



EXHIBITION & PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

April 2019

National Poetry Month

People ask me why poetry?

In this tense time we see larger audiences

People are not just buying more books at more small bookstores

They are coming to feel the poems in person

The way they rattle, as sound through the nouns of our bodies

If you already know why, come to an event

If you don't know, come feel what it's about.

--Kim Shuck, San Francisco Poet Laureate





[Poetry in Song Concert](#) – April 2, 6 p.m., Main Library

[Poe Tree Workshop](#) – April 2, 4 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch

[Celebrating Maya Angelou with SF Poet Laureate Kim Schuck](#) – April 9, 6 p.m., Main Library

[On the Page/Off the Page Open Mic Poetry](#) – April 9, 7 p.m., Park Branch

[Poetry Collage and Altered Poetry Workshop](#) – April 10, 3:30 p.m., Portola Branch (For teens and tweens)

[BlackOut Poetry](#) – April 10, 4 p.m. North Beach and April 13, 2 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

[Poets on Film: Rita Dove and Billy Collins](#) – April 11, 3 p.m., Main Library

[Poem Jam](#) – April 11, 6 p.m., Main Library

[Found Poetry Workshop](#) – April 14, 3 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch

[Ransom Note Poems](#) – April 15, 2 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch (For teens)

[Poem in Your Pocket Day](#) – April 18, all day, Western Addition Branch

[Open Mic Poetry](#) – April 19, 2 p.m., Main Library Braille and Talking Book Center

[Russian Poems & Verses](#) – April 23, 6 p.m., Richmond Branch

[Forum Magazine Celebrates National Poetry Month](#) April 24, 5:30 p.m., Main Library

[Poet Tongo-Eisen Martin: The Price of the Ticket](#) – April 25, 6 p.m., Main Library

[SF Beautiful, SFMTA and Poetry Society of America present Cedar Sigo](#) – April 25, 6:30 p.m., West Portal Branch

[Poet Rozalie Hirs: Work in Stuttering](#) – April 27, 12 noon, Main Library

[An Evening of South-Asian American Poets](#) – April 30, 5:30 p.m., Main Library

When We Were Very Young

Children's Books from the
Schmulowitz Collection of Wit and Humor

Exhibition on view:
Main Library, History Center/Skylight Gallery
April 1-May 31, 2019





How We Play

Photographs by Jarrell Phillips

Exhibition on view:
Main Library, Jewett Gallery
April 20 –August 11, 2019