
Libraries represent a place where all are welcome, just like the Statue of Liberty—the universal symbol of freedom and democracy. Starting in May, our Summer Stride program is championing democracy and we welcome you to join us. Stop by your neighborhood library to find more than 1,000 summer activities that are fun, informative and support science, technology, education, math and reading for all ages. Summer Stride has something for everyone: take a free National Park Service shuttle ride on an adventure; step into a StoryWalk at Crissy Field; track your time spent reading, listening and learning and time in the library. Collect a Summer Stride Guide or visit sfpl.org/summerstride to learn more about library programs, the National Park Service’s shuttle schedule and more.

Celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage

We’re proud to partner with the APA Heritage Foundation to present Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration, a full month of special events, author visits and creative programs for all ages. Congress inaugurated the celebration of Asian and Pacific American culture and heritage 40 years ago, but San Francisco’s roots reach even deeper. The City has long been a destination for new Americans from Asia, and our Chinatown remains the largest and oldest in North America. San Francisco has a vibrant Little Saigon and a strong Filipino American presence. San Francisco’s Japantown is the second largest in the nation. There are also diverse communities of people with backgrounds from Burma, India, Indonesia, Korea, Laos, Malaysia, the Pacific Islands, Singapore and Thailand, to name a few.

Our Library is a dynamic repository for knowledge and represents unity and community building. Our heritage celebrations raise a deeper awareness of how individuals and organizations of different cultures and backgrounds have shaped and continue to preserve the rich history of our beloved City. We invite everyone to enjoy our programs and those presented by our celebration partners, including the APA Heritage Foundation, Asian Art Museum, Asia Pacific Fund and CAAMFest.

Visit sfpl.org/asiapacific-american-heritage-month for the complete program guide or the calendar of events on pages 3-6.

Connect with Tech Week May 7–12

Digital Inclusion for All

It’s time to get connected. Attend the Tech Expo, free classes and engaging panel discussions. Build your skills and take the next step into the world of tech. From May 7 to 12, tech training programs ranging from basic computer skills to online job applications to beginning coding are offered throughout the Library system and partner locations. Library staff, tech workers and industry professionals are on hand to help with devices and new apps to bridge the digital divide.

Connect with Tech Week is a citywide initiative spearheaded by San Francisco Public Library to promote online access and technology skill-building and to reduce digital disparities in our communities. The programs are free and open to the public. There’s something for everyone. Visit sfpl.org/connectwithtech for the complete program guide.

Program Highlights

Pathways to Work: The Impact of AI on Recruitment and (Re)Training – May 10, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium. A panel exploring artificial intelligence’s potential for discovering employment opportunities, increasing skills and reducing bias to achieve a workforce more inclusive of older adults and persons with disabilities.

The State of Digital Inclusion in San Francisco – May 11, 2:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium. SF’s Digital Inclusion Officer presents the results of the City’s Digital Inclusion Survey.

Tenderloin Tech Fair – May 12, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Tenderloin Tech Lab, 150 Golden Gate Avenue. Free digital device repair, coding and smartphone workshops and more. Register at (415) 592-2766.

Potrero Hill: Picture Perfect

May marks the 60th annual Potrero Hill Arts Exhibition at the Potrero Branch Library. Attend a reception during Potrero Branch’s Open House celebration and enjoy a magic show, live music, light refreshments and gorgeous artwork.

The Potrero Hill Artists Exhibition is purportedly the oldest annual art show in San Francisco. The show began in 1955 and has run every year since (barring three years when the branch was closed for renovations). The first show was organized by a group of artists who painted with the late Charles Farr and helped to save the Potrero branch from being closed by the City. Sixty years later the show is still going strong with artists who live, work or study on Potrero Hill and in the Dogpatch neighborhood participating.

The Potrero Hill Artists Exhibition – May 5–July 28, Potrero Branch Library

• Reception & Open House – May 5, 5–8 p.m.
• Sneak Preview with Magic Dan (for families) – May 5, 11 a.m.

Coming Up:

JUNE 9
Golden Gate Valley Centennial Celebration at Golden Gate Valley Branch, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

JUNE 9
Her Right Foot: The Storyteller and the Artist Dave Eggers and Shawn Harris
• Main, Koret Auditorium, 11 a.m.
• Art Workshop at SFMOMA
Public Knowledge Library, 3 p.m.

JUNE 15–AUGUST 25
Kaligraphia XV: Triennial Exhibition of the Friends of Calligraphy
Main, Skylight Gallery

May Open Houses: Mission, Potrero, Western Addition, North Beach, Portola and Merced

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Introducing: Two Cities / One Book

San Francisco Public Library has partnered with the Shanghai Pudong Library to present Two Cities / One Book, an opportunity for San Franciscans to read and discuss the same book at the same time as residents from our sister city Shanghai, China. The book selection for May is *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin.

A.J. Fikry, a recent widower, is a prickly and odd owner of an independent bookstore on Alice Island in New England. One day, a toddler is abandoned by her mother in the bookstore, and the child falls under Fikry’s care. The novel is centered on books and writing and is wonderfully funny and moving. Check your local library or bookstore for a copy. Celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage month by reading in tandem with our friends across the globe. We hope that Two Cities / One Book will introduce you to wonderful new titles and authors.

See You at the Tech Expo

Get your “hands on” eBooks, digital music and more

Do you have a new phone or tablet? Want to add apps so you can access library eBooks, eAudiobooks and more? We can help! Bring your favorite device to the Tech Expo during Connect with Tech Week for free hands-on help and training. With just a few taps, you can have our library of digital content at your fingertips.

Library staff will also demonstrate how to get the right apps and how to borrow content from our vast digital collections. If you don’t have a device with you, we can walk you through the steps on one of our tablets or laptop computers.

Look for us at the “Hands-on Help” table.

What to bring:
- Library card number and PIN/password
- Your email address and password
- Your preferred mobile device (phone, tablet, laptop, etc.)

**Tech Expo** – May 10, 1–3 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Community Room

**JUNE 5th ELECTION – Register To Vote By May 21**

Want to have a hand in picking San Francisco’s next Mayor, the Secretary of State, California’s US Senator and a host of other important offices? Register to vote by May 21 for the June 5 election. You can do so online at registertovote.ca.gov, or by mailing in a Voter Registration Application, available at San Francisco Public Library locations, the Department of Elections, post offices and the DMV.

HOT TIP: You can pre-register at 16 or 17 to vote when you turn 18.

For more information, visit the Department of Elections’ website at sf.gov/elections, or call (415) 554-4375.

Just a reminder: your vote changes things a lot faster.

Books for Dessert

The Librotero is the newest addition to the Library’s fleet on wheels. A twist on the traditional popsicle wagon, the mobile cart is outfitted with free books, iconic chime bells and surprises—because stories are sweet, too.

**Find the Librotero**
- Saturday, May 19, Portola Branch Open House
- Saturday, June 2, Glen Park Branch Open House
- Wednesday, June 20, Summer Learning Kick-off, Civic Center Plaza
A Voteless People is a Hopeless People

In 1956, the San Francisco chapter of the National Council of Negro Women launched a “Citizenship Education Project” to develop political awareness primarily in the African American community. The campaign included a voter registration drive and educational component and promoted “get out the vote” motorcades, informational meetings and a political forum with nationally recognized speakers.

The women and their cadre of volunteers registered more than 1,700 people to vote and reached more than 15,000 with their education efforts. On display at the African American Center of the Main Library, view images from the campaign and learn how these women volunteers organized to educate their community in one of the earliest voter registration drives sponsored by the National Urban League.

A Voteless People is a Hopeless People – May 5–Aug. 9, Main Library, African American Center

On View

Jewett Gallery

Christopher Felver: The Imagination of American Poets
Portraits of local and national poets, alongside a handwritten poem by each poet. Through June 24

Skylight Gallery

It Must Have Been Something J: A Gastronomic Adventure from the Schmulowitz Collection of Wit and Humor (SCOWAH) Featuring books, cartoons, comic recipes, menus and a delightful newly acquired postcard collection. Through May 31

San Francisco SPCA: Saving animals and changing lives since 1868 View the founding documents of 1868 to the Vision 2020 initiative. Through June 17

Other Exhibits at the Main Library

A Voteless People is a Hopeless People: A 1956 campaign to educate their community in one of the earliest voter registration drives sponsored by the National Urban League. Through Jul 3, International Center, 3rd Floor

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Grabbing My Camera, Recording Memories
Historian Ann Mahony’s collection. Through May 17, African American Center

Through Aug. 16, Library for the Blind, 2nd Floor

Through June 21, Chinese Center, 3rd Floor

Aging & Disability Resources: A.I. Elder Tech
Aging & Disability Resources, 5–6 p.m. and 6–6:30 p.m.

8 Tuesday

• Anza, 4–5 p.m.

• Eureka Valley, 12–12:45 p.m.

• Francisco Chin: Hispanic Rms, 1:30–3 p.m.

• Ingleside, 6:30–8 p.m.

• Ocean View, 6:30–8 p.m.

9, 23 Wednesdays

• Excelsior, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

• Noe Valley, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

10 Thursday

• Tech Expo Main, Latino/ Hispanic Rms, 6–8 p.m.

• Film: Darker Hour Golden Gate Valley, 3–5 p.m.

14 Monday

• Grow Your Business with Tech Main, Learning Studio, 5–4:30 p.m.

15 Tuesday

• Digital Inclusion Survey Results

• Poetry Mission, 5–6 p.m.

• Pathways to Work: Impact of A.I. Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

• Knitting Exce Leslie, 6:30 p.m.

25, 26 Thursday

• Small Business Financial Analysis Pre- registration: Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.

• Art Show and Open House Potrero, 5–8 p.m.

5, 12 Saturdays

• Diabetes Empowerment Pre-registration: Ingleside, 10 a.m.

19, 26 Saturdays

• SmartsMoney Coaching Pre-registration: Main, 10:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

6 Sunday

• Biblio Bistro Main, Fulton Streets, 9–11 a.m.

• Asian American Graphic Narrative’s North Beach, 3:30 p.m.

• Green Dharma Los Main, Stong Rms., 12:30–3 p.m.

• Japanese Tea Ceremony Richmond, 2–3 p.m.

7 Sunday

• Film: Comedy-Seniors Merced, 7–8 p.m.

9, 23 Wednesdays

• SmartsMoney Coaching Pre-registration: Richmond, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

10 Thursday

• Tech Expo Main, Latino/ Hispanic Rms, 1–3 p.m.

• Film: Darker Hour Golden Gate Valley, 3–5 p.m.

12, 20, 27 Sundays

• Crafts Ages 18–25, LG BTQIA Center, 12:30–2:30 p.m.

7 Monday

• Stop Motion Animation Pre-registration: Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.

17, 24 Monday

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

• Tai Chi

• Film/Discussion: The Battle of Alcatraz Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

28 Tuesday

• Small Business Financial Analysis Pre-registration: Bernal Heights, 5 p.m.

• Film/Discussion: The Battle of Alcatraz Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

• Coding Info for Parents Bayview, 6–7:30 p.m.

• Net Neutrality

• Online Health Tools Main, Learning Studio, 2:30–3 p.m.

• Soap Pictures Pre-registration: Ocean View, 2–4 p.m.

• Digital! Shop & Online Safety Main, Learning Studio, 4:30 p.m.

9 Tuesday

• SavorLife: Start Saving Main, Learning Studio, 6–6:30 p.m. and 6:30–7 p.m.

• Hearing Loss Main, Stong Rms., 6–7:30 p.m.

• Yoga Bernal Heights, 6:30 p.m.

• Film: Screeners Ortega, 6:30–8 p.m.

• Film: Cyber-Seniors Merced, 7–8 p.m.

• Tech Expo Main, Latino/ Hispanic Rms, 1–3 p.m.

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• Fabric Origami Pre-registration: Ocean View, 6:30–6:45 p.m.

• Poetry Mission, 5–6 p.m.

• Pathways to Work: Impact of A.I. Main, Koret, 6–7:30 p.m.

• Knitting Excelsior, 6:30 p.m.

• Chair Yoga Excelsior, 2–3 p.m.

13 Friday

• Heart Disease (Chinese/Eng- lish) Chinatown, 1–3 p.m.

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ON THE SAME PAGE

May/June Selection: The 57 Bus by Dashka Slater
A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime that Changed their Lives

Dashka Slater’s new book takes us on an exploration of gender identity, adolescent crime and parental racism and probes the line between adolescent stupidity and irredeemable depravity. Slater, a white Oakland teen with Asperger’s Syndrome enjoyed a tight circle of friends. Encouraged by parents who support self-expression, Slater identifies as gender-queer. Richard, a Black teen also from Oakland, was always going around at a high school where roughly one-third of the students failed to graduate. Within a few short years, his friends would be pregnant, in jail or shot dead, but Richard tried to stay out of real trouble. One fateful day, while Sasha is asleep on the 57 bus, a friend of Richard’s hands him a lighter, and he lights Sasha’s skirt on fire. A single reckless act left Sasha severely burned, and her life has been charged with two hate crimes and facing a federal government. Author Slater does a masterful job debunking the myths of the hate-crime monster and the African-American thug.

Author Talk with Dashka Slater – June 20, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

The Color of Comics
Keith Knight, a multi-award-winning artist, appears in conversation with Shawn Taylor of the Black Comix Arts Festival to discuss issues of race, racism and equality in today’s comics. Knight’s personal style is a cross between Calvin & Hobbes, MAD magazine and underground sound comics. He’s part of a generation of African-American artists raised on hip-hop, and infuses his work with urgency, edge, humor, satire, politics and race.

Knight in Conversation with Shawn Taylor
May 6, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

*Funded by Friends of the San Francisco Public Library
The Pilipinx American Experience

Visit the Library’s newest branch, Public Knowledge at SFMOMA, for an evening of live readings from diverse Pilipinx voices in contemporary literature followed by a zine-making workshop with the Pilipinx American Library (PAL). Special guests include writers Melissa Spin, Elaine Castillo, Renee Macalino Rutledge, Trinidad Escobar and Janice Sapigao.

Public Knowledge is a partnership between the Library and SFMOMA, created to explore how contemporary art and culture can illuminate important issues and create spaces for new conversations.

Transcribing Herstory: Contemporary Pilipinx Voices — May 31, 6:30 p.m., SFMOMA Public Knowledge, 151 Third Street, 2nd Floor

5 Saturday
*eReader Presidia, 10 a.m.
5, 12, 19 Saturdays
Computer Help
*West Portal, 2–4 p.m.  
Excelsior, 3:30–5 p.m.
5, 12, 19, 26 Saturdays
Computer Help
*Sunset, 2 p.m.
6 Saturday
*eSources Mission, 2 p.m.
6, 13, 20, 27 Sundays
Computer Help
*Ortega, 2–4 p.m.
*North Beach, 3:45–5:15 p.m.
*Anza, 2–3 p.m.
7 Monday
WeChat (Chinese/English)
*Portola, 1–2 p.m.
*Phone/iPad Basics (Chinese)
*Western Addition, 1:30 p.m.
eReader Portola, 4–5 p.m.
8 Tuesday
Phone/iPad Basics
*Ocean View, 1–2 p.m.
*Digital Devices Mission, 5 p.m.
Digital Archiving
*West Portal, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
9 Wednesday
Tablet Basics Portola, 1–3 p.m.
*Kanopy Films Chinatown, 2 p.m.
Computer Anatomy Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.
9, 23 Wednesday
Computer Help Richmond, 4 p.m.
eReader Eureka Valley, 7 p.m.
10 Thursday
Digital Help
*Eureka Valley, 1 p.m.
UHN Chinese eBooks
*Presidio, 1 p.m.
eReader Ortega, 2, 3 p.m.
Internet Safety (Chinese)
*Pre-register Chinatown, 2–4 p.m.
11 Friday
Digital Photos Anza, 1–3 p.m.
YouTube Basics (Chinese)
*Pre-register Sunset, 1:30 p.m.
Computer Basics
*Visitacion Valley, 2–3 p.m.
11, 25 Fridays
Computer Basics Presidio, 5/11 Search the Internet 5/25 Email Excelsior, 3:30–5 p.m.
From left to right: Melissa Spin, Elaine Castillo, Renee Macalino Rutledge, Trinidad Escobar and Janice Sapigao.

Halau Ha’a Kea o Kinohi

Join Halau Ha’a Kea o Kinohi for a short hula performance (native Hawaiian dance) with a cultural presentation about the meaning of the dance and history of hula. For all ages. Participation encouraged.

Saturday, May 5 11 a.m.–12 p.m., Glen Park
Sunday, May 20, 2–3 p.m., Anza
Saturday, May 26, 11 a.m.–12 p.m., Marina
Saturday, May 26, 1–2 p.m, West Portal

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1 Tuesday
- *LEGO Mission, 4–5:30 p.m.

2 Wednesday
- Family LEGO • Glen Park, 1–3 p.m.
- *Magic: Merlin, 4–4:30 p.m.
- *Treetop Treks Inkleloop, 4–6 p.m.

3 Thursday
- *LEGO • Mission, 3–5 p.m.
- *Origami
- *Kathak Dance
- *Hula Hoop Readathon

4 Friday
- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Wednesdays
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5 Saturday
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6 Sunday
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- *Japanese Taiko Drumming
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Luis Herrera Latino/Hispanic Interest Collection

Retired, and still making a difference

On Friday, Feb. 23, Luis Herrera retired as City Librarian. During his 13 years serving San Francisco, he championed massive change in the library system and was a beacon of inspiration for librarians and library lovers alike. Luis may have packed up his office, but he remains staunchly passionate about continuing to make an exceptional difference at the San Francisco Public Library.

And guess what? You can too, by contributing to the Luis Herrera Latino/Hispanic Interest Collection.

Looking at what Luis has accomplished has put into context how effective this new fund can be. In 2012, Luis was named Library Journal’s Librarian of the Year, and a few years after that was nominated by President Barack Obama to serve on the board of the Institute of Museum and Library Services. As a member of the Board of Trustees of the Latino Community Foundation, he was a champion in the Latino community nationally.

We remember Luis as one of San Francisco’s most influential City Librarians, and his amazing work for our City has garnered national attention. The branch capital improvement projects, led by Luis, transformed neighborhood libraries into community beacons. Fast forward to present day, and every library is open seven days a week; a national model of service for all urban libraries.

Now is your chance to contribute to a special collection beloved by Luis. The Luis Herrera Latino/Hispanic Interest Collection helps to bridge gaps in the library’s selections, making new and important Spanish language content available throughout the system. The collection also funds programming catering to Latino communities and aims to bring more people into our libraries.

Help us continue his great legacy through contributing to this special opportunity. Visit friendssfpl.org for more information.

Fort Mason Friends’ Bookstore

More than just books

The Readers Bookstore at Fort Mason is a perfect place for you to support Friends with your wallet by shopping for great books. It’s the year-round version of the Big Book Sale—you can shop for a good cause and take home a ton of treasures. However, a trip to Fort Mason will yield more than a book bounty. In addition to fun volunteer opportunities in the store, you’re steps away from entertainment, delicious food and a spectacular view.

Friday nights through October, Off the Grid fills up Fort Mason with food and entertainment, right in front of our store. More than 30 food trucks come out to the weekly event. Pick up some great books and spend the night tasting some of San Francisco’s best mobile cuisines.

Looking for a fun activity for you and your coworkers? Volunteer for a day at Friends’ Readers Bookstore. Authors will be visiting the Friends’ Readers Bookstore to promote new books and share big ideas. Lectures, events and author signings come through the store regularly. The 28, 30, 3X, 43, 47 and the 49 MUNI bus lines all have a Fort Mason stop, making the store a cinch to get to.

After a productive volunteer shift, make sure to stop by the coffee shop connected to the store, Goody Café. With a little fuel in the system, search for great reads to take home and enjoy. The mission of Friends’ Readers Bookstore is to make supporting the San Francisco Public Library easy and fun. Being located in beautiful Fort Mason makes doing good that much more enjoyable.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Brenda Salguero, Manager of Volunteer Services, (415) 477-5223 or brensa.salguero@friendssfpl.org.

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.

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

Friends members (50+ level) receive a 10% discount at the following bookstores:

- A. Cavalli Italian Bookstore
- Academy Store, 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 Ear Books
- Dog Eared Books
- The Green Arcade
- Kayo Books
- Louie Brothers Book Store, Inc.
- Manning’s Books & Prints
- Marcus Book Stores
- Omnivore Books on Food
- Readers Bookstore Fort Mason
- Readers Bookstore Main
- Red Hill Books
- San Francisco Botanical Gardens, Garden Bookstore
- Thidwick Books

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