resource Fair – Aug. 6, 9:30 a.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level and Latino/Hispanic Meeting Room, Lower Level



ON THE SAME PAGE

JULY–AUGUST
Selection

Eva Meijer's *Sea Now*

On the Same Page Read-Alikes



If you liked *Sea Now*, these titles explore climate fiction and philosophical eco-narratives that imagine a world reshaped by rising seas, shifting ecosystems and human response. These read-alikes for *Sea Now* highlight environmental collapse, multispecies perspectives and experimental storytelling.

***Venomous Lumpsucker* by Ned Beuman**
***Weather* by Jenny Offill**
***The Swan Book* by Alexis Wright**
***Creation Lake* by Rachel Kushner**

– Related Event –

Don't miss author Eva Meijer, translator Anne Thompson Melo and Gregory Hom, Environmental Center Librarian discussing *Sea Now*, a haunting work of climate fiction set in a submerged Netherlands. **Aug. 18, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level**

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



Eva Meijer

Listen Before You Go: Outside Lands 2026 Artists

Can't make it to the festival? Explore music from artists featured at Outside Lands 2026 with these albums available from San Francisco Public Library. From indie rock and hip-hop to electronic, pop and folk, discover your next favorite artist. on.sfpl.org/OutsideLands2026



***Wuthering Heights* by Charli XCX**
***Ask That God* by Empire of the Sun**
***Fancy That* by PinkPantheress**

World Arts West: A 50-year Legacy of Ethnic Dance



Participants in the 2023 World Arts West Dance Festival Courtesy of World Arts West

Long recognized for producing the nationally acclaimed San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival and as a supporter of more than 450 Bay Area dance companies, World Arts West marks 50 years in 2026.

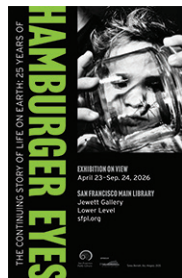
As part of its anniversary celebration, the San Francisco-based nonprofit hosts a panel discussion at the Main Library to document the legacies of foundational Bay Area dance legends:

- Deborah Vaughn, Dimensions Dance Theater
- Mythili Kumar, Abhinaya Dance Company of San José
- Naomi Diouf, Diamano Coura West African Dance Company
- Roy & PJ Hirabayashi, San Jose Taiko

These esteemed elders are featured in an afternoon of discussion and memories moderated by World Arts West CEO Dr. Anne Huang and Artistic Director of Los Lupeños de San José, Samuel Cortez.

World Arts West Legacy Artist Dialogue – Aug. 22, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Hamburger Eyes Video Fest



Famed as a mag for edgy black-and-white photography, *Hamburger Eyes* is less well known for the video works by founder Ray Potes and his collaborators. Over the past 25 years, Ray has catalyzed a global community of photographers whose boundless talents will be showcased during the *Hamburger Eyes* Video Fest. Coinciding with the current exhibition in Jewett Gallery, *The Continuing Story of Life on Earth: 25 Years of Hamburger Eyes*, the Library will be screening a documentary that foregrounds the rise of

Hamburger Eyes and invites viewers to learn more about the history of the inimitable zine. Also featured are short videos by notable photographers such as Tobin Yelland, Casey Jones, Troy Holden, Ryan Florig, Kappy and more.

Video Fest – Aug. 6, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Film: *The Auntie Sewing Squad Resistance Playbook*

Go back in time to when a mask shortage unleashed mass panic during the COVID-19 pandemic. Enter a collective of mostly Asian American and BIPOC women who joined forces to volunteer countless hours sewing masks and distributing them to protect vulnerable communities. Learn their story in *The Auntie Sewing Squad Resistance Playbook* by filmmaker Valerie Soe, starring author Kristina Wong (*Auntie Kristina's Guide to Asian American Activism*). A Q&A and book signing follow the film.



Valerie Soe, Kristina Wong

Presentation & Film Screening – Aug. 15, 1 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

— Back to School Reading Recommendations —

Picture Stories for Young Readers

Whether you're starting kindergarten, first grade or a brand-new school, these picture books explore first-day jitters, new friendships, caring teachers and the exciting adventures that await in the classroom. on.sfpl.org/SchoolPictures



***Big Kids* by K.L. Going**
On the first day of school, a young child is surrounded by seemingly enormous "big kids" everywhere they look. A reassuring story about overcoming feelings of intimidation and finding confidence in a new environment.



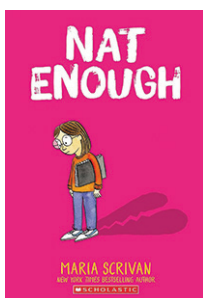
***Fish Don't Go to School* by Deb Pilutti**
Henry wears his beloved sparkly fish costume to help him face first-day nerves. As he grows more comfortable throughout the day, he gradually sheds pieces of the costume—and discovers he can be himself at school.



***Narwhal vs. Kindergarten* by Vanessa Roeder**
A narwhal's horn creates unexpected challenges during the first week of kindergarten. With help from new friends, he learns that accommodations and teamwork can make school a welcoming place for everyone.

Fiction for Middle School Readers

Summer is over, and a new school year is beginning. These middle school novels and graphic novels feature fresh starts, school adventures and all the ups and downs of classroom life. on.sfpl.org/MiddleSchool



***Nat Enough* by Maria Scrivan**
Natalie starts middle school feeling she's not athletic, stylish or talented enough—especially when her best friend begins drifting away. A relatable graphic novel about friendship and self-confidence.

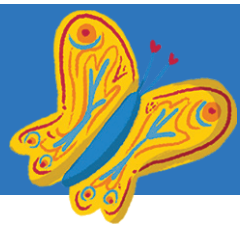


***Fresh Start* by Gale Galligan**
After years of moving from country to country, Ollie thinks starting at a new school will be easy. Instead, she discovers that fitting in and making friends may be more complicated than she expected.



***Let's Go, Coco!* by Coco Fox**
Coco joins her school basketball team hoping to make new friends, but soon finds herself juggling teammates, crushes and unexpected challenges on and off the court.

August 2026 Event Calendar



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

Adults

1 Saturday

Mindfulness Golden Gate Valley, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Knitting Circle Noe Valley, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

GG Bird Alliance Presidio, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SF Beekeeper’s Assoc North Beach, 11:30 a.m.

Persian Dance: Farima Berenji Potrero, 1 p.m.*

AIDS Quilt Workshop Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 12–4 p.m.

Intro to Natural Dyeing Bayview, 1–3 p.m.

Mushrooms of NorCal Noe Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.

Chair Yoga 4 Everyone Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.*

Meditative Drawing West Portal, 2 p.m.*

La reSONancia del Barrio Park, 3 p.m.

Author: James Michael Buckley, *City of Wood* Ocean View, 3 p.m.

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

1, 15, 29 Saturdays

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

1, 8 Saturdays
Mandarin: Beginners Richmond, 10:30 a.m.*

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

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

Wild Goose Qigong Marina, 8:30 a.m.

2 Sunday

Owl Awareness Day Bayview, 1:30–3 p.m.

Karaoke Glen Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

Go 圍棋 Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 2–4 p.m.

Free Journal Hour Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

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

3 Monday

活動：棋樂無窮 Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Blood Drive Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.

Tea Tasting Golden Gate Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

3, 10 Mondays

Intergenerational Mandarin Class Potrero, 3:30 p.m.*

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mondays

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

Tai Chi w/ Patrick Lau Presidio
Beginners: 1:30 p.m.
Advanced: 2:15 p.m.

4 Tuesday

Decorate Your Tote Bag Excelsior, 2–4 p.m.

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

4, 11, 18, 25 Tuesdays

預約圖書館員 / Book a Librarian Chinatown, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.*

Genealogy Club Virtual, 12 p.m.

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

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

5 Wednesday

Birding Sunset, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

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

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

Monument Case Studies Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

5, 12 Wednesdays

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

Knitting Ortega, 2–4 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26 Wednesdays

Tai-Chi Anza, 1:30–3 p.m.

Tai Chi: Beginners Western Addition, 1–2 p.m.

5, 19 Wednesdays

Mandarin Bilingual Convo Club Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10–11 a.m.

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

Yoga Ingleside, 6 p.m.*

6 Thursday

Bay Area Legal Aid: Housing Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 1–2:30 p.m.

Gelli Prints Mission Bay, 1 p.m.*

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

Intro to Mime West Portal, 5 p.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 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.

7 Friday

Main Tour Main, Atrium, 12–1 p.m.

Chair Yoga Sunset, 2:30 p.m.*

Therapy Pets Visitacion Valley, 4–5 p.m.

7, 21 Fridays

Watercolor Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.

Knitting Anza, 3–5 p.m.

8 Saturday

Plant Swap Ingleside, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Creative Saturdays Presidio, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Felt Koala Ortega, 11 a.m.*

Blood Drive Portola, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Paint Big Feelings Western Addition, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Intro to Natural Dyeing North Beach, 1–3 p.m.

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

Chinese Calligraphy & Chess Visitacion Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

Tribute to Manongs & Manangs Main, Lower Level, 2 p.m.*

9 Sunday

Upcycled Book Page Bouquet Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

Author: Julia Vee, *Phoenix Hoard Series* Marina, 3 p.m.

Author: Judith Taylor, *Women & Gardens* Parkside, 3 p.m.

Postcard Collage Presidio, 3 p.m.

10, 24 Mondays

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

11 Tuesday

Knit & Craft Circle Merced, 10:15–11:45 a.m.

Cantonese Bilingual Convo Club Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 3:30 p.m.

Artful StitchesPark, 3–5 p.m.

Letters of Hope & Art West Portal, 4–6 p.m.

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

11, 25 Tuesdays

Knitting Glen Park, 1–2:30 p.m.

12 Wednesday

Genealogy & Family History (Day 1) Main, Lower Level, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Tai Chi: Beginners Western Addition, 12:30–1:30 p.m.

Nature as Muse Western Addition, 2–3 p.m.

Tiny Art Painting Parkside, 4:30 p.m.*

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

13 Thursday

Genealogy & Family History (Day 2) Main, Lower Level, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Films

1 Saturday

Of Color (Ink Screening/Q&A) Main, Lower Level, 1 p.m.

7 Friday

Point Break Excelsior, 3:30 p.m.

8 Saturday

Drawing From The Fall Main, Lower Level, 11 a.m.

9 Sunday

Mulan Glen Park, 2 p.m.

Senior Fitness Ortega, 1 p.m.

Chinese Calligraphy Tracing / 描紅練書法 Chinatown, 2 p.m.*

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

Scented Candles Excelsior, 3 p.m.*

Zine Club Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Summer Crafts West Portal, 5:45 p.m.*

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

14 Friday

Karaoke Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

14, 28 Fridays

Watercolor Glen Park, 1:30–5 p.m.

15 Saturday

Open House Ocean View, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

Dumpling Demo / 介绍包雲吞及各類皮子的製作與書談 Ingleside, 2 p.m.

Puzzle Swap Merced, 2–3 p.m.

Paint Big Feelings Noe Valley, 2 p.m.*

Bike Fix-it Clinic Eureka Valley, 2–4 p.m.

16 Sunday

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

Farima Berenji Portola, 2 p.m.

How to Write Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 2–3:30 p.m.

Tatreez 101 Excelsior, 2–4 p.m.

18 Tuesday

Paper Clay Beads Sunset, 3:30 p.m.*

Legal Name/Gender Marker Changes Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 3–6 p.m.

Crochet Richmond, 5–7 p.m.

Eva Meijer & Anne Thompson Melo w/ Gregory Hom Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

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

Sashiko Embroidery Merced, 6 p.m.*

19 Wednesday

Author: Robert Wachter, *A Giant Leap* Virtual, 4 p.m.

10 Monday

Nora Prentiss Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

11 Tuesday

The Last Day of Retrograde Eureka Valley, 5:30 p.m.

Kubrick by Kubrick (Screening, Discussion) North Beach, 5 p.m.

14 Friday

La La Land Noe Valley, 2 p.m.

African American Social Dances Main, Lower Level, 5:30–7 p.m.

Clowning, Juggling & More! Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.*

20 Thursday

Friendship Bracelets Chinatown, 2 p.m.*

Veterans Health Admin Main, Atrium, 2–4 p.m.

Guided Meditations Bernal Heights, 4:30 p.m.

T-Shirt Stencils Excelsior, 4 p.m.*

Manifesting Art Journals Richmond, 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 p.m.

21 Friday

Veterans Benefits/Disability Claims Process Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 3–4:30 p.m.

Walking Club Excelsior, 4 p.m.

22 Saturday

Cricut: Decal Vinyl Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 1:30 p.m.*

Mahjong Club Sunset, 1:30 p.m.*

Summer Stride Tote Decorating Visitacion Valley, 1:30 p.m.*

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

Japanese Taiko Drumming Eureka Valley, 2:30 p.m.

Cricut: Decal Vinyl Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 2:30 p.m.*

Tom Conneely & Birds of Paradise Ortega, 2 p.m.

IndiviDúo West Portal, 2 p.m.

World Arts West Main, Lower Level, 2–4 p.m.

Letters of Hope & Art Noe Valley, 2–4 p.m.

Fix-it Clinic: Clothes Ocean View, 2–4 p.m.

Storytime: Grown-ups Western Addition, 4 p.m.

23 Sunday

South Asian Dance Theatre Potrero, 2 p.m.*

La Familia Peña-Govea Richmond, 2 p.m.

Village Within a City Noe Valley, 2–4 p.m.

15 Saturday

The Auntie Sewing Squad Resistance Playbook (Screening, Q&A) Main, Koret, 1 p.m.

19 Wednesday

Roman Holiday Chinatown, 1 p.m.

Hedwig & the Angry Inch Park, 5 p.m.

20 Thursday

Pollyanna Potrero, 2:45 p.m.

Creating Music w/ AI Portola, 2 p.m.*

25 Tuesday

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

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

Plastic into "Pleather" Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.*

Shrinky Dinks Sunset, 4 p.m.*

Author: Thea Riofrancos, *Extraction* Main, Environmental Ctr - 5th Fl, 5:30 p.m.

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

26 Wednesday

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

Intro to E-Bikes Anza, 6 p.m.

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

27 Thursday

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

Poetry Open Mic North Beach, 3–5 p.m.

29 Saturday

HUD 1st Time Homebuyer Bayview, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Craft Club Main, Deaf Services - 1st Fl, 11:30 a.m.

Weave Yourself Into Your Story Ortega, 1 p.m.*

DIY Decoupage Art Western Addition, 12–1:30 p.m.

Intro to Natural Dyeing Bernal Heights, 1 p.m.*

Victorian Architecture of Pac Heights Golden Gate Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

Mooncake Magnet Ingleside, 2 p.m.*

One-of-a-Kind Plant Pots Richmond, 2 p.m.*

La Familia Pena-Govea Sunset, 3 p.m.

30 Sunday

American Chinese Medical Tit Tar Day Main, Lower Level, 1–5 p.m.

South Asian Dance Theatre Parkside, 2:30 p.m.

Paint & Sip Portola, 2 p.m.*

Youth Advisory Board

Join the San Francisco Public Library’s Youth Advisory Board (YAB) and help shape the future of teen services citywide! This paid, 10-hour-per-week internship is open to San Francisco 11th and 12th graders who care about teen spaces, love sharing ideas and want real leadership experience. As a YAB member, you’ll advise the Library on what teens need and want, spotlight trending topics and help design better programs and spaces. You’ll also serve as an Ambassador, spreading the word about resources and events to teens across the city. Build your leadership, advocacy and teamwork skills while making a real impact at SFPL.

Applications open this month. More information found at on.sfpl.org/yab.

Book Clubs

[4, 18 Tuesdays](#)

Check ‘em Out
Glen Park, 1–3 p.m.

[5 Wednesday](#)

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

[5, 19 Wednesdays](#)

Silent Book Club
Richmond, 3–5 p.m.

[6 Thursday](#)

David Markson, *Wittgenstein’s Mistress*Virtual, 6–7:30 p.m.

[11 Tuesday](#)

Arturo Pérez-Reverte, *The Final Problem*
Presidio, 3 p.m.

[12 Wednesday](#)

Chinatown Readers
Chinatown, 5:15 p.m.

[13 Thursday](#)

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

[15 Saturday](#)

Charlotte McConaghy, *Wild*
Dark Shore Ortega, 11 a.m.

[16 Sunday](#)

Geena Rocero, *Horse Barbie: A Memoir*
Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

[18 Tuesday](#)

Rincón Literario Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

[19 Wednesday](#)

Cherry Lou Sy, *Love Can’t Feed*YouWest Portal, 6 p.m.

[21 Friday](#)

Short Stack Noe Valley, 3 p.m.

Rincón Literario

Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6 p.m.

[22 Saturday](#)

读书会：活着就是冲天一喊
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10 a.m.

Filipino Silent Reading Club

Virtual, 10 a.m.

[23 Sunday](#)

Marina Readers Marina, 2 p.m.

Caro de Robertis, *The President & the Frog*

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

[25 Tuesday](#)

Ray Bradbury, *Fahrenheit 451*
Bernal Heights, 2 p.m.

Yann Martel, *Life of Pi*

Visitacion Valley, 4 p.m.

Maggie O’Farrell, *Hamnet*

Excelsior, 6:30 p.m.

[26 Wednesday](#)

Isaac Asimov, *Foundation*
Mission Bay, 6:30 p.m.

[27 Thursday](#)

Talking Book Club Selection Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 12 p.m.

Mother-Daughter: Listen Slowly

West Portal, 6:45 p.m.

[28 Friday](#)

Philip Pullman, *His Dark Materials*
Noe Valley, 3 p.m.

Silent Book Club *Sol Botanica*, 5:30–7 p.m.
(1355 Market St)

[29 Saturday](#)

Longform Articles
Virtual, 10–11:30 a.m.

[31 Monday](#)

Read in Nature Silent Book Club
GG Park (JFK Drive+ Conserv Dr W.) 5:30 p.m.

Tech Time

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

Tech Help West Portal, 12–4 p.m.

Tech Help / 科技協助
Sunset, 2–4 p.m.

[3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mondays](#)

Drop-In eBook Help
Mission Bay, 2–3 p.m.

[4, 11, 18, 25 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.

Basic Tech Help
Excelsior, 6 p.m.*

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

Basic Tech Help
Excelsior, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.*

Computer Basics

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

Book A Librarian

Ingleside, 3 p.m.*

[6, 13, 20, 27 Thursdays](#)

Basic Tech Help
Excelsior, 11 a.m.*

[6, 20 Thursdays](#)

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

[8 Saturday](#)

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

[10 Monday](#)

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

Download eBooks & Audio-books Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

[11 Tuesday](#)

Tech Time Marina, 2–3 p.m.

[12, 26 Wednesdays](#)

Book a Librarian
Parkside, 2 p.m.*

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

[13 Thursday](#)

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

[13, 20, 27 Thursdays](#)

Computers: Beginners Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 1 p.m.*

[14 Friday](#)

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

[14, 28 Fridays](#)

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

[17 Monday](#)

About the SFPL eLibrary
Golden Gate Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[21 Friday](#)

Smartphone CLASS (60+)
Sunset, 1 p.m.*

[26 Wednesday](#)

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

[27 Thursday](#)

YouTube Basics / YouTube簡介
Chinatown, 2 p.m.*

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

[28 Friday](#)

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

Jobs & Careers, Personal Finance and Small Business

[2 Sunday](#)

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

[3 Monday](#)

Find Customers w/ Reference Solutions Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 10–11 a.m.

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

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

[6 Thursday](#)

Job Resource Fair Main, Lower Level, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Apprenticeship in SF

Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

Open an Investment Acct

Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

City or State Jobs

Main, Koret, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

[6, 13, 20, 27 Thursdays](#)

Career Coaching
Main,Sycip Rm - 4th Fl, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

[12 Wednesday](#)

EMT Careers Virtual, 3–4 p.m.

Task Tackling Night Main,

Jobs Ctr - 4th Fl, 6–7:45 p.m.

[22 Saturday](#)

Haight-Ashbury Small Biz Stroll Park, 2–5 p.m.

[25 Tuesday](#)

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

[26 Wednesday](#)

Low Income Taxpayer Clinic
Main, Atrium, Stong Rm - 1st Fl, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Teens/ Middle School Age

[1 Saturday](#)

Origami
Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

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

Recording Studio Orientation
Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 3–4 p.m.

[2 Sunday](#)

Crochet Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

[5 Wednesday](#)

Gaming Hour
Excelsior, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[6 Thursday](#)

Guitar Pedals, Arrange a Pedal Chain
Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 5–6 p.m.

Portrait Doodles

Merced, 5–6 p.m.

[7 Friday](#)

Summer Watercolor
Glen Park, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

[11 Tuesday](#)

Mosaics Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.*

[12 Wednesday](#)

Backpack Charms
Excelsior, 1:30 p.m.

[13 Thursday](#)

DIY Screen Printing Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Art Studio Merced, 5–6 p.m.

[17 Monday](#)

Improv Theater Glen Park, 4:30 p.m.

[19 Wednesday](#)

Biblio Bistro
Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 4–6 p.m.

[26 Wednesday](#)

Snack Trials
Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 4–5 p.m.

[28 Friday](#)

Journal Hour
Bernal Heights, 4 p.m.

[30 Sunday](#)

Overcooked! 2
Main, Mix - 2nd Fl, 4 p.m.

On View

For detailed descriptions of listings, go to sfpl.org/exhibits

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

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

Other Exhibits, Main Library

atemtuhe A mural honoring 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. Through July 8, 2027. Stegner Center, 5th Floor

Little Brown Dolls No More: The Rise of Filipino Boxers in the Squared Circle An exhibition exploring the ways colonial relationships facilitated the movement of people, culture and sport, and uplifts these innovators whose journey from the Pacific reshaped boxing as we know it. Aug. 21, 2026–Jan. 14, 2027. International Center, 3rd Floor

Moments in History: United States of America’s 250th Anniversary A display commemorating the United States’ 250th anniversary with a selection of books and materials from the Government Information Center’s collection. Through Nov. 20, Government Information Center, 5th Floor

Rooted in San Francisco: 10 Years of the Legacy Business Program Archival photographs, artwork and memorabilia from a selection of S.F.’s legacy businesses, offering a glimpse into their histories and contributions to San Francisco’s neighborhoods and rich cultural identity. Through Aug 21. Art, Music & Recreation Center, 4th Floor

Street Seen: Photography from the Arts, Music & Recreation Center From San Francisco and beyond, these images capture everyday life in public spaces through moments of observation, humor and chance encounters. Aug. 28–Nov. 19. Steve Silver Beach Blanket Babylon Music Center, 4th 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, this exhibit explores how the TurkxTaylor Initiative and Compton’s x Coalition seeks to liberate the site and imagine alternative futures. Through Oct. 22. James C. Hormel LGBTQIA Center, 3rd 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.

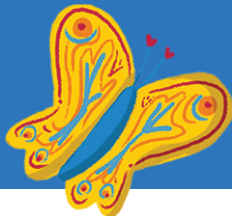
Exhibits at the Branches

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

The 65th Annual Potrero Hill Artists’ Exhibition This 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. Through Dec. Mission Bay Branch

August 2026 Event Calendar



Children

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

Early Childhood

1 Saturday

Mini-Makers
Mission Bay, 10–11 a.m.

Big Play Date
Glen Park, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Stories, Music & Songs
Glen Park, 11–11:45 a.m.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

Family Music Circle
Potrero, 10:15–11 a.m.

[2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays](#)
Mandarin: Beginners
Marina, 2–4 p.m.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mondays

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

6 Thursday

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

Music Is First! Band
Richmond, 12:15–12:45 p.m.

8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

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

15 Saturday

Turkish Story Hr
Potrero, 2 p.m.

18 Tuesday

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

22 Saturday

Kinetic Sand
Golden Gate Valley, 2–3 p.m.

Elementary School Age

1 Saturday

Button Making Ortega, 2 p.m.

Craft Club Sunset, 2 p.m.

Creative Writing
Western Addition, 3–4:30 p.m.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

Chess Club
Excelsior, 1–3 p.m.

2 Sunday

LEGO Robotics
Merced, 2:30–4 p.m.

LEGO/STEM Free Play
Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays

Board Games Sunset, 1–4 p.m.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mondays

Watercolor Excelsior, 4 p.m.

4 Tuesday

Tinfoil Printing
Richmond, 1 p.m.*

Cardboard Loom & Friendship Bracelets
Merced, 3 p.m.

Crafternoon
Bernal Heights, 4 p.m.

5 Wednesday

Fur, Scales & Tails Show
Marina, 2 p.m.

Lizard Lady Reptiles
Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.*

Paper Airplanes
Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

Alka-Seltzer Rockets
Potrero, 3 p.m.

LEGO Letterpress
Glen Park, 5 p.m.*

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

5, 12, 26 Wednesdays

Art Club Excelsior, 4 p.m.

6 Thursday

LEGO Free Play
Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.
Ocean View, 3–4:30 p.m.

Wild Science
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 2 p.m.

Bubbleology Portola, 2 p.m.

Music Is First! Band
Parkside, 3 p.m.

LEGO & Grabber Hands
North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

7 Friday

Bibimbap Pop-Up
Bayview, 1 p.m.*
Western Addition, 4 p.m.*

8 Saturday

Rainbow Breakfast Bowls
North Beach, 11 a.m.*

Puppy Dog Tales
Potrero, 11 a.m.

Wild Science
West Portal, 11 a.m.

Rafael Rope & Bracelets
Noe Valley, 1 p.m.*
Park, 4 p.m.*

Lunch at the Library

Main, Children's Center - 2nd Fl

12:15–1:15 p.m.

Monday–Friday, Aug 3–14

Sock Puppets
Marina, 2:30–4 p.m.

Rainbow Breakfast Bowls
Ortega, 3 p.m.*

8, 22 Saturdays

Origami Sunset, 2 p.m.

9 Sunday

Rafael Rope & Bracelets
Merced, 1:30 p.m.*

Beginner Ukulele Lessons
Portola, 2 p.m.*

LEGO Robotics Sunset, 2 p.m.

Rock Painting
West Portal, 2 p.m.

10 Monday

LEGO/Octoplay
Parkside, 2 p.m.

11 Tuesday

Lego Free Play
Richmond, 1–2:30 p.m.

Slime Time Merced, 2 p.m.

Keychain Button
Golden Gate Valley, 4 p.m.

11, 18, 25 Tuesdays

Math Tutoring
Noe Valley, 4 p.m.

12 Wednesday

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

Design & Build Houses
Visitacion Valley, 1–2:30 p.m.

A Bit About Bats
Sunset, 12 p.m.
Portola, 3 p.m.

Giant Bubble Play
Eureka Valley, 2–3 p.m.
Mission Bay, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Game Night Marina, 4–6 p.m.

13 Thursday

Wax Resist Painting Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 2 p.m.

KEVA Contraptions
Ingleside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Watercolor Galaxy
Western Addition, 3:30 p.m.*

13, 27 Thursdays

Pokémon Card Game
Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

14 Friday

Temaki Making Anza, 3 p.m.*

Cotton Ball Launcher
Parkside, 3 p.m.

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

Crafternoon
Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

15 Saturday

Grow a Rainbow
Mission Bay, 10–11 a.m.

Insect Discovery Lab
Presidio, 11:30 a.m.*
Ocean View, 2 p.m.*

LEGO Bridge Challenge
Glen Park, 3–4 p.m.

19 Wednesday

LEGO/Magna-Tiles
Anza, 3:30–5 p.m.

Slime Time Excelsior, 4 p.m.

20 Thursday

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

23 Sunday

Giant Jenga Noe Valley, 2 p.m.

26 Wednesday

LEGO Free Play
Presidio, 2 p.m.

27 Thursday

Tinkering
Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.

Game Night
Marina, 4–6 p.m.

28 Friday

Fruit Art Anza, 3 p.m.

Food Science Friday
Sunset, 3 p.m.

29 Saturday

Bike Tire Fix-It Clinic
Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.*

LEGO Robotics
West Portal, 3 p.m.

Children's Storytimes

Storytimes for Babies

Songs, rhymes and books for infants and their caregivers.

Anza – Every Saturday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Bernal Heights – Every Wednesday, 12–12:30 p.m.*
Chinatown – Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.
Eureka Valley – Every Wednesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
Golden Gate Valley – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.*
Ingleside – Every Tuesday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.
Main – Every Monday, 10:30–11 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 a.m.–12 p.m.
Park – Every Saturday, 11 a.m.–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 a.m.–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 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 Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Every Thursday, 10–10:30 a.m.*
Eureka Valley – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
Excelsior – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Glen Park – Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.*
Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.*
Ingleside – Every Monday, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Every Sunday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.
Main – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
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 a.m.–12 p.m.
Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Ortega – Every Tuesday, 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 – 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 a.m.–12 p.m.*
Western Addition – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

Storytimes for Preschoolers

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

Bayview – Every 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 – Every Saturday, 10–10:30 a.m.*
Chinatown – Every Saturday, 2–2:30 p.m.
Excelsior – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
8 Saturday, 12–12:30 p.m. (Norton St Lot)
Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)
Glen Park – 12, 26 Wednesdays, 7–7:30 p.m.
Golden Gate Valley – Every Friday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.*
Main – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:15 a.m.
Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m.
12, 26 Wednesdays, 10–10:30 a.m. (Salesforce Park Roof)
Marina – Every Saturday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Mission Creek Park South – 19 Wednesday, 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 – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Potrero – Every Thursday, 10 a.m. & 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

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.)

Family

1 Saturday

Cascada de Flores: Stories & Music Excelsior, 11 a.m.

DIY Loom Knitting
Ingleside, 12 p.m.

2 Sunday

Puppy Dog Tales
Ortega, 1:30 p.m.

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sundays

Chess Club
Ingleside, 2:30–4 p.m.

7 Friday

Therapy Pet Glen Park, 4–5 p.m.

8 Saturday

Kalimba for All
Excelsior, 1:30 p.m.

Little Artists
Eureka Valley, 10–11 a.m.

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

Story Hour in ASL Main, Deaf Services - 1st Fl, 11:30 a.m.

Megan Schoenbohm
Golden Gate Valley, 11 a.m.

Letterpress Printing
Excelsior, 12–3 p.m.

Observational Sketching
Ingleside, 2 p.m.*

9 Sunday

Therapy Dog
Ortega, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

11 Tuesday

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

12 Wednesday

Beekeeper's Assn
Excelsior, 11:15 a.m.

13 Thursday

Therapy Dog
Ortega, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

16 Sunday

Puppy Dog Tales
Visitacion Valley, 2 p.m.

Game Time

West Portal,
2–3:30 p.m.

20 Thursday

LEGO Free Play
Ingleside,
3–4:30 p.m.

22 Saturday

Family Dance Party
Bernal Heights, 4 p.m.

26 Wednesday

Family Dance Party
Excelsior, 3 p.m.

Crochet Club

Ingleside, 4 p.m.

Friends of San Francisco Public Library

Your library support organization!

Join Us!

Support Your Library
[FriendsSFPL.org](https://friendssfpl.org)

Friends Bookstore at the Main

Main Library, 100 Larkin St.
Grove Street Entrance

Bookstore Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Friday: 12–6 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Sunday: 12–6 p.m.

Telephone: (415) 557-4238

To donate books, go to
friendssfpl.org/donatebooks
to make an appointment.

Step Sales at the Main Library

Join us every Wednesday from
11 a.m. –3 p.m. at the Larkin St. steps
of the Main Library for a Friends Step Sale!
Did we mention Big Book Sale pricing?



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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.



Great Friends are Behind Every Great Library

This summer has been a season of renewal for the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library. Following the recent artistic transformation of our Potrero Hill home with the unveiling of Angela Chu's vibrant mural, we're excited to launch a refreshed Friends membership program!

For decades, Friends of the San Francisco Public Library members have helped strengthen library programs, expand opportunities for learning and support the services that connect communities throughout San Francisco.

As Friends has grown and the Library's impact has evolved, we've taken a fresh look at our membership structure to better reflect the vital role Friends members play in supporting the San Francisco Public Library.

That's why we're excited to introduce an updated program, designed to deliver more meaningful benefits, deepen engagement opportunities and facilitate a stronger connection between supporters and the impact they make possible.

Each and every Friends member helps support a library system that serves millions of visitors each year through free access to books, technology, educational programs, cultural events, workforce development resources and welcoming community spaces. Membership support helps Friends invest in initiatives that enrich neighborhoods across the city and strengthen the Library's ability to serve all San Franciscans.

While our membership levels and benefits will look a little different, our mission remains the same: to strengthen, support and advocate for the San Francisco Public Library. Whether you're renewing your membership or joining for the first time, you're becoming part of a community that believes libraries are essential to a thriving city. Together, Friends members help ensure that the San Francisco Public Library remains a place where people can discover, learn, connect and grow.

To learn more about the refreshed membership program, explore benefits or join today, visit friendssfpl.org/about-us. If you have questions about membership or would like assistance selecting the level that's right for you, please contact Chelsea Morrissey at (415) 477-5227 or chelsea.morrissey@friendssfpl.org. We look forward to welcoming you as a Friend!

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Friends members (\$60+ level) receive a 10% discount at the following bookstores:

■ Amazing Fantasy ■ Bird & Beckett Books & Records ■ Bolerium ■ Books Inc. Opera Plaza ■ Books Inc. Laurel Village ■ Books Inc. Marina ■ Borderlands Books ■ Christopher's Books ■ Compass Books, Inc. ■ Dog Eared Books ■ Fabulosa Books ■ Forest Books ■ Green Apple Books ■ Green Apple Books on the Park ■ Omnivore Books on Food ■ Originals Vinyl ■

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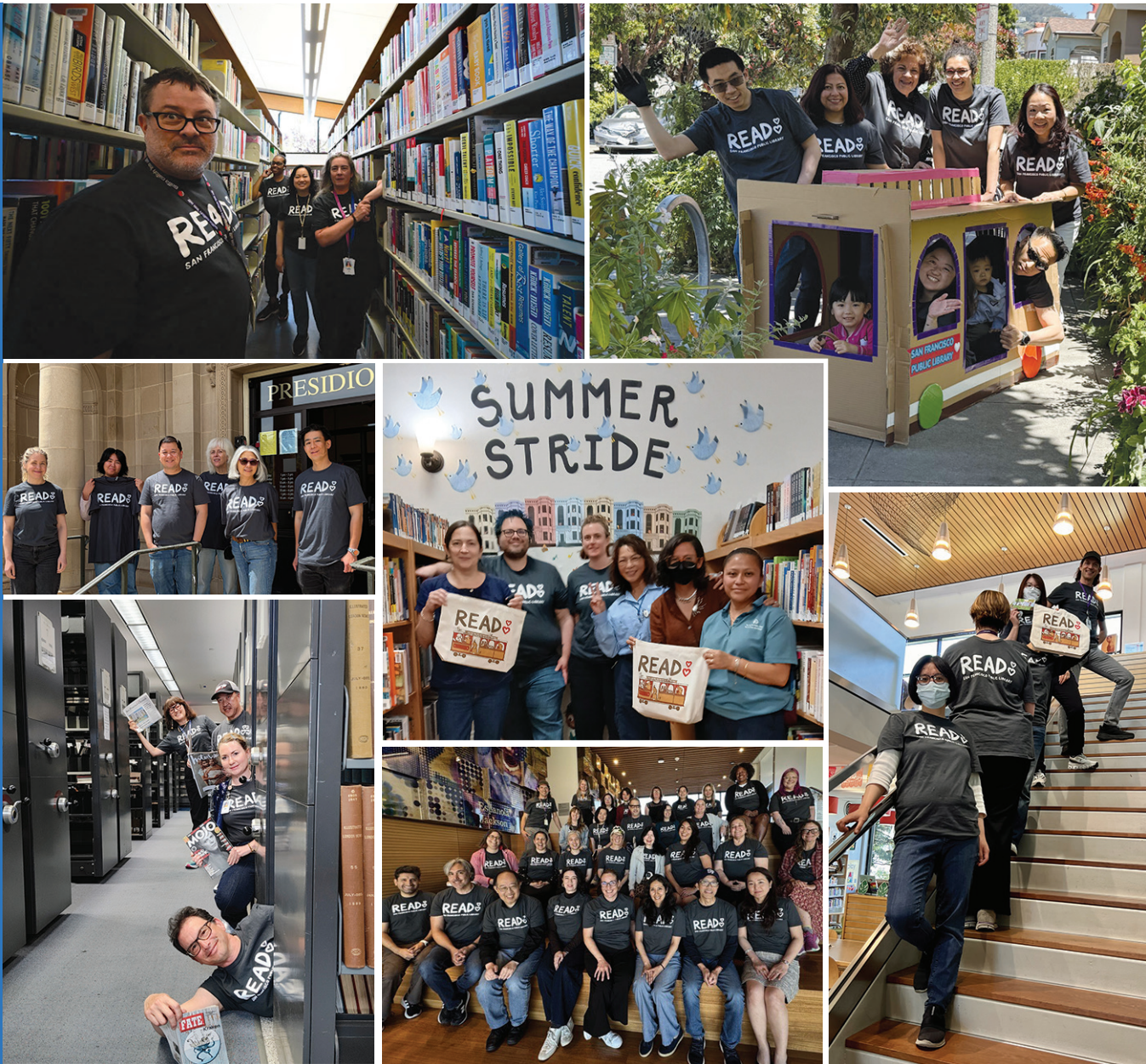
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SFPL Bookmobiles

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Treasure Island:
Avenue H & 11th St.,
near Island Cove Market,
Wednesday, 2–6 p.m.

Youth: Swing Into Stories

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

Garfield Square Playground, Treat & 26th St

Koret Children’s Playground, Golden Gate Park, Carousel

Helen Wills Playground, 1401 Broadway

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

Visit the SFPL Book Stops

Treasure Island: Island Cove Market, 800 Avenue H,

Mon–Fri, 9 a.m.–9 p.m., Sat–Sun, 9 a.m.–8 p.m.

Dogpatch: Dogpatch Community Hub, 1278 Minnesota St.,

Tues–Fri, 11 a.m.–6 p.m., Sat, 12 p.m.–5 p.m.

Sunnydale: The Hub, 1538 Sunnydale Ave.

Every Library,
Every Day!

LIBRARY LOCATIONS AND HOURS

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ANZA	550 37th Ave.	355-5717	1–5	10–6	10–8	1–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
BAYVIEW/BROOKS BURTON	5075 Third St.	355-5757	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
BERNAL HEIGHTS	500 Cortland Ave.	355-2810	1–5	10–6	10–7	12–8	10–6	1–6	10–6
CHINATOWN/LAI	1135 Powell St.	355-2888	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
EUREKA VALLEY/MILK	1 José Sarria Ct. (at 16th St., near Market)	355-5616	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
EXCELSIOR	4400 Mission St.	355-2868	1–5	10–6	10–8	10–8	10–8	1–6	10–6
GLEN PARK	2825 Diamond St.	355-2858	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	10–7	1–6	10–6
GOLDEN GATE VALLEY	1801 Green St.	355-5666	1–5	10–6	10–6	11–8	12–8	1–6	10–6
INGLESIDE	1298 Ocean Ave.	355-2898	1–5	10–6	10–6	10–8	12–7	1–6	10–6
MAIN LIBRARY	100 Larkin St.	557-4400	12–6	9–6	9–8	9–8	9–8	12–6	10–6
	The Mix at SFPL	557-4404	12–6	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
WESTERN ADDITION	1550 Scott St.	355-5727	1–5	10–6	10–6	12–8	10–7	1–6	10–6

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