One City One Book: Meet the Author

This October, the San Francisco Public Library community celebrates its 15th year of our annual city-wide read, One City One Book. The selection committee is honored to have selected *There There* by Tommy Orange. On Oct. 16, Tommy Orange and San Francisco Poet Laureate Kim Shuck will be in conversation.

**Awards and Accolades**

- PEN/Hemingway Award winner, 2019
- The Center for Fiction First Novel Prize winner, 2019
- American Book Award winner, 2019
- National Book Critics Circle John Leonard Prize winner, 2018
- Pulitzer Prize (Fiction) finalist, 2019
- Art Seidenbaum Award finalist, 2019
- Aspen Words Literary Prize finalist, 2019

Tommy Orange is a recent graduate from the MFA program at the Institute of American Indian Arts. He is a 2014 MacDowell Fellow, and a 2016 Writing by Writers Fellow. He is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. He was born, raised and currently lives in Oakland with his wife and son.

**Invest in the Future on Financial Planning Day**

The Library offers ongoing programming on personal finance, investing and small business. Look for upcoming programs in our calendars, or ask a librarian for more on these topics. To register for this event, visit https://sanfranciscofinancialplanningday2019.eventbrite.com.

**Financial Planning Day** – Oct. 26, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Main Library, various locations

**Library Now Fabulously Fine Free**

For those who champion equity and equal access to essential resources, good news: San Francisco Public Library no longer charges fines for overdue books. Additionally, as of Sept. 16, 2019, the Library cleared all outstanding overdue fines from all patron records. These moves, supported and approved by the City’s Board of Supervisors and signed into effect by Mayor London Breed, is a foundational step towards ensuring that San Francisco Public Library is a free and approachable resource for all.

The Library was a pioneer in the fine free library movement when it eliminated fines for children and teens in 1974. In recent years, inspired by a nationwide movement by library systems to bid farewell to fines for all patrons with no exceptions, the Library worked together with the San Francisco Financial Justice Project of the Treasurer’s Office to study whether SFPL should go fine free. The study found that the elimination of overdue fines in other library systems had several consistent positive outcomes:

- Increased patron access to materials and services
- Reduction of the inequitable impact of overdue fines
- Improvement in patron relationships with the library
- Optimization of library staff time and increased efficiency

The full report of the findings of this study can be found at sfpl.org/uploads/files/pdfs/commission/Fine-Free-Report011719.pdf. Additionally, the Library has adopted a robust auto renewal policy. Eligible items renew automatically two days before the due date, for an extended loan period of 21 days of the existing due date. For more information, visit sfpl.org/finefree.

TRICYCLE MUSIC FEST

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AT THE LIBRARY!

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**Coming Up:**

- **NOV. 2-3**
  - Veterans Film Fest
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **NOV. 7**
  - Read for the Record: Thank You, Omad
  - Various Locations

- **NOV. 9**
  - Untold and Intimate Stories of the Alcatraz Occupation
  - Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room, 5 p.m.

- **NOV. 13**
  - NaNoWriMo Authors
  - Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room, 6 p.m.
Disaster Safety and Preparation—A Bibliography

Film Captures Landmark Quake at Candlestick Park

Where were you at 5:04 p.m., Oct. 17, 1989?

San Francisco native and die-hard baseball fan Jon Leonoudakis knows exactly where he was: at Candlestick Park, armed with a camcorder and a still camera to record his first World Series experience. 29 minutes before the game was to start, Mother Nature delivered a knockout pitch for the ages: the largest quake to strike a major American city in nearly a century.

The film The Day the World Series Stopped (2016) takes viewers back to this unforgettable moment in time. It captures interviews with fans and pre-game pageantry until the story makes a hard right into the aftermath of the earthquake at the World Series—and what happened next. Mixing archival news clips with personal footage and photographs, Leonoudakis presents a visceral account of every heart-stopping moment at Candlestick Park that fateful night.

Jon Leonoudakis is an award-winning documentary filmmaker with seven films in the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown. He will host a discussion after the film screening.

The Day the World Series Stopped – Oct. 19, 1 p.m., Main Library, Koret

Disaster Safety: The First 72 Hours

Knowing what to do during the first 72 hours after a disaster is critical. The City of San Francisco’s Seismic Safety Outreach and Self Help for the Elderly will provide hands-on training and education on how to prepare before, during and after a disaster. Participants will learn how and what to prepare to be self-sufficient for at least three days following a disaster.

Oct. 16, 4 p.m., Excelsior Branch
Oct. 12, 2 p.m., Anza Branch
Oct. 19, 2 p.m., Sunset Branch

Nov. 9, 11 a.m., Bernal Heights Branch
Nov. 13, 4 p.m., Merced Branch

Disaster Safety and Preparation—A Bibliography

The Disaster Survival Guide by Marie D. Jones

Readers are guaranteed to learn something new to help them survive all kinds of life-threating situations.

The Survival Doctor’s First Aid Fast for Babies and Children: Emergency Procedures for All Parents and Caregivers by Dr. Gina M. Piazza, FACEP (editor)

From anaphylaxis to burns to severe bleeding and bruising, First Aid Fast for Babies and Children offers clear advice, and photographs walk you through the process of what to do.

Just in Case: How to Be Self-Sufficient When the Unexpected Happens by Kathy Harrison

Learn how to inventory and rotate your food supply, pack an evacuation kit, maintain communication with loved ones and more.

Complete Handbook: What to Do When Help Is Not on the Way by James Hubbard

Featuring more than 100 illustrations, along with quick quizzes and real-life examples, The Survival Doctor’s Complete Handbook will take you step-by-step through the essentials of medical care during a crisis.


Includes information for those with special needs, including the elderly and disabled, children, pregnant women and even pets.

The Natural First Aid Handbook: Household Remedies, Herbal Treatments, Basic Emergency Preparedness Everyone Should Know by Brigitte Mars

When an emergency situation arises, simple home remedies can play a vital role in easing symptoms and providing immediate help.

High Five for North Beach Branch

On Oct. 5, North Beach Branch will be celebrating five years since it reopened at the corner of Columbus and Lombard Streets, near the beautifully renovated Joe DiMaggio Playground.

For the special occasion, enjoy a guided walking tour of North Beach’s iconic neighborhoods, a live performance from traditional Cuban music artist Luchu and a special lecture on Italian music, just in time for Italian Heritage Month.

During your visit, take a moment to browse North Beach Branch’s unique collections. North Beach houses SFPL’s second largest Italian collection, showcasing a diverse selection of Italian authors and poets. You’ll find iconic works of the Beat Writers, too, in a specially curated collection featuring essential authors Lawrence Ferlinghetti, Allen Ginsburg and Jack Kerouac.

North Beach Branch also provides exceptional programs and services, such as a monthly genealogy class. Using online resources such as Ancestry Library Edition, Fold 3 Historical Military Records and the San Francisco Historical Photograph Collection, you can learn how to perform meaningful family research and reveal the secrets of the past.

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon at this dynamic branch, as we celebrate North Beach Library’s 5th Anniversary! For more information, visit sfpl.org/northbeach.

Anniversary Celebration – Oct. 5, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., North Beach Branch

Bookmobile Schedules

Early Literacy Mobile

Schedule of child care center visits at sfpl.org.

San Francisco Zoo

Entrance to Children’s Zoo, Sloat Blvd. and Great Hwy. 1st Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Free Admission for San Francisco residents. Check sfzoo.org to verify.

Swing Into Stories

Park visits: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Storytimes start at 10:30 a.m.

Golden Gate Park Children’s Playground

295 Bowling Green Drive (off Martin Luther King Jr. Drive), Tuesday, Oct. 1.

Parque Niños Unidos

3090 23rd St. (Between Polk St. and Treat Ave.), Tuesday, Oct. 8

Cayuga Playground

301 Naglee Ave., Tuesday, Oct. 15

Libraries on Wheels/Senior Bookmobile

Schedule of service locations at sfpl.org.

Treasure Island Bookmobile

Avenue H & 11th St., near Island Cove Market
Tuesdays, 2–5 p.m.; Thursdays, 1–5 p.m.

Special Events

Big Truck Day

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. McLaren Park

Techmobile

Sunday, Oct. 6, 12–5 p.m. North Beach Branch

Indian Basin Kayaking for Kids

Saturday, Oct. 12, 11 a.m.–2 p.m. India Basin Shoreline Park, Hunters Point Blvd & Hawes St.

Lit Crawl

Saturday, Oct. 19, 9–5 p.m. In front of the Elbo Room, 647 Valencia

Sunday Streets

Sunday, Oct. 20, 11 a.m.–4 p.m., Excelsior Branch

Haight Street Hootenanny

Saturday, Oct. 26, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Stanyan St. and Waller, next to Kezar Pavilion

Collections and Services

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Empowerment Through Art
Filipinos have lived continuously in the South of Market area since the early 1900s, but due to current socioeconomic forces, today’s community is under threat. Through its graphic arts storytelling project, *Isugid Pinoy!* or “Tell it, Filipino,” Kularts illustrates the stories of SoMa Filipinos, Filipino Cultural Heritage District with powerful imagery. Visual artists Don Aguillo and Raf Salazar have created s/herotic comic narratives based on the real-life s/heroes at Arkipelago Books, Bindlestiff Studio, West Bay Pilipino Multi-Service Center, Veterans Equity Center and the South of Market Community Action Network. The exhibition features artwork honoring the contributions and achievements of the Filipino community and the vibrancy of that culture.

*Isugid Pinoy!* – On view Oct. 5–Jan. 23, Main Library, 3rd Floor

On View

**Jewett Gallery**
Backstage Pass: Baron Wolman and the Early Years of Rolling Stone Magazine Aug 3–Oct 20

**Skylight Gallery**
Occupy Alcatraz! This small exhibit draws on materials from the Alcatraz Indian Occupation collection, donated to the Library by Indians of All Tribes in 1972. Oct 26–Jan 2, 2020

Native American Heritage Month Portraits
An exhibition of portraits from the Early Days Photo Shoot. Photographs are courtesy of the San Francisco Arts Commission. Skylight Gallery Lobby and Grove Street Entrance, Oct 26 – Jan 2, 2020

Ordinary Wonderful, Natural, Dedication
Photographs commemorating the 40th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and the United States. Oct 26–Apr 4, 2020, 5th Floor

Reconnect the Disconnect Restorative Justice Arts exhibit by Community Works West. Through Dec 15.

**Other Exhibits at the Main Library**
Across the Divide: The Beauty of Visual Language as Art Connects Chinese written language with visual arts. Through Nov. 14, Chinese Center, 3rd Floor

Before the Occupation: A Brief History of Native Americans at Alcatraz Federal Penitentiary
Highlights the controversies that occurred between the Federal Government and Native Americans. Oct 26–Jan 3, 2020, Government Information Center, 5th Floor Related program: Nov 9, 12 p.m.

Don’t Disturb the Dead: San Francisco’s Lost Cemeteries Oct 1–Dec 19, Government Information Center, 5th Floor

Isugid Pinoy: Tell It Filipino! Exhibit Stories of San Francisco’s SoMa Pilipino Filipino Cultural Heritage District. Oct 5–Jan 23, 2020, General Collections, 3rd Floor Related program: Oct 5, 1:30 p.m., 3rd Floor

Standing on the Mountain Top: Group Art Show from the AfroSola Arts Festival Artists explore the meaning of utopia. Through Nov 14, African American Center, 3rd Floor.

Who Owns the Earth? Henry George’s Progress and Poverty 140 Years Later Oct 12–Dec 28, San Francisco History Center, 6th Floor

Exhibits at the Branches
Day of the Dead Altars Honor your passed loved ones by contributing an ofrenda (offering). – Oct. 25–Nov 4, Visitacion Valley
– Oct. 26–Nov 2, Bernal Heights
– Oct. 30–6, 7–30, Excelsior
– Oct. 31, 3–4, Sunset

**Adults**

**1 Tuesday**
*Film: The Welting List*
Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm., 6–7:30 p.m.

*The 1619 Project*
Main, African American Center, 6–7:30 p.m.

*Jewelry Making*
Sunset, 6–7:30 p.m.

**2 Wednesday**
*Scrabble & Chess*
Main, Learning Studio, 2–4 p.m.

*Heathier Homes*
Richmond, 2–3 p.m.

*Effie Lee Morris Lecture*
Isabel Camayn Main, Koret, 6–8 p.m.

*Mission Dolores Main, Learning Studio, 6–8 p.m.*

*Meditation Mission Bay, 6 p.m.*

*Film: Golden Door*
North Beach, 6–7 p.m.

*Coloring Pottery*
Pot, 6 p.m.

*Yoga ExcelHer*
6:30 p.m.

*Spider Wreaths*
Now Valley, 7–8:30 p.m.

**3, 9, 16, 23, 30 Wednesdays**

SCORE Main, Study Room 438, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

*Tai Chi*
Eureka Valley, 12 p.m.

*Preside a, 1:30 p.m. & 2:45 p.m.*

*Meditation Main, LGBTGTQA Center, 12–12:30 p.m.*

*Coloring North Beach, 1 p.m.*

**2, 9, 16 Wednesdays**

*Disaster Safety: Part Series Ocean View, 2–3:30 p.m.*

**3 Thursday**
*Film: Antes Que Cante El Golfo Ocean View, 4–5 p.m.*

*Film: Get Smart*
Excelsior, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

*Calligraphy Lecture Main, Skylight Gallery, 6–7:30 p.m.*

*Film: Frances Perkins*
Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

**Will Writing Wednesday, 6 p.m.*

**3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Thursday**

TAV Lounge Main, 2–4 p.m.

**4 Friday**

*2017 Tax Cuts Bayview, 1 p.m.*

*Watercolors North Beach, 1 p.m.*

*Film: Remains of the Day Chinatown, 2–4:30 p.m.*

*Coloring Ingleside, 3–4 p.m.*

*Film: The Rise and Fall of the Brown Buffalo Visitation Village, 6–9 p.m.*

**4, 18 Fridays**

*Math Main, Computer Training Ctr, 12–1:30 p.m.*

*Yiddish Main, Paley Rm., 1–5 p.m.*

*Knitting & Crocheting Anza, 3:30–5:30 p.m.*

**4, 11, 18, 25 Fridays**

*Financial Literacy Campaign Series Main, Learning Studio, 3–5 p.m.*

*Poor Protection 11–10 a.m. & Savings and retirement 11–18 p.m. & Wealth accumulation 10–25 investments 5 Saturday*

**5 Saturday**

*Leadership Skills Main, Learning Studio, 10:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.*

*Knitting Now Valley, 10:30 a.m.*

*Creative Writing*
Presidio, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

*Baby Boomers Sing–A–Long Anza, 1 p.m.*

*Isugid Pinoy* Opening Main, General Collections, 1 p.m.

*Ong Poetry Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm., 1–3 p.m.*

*Aromatherapy Shower Steamers Bayview, 2 p.m.*

*Ong Imagery Main, LGBTGTQA Center, 12–12:30 p.m.*

*Alzheimer’s Research Richmond, 2–3 p.m.*

*Guitar Performance Chinatown, 2:30–3:30 p.m.*

*Film: Dolores Main, Koret, 3–5 p.m.*

*Author Talk: Poems of Exhaustion Now Valley, 3 p.m.*

**5, 19 Saturdays**

*Smart Money Coaching Main, Study Room 3, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.*

**5, 12, 19, 26 Saturdays**

*Conversational Mandarin Main, Chinese Center, 10–11:15 a.m.*

**5, 19 Saturdays**

*Knitting Sunset, 10:15 a.m.*

**6 Sunday**

*Calligraphy Main, Paley Rm., 12:30–2 p.m.*

*Jewelry Making Bernal Heights, 2–4:30 p.m.*

*Aaron Higreda’s You Don’t Even Speak Spanish Main, Learning Studios, 2–4 p.m.*

*Medicare Workshop in Spanish Mission, 2–4 p.m.*

*Chocolate Mission Bay, 2 p.m.*

*Zumba North Beach, 2 p.m.*

*Raising Children in the Digital Age Main, Children’s Center, 3:30–4:30 p.m.*

**6, 20 Sundays**

*Chi Kung Marina, 1:15 p.m.*

**7 Monday**

*Water Walk Ocean Beach, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.*

*Savings & Investment Bayview, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*

**7, 21, 28 Mondays**

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

*Healthy Aging Exercise North Beach, 10–11 a.m.*

*Tai Chi*
Eureka Valley, 12–12:30 p.m.

*Anza, 4–5 p.m.*

*Mindfulness & Meditation Main, Learning Studio, 1–2 p.m.*

*Conversational English Main, Study Room 4, 10:30–9:45 p.m.*

*AAC Conversation Alternative and Augmentative Communication Now Valley, 4:30 p.m.*

**8 Tuesday**

**Film/Discussion: Colette Presidio, 2–4 p.m.*

*Film: El Analfabeto Golden Gate Valley, 2:30–4:30 p.m.*

*Aging & Disability Resources Main, Atrium, 2:30–4:30 p.m.*

*Nowtopia Revisited Main, Learning Studio, 6–7 p.m.*

*Book Talk: Solito, Solita Main, Koret, 7–8:30 p.m.*

*DNA & Genetic Genealogy Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm., 6–7:30 p.m.*

*Knitting Merced, 6 p.m.*

*Feast with Festa North Beach, 6:15–7:45 p.m.*

*Genealogy & Family History North Beach, 6:15–7:45 p.m.*

*Film: The Lineup Eureka Valley, 6:30–8 p.m.*

*PPS-SF: Enrolling Your Child in Public High School Merced, 7–8:30 p.m.*

*Open Mic Park, 7–8:30 p.m.*

**9 Wednesday**

**Film: Understanding Bayview, 1–4 p.m.*

*Author Carolina de Robertis Main, Latino/Hispanic Rm., 6:30 p.m.*

*Film: Yesterday Ortega, 6 p.m.*

*Jazz Bernal Heights, 6:30 p.m.*
Don’t Disturb the Dead

This small exhibit explores 19th century cemeteries and the decades-long battle over their removal. Before it stopped burning within its city limits in 1910, there were at least 30 cemeteries around San Francisco. Today, only two cemeteries remain. As city development pushed west and land became more valuable, public support for cemeteries diminished. Proponents of cemeteries wanted to keep historic cemeteries that contained the remains of their loved ones and many noteworthy Californian pioneers. Photographs from the San Francisco History Center, newspaper articles and even artifacts from the cemeteries will be on display.

Don’t Disturb the Dead: San Francisco’s Lost Cemeteries – Oct. 1- Dec. 19, Main Library, 5th Floor, Government Information Center
Bay Area Science Festival

The Library is excited to offer programs as part of the Bay Area Science Festival. Highlights include "Culture: Meets The Science Behind Grown Meat," Dr. Nicholas Legender, Interim Chief Science Officer at New Age Meats, and Robert Yaman, formerly of Kiran Meats, will discuss the challenges of and photos that document the City’s Carnaval culture and contributions. Hear the harrowing stories from Gabriel Méndez and Soledad Castillo of crossing the border from Central America with children. Uruguayan editor, translator and author Carolina de Robertis will read from her new book, Cantoras: Six-time Lambda Literary Award-winning author. Michael Nava shares his new book Caved in Bone: A Henry Rios Novel. Local favorite La Chica will share their cookbook and success stories of chefs turned entrepreneurs. Learn about the life of Dolores Huerta, one of the most important figures in American activism, in a documentary film produced by Carlos Santana and directed by Peter Bratt.

Dolores: Rebel. Activist. Feminist. Mother. – Oct. 5, 5 p.m., Main, Library, Koret
Solito, Solita: Crossing Borders with Youth Refugees from Central America – Oct. 8, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret
Carolina de Robertis - Cantoras – Oct. 9, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

We Are La Cocina: Recipes in Pursuit of the American Dream – Oct. 15, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

Michael Nava - Caved in Bone: A Henry Rios Novel – Oct. 24, 6 p.m., Main, LGBTQIA Center

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**Book Groups**

**1 Tuesday**

*Wuthering Heights*

Merced, 7–8:30 p.m.

**2 Wednesday**

*Flu Shot Science Game*

Mission Bay, 5 p.m.

*Get a hands-on experience of history with our San Francisco Carnaval archive collection, featuring original scrapbooks, cartoons, sketches, posters and photos that document the City’s Carnaval culture and contributions. Hear the harrowing stories from Gabriel Méndez and Soledad Castillo of crossing the border from Central America with children. Uruguayan editor, translator and author Carolina de Robertis will read from her new book, Cantoras: Six-time Lambda Literary Award-winning author. Michael Nava shares his new book Caved in Bone: A Henry Rios Novel. Local favorite La Chica will share their cookbook and success stories of chefs turned entrepreneurs. Learn about the life of Dolores Huerta, one of the most important figures in American activism, in a documentary film produced by Carlos Santana and directed by Peter Bratt.

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City Wide Events

In connection with city-wide Indigenous Peoples celebrations, the 50th Anniversary of the Alcatraz Uprising and the launch of *There There* as our One City One Book, we are thrilled to host a number of events for all ages.

### Alcatraz Is Not an Island

**Partnership events with the National Park Service**

Historian Eloy Martinez (original occupier) and Hawk (James) Lowden of the Hoopa Valley Tribe and a National Park Service Ranger tell the story of the historic 1969 Native American Occupation on Alcatraz and provide information on how the 50th Anniversary of the Occupation will be commemorated this November.

**Alcatraz Is Not an Island**
- Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m., Ortega Branch
- Nov. 17, 2 p.m., Anza Branch

### An Unfinished Occupation: Landless in the Bay Area

Leaders of traditional Bay Area territories will speak about historical and contemporary events that have left them landless and without federal recognition. Moderated by Julian Brave NoiseCat (Canin Lake Band Tsq’e’en), the conversation will address the work these activists are doing to reclaim culture and reassert their claim to these lands, and why Indigenous presence matters as San Francisco emerges as a wealthy hub for tech corporations and real estate speculation. Featuring Corrina Gould (Confederated Villages of Lisjan), Ruth Orta (Ohlone/Bay Miwok/Plains Miwok) and Jonathan Cordero (Ramaytush Ohlone).

Co-presented with the Alcatraz Canoe Journey, San Francisco Public Library, and SFMOMA, as part of a four-part, city-wide series commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Alcatraz Occupation.

**Landless in the Bay Area**
- Oct. 23, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

### Untold and Intimate Stories of the Alcatraz Occupation

The Library partners with the California Historical Society for a powerful evening of stories from the Occupation of Alcatraz, in commemoration of its 50th anniversary. Ilka Hartmann and Brooks Townes will share rarely seen photos taken during the Occupation, and a group of original occupiers will tell the rich stories of organizing and living on Alcatraz Island. Speakers include Eloy Martinez (original occupier), La Nada War Jack (leader and original occupier), Geneva Seaboy (original occupier), Blair Ryan and William Ryan (children on Alcatraz), Brooks Townes (skipper who brought occupiers to the island), and Kent Blansett (author of *A Journey to Freedom: Richard Oakes, Alcatraz, and Red Power*).

**Untold and Intimate Stories of the Alcatraz Occupation**
- Nov. 19, 5 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

### Poem Jam

Join San Francisco Poet Laureate Kim Shuck and special guests for a poem jam at the Main Library on Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m.

San Francisco Poet Laureate Kim Shuck, Dean Rader, Jennifer Foerster and special guests honor acclaimed Native American author and scholar Janice Gould. — Nov. 7, Learning Studio

San Francisco Poet Laureate Kim Shuck, Linda Noel, Duane Big Eagle, Kitty Costello, Jack Hirschman and special guests honor the Native American poet and storyteller Mary TallMountain. — Nov. 14, Latino/Hispanic Community Rooms

San Francisco Poet Laureate Kim Shuck, Bill Vartnaw and special guests honor the Native American poet, essayist and visual artist Carol Lee Sanchez. — Nov. 21, Latino/Hispanic Community Rooms

### Events For Youth

- **Poem Jam**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **Ancestral Ink**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **An Unfinished Occupation: Landless in the Bay Area**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **Untold and Intimate Stories of the Alcatraz Occupation**
  - Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

- **Park Rangers provide a fun-filled story time of traditional Ohlone tales about animals and plants that still live in your local National Park site, the Presidio. Learn about traditional uses of California plants still growing wild in the Presidio. Start your own medicinal plant garden to take home. Experience Ohlone natural/cultural history through stories, games and art.** For children ages 5 and up.

  **Natural Presidio**
  - Oct. 2, 3:30 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

  **Growing Your Roots: Ohlone Ethnobiology**
  - Oct. 9, 3:30 p.m., Mission Branch

  **Ohlone Games**
  - Oct. 16, 3:30 p.m., Anza Branch

- **Ancestral Ink**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **Poem Jam**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **An Unfinished Occupation: Landless in the Bay Area**
  - Main Library, Koret Auditorium

- **Untold and Intimate Stories of the Alcatraz Occupation**
  - Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room
Exhibitions

This small exhibit draws on materials from the Alcatraz Indian Occupation collection, donated to the Library by Indians of All Tribes in 1972. On view will be correspondence, petitions of support, newsletters, fundraising and legal appeals and other documentation of life on the island during the Occupation.

Learn about events in federal history that led up to the Occupation of Alcatraz. This exhibit highlights some of the controversies that occurred between the federal government and Native Americans.

There There Book Groups

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 6:30 p.m., Ortega
Saturday, Oct. 5, 2 p.m., Mission Bay
Sunday, Oct. 6, 2 p.m., Anza
Saturday, Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m., Main Library, TBB*C
Sunday, Oct. 13, 2 p.m., Richmond
Saturday, Oct. 19, 6 p.m., North Beach
Tuesday, Oct. 22, 7 p.m., Excelsior
Sunday, Nov. 3, 3:30 p.m., Eureka Valley
Tuesday, Nov. 5, 6:30 p.m., Mission
Wednesday, Nov. 6, 6 p.m., Glen Park
Sunday, Nov. 10, 2 p.m., Parkside
Wednesday, Nov. 13, 6 p.m., Main Library

*Talking Books and Braille Center. Read by Kyla Garcia, 8 hours, 2 minutes. New members are always welcome. Call (415) 557-4293 for more information.

The 2019 Shortlist of One City One Book Contenders

America Is Not the Heart
by Elaine Castillo
A moving immigrant family saga set in the Bay Area, illuminating the troubled political history of the Philippines, and growing up Filipino in America.

Call Them by Their True Names:
American Cities (and Essays)
by Rebecca Solnit
Our local favorite essayist, Rebecca Solnit, adds another slim yet substantial collection to her Haymarket series. Starting with the election of Donald Trump, she examines America’s fallout in its various forms: misogyny, climate change, gentrification, et al.

Goodbye, Vitamin
by Rachel Khong
Lucky Peach executive editor Khong’s first novel, written in journal format, is a family drama/breakup story about 30-year-old Ruth, a recently single stenographer struggling to come to terms with her father’s Alzheimer’s diagnosis.

The Incendiaries
by R.O. Kwon
An impressive and ambitious debut novel filled with luminous prose. Kwon masterfully brings readers on a dark descent into a world of cults and into the mindset of a terrorist.

The Mars Room
by Rachel Kushner
Two-time National Book Award finalist Kushner delivers a heartbreakingly unforgivable novel set in a California women’s prison.

The Boatbuilder
by Daniel Gumbiner
Gumbiner’s first novel is a coming-of-age story that captures the disaffection of a twenty-something who feels lost in the world. Character-driven, authentic and hopeful.
**Children’s Calendar**

**October 2019**

- All programs and events are free and open to the public.
- Programs are for children of all ages, except where noted.
- Please call ahead to confirm dates and times.
- Groups of five or more make reservations.
- Children’s programs at the Main Library are at the Fisherman’s Wharf branch except where noted.

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**Monday, October 7**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
    - Every Tue., 11–11:30 a.m.
    - English
    - Every Wed., 10:30–11:30 a.m.
    - Mandarin
    - Every Thu., 11–11:30 a.m.
  - **Preschool Storytime**
    - Every Tue., 10:30–11 a.m.
    - English
    - Every Wed., 10:30–11 a.m.
    - Mandarin
    - Every Thu., 10–10:30 a.m.
    - Spanish
  - **Main**
    - **10:30–11:30 a.m.**
    - **11:30 a.m.**
    - Ticketed.
  - **Visitacion Valley**
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  - **Sunset**
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    - **11–11:30 a.m.**
  - **West Portal**
    - **10–11 a.m.**
    - **11 a.m.**

- **2 PM**
  - **Parent Child Interaction**
    - Every Wed., 1:30–2:15 p.m.
  - **North Beach**
    - **4–5 p.m.**
      - **5:30–6 p.m.**
        - **6–7 p.m.**
          - **7–8 p.m.**

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**Tuesday, October 8**

- **10 AM**
  - **Techmobile Visit: Halloween**
    - **2–4:30 p.m.**
  - **Western Addition**
    - **10–11 a.m.**
    - **11–11:30 a.m.**
  - **Parkside**
    - **10–11 a.m.**
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  - **Sunset**
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  - **Visitacion Valley**
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- **1:30–2:30 PM**
  - **LEGO**
    - **Chinatown**
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  - **Parkside**
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  - **Presidio**
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  - **Richmond**
    - **3:30–4 p.m.**
  - **Sunset**
    - **3:30–4 p.m.**

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**Wednesday, October 9**

- **10 AM**
  - **Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month**
    - **10–11:30 a.m.**
    - **11–11:30 a.m.**
      - **11:30 a.m.**
        - **11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.**
  - **Marina**
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**Thursday, October 10**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
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**Friday, October 11**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
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**Saturday, October 12**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
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    - **11–11:30 a.m.**
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**Sunday, October 13**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
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**Monday, October 14**

- **10 AM**
  - **Spanish/English Storytime**
    - **10:30–11:30 a.m.**
    - **11–11:30 a.m.**
  - **Main**
    - **10:30–11:30 a.m.**
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  - **Parkside**
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  - **Visitacion Valley**
    - **10:30–11:30 a.m.**
All programs and events are free and open to the public.

Tricycle Music Fest Rolls Around Town

**Bring, Bring, Bring!** Bring your crew, it’s rolling back through our shiny 11th Tricycle Music Fest boasts great music and tunes.

The Library is excited to share a fabulous line up of artists, including the Grammy-winning Lucky Band, sharing their new band name, look and release, **Buenos Diaz**. Grammy-nominated artists The Pop Ups come all the way from Brooklyn, New York. Grammy-nominated Alphabet Rockers bring The Love, their new release, and some of their favorites. Returning favorite **Jazzy Ash** and the Leaping Lizards adds New Orleans flair to our city by the bay. Every weekend in October and at different libraries, Tricycle Music Fest is a series that rolls all through the town.

From pop to hip hop, a little funk and jazz, this year’s fest will be a blast. Roll on over with your stroller and get ready to kick up your feet. Check out the calendar to Rock! Play! Learn! at the Library.

For more information, visit sfp.org/tricycle.
New TeenTober Promotes Print and Digital Literacy

TeenTober launches this October at select Library locations. TeenTober is a fresh combination of Teen Read Week, a national literacy initiative established by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), to encourage teens to be regular readers and library users; and Teen Tech Week, a digital literacy initiative focused on media and nonprint resources for teens, their parents and educators. This year, YALSA combines the two programs for a month-long campaign celebration of teens, TeenTober.

Looking for upcoming tech and literacy programs at various locations? Check out ala.org/yalsa/teentober for more information about the revamped initiative.

Pumpkin Spice Lattes — Oct. 5, 3 p.m., Richmond
Zombie Slime — Oct. 22, 3:30 p.m., North Beach Branch

Free College Prep Workshops Offered This Fall

The Library continues its partnership with Study Smart Tutors, offering quality College Prep workshops for high school juniors and seniors. Workshops are completely free. Classes are offered at The Mix at the Main and many branch library locations. Students have the opportunity to join a two- or four-class series taught by veteran instructors. One past participant said, “Before attending these prep classes, I had no idea about the tips and tricks. So after attending I started using the tips and tricks for my tests and saw a difference in the scores I was getting.”

Students are asked to make a commitment to attend all of the classes in a series to increase their skill building. Workshops including SAT, ACT and single subject test prep as well as College Essay Writing. Admissions and First Year College 101 are offered throughout the school year and early summer, with dates that lead immediately to the SAT and ACT exams. Sign up directly at www.StudySmart.us/SFPL or visit any branch for help reserving your spot.

Teen Volunteer Statistics

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Events for Teens

Teens Make an Impact at the Library

Teens seeking to contribute to their communities and make a difference can find a dazzling range of options at the Library. Over the last five years, the Library has provided exceptional volunteer opportunities for more than 7,000 teens at library locations throughout the city. Teens have donated more than 38,000 hours during the school year. Kate, a 17-year-old participant, stated, “Through volunteering at the workshops and with my team, I was able to both become a more confident leader and make new friends. I was also able to achieve my goal of learning about advertising through helping distribute the flyers and make our bookmarks/reading list.”

There are many programs to choose from, whether teens want to focus on building literacy, helping with special programs, assisting seniors with technology or creating a teen-designed, teen-led program. Volunteers for the award-winning, innovative FOG Readers program are matched with two struggling readers in grades 1–4 to build literacy skills using sight, hearing, touch and movement in order to help learners connect language with letters and sounds.

Volunteers for Teen Computer Corps help adults and seniors learn how to use technology on their digital devices at seven branch locations. Additionally, there are various opportunities to support library staff. Especially motivated teens may work together to research, envision, execute and evaluate an entire independent project.

Ready to help? Head to themixatsfpl.org/jobs-and-volunteer.

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Thanks for attending the Big Book Sale!

See you next year! Until then, shop at our Friends Bookstores and our pop-up sales like our weekly step sales on the Larkin Street steps at the Main.

Join Us at the Mission Branch Library for Litcrawl 2019, Oct. 19

**Featuring the Lisa Brown and Daniel Handler Residents**

In 2018, Lisa Brown and Daniel Handler generously funded a writer's residency that allowed Friends of San Francisco Public Library to house five San Francisco writers in its offices. We create an invaluable "vacancy," a writer's studio where writers can work for free all year. Now, we welcome you to visit the Mission Branch Library during Lit Crawl to hear these writers read the exciting material they have worked on over the course of their residencies.

**Rolling Out the Friends Circle**

As one part of our strategic planning process to make sure that our beloved SFPL has everything it needs for the next five years, we announce the Friends Circle. The Friends Circle is a way of putting our arms around our existing members and donors who have always supported Friends' mission for the best public library. It is also a way to reach out and embrace even more community members to do the same. All current Friends will automatically become members of the Friends Circle. If you are not a current member, we invite you into the Circle. Our ambitious goal is to invite 10,000 new members to be a part of our core mission—protecting and fortifying our free, accessible public library—one of the only remaining spaces where everyone is welcome and given equal access to resources and opportunity, and where connections are forged for greater understanding.

Eric Klinenberg, in his recent book *Palaces for the People: How Social Infrastructure Can Help Inequality, Polarization, and the Decline of Civic Life*, articulates this important mission:

> "...Social infrastructure provides the setting and context for social participation, and the library is among the most crucial forms of social infrastructure."

> "Neighborhood libraries and librarians do all kinds of unexpected things for surprisingly large numbers of people. Their core mission is to help people elevate themselves and improve their situation. Libraries do this, principally, by providing free access to the widest possible variety of cultural materials to people of all ages, from all ethnicities and groups."

> "...All social infrastructure requires investment, whether for development or upkeep, and when we fail to build and maintain it, the material foundation or our social and civic life erode."

All members of the Friends Circle receive:

- **At the Library** monthly SFPL newsletter home delivery
- **Friends’ monthly e-newsletter**
- **Tickets to the Annual Big Book Sale Members Preview Party**
- **10% off every day at Friends Bookstores plus bonus coupons**
- **10% discount card for independent bookstores**
- **Two Friends Circle member cards for adult members of your household**

We look forward to seeing you in the Friends Circle.

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**October Events**

**Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

**Steps Sales** Wednesdays, 11 a.m.–3 p.m. All books are $1 or less! Main Library’s Larkin Street steps, 100 Larkin St. (Rain cancels.)

**Oct 24**

**Books and Brews!** 4–8 p.m. Anchor Public Taps, 495 De Haro St. Love beer? Love books? Come to our Book & Brews event at Anchor Public Taps. Friends brings books for you to explore, read and buy while you sample handcrafted beers. Hundreds of books for sale in all categories. Food onsite. Children and dog-friendly!

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**Friends Bookstore**

**Locations & Hours**

**Friends Bookstore at Fort Mason Center**

Fort Mason Center, Building C

Open seven days a week.

Bookstore: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Telephone (415) 771-1076

**Friends Bookstore at the Main**

Main Library, 100 Larkin St.

Grove Street Entrance

Hours:

- Monday: 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday - Thursday: 10 a.m.–6 p.m.
- Friday: 12–5:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
- Sunday: 12–4:30 p.m.

(Closed most major holidays)

Telephone (415) 557-4238

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**Books at 10% off! Friends’ Independent Bookstore Program!**

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

- A. Cavalli Italian Bookstore
- Academy Bookstore
- California Academy of Science
- Adobe Bookstore
- Alan Wofsy Fine Arts LLC
- Alexander Book Co., Inc.
- Alley Cat Books
- Amazing Fantasy
- Black Oak Books Holding Corp.
- Bolerium Books
- Compass Books, Inc.
- Dog Eared Books
- Eastwind Books
- The Green Arcade
- Kayo Books
- Louie Brothers Book Store, Inc.
- Friends Bookstore: Fort Mason and Main Library
- Red Hill Books
- San Francisco Botanical Gardens, Garden Bookstore
- Thaidwick Books

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**Polarization, and the Decline of Civic Life**

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**The mission of Friends of the San Francisco Public Library is to create, steward and support a superior, free public library system in San Francisco. We are committed to raising the standard of excellence of our libraries by funding programs and services beyond what is allocated in the city's budget. We believe in free and equal access to information for all.**
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Every effort has been made to produce a monthly calendar that is both accurate and complete. Please contact Public Affairs if you have any questions or comments regarding the listings.

SFMOMA Public Knowledge 151 3rd St.   357-4000  10–5  10–5  10–5  closed  10–9  10–5  10–5

Tours of Main
Tours are conducted on the first Tuesday of each month at 12 p.m. Meet at the Information Desk in the First Floor atrium. Tours are limited to 15 people on a first come, first served basis. Groups can schedule a private tour by calling (415) 557-4266.

SFPL Commission
Meetings are generally held on a Thursday each month. This month’s meeting: 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 17 in the Koret of the Main. The public is welcome to attend.

Closure Times
All San Francisco Public Libraries will be closed on Monday, Oct. 14 for Indigenous Peoples’ Day.

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