

AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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Loco Bloco and Aztec dancers celebrate the Mission Branch grand reopening

Mission Branch Is Back!

Celebrate the grand reopening of our beloved Mission Branch Library on November 14! Enjoy a festive community celebration that kicks off with a ribbon-cutting and a blessing for the newly renovated space by Aztec dancers. The afternoon continues with entertainment featuring Loco Bloco and René y Familia and exploration. Enter through the front doors on 3359 24th St. and take in the brand new community room and children's space on the ground floor. Then, make your way up the beautifully restored grand staircase into the historic reading room, admire artist Juana Alicia's stunning fused glass window *Nopal de la Misión*, and explore the Main Floor's Adult collection, the brand-new teen room and more! We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Mission Branch Library Grand Reopening – Nov. 14, 1 p.m., Mission Branch Library



Crying Uncle Bluegrass Band performs at the Park Branch Open House.

November Open House

Celebrate 117 years of library service with Park Branch. From 1 to 5 p.m. try your hand at DIY Holiday Card crafting. At 2 p.m., author and rock journalist Gina Arnold leads a discussion with *Hardly Strictly Bluegrass* insiders Tricia Hellman Gibbs, Avery Hellman and Sarah Davis in celebration of the book *Hardly Strictly Bluegrass at 25: The Big Twang!* Crying Uncle Bluegrass Band performs at 3:30 p.m., followed by light refreshments. Please join us!



Park Branch Open House – Nov. 14, 1–5 p.m.



Large-scale mural, *atemtuhe*, by artist Belen Islas in partnership with Jonathan Cordero, on view in the Main Library Atrium

Native American and Indigenous Heritage Celebration

Learn about and celebrate Native American and Indigenous Heritage at the Library this November and beyond. Learn more: sfpl.org/native-american-heritage.

ADULT PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

Native Stories and Sounds

Learn about Native history and listen to music and tales from Paul Steward, a tribal member of Elem Indian Colony of Pomo Indians of the Sulphur Bank Rancheria and professor of Native American Studies.
Nov. 8, 2 p.m., Portola Branch
Nov. 15, 3 p.m., Ocean View Branch
Nov. 18, 5 p.m., North Beach Branch
Jan. 9, 2027, 3 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch

Natural Dye Methods



Learn the fundamentals of natural dyeing while gaining insight into sustainable practices and Indigenous knowledge with natural dye enthusiast and forager Ocean Escalanti.
Nov. 16, 1 p.m., Ortega Branch
Nov. 21, 1 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

ALL AGES PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

Native California Ingredients

Celebrate the tapestry of Native Californian food in a conversation with cookbook author Sara Calvosa Olson as she reimagines traditional foods, infusing them with her own delicious and inventive twists.
Nov. 15, 3 p.m., Noe Valley Branch



Ohlone Food Culture

Learn about the role of food in Ohlone culture past and present, and sample ingredients as you learn with Cafe Ohlone co-founders Vincent Medina and Louis Trevino.
Dec. 12, 2 p.m., Eureka Valley Branch
Jan. 23, 2027, 2 p.m., Marina Branch

YOUTH PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

Salmon Stories and Native Resilience

Listen to scientist and author Brook Thompson read from her book *I Love Salmon and Lampreys* and discuss the true story of the Indigenous-led environmental-justice movement it is based on.
Nov. 1, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch



Pan-American Companion Plant Stories

Be inspired by the legends of the Three Sisters as told by colorful corn husk characters in an original story and music performance presented by Alicia Retes.
Nov. 12, 2 p.m., Sunset Branch
Nov. 16, 1 p.m., Richmond Branch
Nov. 22, 3 p.m., Park Branch
Dec. 5, 11 a.m., Presidio Branch
Dec. 18, 4 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

About the Mural: *atemtuhe*

We are excited to highlight *atemtuhe*, the large-scale mural by artist Belen Islas in partnership with Jonathan Cordero (Ramaytush/Chumash) for this year's Native American and Indigenous Heritage Celebration. *atemtuhe*, on view in the Main Library Atrium through Fall 2027, illustrates how knowledge and wisdom are shared across generations from a primarily Indigenous perspective. Set in a natural landscape filled with local flora and fauna—including California poppies, coast live oaks, Mission Blue butterflies, deer and songbirds—it evokes the interconnectedness among all beings. The mural uplifts Indigenous knowledge and emphasizes stillness, attentiveness and humility as essential parts of learning.

Coming Up:

Dec. 5
Small Business
Stroll Polk St.

Dec. 13
One City One Book: Author
Susanna Kwan and Becca Prowda
Main Library, Koret Auditorium

Dec. 28
Kwanzaa Celebration
Main Library, African
American Center, 3rd Floor



Drop Your Ballot Off at the Library
Official SF ballot drop boxes are located at 20 SFPL locations. Be sure to put your ballot in the box marked with the American flag that says "OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP BOX" (and not in our silver book return bins!).

Events, Collections and Services



Get Ready for the Holidays with Hoopla's BingePass

The holiday season is upon us—and whatever you've got planned, Hoopla's BingePass is ready to make things a whole lot easier. With just one library borrow, you unlock seven full days of unlimited access to entire collections and partner streaming services. It's like giving yourself a little holiday gift...that doesn't require wrapping.

Want to make a one-of-a-kind handmade present? Craftsby is there to spark your creativity. Need entertainment that keeps everyone—from the littlest one to the grandparents—happy? Hoopla has you covered. Looking for meal inspiration to wow your holiday guests? Dive right in!

All you need is the Hoopla app—just tap the top banner and choose your BingePass adventure.

And if you're hungry for even more great resources, you can explore a whole lot more at sfpl.org/articles-databases.



Bay Beats Rap Show

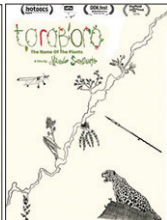
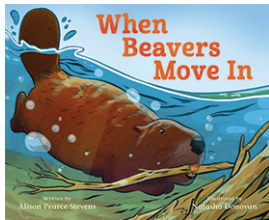
Here we go—it's the Bay Beats Rap Show! On Saturday, November 21, three top Bay Beats rappers bring all they got to the Main Library. LiL MC, a battle rap champion, recording artist and Hip

Philip Bank\$, Family Not A Group, LiL MC

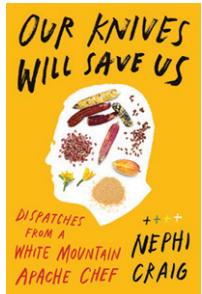
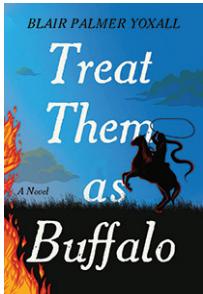
Hop Educator, fuses raw Hip Hop with Latin rhythms, trap and punk to create her own unique "cyberpunk soul" sound. Family Not A Group, a dynamic and diverse 17-member, San Francisco-based artist collective, will fill the stage with their spirit of community, love and creative expression. And Oakland rapper Philip Bank\$ delivers keen insights and visceral descriptions about his hometown with swagger and emotion.

Bay Beats Rap Show – Nov. 21, 1–4 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Selections for Native American and Indigenous Heritage Month



Celebrate Native American and Indigenous Heritage Month with stories that highlight Indigenous voices, cultures and traditions. Discover compelling fiction and nonfiction, with selections spanning generations, perspectives and formats for readers of all ages.



When Beavers Move In by Alison Pearce Stevens

Here Come the Aunties! by Cynthia Leitich Smith
Toroboro (DVD)

Treat Them as Buffalo by Blair Palmer Yoxall

Our Knives Will Save Us by Nephi Craig
Shards of Silence by Brian Lee Young

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Collections Corner: Angels in the Archives



Still from Hotel of Follies (1981) from the Lynn Brown Papers (GLC 140)

In tandem with the Beaver Bauer exhibition in the Jewett Gallery, we're highlighting materials about the Angels of Light Free Theater and some of its performers. The troupe was created by Sutter/Scott Street (Kaliflower) Commune member Hibiscus in the early 1970s. Read issues of *Kaliflower*, the commune's publication, to learn about commune life, Angels of Light performances, the Free movement, etc. View photos taken by troupe member Lynn Brown.

Looking for a deeper dive into the archives? Angels of Light performers Hibiscus and Scumbly Koldewyn were also members of the Cockettes. Discover Cockettes flyers, photos and programs in the Kreemah Ritz Papers, the Peter Mintun Cockettes Collection and the Johnathan Powk Cockettes Collection. Then explore the San Francisco Punk Collection with flyers for former members Tuxedomoon, Winston Tong and Tommy Tadlock.

Be an angel—visit the San Francisco History Center to view the publications and archives.

Fall Break: Programs for Youth

We're grateful for the upcoming fall break. It's a time to relax, explore the outdoors and experience youth-centered programs with your neighbors, family and friends at your local library.



Bat Fans

Meet live bats and learn about these amazing winged wonders of San Francisco.

NorCal Bats – Nov. 21, 11:30 a.m., Excelsior Branch

Check Mate

Learn to play chess or improve your game with volunteers from the community. For beginners and aspiring tournament players.

Chess Club – Nov. 22, 2:30 p.m., Ingleside Branch

Read Aloud and Crafting



Listen to a read-aloud of *Chooch Helped* by Andrea L. Rogers and make a pinch pot out of air-dry clay using instructions from Rogers' book.

Clay Pinch Pots – Nov. 23, 3 p.m., Sunset Branch



Create Art

Explore creativity, improve dexterity and expand spatial awareness through painting. Space limited. Seats available first come, first served.

Paint Together – Nov. 24, 3:30 p.m., Richmond Branch

STEM Explorations

Bring your eyes, your ears and your loudest "WOW," because this show about the scientific method is about to blow your mind. For ages 8 and older. Seats available first come, first served.

Mad Science of the Bay Area – Nov. 25, 3:30 p.m., Main Library Children's Center, 2nd Floor

Neighborhood Games

Play board games, giant Jenga and a variety of other games in the company of your community. For children and their caregivers.

Family Game Night – Nov. 28, 4 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch



Math Tutoring

Receive personalized and adaptive math support from high school student

volunteers from the Engage Tutoring Program. For ages 6–13.

Math Homework Help – Nov. 29, 3 p.m., West Portal Branch



Tashi Shimada (photographer), *The Angels of Light Parade on Haight Street*, 1972.



Daniel Nicoletta (photographer), *Jessica and Beaver in the Angels of Light Free Theater's Sci-Clones*, 1978

From Street to Stage with Beaver Bauer

After hitchhiking cross country from Ohio, Debra “Beaver” Bauer was welcomed into the experimental Angels of Light Free Theatre when she arrived in San Francisco in 1970. She developed her reputation as a member of the iconic troupe, which flourished for 14 years before its cast was impacted by the AIDS epidemic. Bauer then transitioned to work in costume design, becoming one of the Bay Area’s most respected and celebrated figures in the industry. She designed for major theaters including American Conservatory Theatre (A.C.T.) and Berkeley Rep, as well as companies such as First Voice and Theater Yugen. She also worked with circus ensembles including Teatro ZinZanni, while maintaining a practice based in drawing and lifelong inspiration from the Angels. The exhibit includes original renderings, performance photography, video clips and full and partial elements from costumes from her expansive oeuvre.

From Street to Stage with Beaver Bauer – Nov. 5, 2026–April 11, 2027, Main Library, Jewett Gallery, Lower Level



L to R: René y Familia, Calixto Robles.



Día de los Muertos

Celebrate Día de los Muertos with colorful, joy filled events at our libraries. On November 1, Glen Park Branch screens *The Book of Life*, a lively journey through the Land of the Dead. Head over to Merced Branch to craft vibrant sugar skull masks, then join Bernal Heights Branch for a community ofrenda with artist Calixto Robles and music by René y Familia. On November 3, the Main Library hosts DíaPaSón as they perform *Serenade in the Graveyard*, a spirited musical tribute to ancestors.



Social: Bernal Community Día de los Muertos with Calixto Robles and René y Familia – Nov. 1, 1 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch

Film: *The Book of Life* – Nov. 1, 2 p.m., Glen Park Branch

Activity: Sugar Skull Masks – Nov. 1, 2:30 p.m., Merced Branch

Performance: *Serenade in the Graveyard* – Nov. 3, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level

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San Francisco Reads

November Programs

Continue the citywide conversation around *Awake in the Floating City* by San Francisco author Susanna Kwan, the 2026 One City One Book selection. Explore themes of memory, community, climate change and caregiving through book discussions, workshops and conversations.

Writing Memoir Through a Speculative Lens

Explore speculative memoir through guided writing exercises and small-group discussion inspired by Susanna Kwan’s *Awake in the Floating City*.

Nov. 1, 2 p.m., Main Library, Learning Studio, 5th Floor

Nov. 12, 4 p.m., Glen Park Branch

Book Clubs: *Awake in the Floating City*

Discuss Susanna Kwan’s One City One Book selection and explore its themes of family, displacement, memory, belonging and life in a changing city.

Nov. 7, 2 p.m., Richmond Branch

Nov. 22, 2 p.m., Marina Branch

Changing Commons Walking Tour

Explore Downtown and SOMA through the places, histories and cityscapes that evoke the world of *Awake in the Floating City*.

Nov. 8, 12 p.m., Transamerica Redwood Park

Presentation: Photograph History, Care and Conservation

Learn best practices for handling, storing and framing photographs to help preserve these complex and sensitive historic materials.

Nov. 10, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room, Lower Level

Repair, Reuse and Circular Living

Explore how repairing, sharing and reusing everyday items can reduce waste, conserve resources and support a circular economy.

Nov. 13, 2 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

Nov. 21, 3 p.m., Presidio Branch

Preventing Caregiver Burnout

Discover practical strategies for managing the demands of caregiving and supporting your own well-being.

Nov. 14, 2 p.m., Ocean View Branch

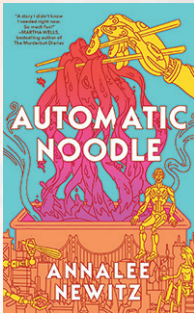


Photo: Sarah Deragon

Annalee Newitz: *Automatic Noodle*

Explore the future of food, technology, labor and community with award-winning author Annalee Newitz in conversation with writer and food critic Soleil Ho.

Nov. 22, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

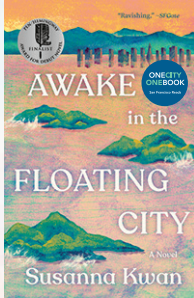


Photo: Andria Lo

Save the Date: Susanna Kwan

Hear author Susanna Kwan discuss *Awake in the Floating City*, this year’s One City One Book selection with First Lady Becca Prowda.

Dec. 13, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

Visit sfpl.org/onecityonebook for more information about One City One Book and upcoming programs.

Together, we read.
Fall 2026

November 2026 Event Calendar

Adults

1 Sunday

Día de los Muertos
Bernal Heights, 1–3 p.m.

Speculative Memoir
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl,
2–4 p.m.

DIY Bath Salts
Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.*

2 Monday

Political Prisoner Support
Virtual, 4–5:30 p.m.

2, 6, 16, 30 Mondays

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

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 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.

3 Tuesday

ASL Chat Main, Deaf Services -
1st Fl, 6:15 p.m.

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

3, 10, 17 Tuesdays

ESL Online Convo
Virtual, 3 p.m.

3, 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays

Bocce Ball
North Beach, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Genealogy Club Virtual, 1 p.m.

ESL Convo Club
Excelsior, 5 p.m.

4 Wednesday

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

Storytelling for Adults
Golden Gate Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.

Crochet Circle
Bernal Heights, 5–7:30 p.m.

Evolving the Archive
Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

Opera 101 Mission Bay, 6 p.m.

Plan for End of Life
Parkside, 6 p.m.

Holiday Candle Making
West Portal, 6 p.m.*

4, 18 Wednesdays

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

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

Yoga Ingleside, 6 p.m.*

4, 18, 25 Wednesdays

Tai-Chi Anza, 1:30–3 p.m.

5 Thursday

Author: Josie Iselin
“Art & Algae”
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 6 p.m.

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

Fall Lanterns
Golden Gate Valley, 4–5 p.m.

Creative Reuse of Plastic Waste
Visitacion Valley, 4–5 p.m.

Intro to ASL
Glen Park, 5:30–6:45 p.m.

Opening Night: *Beaver Bauer*
Main, Lower Level, 5–7:30 p.m.

5, 12, 19 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.

6 Friday

Chair Yoga
Sunset, 2:30 p.m.

Crochet Mug Warmer
Ortega, 2 p.m.*

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

6, 13, 20 Fridays

Chronic Disease Self-Mgmt
Noe Valley, 1 p.m.*

6, 20 Fridays

Knitting Anza, 3–5 p.m.

7 Saturday

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

Birdwatching
Portola, 10 a.m.*

Art Skool: *RM x SFMOMA*
Western Addition, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Medicare 101
Ortega, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Chair Yoga
Visitacion Valley, 11 a.m.*

Main Tour
Main, Atrium, 12–1 p.m.

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

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

Fix-it Clinic: Clothes
Park, 3–5 p.m.

7, 14, 21, 28 Saturdays

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

7, 21 Saturdays

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

8 Sunday

Plant Swap
Bernal Heights, 1–2:30 p.m.

Changing Commons Walking Tour Main, 12–2:30 p.m.

Kulintang Dialect
Western Addition, 2–2:30 p.m.

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

Responding to Dementia
Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl,
3–4 p.m.

Go 围棋 Main, Chinese Ctr -
3rd Fl, 3–5 p.m.

9 Monday

Medicare Open Enrollment
Virtual, 12–1:30 p.m.

10 Tuesday

Cantonese Bilingual Convo
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,
3:30–4:30 p.m.

SFFD: CPR/Stop the Bleed
West Portal, 5 p.m.*

Photo Conservation
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
6–7 p.m.

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

10, 17, 24 Tuesdays

Fit for Life: Balance for Seniors
North Beach, 1 p.m.*

10, 24 Tuesdays

Knitting Glen Park,
1–2:30 p.m.

12 Thursday

Senior Fitness Ortega, 1 p.m.

Line Dancing
Potrero, 12 p.m.

Speculative Memoir
Glen Park, 4–5:30 p.m.

Adult Craft
West Portal, 5:45 p.m.*

Mother Jones: Fearless Journalism
Main, Koret, 6:30 p.m.

Kim Shuck’s Poem Jam
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
6 p.m.

13 Friday

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

Repair/Reuse: Circular Living
Visitacion Valley, 2–3:30 p.m.

BTS & ARMY Creative Lounge
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,
2–4 p.m.

Puzzle Swap
Portola, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Karaoke
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

Mother Jones 50

50 YEARS OF FEARLESS JOURNALISM

Mother Jones at 50

In 1976, above a San Francisco McDonald’s, the nation’s first investigative news magazine was born. The founders named it *Mother Jones* after the U.S. union activist; the name recognition stuck. Fifty years later, boasting a continual print publishing run as well as an expansion into voice and video, the outlet celebrates its semi-centennial.

Exhibit: *50 Years of Mother Jones* – Nov. 6, 2026–April 29, 2027, Main Library, Magazines & Newspapers Center, 5th Floor

Panel: *Mother Jones—50 Years of Fearless Journalism* – Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level. A reception precedes the panel discussion.

14 Saturday

Drawn Together Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Cyanotypes Western Addition,
11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Echoes of the Seasons
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Puzzle Swap
Golden Gate Valley, 12–1 p.m.

Open House Park, 12–5 p.m.

Walking Tour
Golden Gate Valley, 1–3 p.m.

Prevent Caregiver Burnout
Ocean View, 2–3 p.m.

Hardly Strictly @ 25: The Big Twang! Park, 2–3 p.m.

Strategies for Adult Health
Merced, 2–3:30 p.m.

SF Opera: History of Diva
Ortega, 2–3:30 p.m.

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

Crying Uncle Bluegrass Band
Park, 3:30 p.m.

14, 21 Saturdays

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

15 Sunday

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

Youth Talented Art Exhibition
Main, Lower Level, 1–5 p.m.

Scam Prevention
Portola, 2–3 p.m.

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

17 Tuesday

Meditative Drawing
Excelsior, 2 p.m.*

Felt Holiday Baubles
Chinatown, 2 p.m.*

Needle Felted Acorns
Presidio, 3 p.m.*

Spellbound Crafts Anza, 4 p.m.

Quilling Flowers Sunset, 4 p.m.*

Crochet Richmond, 5–7 p.m.

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

18 Wednesday

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

Stop Scams
North Beach, 2–3 p.m.

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

Drop-in Mahjong
Presidio, 3–5 p.m.

DIY Hair Scrunchies
Western Addition, 6 p.m.*

Chess
Bernal Heights, 6–7:30 p.m.

19 Thursday

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

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

Pet Therapy
Richmond, 3–3:45 p.m.

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

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

Circular Peyote Stitch Beaded Mandala
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

20 Friday

SF Creative Writing Institute
Main, Sycip Rm - 4th Fl,
12–2 p.m.

Mahjong: Beginners
Richmond, 2 p.m.*

StopScamsSF
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
3–4 p.m.

Walking Club
Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

Candle Making
Presidio, 4 p.m.*

21 Saturday

Craft Club in ASL
Main, Deaf Services - 1st Fl,
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Medicare 101 Golden Gate Valley, 11 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Improv Anza, 1–2:30 p.m.

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

Bookmarks Inspired by Filipino Fabrics
Sunset, 2–3:30 p.m.

Repair, Reuse: Circular Living
Presidio, 3–4:30 p.m.

22 Sunday

Cómo preparar vaporú para el bienestar respiratorio
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
1 p.m.*

Author: Annalee Newitz w/ Soleil Ho Main, Koret,
2–3:30 p.m.

Plant Swap
Visitacion Valley, 3–4 p.m.

23 Monday

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

Blood Drive
Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.*

24 Tuesday

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

Cantonese Bilingual Convo
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,
6–7 p.m.

25 Wednesday

Knitting Ortega, 12–1:30 p.m.

Mini Thanksgiving Foods
Portola, 1–3 p.m.

Dpt of Disability/Aging Svcs
Main, Atrium, 1–4 p.m.

28 Saturday

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

Mahjong Sunset, 1:30 p.m.*

Xiangqi Invitational 加州象棋邀请赛
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm,
10 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl,
12–5:30 p.m.

Watercolor Tape Painting
Ortega, 2 p.m.*

Storytime for Grown-ups
Western Addition, 4–5:30 p.m.

29 Sunday

Poem Jam Celebrates Zitkala-Ša Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm, 1–2:30 p.m.

Ride the Hallyu Wave

Ride the Hallyu Wave at SFPL! Celebrate Korean heritage, art and culture through Jan. 31, 2027. Explore films, discover early 20th-century San Francisco immigration history, dive into Hangeul, view BTS-inspired art and join hands-on crafts workshops at the Main Library and Western Addition Branch. **Details: on.sfpl.org/hallyu-wave**

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

Book Clubs

[1 Sunday](#)
Silent Book Club
Portola, 2–4 p.m.

[4 Wednesday](#)
Chinatown Readers
Chinatown, 5:15–7:15 p.m.

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

[7 Saturday](#)
Susanna Kwan, *Awake in the Floating City* Richmond, 2–4 p.m.

[8 Sunday](#)
Plato, “The Republic” Book 1 Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm, 2–5:15 p.m.

[10 Tuesday](#)
Uzma Jalaluddin, *Moonlight Murder* Presidio, 3–4 p.m.

Brit Bennett, *The Vanishing Half* Virtual, 6–7 p.m.

[12 Thursday](#)
Discuss Talking Books
Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 3 p.m.*

[14 Saturday](#)
读书会：活着就是冲天一喊
Main, Chinese Ctr - 3rd Fl, 10–11 a.m.

[15 Sunday](#)
Natalie Diaz, *Postcolonial Love Poem* Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[16 Monday](#)
Tommy Orange, *There, There* Golden Gate Valley, 3–4 p.m.

Alone Together Noe Valley, 4–5 p.m.

[17 Tuesday](#)
Rincón Literario Main, Paley Rm - 3rd Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

[18 Wednesday](#)
Jill Damatac, *Dirty Kitchen—A Memoir of Food and Family* Virtual, 6:30 p.m.

Brandon Hobson, *The Devil is a Southpaw* West Portal, 6–7 p.m.

[19 Thursday](#)
Talking Book Club Selection Main, TBBC - 2nd Floor, 12 p.m.*

Silent Book Club at Sol Botanica Market Hall, 5:30–7 p.m.

[20 Friday](#)
Gary Shteyngart, *Vera, or Faith* Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[21 Saturday](#)
Longform Articles Virtual, 10 a.m.

Angela Duckworth, *Grit* Ortega, 11–12 p.m.

[22 Sunday](#)
Gabrielle Zevin, *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.

Susanna Kwan, *Awake in the Floating City* Marina, 2–3:30 p.m.

Mona Susan Power, *A Council of Dolls* Eureka Valley, Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

[24 Tuesday](#)
Tommy Orange, *There There* Visitacion Valley, 4–5:30 p.m.

Lisa See, *The Island of Sea Women* Excelsior, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

[25 Wednesday](#)
Silent Book Club Richmond, 3–5 p.m.

Films

[1 Sunday](#)
The Loneliest Whale Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm, 1 p.m.

El Libro de la Vida/The Book of Life Glen Park, 2 p.m.

[7 Saturday](#)
***Wood Street* + Post-Film Discussion** Main, Koret, 2 p.m.

[8 Sunday](#)
Contemporary Indigenous Voices Of California’s South Coast Range Main, Koret, 1 p.m.

[9 Monday](#)
The Asphalt Jungle Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

[12 Thursday](#)
The Unknown Country Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

Children of a Lesser God Potrero, 5:15 p.m.

[14 Saturday](#)
Hard Boiled Richmond, 2 p.m.

[18 Wednesday](#)
The Bishop’s Wife Chinatown, 1 p.m.

Dance Me Outside Park, 5 p.m.

[23 Monday](#)
The Damned Don’t Cry Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

Jobs & Careers, Personal Finance and Small Business

[1 Sunday](#)
Resumes & Cover Letters Virtual, 3–4:30 p.m.

[3 Tuesday](#)
Job Seeker Meetup Main, Jobs Ctr - 4th Fl, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Career as an Electrician Virtual, 3–4 p.m.

[4 Wednesday](#)
IBISWorld Industry Reports Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

Operating a Theater: Neo-Futurists Main, Music Ctr - 4th Fl, 6–7:30 p.m.

[6 Friday](#)
SMARTen Up Your Goals Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl, 3–4:30 p.m.

[10 Tuesday](#)
Copyright Basics Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

[14 Saturday](#)
Tenderloin Passport Main, Atrium, 12–5 p.m.

[17 Tuesday](#)
Job Match w/ SF ReServe Virtual, 3:15–4 p.m.

[18 Wednesday](#)
Nonprofit/Social Services Career Fair Main, Lower Level, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

[19 Thursday](#)
Business Speaker Series West Portal, 6–7:30 p.m.

Tech Time

[1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sundays](#)
Tech Help West Portal, 1:30–3 p.m.

[3, 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays](#)
教程：基本科技協助 (中文和英文) / **Tech Drop-In (English, Chinese)** Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

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

[4, 18 Wednesdays](#)
Computer Basics Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 12–1 p.m.

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

[5, 12, 19 Thursdays](#)
Tech Help Excelsior, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Saturdays](#)
Tech Help West Portal, 12–4 p.m.

[10 Tuesday](#)
Tech Time Marina, 2–3 p.m.

[13 Friday](#)
Tablet/Phone Course (60+, Cantonese) Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.

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

[14 Saturday](#)
3D Printing/Tinkercad Main, Computer Ctr - 5th Fl, 2–4 p.m.

[15 Sunday](#)
Drop-in Tech Help (English, Spanish, Filipino, Cantonese & Mandarin) Excelsior, 1–4 p.m.

[16 Monday](#)
Download eBooks/ Audiobooks Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

[20 Friday](#)
Smartphone CLASS (60+) Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.*

Teens

The Mix at Main
Main Library, 2nd Fl.
SFPL’s creative space for teens, ages 12–18.

[3, 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays](#)
Sewing Basics 5–6 p.m.

[6, 13 Fridays](#)
Cricut Custom Design 4–5 p.m.

[19 Thursday](#)
Biblio Bistro 4–6 p.m.

[22 Sunday](#)
Nintendo: Bust-A-Move 4–5 p.m.

THE MIX RECORDING STUDIO
Recording Studio Orientation
-Tuesdays, 5–6 p.m.
-Wednesdays (4, 18, 25), 4:30–5:30 p.m.
-Thursdays (5, 12, 19), 4–5 p.m.
-Saturdays, 3–4 p.m.
-Sundays, 2–3 p.m.

At the Branches

[4 Wednesday](#)
Teen Book Swap Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.

[5, 12, 19 Thursdays](#)
Art Studio Merced, 5–6 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Saturdays](#)
Gardening Merced, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

[8 Sunday](#)
Skin Care for Teens Ortega, 2–3 p.m.

[8, 15, 22, 29 Sundays](#)
Chess Club Ingleside, 2:30–4 p.m.

[12 Thursday](#)
Teen Lounge Western Addition, 4–6 p.m.

[13 Friday](#)
Electronic Snap Circuits Green Energy 電路模組綠色能源
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.*

[18 Wednesday](#)
Huichol Yarn Painting Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

[19 Thursday](#)
Teen Lounge w/ Musubi Western Addition, 4–6 p.m.

[22 Sunday](#)
Beaded Squash Planter Bayview, 1:30–3 p.m.

On View

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

Jewett Gallery, Main Library, Lower Level

From Street to Stage with Beaver Bauer
This exhibit surveys the career of Debra “Beaver” Bauer, which spans more than 50 years of creative work. View original renderings, performance photography, video clips and elements from costumes drawn from her expansive oeuvre. Nov. 5, 2026–April 11, 2027. Lower Level, Jewett Gallery.

Skylight Galleries, Main Library, 6th Floor

ART/WORK 3: Artworks Created by SFPL Staff
The third installment of the staff art exhibition features paintings, photography, sculpture, textiles, jewelry and other media created by employees throughout the library. Through Jan. 7, 2027

Other Exhibits, Main Library

50 Years of Mother Jones View iconic photographs from the magazine and engage with curated issues from the past five decades. Nov. 6, 2026–April 29, 2027. Magazines & Newspapers Center, 5th Floor

아리랑 ***ARIRANG: Art Inspired by the Album***
This exhibition brings together fan artists from around the world, each reimagining the music’s themes, emotions and cultural roots through their own artistic lens. Through Jan. 7, 2027. Chinese Center, 3rd Floor

atemptuhe A mural honoring the Ramaytush people, whose enduring presence on the San Francisco Peninsula continues today through deep relationship with their homelands. Through Fall 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. Through July 8, 2027. Stegner Center, 5th Floor

Eyewitness to the Resistance: Photojournalists on the Front Lines of Protest Historical photographs from the San Francisco History Center are presented alongside recent work by Pro Bono Photo contributors. Through Jan. 3, 2027. Art, Music & Recreation Center, 4th 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. Through Jan. 14, 2027. International Center and Filipino American Center, 3rd Floor

The American Indian Cultural District’s Mapping Genocide An exhibition examining San Francisco’s legacy of commemorating the ideologies and individuals who spearheaded the genocide and displacement of American Indians. Through Jan. 21, 2027. Government Information Center, 5th Floor

Moments in History: United States of America’s 250th Anniversary This display explores voting history in the United States through important excerpts from Constitutional Amendments. Through Nov. 20. Government Information Center, 5th 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. Through Nov. 19. Steve Silver Beach Blanket Babylon Music Center, 4th Floor

Exhibits at the Branches

BTS through ARMY’s Eyes: A Fan Art Exhibit
Celebrate the creativity and passion of ARMY (fans of the South Korean group BTS) with this special exhibit featuring fan created portraits of BTS. Through Jan. 31, 2027. Western Addition Branch

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. Through June 3, 2027. Portola 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, and the San Franciscans who made it a gathering place for artists, poets and workers. Through Jan. 3, 2027. Mission Bay Branch

November 2026

Children

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

Early Childhood

[2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Mondays](#)

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

[5 Thursday](#)

Mini-Makers
Merced, 11–11:30 a.m.

[8, 22 Sundays](#)

Self-Guided Play/Learning
Excelsior, 1:15–2:15 p.m.

[12 Thursday](#)

STEM Free Play
Ocean View, 3:30–5 p.m.

[14 Saturday](#)

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

Malinky Music

Sunset, 4:30–5 p.m.

[15 Sunday](#)

Community Baby Shower
Parkside, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

[17 Tuesday](#)

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

[18 Wednesday](#)

Nutcracker Sweets Ballet
Richmond, 11–11:15 a.m.

[19 Thursday](#)

Guitar Sing-Along
Eureka Valley, 3:30–4 p.m.

[24 Tuesday](#)

Big Play Date
Visitacion Valley, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

[30 Monday](#)

Nutcracker Sweets
Marina, 10:15–11 a.m.

Elementary School Age

[1 Sunday](#)

Sugar Skull Masks
Merced, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Nature Exploration

Parkside, 2–3 p.m.

LEGO/STEM Free Play
Park, 2–3:30 p.m.

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

Math Tutorial/Homework Help West Portal, 3–4 p.m.

[4 Wednesday](#)

Airplane Experiment
Portola, 3–4 p.m.

LEGO Free Play

Bayview, 3–5 p.m.

Book Club: *Hocus and Pocus and the Spell for Home*
Marina, 6–7 p.m.

[4, 18, 25 Wednesdays](#)

Mad Science Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[5 Thursday](#)

LEGO Free Play
Sunset, 2:30–4 p.m.

Pokémon Trading Club
Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

LEGO/STEM: Tidal Wave Water Bottles
North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

[5, 12, 19 Thursdays](#)

The Art in Stories
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 4–5:15 p.m.

[6 Friday](#)

Beaded Flower Bracelet
Chinatown, 3:45 p.m.*

Travel the Philippines
Anza, 3–4 p.m.

[7 Saturday](#)

LEGO Motorcars
Excelsior, 1–3 p.m.

LEGO Free Play

Presidio, 2–3 p.m.

Stringed Instruments
Ortega, 2–4 p.m.

Craft Club Sunset, 4–5 p.m.

[8 Sunday](#)

LEGO Robotics Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

3-D Minecraft Flowers
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

John Herrington Rockets
Merced, 3–4 p.m.

[9 Monday](#)

Watercolor Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

[10 Tuesday](#)

LEGO Free Play
Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

[10, 17 Tuesdays](#)

Academic Tutoring
Glen Park, 4–5:30 p.m.

[13 Friday](#)

Upcycled Crafting
Anza, 3–4 p.m.

Therapy Dog

Eureka Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

Community Baby Shower

Are you expecting or do you have a tiny new member of your family? You're invited to Parkside Branch's Community Baby Shower. Expecting families and those with little ones 24 months or younger are welcome. Enjoy a storytime, a play area, crafts, light refreshments and a presentation on avoiding getting sick from the UCSF Department of Family and Community Medicine. Learn about available resources from community agencies. Families will receive a gift for attending the event, while supplies last.

Community Baby Shower – Nov. 15, 1:30 p.m., Parkside Branch

[14 Saturday](#)

Birds in Nature
Ingleside, 10 a.m.*

Puppy Dog Tales
Potrero, 11–12 p.m.

Chaos Embroidery
Marina, 2:30–4 p.m.

Clay Pinch Pot
Portola, 2–3 p.m.

Chemical Reactions
West Portal, 3–4 p.m.

[17 Tuesday](#)

Pumpkin Spice Snacks
Merced, 3–4 p.m.

[18 Wednesday](#)

Slime Time
Excelsior, 3:30 p.m.*

LEGO/Magna-Tiles
Anza, 3:30–5 p.m.

Foil Boats Portola, 3–4 p.m.

Book Club: *The Strange Disappearance of Imogen Good* Marina, 8–9 a.m.

[19 Thursday](#)

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

Pokémon Trading
Richmond, 4–5:30 p.m.

[20 Friday](#)

Paper Mushroom
Chinatown, 3:45 p.m.*

[21 Saturday](#)

Peyote Stitch
Richmond, 10 a.m.*

A Bit About Bats

Excelsior, 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Turkish Story Hour
Potrero, 2–3:30 p.m.

LEGO Robotics
West Portal, 3–4 p.m.

Puppet Movie Studio
Bernal Heights, 3 p.m.*

[23 Monday](#)

Clay Pinch Pots
Sunset, 3–4 p.m.

[24 Tuesday](#)

Paint Together
Richmond, 3:30–5 p.m.

[25 Wednesday](#)

Game Day Marina, 2–4 p.m.

Middle School Age

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

Math Tutoring
Noe Valley, 3–4 p.m.

[2 Monday](#)

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

[3 Tuesday](#)

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

[4 Wednesday](#)

Gaming Hour
Excelsior, 3:30 p.m.

[6 Friday](#)

Journal Hour
Bernal Heights, 4 p.m.

[7 Saturday](#)

LEGO Robotics
Richmond, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Origami Club

Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

[7, 14, 21 Saturdays](#)

Math Tutoring/ Homework Help
Portola, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

[9, 16, 30 Mondays](#)

Tutoring/Homework Help
Ingleside, 3:45–5:15 p.m.

[18 Wednesday](#)

Gaming Hour
Bayview, 3:30 p.m.

[28 Saturday](#)

DigitalX STEM Experience
Excelsior, 1–3 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 – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 12–12:30 p.m.*
Chinatown – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Eureka Valley – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Golden Gate Valley – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.*
Ingleside – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 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 – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10:30–11:15 a.m.*
North Beach – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
Ortega – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 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 – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 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 – 2, 9, 23, 30 Mondays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
West Portal – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.*
Western Addition – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 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 – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10–10:30 a.m.*
Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Eureka Valley – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
Excelsior – Every Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
Glen Park – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.*
10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.*
25 Wednesday, 7–7:30 p.m. (Pajama Storytime)
Ingleside – Every Monday, 11:30–12 p.m.
Every Sunday, 1:15–1:45 p.m.
Main – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
Merced – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
Mission Bay – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.*
Noe Valley – Every Monday, 11:15–11:45 a.m.*
North Beach – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
Ocean View – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
5, 12, 19 Thu., 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. (Minnie & Lovie Ward Rec Center)
Ortega – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
Park – Every Monday, 3:30–4 p.m.
Parkside – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
Portola – Every Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.*
Potrero – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.*
Presidio – 10, 17 Tuesdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.
Richmond – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 11–12 p.m.*
4, 25 Wednesdays, 11–12 p.m.*
Sunset – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Visitacion Valley – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
West Portal – Every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.*
Western Addition – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.

Storytimes for Preschoolers

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

Bayview – 5, 12 Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.
Chinatown – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Marina – 6, 13, 20 Fridays, 3–3:30 p.m.
Mission Bay – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 11:15–11:45 a.m.*
North Beach – 10, 17, 24 Tuesdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Parkside – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 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 – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 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.
4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10:30–11 a.m. (English/Español)
Golden Gate Valley – 6, 13, 20 Fridays, 1:15–1:45 p.m.*
Main – Every Saturday, 11:30–12 p.m.
Marina – Every Saturday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Merced – 4, 18, 25 Wednesdays, 2–2:30 p.m.
Mission Bay – 18 Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m. (SPARK Social SF)
Noe Valley – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10:15 & 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 – 5, 12, 19 Thursdays, 10–10:30 a.m.*
Sunset – Every Saturday, 10:30–11 a.m.
Western Addition – Every Monday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

Swing Into Stories

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

1st Tuesday – Crane Cove Park
(701 Illinois 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 Sunday](#)

Puppy Dog Tales
Ortega, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Family Music Circle
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

[5 Thursday](#)

Diwali Candle Holder
Bernal Heights, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Book Club:

A Sea of Lemon Trees
West Portal, 6:45–7:45 p.m.

[7 Saturday](#)

Nutcracker Sweets Ballet
Main, Children's Ctr - 2nd Fl, 1:30–2:15 p.m.

Bubbleology

Bayview, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

The Sampaguitas

Mission Bay, 2–3 p.m.

Create w/ Nature
Portola, 3–4 p.m.

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

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

[8 Sunday](#)

Therapy Dog
Ortega, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

[10 Tuesday](#)

Dog Reading Circle
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

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

[12 Thursday](#)

Puppy Dog Tales
Visitacion Valley, 3–4 p.m.

Pinecone Turkey

Ingleside, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Therapy Dog

Ortega, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

[14 Saturday](#)

Story Hour in ASL Main, Deaf Services - 1st Fl, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Travel the Philippines
Presidio, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

[15 Sunday](#)

Family Game Time
West Portal, 2–3:30 p.m.

[16 Monday](#)

Nutcracker Sweets Ballet
Visitacion Valley, 10:30–11 a.m.

[17 Tuesday](#)

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

[18 Wednesday](#)

Nutcracker Sweets
Sunset, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Autumn Theme Crochet
Ingleside, 4–5 p.m.

[21 Saturday](#)

Beaded Corn
Noe Valley, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

[25 Wednesday](#)

Family Dance Party
Excelsior, 3–4 p.m.

[28 Saturday](#)

Family Game Night
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

[29 Sunday](#)

Chess Club
Ortega, 2–4 p.m.

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Celebrating the New Mission Branch!

After years of planning, advocacy, community input and support, the newly renovated Mission Branch Library is opening its doors. This moment belongs to the entire Mission community. From neighbors who attended the earliest community input sessions in 2018, to the advocates who championed this historic branch, to the donors who helped Friends raise \$1.1 million for furniture, fixtures, equipment and Library programs, thousands of people have helped bring this vision to life.

To everyone who donated, attended a meeting, shared your ideas, spread the word or simply believed in what this branch could become: thank you.

The Mission Branch has served generations of San Franciscans, and we’re thrilled to see this beloved neighborhood library begin its next chapter. Congratulations to the Mission community, and welcome back to your Library! Friends would especially like to thank the supporters who helped make this campaign possible. Contributions at every level played an important role in bringing this vision for the Mission Branch to life.

Celebrate the opening and show your Mission Branch pride with exclusive Mission Branch merchandise, available at [SFPLstore.com](#).

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Photos: Top: Library staff, Library Commissioners, Friends of the Library staff, Friends Board members, City architects and community partners on a hard-hat tour of the Mission Branch renovation site. Bottom: Celebration at the groundbreaking ceremony in 2023.

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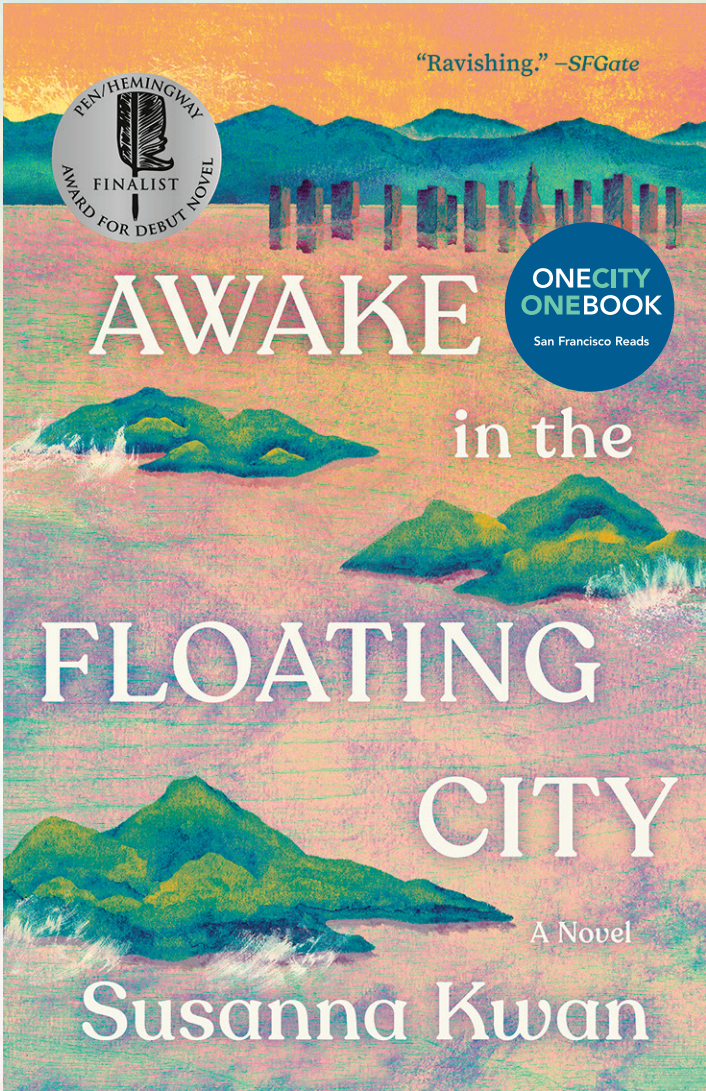
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