The San Francisco Public Library presents

Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration

- MAY 2019 -
In the rich culture of our Asian American and Pacific Islander communities, the contributions they make to our City each and every day. Throughout Asian Pacific American Heritage month, San Francisco Public Library is offering an exceptional set of programs in every neighborhood, so stop by your local branch for films, performances, author talks, crafts and conversations about our API community. Along with the Library, I welcome you to expand your horizons and dig deep into our City’s culture, to celebrate diversity and inclusion, to learn and have fun with your neighbors.

London Breed, Mayor of San Francisco

The Library is a dynamic repository for knowledge and cultivates unity and community building. Our heritage celebrations raise a deep awareness of how immigrants from across the globe have shaped the San Francisco we know today. During May, we honor our Asian American and Pacific Islander communities with rich dance and music performances, compelling book reads by prominent authors and thinkers, food and craft events and much more. We invite everyone to enjoy our programs and those by our partners, including the APA Heritage Foundation, CAAM and the Asian Art Museum. As a librarian born in Seoul, Korea, this month of special events sparks a great deal of personal pride as we celebrate our rich and varied cultural heritage.

Michael Lambert, City Librarian

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CRAFTS

Cherry Blossom Paper Craft
• Saturday, May 4, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Mission
Create beautiful, bright, vibrant cherry blossoms using multi-colored tissue paper. Craft program follows family storytime.

Tibetan Flag Making
• Tuesday, May 14, 4-5 p.m., Bernal Heights
Tibetan prayer flags typically carry mantras (sacred words) for peace, compassion, good fortune, strength or wisdom. They are an essential part of Tibetan culture and can be found over mountain passes and along mountain ridges. Join us to create a flag with your own mantra.

Creating Indonesian Garuda and Mamuli Pendants
• Tuesday, May 14, 3-4:30 p.m., Golden Gate Valley
Create crafts expressing Indonesian symbols.

DIY Kids: Origami
• Sunday, May 19, 2-4 p.m., Merced
Learn to fold origami. Geared for children 3-8.

Cherry Blossom Painting
• Tuesday, May 21, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Bayview
Paint cherry blossoms using recycled bottles. Limited space, recommended for ages 5+. Call (415) 355-5757 for more information.

Kumihimo Craft with Esther Kwan
• Saturday, May 11, 2-3:30 p.m., Presidio
Learn a traditional Japanese braiding method. The finished cords can be used as key holders, zipper pulls or bracelets. For ages 5 & up; space is limited to 12 participants. Preregister: (415) 355-2880

Felt Fortune Cookies
• Saturday, May 11, 4-5 p.m., Potrero
Make a fortune cookie out of felt with your own fortune inside. Recommended for ages 8 and up or younger with adult help. Preregister: (415) 355-2822

KEEP BOXES WITH THE MUSEUM OF CRAFT AND DESIGN
• Saturday, May 11, 1-2:30 p.m., Excelsior
Learn about Bay Area artist Wanxin Zhang and create keepsake boxes using personal and pop cultural symbols.

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APIAs Waking Up! Jump into Action: Commemorating 50 Years of Asian American Studies
• Sunday, April 28, 12-3 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room
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CANDY LEI CRAFT
• Thursday, May 23, 4-5 p.m., Ortega, Ages 7 & up
• Friday, May 24, 3-4 p.m., Merced, kids up to 18
Make a sweet gift to give to someone—perfect for graduations.

Cherry Blossom Craft
• Tuesday, May 28, 3-4:30 p.m., Golden Gate Valley
Create a craft celebrating the cherry blossom, which represents the fragility and the beauty of life.

MOVEMENT

It’s Yoga Kids®
• Monday, May 13, 11-11:30 a.m., Merced
Inspiration comes from animals in this fun, musical introduction to yoga for 1 to 3 year olds accompanied by an adult. The world’s cutest (and craziest) class.

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MUSIC
Asian Pop Karaoke
• Saturday, May 4, 2–4 p.m., Chinatown
A fun-filled afternoon with C-pop, K-pop, J-pop and various other Asian pop songs. Come on out and sing your favorite song.

PERFORMANCE
Hula with Halau Ha’a Kea o Kinohi
• Saturday, May 4, 12–1 p.m., Merced
• Saturday, May 11, 11 a.m.–12 p.m., Marina
• Saturday, May 18, 12–1 p.m., Ocean View
• Saturday, May 18, 3–4 p.m., Mission Bay

Flying Angels Chinese Dance Company
• Saturday, May 4, 3–4 p.m., West Portal
• Sunday, May 26, 3–4 p.m., Excelsior
Colorful costumes and vibrant music will take you on a journey through China. For all ages.

FOOD
Cooking Time
• Monday, May 6, 3–5 p.m., Sunset
Learn to make onigiri, a Japanese rice ball, and various other Asian pop songs. Come on out and sing your favorite song.

Meet the Author: June Jo Lee
• Wednesday, May 15, 2:30–3:30 p.m., Golden Gate Valley
June Jo Lee, author of award-winning picture book Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix, speaks about the national food truck movement and what brought her from Seoul to San Francisco.

Programs for Teens & Tweens

Teens & Tweens
FOOD
Lo Mai Chi: Sticky Rice Ball
• Thursday, May 2, 3–5 p.m., Chinatown

CRAFTS
Origami Bouquets
• Wednesday, May 8, 4–5 p.m., Ingleside
Make origami flowers to turn into your own bouquet. Ages 10 and up.

3D Chinese Paper Cutting
• Friday, May 24, 3:30–5 p.m., Chinatown

FOOD
Novel Noshing
• Thursday, May 16, 3–5 p.m., Anza
Share our love and appreciation for the graphic novel series Food Wars! (Shokugeki No Soma) by Yuto Tsukudo. Talk about the stories and prepare a recipe inspired by the books.

Biblio Bistro
• Tuesday, May 28, 4–6 p.m., Main Library, The Mix
Learn to make delicious food. This month: Sushi Bowls. Eat what you make!

AUTHOR READING
My So-Called Filipino Egyptian Life
• Saturday, May 11, 3 – 5 p.m., SFMOMA Public Knowledge Branch
Attend the Bay Area book launch of I Was Their American Dream: A Graphic Memoir from artist, journalist and author Malaka Gharib. Malaka will lead an interactive zine-making workshop following the reading.
For craft programs, all materials are provided, unless noted. For food programs, please be aware of food allergies.

**RATED PG**

**Youth Movie: Moana** *(2016, 113 min.)*  
- Tuesday, May 7, 4 p.m., Excelsior  

**RATED PG-13**

**Crazy Rich Asians** *(2018, 120 min.)*  
- Tuesday, May 7, 3:30 p.m., North Beach  
- Sunday, May 12, 2 p.m., Western Addition  
- Saturday, May 18, 2 p.m., Bayview  
- Wednesday, May 22, 6:30 p.m., Merced  
- Friday, May 24, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium - Audio described film  
- Sunday, May 26, 2:30 p.m., Portola  
- Friday, May 31, 4 p.m., Visitacion Valley

**Teen Movie: Halo Legends** *(2010, 120 min.)*  
- Tuesday, May 7, 5:30 p.m., Potrero  
- The universe of the Halo video game series is expanded in seven short animated films. The free popcorn will be locally-sourced, however.

**Movie and a Meal: Hunt for the Wilderpeople** *(2016, 101 min.)*  
- Friday, May 17, 3 p.m., Potrero  
- A rebellious teenage orphan and his reluctant caretaker survive in the New Zealand wilderness after the former attempts to run away from his foster home. The Potrero Hill Family Support Center will provide a meal.

**Searching** *(2018, 102 min.)*  
- Wednesday, May 8, 6 p.m., Ortega  
- Tuesday, May 21, 3:30 p.m., North Beach  
- Desperate to find his teen daughter, a father delves through her internet history and social media to find clues on where she might be.

**RATED R**

**Better Luck Tomorrow** *(2002, 101 min.)*  
- Wednesday, May 1, 6 p.m., North Beach  
- A group of overachieving Asian-American high school seniors enjoy a power trip when they dip into extra-curricular criminal activities.

**NOT RATED**

**Hidden Wonders of Korea**  
- Thursday, May 2, 6 p.m., Sunset  
- Two documentary short films focus on King Sejong the Great, a truly enlightened monarch from the 15th century Korea. Traditional Korean desserts will be served.

**Korean Spirit and Culture Project**  
- Friday, May 3, 2:30 p.m., Main Library  
- The Korean Spirit and Culture Project presents two short documentaries—on King Sejong the Great and modern-day achievements of Korea. Traditional Korean refreshments will be served.

**Flower Drum Song** *(1961, 132 min.)*  
- Tuesday, May 7, 2 p.m., Presidio  
- Rogers and Hammerstein’s Broadway musical featuring Hollywood’s first Asian American cast.

**The Navigators: Pathfinders of the Pacific** *(2013, 59 mins.)*  
- Friday, May 10, 4:30 p.m., Visitacion Valley  
- More than 1,000 years ago, the islands of Polynesia were explored and settled by navigators who used only the waves, the stars, and the flights of birds for guidance. Documentary.

**Boy** *(2013, 90 min.)*  
- Sunday, May 12, 2 p.m., Anza  

**Chan Is Missing** *(1982, 80 min.)*  
- Wednesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m., Richmond  
- Follow the adventures of two cabbies on their search through San Francisco’s Chinatown for a mysterious character who has disappeared with $4,000 of their money.

**Summer Pasture** *(2010, 85 min.)*  
- Wednesday, May 15, 7 p.m., Bernal Heights  
- A documentary that chronicles one summer with a young nomad family living in the high grasslands of eastern Tibet.

**CAAMFest: First Person Plural**  
- Saturday, May 18, 2–5 p.m.  
- Main Library, Koret Auditorium  
- Deann Borshay Liem’s Emmy Award-nominated documentary of uniting her Korean-biological and American-adoptive families is a poignant essay on family, loss, and the reconciling of two identities.

**Canton Army in the High Sierras** *(2001, 28 min.)*  
- Friday, May 17, 2 p.m., Excelsior  
- Two short films about Chinese railroad workers and their substantial contributions to the construction of a transcontinental railroad system, followed by time to discuss and socialize.

**The Scent of Green Papaya** *(1993, 104 min.)*  
- Friday, May 17, 4 p.m., Visitacion Valley  
- Set in 1951 Saigon, where 10-year-old Mui enters household service for an affluent but troubled Vietnamese family.

**A Gesar Bard’s Tale** *(120 min.)*  
- Wednesday, May 22, 7 p.m., Bernal Heights  
- A feature-length documentary transports us to Tibet in the aftermath of a severe earthquake.

**Sita Sings the Blues** *(2009, 54 min.)*  
- Friday, May 24, 4:30 p.m., Visitacion Valley  
- Meet the “Chinese Joan of Arc,” in this documentary on modern China’s first feminist.

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**Asian Snack Trials**  
- For Children ages 5 and up  
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**Sweets Edition**  
- Friday, May 17, 4–5 p.m., Parkside  
- Filipino  
- Wednesday, May 8, 2:30–3:30 p.m., Ocean View  
- East Asian Snacks  
- Wednesday, May 29, 4–5 p.m., Ingleside  
- Thai and Vietnamese Snacks

**For Adults**  
- Asian Snacks  
- Sunday, May 19, 3–4 p.m., Potrero  
- Japanese Snacks

**Youth Movie: The Golden Spike: The Chinese Contribution to the Transcontinental Railroad** *(2009, 8 min.)*  
- Friday, May 17, 2 p.m., Excelsior  
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AUTHOR TALKS

Between the Great Divide: A Journey into Pakistan-Administered Kashmir

- Wednesday, May 1, 6-7:30 p.m., Main Library, 5th Floor Learning Studio
  Join author and educator, Anam Zakaria, as she discusses her book.

Wild Geese Sorrow
- Sunday, May 5, 1-2 p.m., North Beach
  Poet and writer Jeffrey Thomas Leong discusses the hidden history of the Chinese wall inscriptions at Angel Island.

Discriminating Sex: White Leisure and the Making of the American “Oriental”
- Saturday, May 11, 2-3:30 p.m., Main Library, Skylight Gallery
  A talk with Amy Sueyoshi, author and professor of Race & Resistance Studies and Sexuality Studies at SF State University. Discriminating Sex details how middle class whites pushed the boundaries of their own gender and sexual norms, leading to the pan-Asian term “Oriental,” a sexual racialized stereotype, more than a century ago.

Useful Phrases for Immigrants: Stories
- Tuesday, May 14, 6-7:30 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Rooms
- Saturday, May 18, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Chinatown
  Celebrate May-lee Chai’s latest short story collection. With hearts that break and sometimes mend, with families who fight and sometimes forgive, these timely stories illuminate complicated lives with empathy and passion.

Shanta Nimbark Sacharoff, photo: Janice Renz

COOKING TOGETHER: A VEGETARIAN CO-OP COOKBOOK

Cooking Together: A Vegetarian Co-op Cookbook
- Saturday, May 18, 2-3:30 p.m., Ortega
  Shanta Nimbark Sacharoff discusses her book. Samples of chutney with crackers and chai will be provided during a Q&A and book signing.

Cooking Together, photo: Krysta Rohr

The Best We Could Do

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- Visitacion Valley
  - Wednesday, May 1, 5-6 p.m.,
  - Sunday, May 19, 3-4:30 p.m.
  An award-winning illustrated memoir that describes one family’s journey from their war-torn home in Vietnam to their new lives in America.

America Is at the Heart
- Sunday, May 2, 6-7:30 p.m., Main Library, 3rd Floor Filipino American Center

Pachinko
- Sunday, May 5, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Eureka Valley
- Wednesday, May 15, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., West Portal
- Saturday, May 18, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Ortega

See more information on Pachinko, our May/June On the Same Page selection, on page 13.

A Mysterious Book Club
- Sunday, May 19, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Eureka Valley
  This month’s selection is Malice, by Keigo Higashinio.

Author Event at SFMOMA:
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  SFMOMA Public Knowledge Branch
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Thread That Connects
- May 4-August 1
  Main Library, International Center, 3rd Floor
  Using everyday materials such as fabric, silk, willow branches and ivy, artist Kimiko Kogure creates powerful quilts. As a first-generation Japanese-American born in the city where the silk industry was once prominent, Kogure threads her life experiences and the memories of her childhood together.

EXHIBITIONS

Thread That Connects: Milky Way, Kimiko Kogure

Light of Nanjing: Photo Exhibit of a City
- May 18-July 18, Main Library, Library Café Display Case, Lower Level
  Nanjing is an historical and cultural city that dates back more than 6,000 years. Today, the city is a vibrant metropolis with scientific and technological innovation at its core. This exhibit showcases a group of photographers in Nanjing who, due to their passion and love for the city, are dedicated to recording every detail of the city’s beauty and change with their cameras.
CRAFTS

Make a Fabric Gift Wrap (Furoshiki)
• Wednesday, May 1, 7-8:30 p.m., Noe Valley
Learn the Japanese art of wrapping with cloth.
Preregister: (415) 355-5707

Origami Club
• Saturday, May 4, 2-5 p.m., Bernal Heights
Join the Bay Area Rapid Folders and learn great origami tricks. All skill levels are welcome. Bring your own paper.

Red Envelope Artwork
• Saturday, May 4, 2-4 p.m., Ingleside
Transform Chinese red envelopes into the Mother’s Day/APIA Month works of art.

Dekui Chinese Calligraphy Class
• Sunday, May 5, 12:30-2 p.m., Main Library, Paley Room, 3rd Floor
Learn the ancient Chinese art of calligraphy.

Craft for Mother’s Day/APIA Month
• Thursday, May 9, 3-4:30 p.m., Ingleside
Create fun and creative Mother’s Day cards and flowers out of origami. All ages welcome.

Keepsake Boxes with the Museum of Craft and Design
• Saturday, May 11, 1-2:30 p.m., Excelsior
Learn about Bay Area artist Wanxin Zhang and create keepsake boxes using personal and pop cultural symbols.

Origami Floral Jewelry Making with Shinta Arifin
• Saturday, May 18, 2-3:30 p.m., Marina
Create beautiful origami jewelry. Space is limited. Preregister: (415) 355-2823

Ikebana: Japanese Flower Arrangement
• Saturday, May 18, 3-4 p.m., Western Addition
Make your own flower arrangement under the guidance of ikebana instructor Omachi-sensei. Preregister: (415) 355-5727

Making Petal Pouches with Esther Kwan
• Tuesday, May 21, 3:30-5 p.m., Ocean View
Learn to hand sew a drawstring petal pouch with fabric and cord. Beginners are welcome. Limited to 12 people. Preregister: (415) 355-5615

Shizu Designs Art Demo
• Tuesday, May 21, 6-7 p.m., North Beach
Experience a demonstration of traditional Japanese basket making used to transform rocks into art that invites contemplation, peace and serenity.

Let’s Make Woven Fish
• Wednesday, May 22, 6-7:30 p.m., Presidio
A traditional craft of Thailand, fish were originally woven from palm fronds and used in mobiles to hang over babies’ cradles.

Diwali Paper Lanterns
• Saturday, May 25, 2-3 p.m., Mission
Make paper lanterns traditionally featured in Diwali, a festival of lights celebrated all across India. Space is limited. Preregister: (415) 355-2800

Chinese Brush Painting
• Saturday, May 25, 2-3:30 p.m., Ortega
Try your hand at the art of Chinese brush painting with artist and museum docent Pauline Tsui. Preregister: (415) 355-5700

Chinese Knots
• Thursday, May 30, 6:15-7:15 p.m., Sunset
Learning the art of the Chinese knot. Space is limited. Preregister starting May 9: (415) 355-2808

FOOD

Vietnamese Sandwiches
• Saturday, May 11, 3-4 p.m., Mission Bay
Learn to make a Vietnamese crispy crackling roasted pork sandwich. Space is limited.
Preregister: (415) 355-2838

Sip Therapy: Traditional Healing Asian Soups
• Saturday, May 11, 1-2:30 p.m., Ortega
Kristie Chow describes how to “eat to harmonize.” Learn about Asian food therapy and try a healing soup.

Cooking Back To Our Roots
• Sunday, May 19, 2-3 p.m., Anza
Learn about the Pacific Islanders’ native diet through this workshop and food demonstration.

Let’s Roll—Sushi!
• Sunday, May 19, 2:30-4 p.m., Portola
Roll sushi using simple ingredients and techniques. All materials provided.

Kimchi
• Wednesday, May 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Noe Valley
Learn the history of kimchi with tasting. Hosted by Noe Valley resident and chef JiYoung Park.

TEA

Japanese Tea Ceremony
• Saturday, May 4, 12-1 p.m., Visitacion Valley
• Thursday, May 9, 11 a.m. and 12 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Rooms*
• Thursday, May 16, 4:30-6 p.m., Ocean View*

*Main Library: First 20 participants for each session will be served tea.
*Ocean View: Limited to 25 people. Preregister: (415) 355-5615

Afternoon Tea for Seniors
• Wednesday, May 15, 3-4:30 p.m., Chinatown Music, crafts, art, games and newspapers. Relax with a cup of hot tea. Preregister: (415) 355-2888

MOVEMENT

Tai Chi with Patrick Lau: Chinatown Branch
• Wednesday, May 1, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
• Wednesday, May 29, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Space limited. Preregister: (415) 355-2880. Class will be in English and Chinese.

Tai Chi with Patrick Lau: Presidio Branch
• Every Wednesday, 130-2:30 p.m., Advanced
• Every Wednesday, 2:45-3:45 p.m., Beginner Call (415) 355-2880 for information.

Tai Chi at Noon: Eureka Valley Branch
• Every Wednesday, 12-12:30 p.m.
Programs for Adults

**HEALTH/WELLNESS**

**Tibetan Medicine in America**
- Wednesday, May 8, 6:30–7:30 p.m., West Portal
- Sunday, May 19, 1:30–4 p.m., Bernal Heights
Yangdron Kalzang discusses the theory of Tibetan medicine and how it differs from Chinese medicine and how it is practiced in America.

**Health & Wellness with Jade-Lowell Student Association: Team HBV**
- Saturday, May 18, 2–4 p.m., Richmond
Learn about Hepatitis B and how it affects the majority of people affected of Asian and Pacific Islander descent.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Evening of South Asian-American Poetry**
- Tuesday, April 30, 5:30–7:30 p.m., Main Library, Latino/ Hispanic Rooms
Celebrate the final day of National Poetry Month and the start of Asian Pacific Islander American Month by listening to prominent South Asian American authors.

**Cambodian School of San Francisco**
- Saturday, May 4, 3–4 p.m., Main Library, Sycip Room, 4th Floor
Learn about Cambodian language and culture.

**Family Legacies for Chinese Americans**
- Saturday, May 11, 1–2:30 p.m., Main Library, 5th Floor Computer Training Center
Jeanie Low, author and educator, teaches how to uncover records such as the 1885 San Francisco Chinatown map, census and Chinese Mortuary Records; 1870–1930 gravestones; and 20th century immigration and naturalization records.

**Timeless Traditions: Expressions of the Divine in Indian Art**
- Saturday, May 11, 3–4:30 p.m., Glen Park
A docent from the Asian Art Museum presents an educational and entertaining multimedia talk.

**Genealogy Class: Asian American Focus**
- Tuesday, May 14, 6:15–7:45 p.m., North Beach
Learn to use the Library’s genealogy databases and resources.

**Classical Chinese Culture: An Introduction**
- Saturday, May 25, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m., North Beach
Benjamin R. Tong, PhD, discusses Confucianism and Taoism and examines how central themes and narratives from these traditions have been expressed, altered and suppressed in everyday life, customs, folklore and more.

**PERFORMANCE**

**Guzheng and Koto Musical Performance**
- Saturday, May 4, 2–3:30 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium
Enjoy classical guzheng (Chinese zither) and contemporary koto (Japanese zither), performed by Shura Taylor and Shoko Hikage.

**Kathak Dance Performance**
- Sunday, May 12, 1:15–2 p.m., North Beach
Sarika Parekh introduces Kathak dance, a centuries-old North Indian art form.

**Melody Yan Fusion Music**
- Sunday, May 12, 3–4 p.m., Eureka Valley
Melody (Sisi) Yan discusses Chinese culture and music with a focus on guzheng (Chinese zither), followed by a live performance.

**San Francisco Reads**

**On the Same Page**

May/June 2019

**Pachinko by Min Jin Lee** is a saga about four generations of a Korean immigrant family. Sunja, born in a small fishing village, falls in love with an organized crime boss and becomes pregnant. A local pastor offers an escape to Japan, and so she begins a new life in a new country.

This engrossing book chronicles one family’s place in history and captures a multi-generational struggle to survive, to belong and to thrive. The characters deal with poverty, immigration, a hostile nation, and confront these issues in various ways. Will they fulfill the worst stereotypes about them? Will they work hard to be perfect immigrants? The various twists, turns, and jumps-in-time keep Pachinko humming at a quick pace.

**Praise for Pachinko:** “Beautiful...Lee’s sweeping four-generation saga of a Korean family is an extraordinary epic.” – San Francisco Chronicle

A National Book Award Finalist

**If you enjoyed Pachinko by Min Jin Lee, check out these enthralling epics:**

**The Kinship of Secrets by Eugenia Kim**
In 1948 Najin and Calvin Cho, with their young daughter, travel from South Korea to the United States in search of new opportunities, making the difficult decision to leave their infant behind with their extended family; soon, they hope, they will return to her. But then war breaks out in Korea. Told through the alternating perspectives of the distanced sisters, and inspired by a true story, The Kinship of Secrets explores the cruelty of war, the power of hope, and what it means to be a sister.

**Bone by Fae Myenne Ng**
In this profoundly moving novel, Fae Myenne Ng takes readers into the hidden heart of San Francisco’s Chinatown, to the world of one family’s honor, their secrets, and the lost bones of a “paper father.” Two generations of the Leong family live in an uneasy tension as they try to fathom the source of a brave young girl’s sorrow.

**The Ministry of Utmost Happiness by Arundhati Roy**
At once a love story and a provocation, this novel is as inventive as it is emotionally engaging. It is told with a whisper, in a shout, through joyous tears and sometimes with a bitter laugh. Its heroes, both present and departed, have been broken by the world we live in, and then mended by love. For this reason, they will never surrender.
LIBRARY LOCATIONS

ANZA
(415) 355-5717
550 37th Ave. (near Anza)

BAYVIEW/LINDA BROOKS-BURTON
(415) 355-5757
5075 Third St. (at Revere)

BERNAL HEIGHTS
(415) 355-2810
500 Cortland Ave. (at Moultrie)

CHINATOWN/HIM MARK LAI
(415) 355-2888
1135 Powell St. (near Jackson)

EUREKA VALLEY/HARVEY MILK MEMORIAL
(415) 355-5616
1 José Sarria Court (16th Street near Market)

EXCELSIOR
(415) 355-2868
4400 Mission St. (at Cotter)

GLEN PARK
(415) 355-2858
2825 Diamond St. (near Bosworth)

GOLDEN GATE VALLEY
(415) 355-5666
1801 Green St. (at Octavia)

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