

# Library Commission Meeting

February 4, 2026  
Presentations

Item #3

Cupertino Poet Laureate  
Program Update

# Cupertino Poet Laureate – Event Plan 2026

Event	Timeframe	Location	Status
Poetry Contest with FUHSD (High Schools)	February - May	Rotary Club / Library	Active
Open Mic Poetry Event (Inter-generational and multilingual)	Mid to end of March	Library	To be activated
Poetry and Potluck in the Park (Open to all / families)	Mid to end of June	Memorial Park	To be activated
Open Mic Poetry Event (Inter-generational and multilingual)	September	Library or Senior Center	To be activated
One Light / One Poem	December	Library	To be activated

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Item #6

Monthly Update Reports



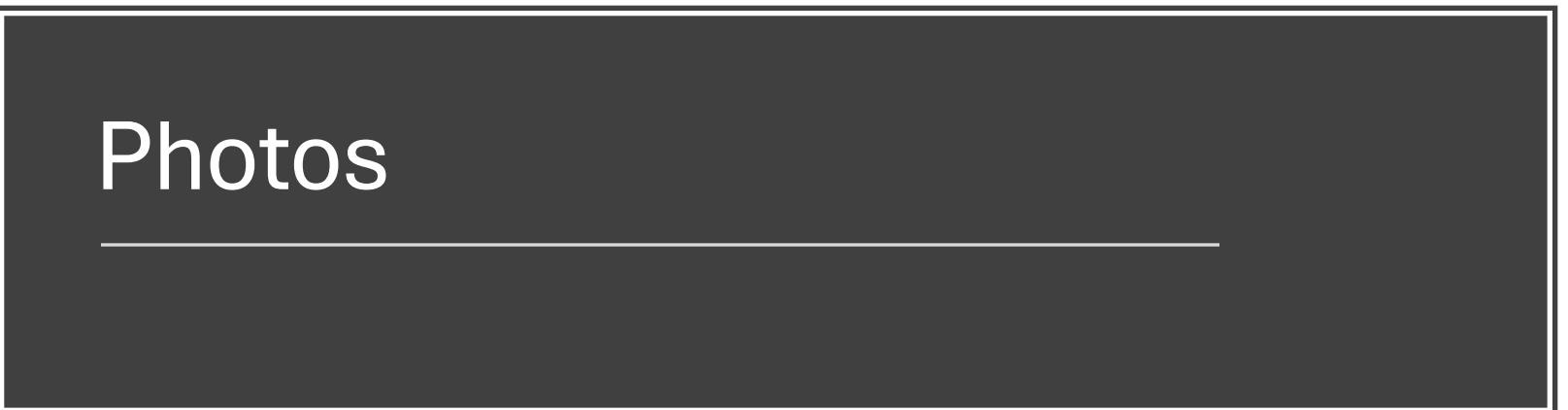
# Cupertino Library

## February 2026 Report



# Numbers

2026	January
Check Outs	209,660
Borrowers	26,398
Average Requests	15,273
Borrowers Online	107,322
Gate Count	70,132
Room bookings	719
Programs Offered	70
Program Attendance	3019
Community Room Rentals	11



# FEBRUARY 2026

## Children's Programs at Cupertino Library!

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

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Cupertino, CA 95014  
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Thank you to the  
Friends of Cupertino  
Library  
for their generous support  
of our children's programs!

### LIBRARY HOURS

Mondays - Fridays  
10 am - 9 pm  
Saturdays and Sundays  
10 am - 6:30 pm

Library Closed  
February 16th

\*Registration  
required for these  
programs.

1 11 a.m.  
Baby Wearing  
Dance for infants  
and caregivers  
  
11 a.m.  
Baby Sign and Sing

2 10:30 a.m.  
ESL Parent and  
Caregiver  
Conversation  
Club

3 10:30 a.m.  
Toddler  
Storytime  
  
3:30 p.m.  
LEGO Club  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help

4 Poponta Japanese  
Storytime  
  
4:00 p.m.  
SVR: Make A Card  
Take a Card ages 5+  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

5 10:30 a.m.  
Baby Storytime  
Non-walking babies.  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help  
  
\*7:00 p.m. Reading  
Buddies  
Children K-5th grade  
Registration Required.

6 4 p.m.  
Lunar New Year  
Calligraphy  
Kids 10 and up  
  
7 p.m. Mandarin  
Family Storytime  
ages 0-5

7 10:30 a.m.  
Lunar New Year:  
Lion Dance  
This event takes place of  
Family Storytime

8 11 a.m.  
Baby Wearing  
Dance for infants  
and caregivers

9 \*7:00 p.m. Reading  
Buddies  
Children K-5th grade  
Registration Required.

10 10:30 a.m.  
Toddler  
Storytime  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help  
  
\*7 p.m.  
Children's Literature  
for Adults Bookclub

11 10:30 a.m.  
Police Read Along  
  
4 p.m.  
Origami  
school age  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

12 10:30 a.m.  
Baby Storytime  
Non-walking babies.  
  
4 p.m. - 4:45 pm  
Year of the Horse: Family  
Storytime with Oliver  
Chin  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help

13 4:00 p.m.  
SVR: Friendship  
Bracelets Art Therapy  
for Tweens  
Kids 10 and up.

14 10:30 a.m.  
Family Storytime  
for All Ages  
  
2 p.m.  
Valentine Craft  
school age

15 11 a.m.  
Baby Wearing  
Dance for infants  
and caregivers

16 Library Closed

17 10:30 a.m.  
Toddler  
Storytime  
  
\*2 p.m.  
Freedom Readers  
Bookclub  
5th-8th grade  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

18 \*2 p.m.  
Changemakers  
Bookclub  
1st-2nd grade  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

19 10:30 a.m.  
Baby Storytime  
Non-walking babies.  
  
\*2 p.m.  
Voyagers Bookclub  
3rd-4th grade  
  
7 p.m. Mandarin  
Family Storytime  
ages 0-5

20  
  
21 10:30 a.m.  
Family Storytime  
for All Ages  
  
2 p.m.-4 p.m  
SVR: Pokemon  
Go! at the Library

22 11 a.m.  
Baby Wearing  
Dance for infants  
and caregivers

23

24 10:30 a.m.  
Toddler  
Storytime  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

25 10:30 a.m.  
Mandarin  
Family Storytime  
ages 0-5  
  
7 p.m.  
Bedtime Storytime

26 10:30 a.m.  
Baby Storytime  
Non-walking babies.  
  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Homework Help

27 4 p.m.  
Pokemon STEM  
ages 6+

28 10:30 a.m.  
Family Storytime  
for All Ages  
  
1 p.m.  
Mr. Boom Boom's  
African Drum Circle  
all ages

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT CUPERTINO LIBRARY

**Silicon Valley Reads: Make a Card, Take a Card- Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4 p.m.:** School age children make two greeting cards, one for themselves and the other for the library to give to a senior in the community. For ages 6+.

**Lunar New Year Calligraphy - Friday, February 6th at 4 p.m. :** Celebrate Lunar New Year with the art of Chinese calligraphy! Children will learn the basics and create beautiful characters symbolizing fortune and peace for the New Year. All supplies are provided—just bring your creativity and festive spirit! Ages 10 and up. Space is limited.

**Lion Dance with Buu Kim Tu Dragon and Lion Dance Association - Saturday, February 7th at 10:30 a.m. *Program will be held outside, in front of the library, on the plaza:*** The lion dance is a traditional Chinese performance that symbolizes strength, courage, and prosperity. This program is part of the Santa Clara County Library District's Lunar New Year celebration.

**Year of the Horse; Family Storytime with Oliver Chin - Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.:** Acclaimed author Oliver Chin celebrates the Lunar New Year with a reading from his newest children's picture book, "The Year of the Horse."

**Silicon Valley Reads: Art Therapy for Tweens – Friday, February 13th at 4 p.m.:** Make friendship bracelets! For kids ages 10 and up and their adult caregiver are welcome to attend. Please arrive on time. Materials will be provided. Supplies limited.

**Valentine Craft - Saturday, February 14th at 2 p.m.:** Drop in between 2:00 p.m.- 2: 45 p.m. and make a valentine craft. While supplies are available.

**Pokemon Go at the Library - Saturday, February 21st from 2 p.m.-4 p.m.:** Trainers of all ages can catch pokemon, and enjoy Pokémon-themed crafts and activities, whether you are a seasoned Gym battler or just starting your journey.

**Pokemon STEM- Friday, February 27th, 4 p.m.:** Come learn some theories based in real life science about a couple of your favorite Pokémon! For ages 6+. Space is limited.

**Mr. Boom Boom - Saturday, February 28th, 1 p.m.:** Participants will learn to play a variety of hand drums, including the djembe and the talking drum. For all ages.

# FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 <b>Chinese Ink Painting</b> 2pm, Room 201	3 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> <b>10:30am--1pm,</b> Room 201A	4 <b>Mystery Book Discussion</b> 11am, Room 201B <b>Teen Drawing</b> <b>Fantasy Characters</b> 6pm, Room 201	5 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	6 <b>Before Your Eyes Immersive Concert</b> 7pm, Room 201	7 <b>Movie: Hamilton</b> 2-5pm Room 201
8 <b>Non-Fiction Book Discussion</b> 11am, Room 201B <b>Accupuncture with Dr. Julia Lee</b> 11am, Room 201A	9	10 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am-1pm, Room 201A	11 <b>Teen Flex Prep Seminar: Extra-Curricular Activities</b> 7pm, Room 201	12 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	13 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	14
15	16 <b>President's Day Holiday</b> Library Closed	17	18 <b>Adult Book Discussion</b> 11am, Room 201B <b>Master Gardeners: TBA</b> 7pm, Room 201	19 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201 <b>Adult Book Discussion</b> 7-8:30pm, Room 201B	20 <b>Adult WaterColor Fairy Tale Mushrooms</b> 11am, Room 201 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	21
22 <b>Sunday Movie: Toy Story</b> 2pm, Room 201	23	24 <b>ESL Conversation Club</b> 10:30am-1pm, Room 201A <b>Tuesday Travel Nights: Icelandic Adventure</b> 7pm Room 201	25	26 <b>Mindfulness and Meditation</b> 6pm, Room 201	27 <b>Knit-Along</b> 2:30-4:00 pm, Room 201A	28 <b>Composting Basics</b> 10:30am--12:30Pm Room 201 <b>Teen Cents Financial Literacy</b> 4-6pm, Room 201
						

## Adult Events

### SVR=Silicon Valley Reads event

**Chinese Ink Painting.** Monday February 2, 2pm, Room 201

**Mystery Book Club: *The Verifiers* by Jane Pek.**

Wednesday, February 4, 11am, Room 201B

**Before Your Eyes: An Immersive Music Performance.**

Friday, February 6, 7pm, Room 201

**Movie Viewing: *Hamilton* (2020)**

Saturday, February 7, 2-5pm, Room 201

**Non-fiction Book Discussion: *Connecting the Dots: a Blind Life* by Joshua A. Miele with Wendell Jamieson.**

Sunday, February 8, Room 201B

**Acupuncture 101 with Dr. Julia Lee.**

Sunday, February 8, 11am, Room 201A

**Create CU: Valentine Cards.** Friday, February 13, 7pm Room 201B

Register Online <https://tinyurl.com/CREATECUVALENTINE21326>

**SVR: Adult Book Discussion: *Unlikely Animals* by Annie Hartnett.**

I Wednesday, February 18, 11am, Room 201B

II Thursday, February 19, 7pm, Room 201B

**MasterGardeners: Topic TBA** Wednesday, February 18, 7pm, Room 201

**SVR: Adult Watercolor Painting: Fairytale Mushrooms II with Kristina Eng.** Friday, February 20, 11am-12:30pm Room 201A Admission is first come, first served.

**Sunday Movie: *Toy Story*.** Sunday, February 22, 2pm. Room 201

**Tuesday Travel Nights: Icelandic Adventure**

Tuesday, February 24, 7pm Room 201

**Composting Education** Saturday, February 28, 10:30am, Room 201

## Teen Events

**Oliver Chin: How to Draw Fantasy Characters** Wednesday, February 4, 6-7:30pm Room 201

**Teen FlexPrep Seminar: Your Extra Curricular Activities**

**Profile** Wednesday, February 11, 7pm, Room 201 **Online**

**Registration:** <https://tinyurl.com/ExtraCurricular21126>

**TeenCents Financial Literacy Workshop.** Saturday, February 28, 4-6pm, Room 201 **Online Registration Opens January 28, 10am:** <https://tinyurl.com/CUTEENCENTS22826>

## Ongoing Events

**ESL Conversation Club.** Tuesdays, 10:30am--12pm

Room 201 **Online Registration opens 1 week prior to each meeting:** <https://tinyurl.com/CUESLConversationClub2026>

**Mindfulness and Meditation** Thursdays 6pm, Room 201A

**Knit-Alongs** Fridays, 2:30-4pm Room 201A

# CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH





**BUU KIM TU**  
**Dragon & Lion**  
**Dance Association**

# StoryWalk Initiative 2026

A proposal for a StoryWalk somewhere at a selected park in Cupertino has been passed along to city staff for evaluation. More details to come in 2026!



# Art Display

Through March 1, 2026 in the Lobby. Her Story 3 by Dr. Chang Chen celebrates Chinese American women who fought for justice and humanity through the legal system.

Dr. Chen has recently been named the annual Trailblazer in Legal Justice and Women's History by the Brown University AAPI Museum.

**Kickoff event on 2/8/26 at 2pm in Room 101**

CUPERTINO LIBRARY: ROOM 101

## HER STORY 3 EXHIBITION

Join us on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at 2pm in Room 101 to hear from Dr. Chen about the art display in the Cupertino Library lobby that will be available through March 1 for visitors to enjoy. Her Story 3 celebrates the Chinese American women who fought and continue to fight for justice and humanity through the legal system. Dr. Chen has recently been named the annual Trailblazer in Legal Justice and Women's History by the Brown University AAPI Museum.



SUNDAY

FEBRUARY  
8, 2026  
2:00  
PM



Curator  
Dr. Chang C Chen

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Art Director  
Mingguo Li

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董文娟 陈伟玲

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library  
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Advance Search gives several more options like:

- Excluding keywords
- Reading Levels
- Specific Collection Types
- Specific Formats
- And more!

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# Advanced Search Feature in our Catalog

The screenshot shows the Santa Clara County Library District website. At the top, there are links for "English", "Hours & Locations", "Help", and "Log In / My SCC...". Below the header is the library's logo and a search bar with dropdowns for "Catalog" and "Keyword". A red box highlights the "Advanced Search" link in the top right corner of the search bar. The main menu includes "Featured Titles", "Online Library 24/7", "Learn 24/7", "Events", "Kids", "Teens", "Services", and "Connect".

## Advanced Search ⓘ

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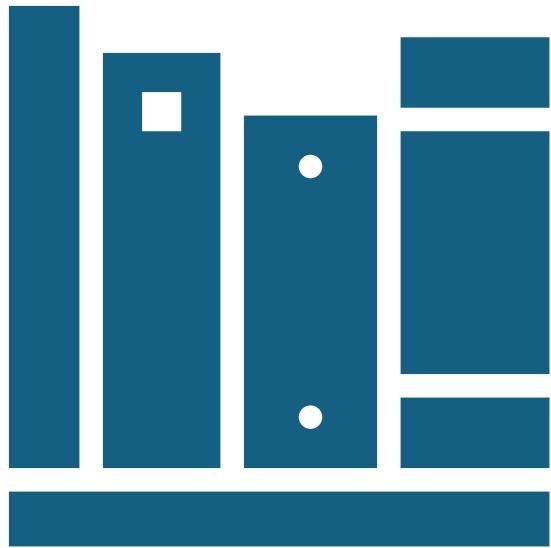
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**Frequently Asked Questions**

[What's a Boolean search?](#)

[How do I use advanced search?](#)

[Can I type my query if I know exactly what I'm looking for?](#)



# Library Closed

Monday, February 16, 2026  
President's Day

## February 2026 Library Report

Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



## Marking A Century of Black History Commemorations

This year's Black History Month marks the [100-year-anniversary](#) of Negro History Week, the original celebration of the contributions of Black Americans to our country. 2026 is also the half century anniversary of the [expansion](#) to a month-long recognition. Our libraries are offering events to mark the occasion.

Mr. Boom Boom is back with his African Drum Circle on Feb. 28 at the [Los Altos](#), [Cupertino](#), and [Morgan Hill](#) Libraries. Learn about percussion instruments from around the world, with a focus on West Africa. Children are invited to play them in this interactive session. [Saratoga Library](#) patrons can learn more about African drumming from master musician Onye Onyemaechi on Feb. 15.

Two of this month's Virtual Author Talks feature African American authors writing about parts of Black history (see article on page 3 of this report). We will have a [blog post](#) with suggested readings for children and adults.

## Silicon Valley Reads Month One

All Silicon Valley Reads events are now posted on the official [website](#). These include over 200 author visits and book talks, music, movies and performances, plus events for kids and teens, at libraries across the county.

SCCLD libraries have more than [two dozen offerings](#) for all ages, including many craft events, book discussions and [watercolor painting sessions](#) for adults and teens. Pokémon Go trainers won't want to miss the Cupertino Library's event on Sat., Feb. 21. Check out SCCLD's [Silicon Valley Reads page](#) for more details, including links to our catalog for the companion and children's book selections.





## Read for the Record Turns 20

Jumpstart's Read for the Record is turning 20 on Feb. 26, following a 20-week-long nationwide celebration of beloved children's books that started last October. Read for the Record is touted as the world's largest shared reading experience, promoting early literacy as millions read the same book on the same day. The final title for the week of the anniversary is *See Marcus Grow* by

Marcus Bridgewater. Celebrate with our libraries on Thu., Feb. 26, as they hold events around the day with storytimes in the morning, afternoon and evening to read *See Marcus Grow*. Come join the fun!

## Celebrating the Year of the Fire Horse at our Libraries

San José's own Buu Kim Tu Dragon & Lion Dance Association will bring their magical performances to six of our libraries leading up to the Lunar New Year on Tuesday, February 17. Events take place on Sat., Feb. 7, Sun., Feb. 8, and Sat., Feb. 14. Times vary. Come early to secure a spot.



Learn about Traditional and Modern Vietnamese dancing at a trio of library events on Sat., Feb. 21 (Morgan Hill at 12 PM and Milpitas at 3 PM) and Sun., Feb. 22 (Los Altos at 11 AM). Experience the beauty of Vietnamese culture through a vibrant mix of traditional and modern dance. The performance invites audiences to learn a short Vietnamese dance using props like conical hats or fans.

Vietnamese dance carries a long tradition of storytelling, rhythm, and community connection. This program highlights that heritage through a mix of classical forms and modern interpretations, offering a look at how the art continues to evolve. The choreography reflects both the grace of traditional movement and the creativity found in contemporary styles.

Find a full schedule of Lunar New Years events in our monthly calendar later in this report, and online.

**FYI- All SCCLD libraries will be closed on Monday, February 16 for the Presidents' Day holiday. Find us 24/7 at our Online Library.**

THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT PRESENTS

## VIRTUAL Author Talks February 2026

### Vanessa Riley

February 5 from 4 pm - 5 pm  
New York Times bestselling author discusses her newest novel, inspired by the legendary female pirate Jacquette Delahaye.



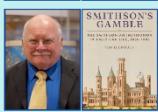
### Dr. Lindsey Stewart

February 12 from 11 am - 12 pm  
A powerful examination of how Black women's spiritual practices shaped history, culture, and everyday life.



### Tom Crouch

February 24 from 11 am - 12 pm  
Bold decisions and risks that shaped the early years of the Smithsonian Institution and helped define its role in American culture.



## February Virtual Author Talks

Legendary pirate Jacquette Delahaye is the subject of [Vanessa Riley's](#) [Fire, Sword & Sea](#) novel. Set in the Caribbean in 1675, the story follows the exploits of the famed female brigand, who in Riley's telling is biracial. [Please register](#) for this Thu., Feb. 5 event.

On Thu., Feb. 12, [Dr. Lindsey Stewart](#) ([The Conjuring of America](#)) traces 400 years of Black women's magic through letters from the enslaved and the lore of African mystics. Hear how spiritual practices have persevered in secrecy across generations. [Please register](#).

On Tue., Feb. 24, [Smithsonian](#) Curator Emeritus [Tom Crouch](#) will detail a crucial period in the institution's history (1836-1906), which forever cemented its place in American life. [Please register](#).

## JPA BOARD MEETINGS

SCCLD's [Joint Powers Authority Governing Board](#) will hold its first meeting of 2026 on Thursday, February 12 at 12 p.m. at the Services and Support Center at 1370 Dell Avenue, Campbell, CA 95008. Meetings are open to the public.

## **SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT FEBRUARY 2026 EVENTS**

**SCCLD libraries will be closed on Monday, February 16 for Presidents' Day. Our Online Library is always available at [sccld.org/Online-Library](http://sccld.org/Online-Library)**

***Silicon Valley Reads programs are denoted in blue.***

### **CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 W. Campbell Ave., Room E46**

#### **Family Storytime**

*Wednesday, February 4, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall*

This storytime is children ages 0-5 and will feature stories, songs and more. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on.

#### **Lunar New Year Family Storytime**

*Friday, February 27, 4 – 4:45 p.m.*

Acclaimed author Oliver Chin celebrates the Lunar New Year with a reading from his picture book, [The Year of the Horse](#). After that, children will learn how to draw a horse and enjoy coloring animal sheets.

### **CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue**

#### **Baby Sign and Sing**

*Sunday, February 1, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

Babies aged 0-12 months and adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate.

#### **Baby Wearing Dance**

*Sundays, February 1, 8, 15, & 22, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Participants must bring their own baby carrier.

#### **ESL Parent & Caregiver Conversation Club**

*Monday, February 2, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Room 101*

This series is designed to support families and spark conversations about children and parenting. Learn practical tips and insights from special guest speakers. Connect with other parents and caregivers in the community.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, & 24, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills in a supportive environment. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Register online.

**Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

This storytime features stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills.

**LEGO Club**

*Tuesday, February 3, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.*

Students in Kindergarten to 8th grade are welcome to play and create with LEGOs.

**Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 – 6 p.m., Room 101*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required.

**Poponta Japanese Storytime**

*Wednesday, February 4, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

This Japanese storytime includes traditional kamishibai (paper theater), puppets & books.

**Mystery Book Discussion**

*Wednesday, February 4, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss [The Verifiers](#) by Jane Pek.

**Make a Card, Take a Card (ages 5+)**

*Wednesday, February 4, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room 101*

Children get to keep one card and make another card for the library to give to a senior.

Craft supplies will be provided.

**How to Draw Fantasy Characters (Ages 11-18)**

*Wednesday, February 4, 6 – 7:30 p.m.*

Join author and comic book artist Oliver Chin for a dynamic drawing workshop. You'll learn how to sketch fantastical figures, from spell-slinging sorcerers to mythical beasts.

**Bedtime Storytime**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 7 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room*

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage early literacy skills. Seating is limited to the first 100 families. Bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

**Baby Storytime (ages 0-1)**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, & 19, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., First Floor Program Room*

This storytime features stories and songs that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 30 babies with a maximum of 2 adults per family.

**Thursday Evening Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 6 – 6:30 p.m., Room 201A*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then have 10 minutes to ask the instructor questions.

**Reading Buddies (completed Grades K-5)**

*Thursday, February 5, and Monday, February 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

Children must register themselves in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

**Lunar New Year Calligraphy (Grades 5-8)**

*Friday, February 6, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Children will learn the basics and create beautiful characters symbolizing fortune and peace for the New Year. All supplies are provided.

**Before Your Eyes: An Immersive Music Performance**

*Friday, February 6, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Before Your Eyes is an immersive, participatory performance that integrates harp, violin, piano, water-based instruments, and creative coding to explore how sound, nature, and technology can unite performers and audiences in real time.

**Mandarin/English Family Storytime/ 中/英文雙語說故事時間**

*Fridays, February 6 & 20, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101*

*Wednesday, February 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

Join us for stories, songs, flannel board story, fingerplay and a craft project in Mandarin and English. 兒童圖書館員將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書;唱兒歌;用絨布板講故事;手指謠和做美。歡迎幼兒們 和家長,褓母一同前來參加。

**Lunar New Year Lion Dance**

*Saturday, February 7, 10:30 – 11 a.m.*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

**Movie Screening**

*Saturday, February 7, 2 – 5 p.m., Room 201*

Join us for a showing of the film, "Hamilton" (2020).

### **Acupuncture 101**

*Sunday, February 8, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Attendees will gain practical insights into how acupuncture supports healing, when it may be appropriate to consider as part of a care plan, and what to expect during a typical treatment.

### **Nonfiction Book Discussion**

*Sunday, February 8, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss the Silicon Valley Reads recommended read, [\*Connecting Dots: A Blind Life\*](#) by Joshua A. Miele with Wendell Jamieson.

### **Children's Literature for Adults Book Club**

*Tuesday, February 10, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Adults will discuss, reminisce, or discover a beloved children's classic. Please register at the Children's Reference Desk. This program is for adults only.

### **Police Read Along**

*Wednesday, February 11, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

A Sheriff's Deputy will read books and share safety tips.

### **Origami for School Age Children (ages 5+)**

*Wednesday, February 11, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Learn to fold three models. Paper will be provided. No registration required.

### **Flex Prep Seminar: How to Build Your Extracurricular Activities Profile**

*Wednesday, February 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201*

Join FLEX as they discuss what an extracurricular activities profile is, the relevance of extracurricular and summer activities, and how to build them into a robust and cohesive application profile!

### **Lunar New Year Family Storytime**

*Thursday, February 12, 4 – 4:45 p.m.*

Acclaimed author Oliver Chin celebrates the Lunar New Year with a reading from his picture book, [\*The Year of the Horse\*](#). Following the story, children will learn how to draw a horse and enjoy coloring animal sheets.

### **Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library**

*Fridays, February 13, 20, & 27, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A*

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in and socialize while starting new projects or finishing old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

**Art Therapy for Tweens: Friendship Bracelets (ages 10+)**

*Friday, February 13, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Make a friendship bracelet for yourself and make another one to give to someone else.

Materials will be provided. While supplies last.

**Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, February 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room*

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

**Freedom Readers Book Club (Grades 5-8)**

*Tuesday, February 17, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101*

For Black History Month, we will be discussing *Swim Team* by Johnnie Christmas. Register at the Children's Desk.

**Book Discussion for Adults**

*Wed., February 18, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thu., February 19, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss the Silicon Valley Reads selected book, *Unlikely Animals* by Annie Hartnett.

**Black History Month: Changemakers Book Club (Grades 1 & 2)**

*Wednesday, February 18, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101*

Changemaker readers will be able to discuss the book and make a craft to take home.

Register in-person at the Children's Desk and pick up a copy of the book.

**Voyagers Book Club (Grades 3-4)**

*Thursday, February 19, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101*

Please come to the Children's Reference Desk at Cupertino Library to sign up and get a book. Registration is required.

**Adult Watercolor: Fairytale Mushrooms (ages 18+)**

*Friday, February 20, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 101*

This guided workshop invites you to relax, create, and celebrate the magic of spring through dreamy watercolor art. Seating is limited to the first 30 attendees and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Pokémon GO at the Library**

*Saturday, February 21, 2 – 4 p.m.*

We will be activating lures on our in-house PokéStops, turning the library into a hotspot for rare encounters and rapid-fire catching. It is the perfect chance to level up, fill your Pokédex, and maybe even stumble upon something legendary!

**Sunday Movie Matinee**

*Sunday, February 22, 2 – 4 p.m., Room 201*

Join us for a showing of the film, “Toy Story” (1995).

**Tuesday Travel Nights**

*Tuesday, February 24, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201*

Let's go on an exploration of Iceland, a tiny country with outsize geographical variety including glaciers, waterfalls, geysers, hot and cold running rivers, volcanoes, black sand beaches, lush valleys, desert plains, and puffins.

**Read for the Record Storytime**

*Thursday, February 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

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**Pokémon STEM (ages 6+)**

*Friday, February 27, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Learn some theories based in real life science about a couple of your favorite Pokémons! Then we'll make a pokeball catapult that you can take home and catch your own Pokémons.

**Composting Basics**

*Saturday, February 28, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201*

This workshop focuses on composting backyard trimmings and food scraps, and compost application.

**Mr. Boom Boom's African Drum Circle**

*Saturday, February 28, 1 – 2 p.m.*

Step into the circle and feel the beat in an immersive, hands-on musical journey that brings the power and spirit of African drumming to life, while connecting its influence to rhythms and instruments from around the world.

**TeenCents Personal Finance Workshop (Grades 5-9)**

*Saturday, February 28, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 201*

You'll learn how to budget, spend wisely, understand credit, save smartly, and spot scams before they get you. Online registration is required.

**GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street****Seed Kits for Adults & Teens**

*February 1 – 28, while supplies last, Adult Information Desk*

Pick up a packet of California Poppy seeds with instructions on how to grow them, recommended book pairings, and instructions for a craft.

**Valentine Mixtape: Design, Print & Gift**

*Sunday, February 1, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room*

We'll curate songs to create a playlist on your preferred online music service, then design a CD or cassette cover for your playlist. A QR code on the cover will direct you to the online playlist, making this the perfect mixtape to gift to a loved one or friend.

**1 on 1 Tech Help/Ayuda con la Tecnología**

*Mondays, February 2, 9, & 23, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room*

They can help you: open an email account, connect to Wi-Fi/hotspots, use laptops and Chromebooks, use Microsoft Office. Ellos pueden ayudarte: abrir una cuenta de correo electrónico, conéctarse a Wi-Fi/puntos de acceso, utilizar computadoras portátiles y Chromebooks o utilizar Microsoft Office.

**Free Snacks for Kids! / ¡Meriendas Gratis Para Niños!**

*Mondays-Fridays, 3 – 4 p.m. (except during holidays), Lobby Area*

Children ages 0-18 can stop by for snack while supplies last. No registration required. ¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda gratis después de la escuela! No es necesario registrarse.

**Create-N-Play/Crear-Y-Jugar (Ages 12 and under)**

*Mondays, February 2, 9, & 23, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Children's area*

Join us for a crafty exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Acompáñenos los lunes en el área infantil para explorar todo lo relacionado con Ciencia, Tecnología, Ingeniería, Arte y Matemáticas.

**Pajama Storytime/Hora de Cuentos en Pijama**

*Mondays, February 2, 9, & 23, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children's area/1st floor, Zona infantil*

We read stories, sing songs, play games, and wear our pajamas. Leemos cuentos, cantamos canciones, y jugamos.

**Homework Help/Ayuda con la Tarea**

*Tuesdays-Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room/ 1º piso, Salon de juntas*

Kids in grades K-6 can come in and receive homework help. ¿Eres un estudiante de 1.º a 6.º grado y necesitas ayuda con las tareas? Tenemos tutores disponibles para ayudarte con tus tareas.

**Zumba Fitness Class/Clase de Zumba Fitness**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, & 24, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room*

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

**Reading Buddies / Compañeros de Lectura (PreK-Grade 6)**

*Tuesday, February 3, 6 – 7 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow 1º piso, Madriguera*

Practice your reading skills and read aloud one on one with a furry friend! Sign-ups are first come, first serve until all slots are filled. ¡Ven a practicar tus habilidades de lectura y lee en voz alta uno a uno con un amigo peludo! Las inscripciones serán por orden de llegada hasta que se llenen todos los espacios.

**Reading Program Tutor Orientation**

*Wednesday, February 4, 1 – 2 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Learn how to become an adult literacy tutor for the Reading Program and support an adult learner improve their English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.

**Books and Boogie Storytime / Hora de Cuentos**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, & 19, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Area*

Children and their caregivers are invited to enjoy engaging stories, playful rhymes, lively fingerplays, and music and movement activities that nurture early literacy skills.

Compartiremos historias divertidas, rimas, canciones y baile con la bibliotecaria Rosa.

**Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup / Tejido y Crochet**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 1 – 4 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Bring your projects, ask questions, receive help, share ideas, and meet new people! ¡Trae tus proyectos, haz preguntas, recibe ayuda, comparte ideas y conoce gente nueva!

**Book Discussion**

*Friday, February 6, 10:15 – 11 a.m., Quiet Study B*

We will be discussing [\*Iona Iverson's Rules for Commuting\*](#) by Clare Pooley.

**Baby Bounce Storytime (12 months and younger)**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Baby bounce shares short stories, nursery rhymes, fingerplays and songs that reinforce early literacy skills. Baby Bounce comparte cuentos cortos, canciones infantiles, y canciones que refuerzan habilidades de lectura.

**Free Basic English Class / Curso Gratuito de Igles Básico (Adults 18+)**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Reading Program Room*

This six-week class is for learners with little to no English to practice basic English speaking and listening skills. No registration required.

Unirse a nosotros para practicar y mejorar sus habilidades básicas de conversación y comprensión auditiva en inglés. No es necesario registrarse.

**Safe Space Meetup for LBGTQ+/Encuentro de Espacio Seguro para Personas LBGTQ+**

*Fridays, February 6 & 20, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study Room B*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for youth (ages 13-25) to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community. No registration necessary.

Nuestras reuniones, dirigidas por nuestro personal, ofrecen un espacio seguro para que los jóvenes (13-25) jueguen, participen en actividades y debates grupales, y forjen una comunidad. No es necesario registrarse.

**Basic Computer Skills Class / Curso Básico de Computación**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Identify and use basic parts of a computer, operating systems basics, using common computer programs, managing files and folders, Internet and email use and computer safety. Identificación y uso de los componentes básicos de una computadora, conceptos básicos de sistemas operativos, uso de programas de computadoras, gestión de archivos y carpetas, uso de Internet y correo electrónico y seguridad informática.

**Family Storytime/Hora de Cuentos**

*Saturdays, February 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11:30 am, 1st Floor Burrow/1º piso Madriguera*

Join us for stories, songs, music & movement with Librarian Patty, followed by play time.

Acompáñenos a escuchar cuentos, música y movimiento con la Bibliotecaria Patty, seguido por tiempo para jugar.

**Acupuncture 101**

*Saturday, February 7, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Acupuncture is integrated into major healthcare systems, yet despite its growing presence, many still lack a clear understanding of this ancient healing practice. Attendees will gain practical insights into how acupuncture supports healing, when it may be appropriate to consider as part of a care plan, and what to expect during a typical treatment.

**Kids in STEM / Niños en STEM (Grades 2-5)**

*Saturdays, February 7 & 21, 2 – 3 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow 1º piso, Madriguera*

Our Kids in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) program will explore these subjects and will teach kids about careers in STEM. Nuestro programa "Niños en STEM" (ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas) explorará estas materias y les enseñará a niños sobre las carreras en estos campos.

**Lunar New Year Lion Dance / Danza del León**

*Sunday, February 8, 2 – 2:30 p.m., Courtyard*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

**Dancheong Suncatcher Craft (Grades K-5)**

*Sunday, February 8, 3 – 4 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow 1º piso, Madriguera*

Participants create their own sun catchers by coloring traditional Korean dancheong patterns onto translucent discs. Seating is limited to the first 50 attendees.

Los participantes crean sus propios atrapa soles coloreando patrones tradicionales coreanos de dancheong sobre discos translúcidos. El espacio es limitado a las primeras 50 personas.

**Friendship Bracelets (ages 11-13)**

*Tuesday, February 10, 6 – 7 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Middle school students are invited to join us in making friendship bracelets using colorful beads, thread, and plenty of imagination. Materials will be provided.

**Playdough Playtime / Hora de Juego con Plastilina (ages 2-7)**

*Wednesday, February 11, 3 – 4 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Community Room/ Cuarto Comunitario*

Children can shape, roll, and squish playdoh using cutters in different shapes.

Los niños podrán amasar, moldear y aplastar plastilina usando divertidos cortadores en formas diferentes.

**Valentine's Day Crafts**

*Thursday, February 12, 4 – 5 p.m., Burrow, 1st floor Zona infantil*

Make Valentine's Day and more at the Gilroy Library in this family program! En la biblioteca de Gilroy, participa en este programa familiar y crea tarjetas de San Valentín y mucho más.

**Weddings at the Library: Romantically Gothic**

*Friday, February 13, 2 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

Several lucky couples have been selected to get married at the library, and YOU'RE invited! Come join us to be a part of this beautiful community celebration.

**LEGO Club**

*Friday, February 13, 3 – 4:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Burrow*

We provide LEGOs, children build creations! Follow prompts or use your imagination. ¡Nosotros proporcionamos los legos, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas! Niños y niñas pueden seguir nuestras indicaciones o construir algo basado en su imaginación.

**Weddings at the Library: Classic Romance**

*Saturday, February 14, 2 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

Several lucky couples have been selected to get married at the library, and YOU'RE invited! Come join us to be a part of this beautiful community celebration.

### **Open Poetry Readings**

*Saturday, February 14, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room*

Everyone is welcome to attend and listen or read poetry and join in related discussions.

### **Teen Volunteer Sign-Ups for High School Seniors**

*Tuesday, February 17 – Sunday, March 1, Adult Information Desk*

The next volunteer session at the Gilroy Library will be from March through May. Teens can sign up for a weekly 2-hour shift which they must attend for the whole 3-month session.

### **Reading Program Family Literacy Club: Celebrate Pokémon Day**

*Wednesday, February 18, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room*

We will have Pokémon-related activities while practicing our literacy skills. No registration required but limited spots are available. Únete a nosotros para participar en actividades relacionadas con Pokémon y practica tus habilidades de lectura y escritura. No se requiere inscripción, pero las plazas son limitadas.

### **Reading Program Tutor Training**

*Saturday, February 21, 12:30 – 5:30 p.m., Reading Program Room*

Tutors who have completed the orientation are invited to this training session.

### **Lunar New Year Escape Room for Teens (ages 12-18)**

*Sunday, February 22, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room*

You'll have to solve puzzles and find clues with your friends to catch the culprit in time, so bring your thinking cap. Register to receive an email reminder, or just walk in.

### **Bookcaterpillars Book Club (Grades K-1)**

*Monday, February 23, 3 – 3:30 p.m., Children's Area/área infantil*

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. We will read the book together, but you can read it ahead of time also. Crafts and snacks will be provided.

Pasa por el escritorio de Referencia Infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro. Leeremos el libro juntos durante el club de lectura. Habrá manualidades y merienda.

### **Bookworms Book Club (Grades 2-3)**

*Monday, February 23, 4 – 5 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Nest/Nido*

This month we are reading [Rise of the Earth Dragon \(Dragon Masters\)](#) by Tracey West.

Este mes leyeremos [Rise of the Earth Dragon \(Dragon Masters\)](#) por Tracey West.

### **ESL Class Session/Clases de inglés**

*Mondays – Wednesdays, February 23 – May 20, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

This class session is for beginners. Join us to learn and improve your English listening and speaking skills. Please register.

### **Magic Hour: Sensory-Friendly Library Playtime/Tiempo de Juego Sensorial Amigable**

*Tuesday, February 24, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Play Area*

We keep the lights low and use natural lighting, computers are turned off, and the doors are closed to reduce outside noise and keep everyone safe.

Mantenemos las luces bajas y utilizamos la luz natural. Las computadoras están apagadas y las puertas cerradas para reducir el ruido exterior.

### **Bookcrocs Book Club (Grades 4-5)**

*Tuesday, February 24, 3 – 4 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Burrow/Madriguera*

We will discuss [Amari and the Night Brothers](#) by B. B. Alston. Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Crafts and snacks will be provided.

### **Bookdragons Book Club (Grades 6-8)**

*Tuesday, February 24, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Burrow/Madriguera*

We will discuss [Ghost](#) by Jason Reynolds. Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Crafts and snacks will be provided.

### **Book Discussion**

*Tuesday, February 24, 6 – 7 p.m., Quiet Study B*

We will discuss [Pride and Joy](#) by Louisa Onomé in honor of Black History Month.

### **Read for the Record Storytime**

*Thursday, February 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

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### **Family Board Games**

*Friday, February 27, 3 – 4:30 p.m., 1st Floor, Burrow 1ºpiso, Madriguera*

We have games for all ages and skill levels. Tenemos juegos para todas las edades y niveles de habilidad.

### **Pottery Painting for Teens (ages 12-18)**

*Friday, February 27, 4:30 – 5:45 p.m., Community Room*

Paint a small piece to take home and keep. All materials and tools provided! Registration required.

### **Plan Your Tomato Garden**

*Saturday, February 28, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Learn how to increase your success with correct planting methods, pest control, irrigation, soil management, and fertilizer to produce healthy and productive plants.

### **Mardi Gras Cooking Class & Samples**

*Saturday, February 28, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Participants will explore the roots and stories behind iconic dishes while learning how to prepare a soulful, crowd-pleasing vegetarian and meat gumbo along with a jalapeno cheddar cornbread from scratch.

### **LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**

#### **Sunday Matinee Movies**

*Sunday, February 1 – Friday, February 27, Art Wall*

Belinda FC Lo's oil painting exhibit features vibrant and spirited depictions of Taiwan's landscapes and cultural heritage.

#### **Sunday Matinee Movies**

*Sunday, February 1, 2 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a screening of "Labyrinth" (1986).

#### **Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Mondays, February 2, 9, & 23, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then have 10 minutes to speak with the instructor.

#### **Poetry Open Mic**

*Monday, February 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D*

Share poetry, hear poetry. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

#### **Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime/Hora de cuentos bilingüe para familias**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English.

Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento.

#### **Bilingual Mandarin Family Storytime/中英雙語故事時間**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, & 24, 1 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

These 30-minute sessions focus on early literacy by sharing stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese. 這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色內容。

#### **Silicon Valley Reads: Art with Drawn2Art**

*Tuesday, February 3, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join instructors from Drawn2Art studio for this fun Silicon Valley Reads-themed art program! This program is designed for adults and teens. All materials will be provided.

#### **The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club**

*Wednesday, February 4, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room*

We will discuss *The Kill Artist* by Daniel Silva.

**Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room*

Storytimes will be filled with stories, music, and fun activities! Due to limited space, we will begin handing out free tickets starting at 10 a.m.

**Baby Storytime & Stay and Play (ages 0-1)**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room*

We invite non-walking babies and their caregivers to an interactive 20 minutes of catchy songs and rhymes, gentle movement and baby sign language, and short books. Stay for our "Stay & Play" session, where babies can explore fun, age-appropriate toys.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room*

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for those who speak basic English. No registration required.

**Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5)**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, & 19, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for stories, music, movement and more at our preschool storytime.

**Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.*

Teens are welcome to drop in and watch the game. Right now, the game is full, but we will occasionally have openings for new players. Please check in at the Adult Reference Desk.

**Mixed Media Valentines**

*Thursday, February 5, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a relaxed, creative workshop focused on watercolor and mixed media. Using simple shapes, bright colors, and easy techniques, participants will create a handmade Valentine, Galentine, or Palentine to share or keep.

**Baby Sign and Stay and Play (ages 0-1)**

*Saturday, February 7, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a special storytime featuring American Sign Language along with songs and stories and fun. After storytime please stay or join us to play with age-appropriate toys.

**Piggy Bank Pioneers (ages 5-9)**

*Sunday, February 8, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

The Mountain View High School Personal Finance Club can help improve financial literacy skills through a fun, interactive game. This month's games will be "Making Mooo-lah" and "Penny Pinchers' Party."

**Board Game Sunday**

*Sunday, February 8, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We have board games for adults, teens, and children -- plus LEGOs and DUPLOS.

**Lunar New Year Family Storytime**

*Monday, February 9, 4 – 4:45 p.m.*

Acclaimed author Oliver Chin celebrates the Lunar New Year with a reading from his picture book, *The Year of the Horse*. Following the story, children will learn how to draw a horse and enjoy coloring animal sheets.

**Book Bugs Club (Grades 2-3)**

*Tuesday, February 10, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss *Ivy Lost and Found* by Cynthia Lord, then make a craft. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

**Acupuncture 101**

*Tuesday, February 10, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Attendees will gain practical insights into how acupuncture supports healing, when it may be appropriate to consider as part of a care plan, and what to expect during a typical treatment.

**Road Scholar: An Adventure to Puerto Rico**

*Wednesday, February 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Road Scholar is a non-profit, educational travel organization that inspires adults to learn, discover, and travel. Explore the diverse habitats of Puerto Rico through hiking, kayaking, and snorkeling in rainforests, reserves, and reefs.

**Crafts with Gigi**

*Thursday, February 12, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Local artist Gigi Farmer will lead adults and teens in the creation of a unique project. All materials will be provided. No registration necessary.

**Adult Watercolor Workshop**

*Friday, February 13, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a watercolor workshop for adults. Registration is not required. Seating is limited to the first 20 attendees and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Lunar New Year Lion Dance**

*Saturday, February 14, 11 – 11:30 a.m.*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

**Sunday CrafterNoon**

*Sunday, February 15, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Adults, teens, and kids can join us for an afternoon of relaxed crafting. Supplies are provided. Children must come with their responsible adult crafting-buddy.

**Lunar New Year Storytime**

*Tuesday, February 17, 1:15 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room*

Mandarin Kids Go will be sharing stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese. Mandarin Kids Go 將以中英文帶來精彩的故事與歌曲。

**Mardi Gras Cooking Class & Samples**

*Tuesday, February 17, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Participants will explore the roots and stories behind iconic dishes while learning how to prepare a soulful, crowd-pleasing vegetarian and meat gumbo along with a jalapeno cheddar cornbread from scratch.

**Page Turners Book Club (Grades 4-5)**

*Wednesday, February 18, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [Swim Team](#) by Johnnie Christmas. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

**Grow Transplants from Seed**

*Wednesday, February 18, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how to start seeds at home to grow your own warm season garden transplants.

**Bay Area Games Day**

*Saturday, February 21, 11 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how to play a new board game or an old favorite.

**Teen Friendship Bracelets**

*Saturday, February 21, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Make friendship bracelets using colorful beads, thread, and plenty of imagination.

Materials will be provided.

**Traditional and Modern Vietnamese Dance**

*Sunday, February 22, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Experience the beauty of Vietnamese culture through a vibrant mix of traditional and modern dance. The performance invites audiences to learn a short Vietnamese dance using props like conical hats or fans.

### **Now Read This Book Club**

*Monday, February 23, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will be discussing [\*\*\*Democracy Awakening: Notes on the State of America\*\*\*](#) by Heather Cox Richardson.

### **To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6-8)**

*Tuesday, February 24, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*\*\*Ghost\*\*\*](#) by Jason Reynolds. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

### **Silicon Valley Reads Book Discussion for Adults**

*Tuesday, February 24, 7 – 8:15 p.m.*

Email [Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org](mailto:Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org) to join the monthly email reminders and pick up a copy of the books. We will be discussing the Silicon Valley Reads pick, [\*\*\*Unlikely Animals\*\*\*](#) by Annie Hartnett.

### **Story Explorers: TK-1<sup>st</sup> Grade Book Club**

*Wednesday, February 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Enjoy stories and activities featuring characters from the *Grumpy Monkey* series by Suzanne Lang. We'll do a short discussion of each book, dance, and end with a fun craft!

### **Wednesday Travel Nights**

*Wednesday, February 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Newfoundland offers a host of natural splendors including waterfalls, imposing fjords, craggy coastal coves, deserted beaches, wildlife viewing, and scenic mountain trails.

### **Read for the Record Storytime**

*Thursday, February 26, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room*

[\*\*Read for the Record\*\*](#) is a nationwide initiative dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of early literacy. On one single day, classrooms, libraries, and communities will come together to share a single book: [\*\*\*See Marcus Grow\*\*\*](#) by Marcus Bridgewater.

### **Crafts with Leila**

*Thursday, February 26, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Local artist Leila Ghasempor will lead adults and teens in the creation of a unique project. All materials will be provided.

### **Mr. Boom Boom's African Drum Circle**

*Saturday, February 28, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.*

Step into the circle and feel the beat in an immersive, hands-on musical journey that brings the power and spirit of African drumming to life, while connecting its influence to rhythms and instruments from around the world.

**Furry Friends Reading Buddies (Grades K-8)**

*Saturday, February 28, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.*

Come practice your reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat -- your very own furry audience. You may register for a 10-minute session online two days before the event.

***MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street*****Stanford Blood Drive**

*Sunday, February 1, 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.*

Make an appointment: [https://sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/13748](https://sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/13748)

**Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays -- Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided. Parents are asked to stay nearby. Homework Help will not be offered February 16 – 20.

**Baby Bouncers Lapsit (12 months and younger)**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11:30 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room*

This is a baby and caregivers' program with an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, and very short and simple picture books.

**Bilingual Family Storytime/中英雙語故事時間**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, & 24, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色內容。

**Fun with Art presented by First5 Santa Clara County**

*Wednesday, February 4, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium*

Staff from the Guerrero Family Resource Center will read a book, lead a craft activity based on the book, and then share resources provided at the resource center.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Program Room*

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. No registration required.

**XFYD Chess Class for Grades 6-8**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, & 25, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Activity Room*

This 15-part class series is designed for middle school students, and focuses on more advanced chess strategies and tactics. Participants will strengthen critical thinking and teamwork while enjoying a challenging and interactive learning experience.

**Milpitas Children's Chess Club (Grades K-8)**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, & 25, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Play chess and make new friends in a fun and relaxed environment! Registration is not required but space is limited. Attendees are expected to know the rules of chess and must be able to play independently.

**Toddler Storytime (Ages 1-2)**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room*

This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on short picture books, with simple flannel board stories, fingerplays, and lots of repetition.

**Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, & 19, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room*

The early literacy focus is on longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays. Children's librarians will share kindergarten readiness resources with caregivers.

**Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 1 – 3 p.m., Auditorium*

Relieve stress and anxiety, increase energy and vitality and improve physical health during these exercise sessions.

Giảm căng thẳng và lo lắng, tăng năng lượng và sức sống, Cải thiện sức khỏe thể chất.

**Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Meet other yarn lovers, get help or share ideas. Limited instruction available in English, Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati, but note this is not a class. Materials not provided.

**Music & Movement (ages 3-8)**

*Friday, February 6, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room*

Children and their caregivers will have fun exploring music and dancing together.

**Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, February 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room*

This 30-minute storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays and an early introduction to group dynamics and socialization.

**Lunar New Year Lion Dance**

*Saturday, February 7, 12:30 – 1 p.m.*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

**Valentine Card Marking (Adults and teens 13+)**

*Saturday, February 7, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Program Room*

Drop by and make a Valentine's card.

**Teen Rubik's Cube Club**

*Saturday, February 7, 4 – 5 p.m., Conference Room*

Kids 12+ are invited to meet other cubers, learn new techniques and have fun.

**Gentle Flow Yoga (ages 13+)**

*Sundays, February 8 & 22, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium*

This practice combines mindful movement, simple breathing techniques, and a calming guided meditation to reduce stress, improve flexibility, and restore balance. Bring a mat.

**LEGO Club for Grades K-8**

*Monday, February 9, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to build anything they can imagine.

**Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club**

*Monday, February 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium*

Sign up and pick up a copy of *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley.

**Little Learners STEAM (Ages 3-5)**

*Tuesday, February 10, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium*

Each month we will nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required.

**Lunar New Year Family Storytime**

*Wednesday, February 11, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.*

Acclaimed author Oliver Chin celebrates the Lunar New Year with a reading from his picture book, *The Year of the Horse*. Following the story, children will learn how to draw a horse and enjoy coloring animal sheets.

**Run, Hide, Fight Training with Milpitas Police**

*Thursday, February 12, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room*

Officers will discuss active threat awareness, situational awareness, and practical response strategies for violent incidents. The presentation will include real-world examples, safety tips, and a question-and-answer session.

**Stay and Play Café for Kids 0-5**

*Friday, February 13, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room*

Stay, play and learn with music, toys, and snacks.

### **Board Game Day**

*Saturday, February 14, 10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Learn different board games or play your favorite one. This program is open to ages 18+. Online registration is encouraged but not required.

### **Mend with Friends**

*Saturday, February 14, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Conference Room*

Bring your own items to mend. Limited mending supplies and casual instruction are available, but bringing your own favorite tools, extra buttons, fabric scraps, or experience to share is appreciated.

### **Dungeons & Dragons: Winter Mini Campaign (Ages 13+)**

*Saturdays, February 14 & 28, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Our DM will guide you through the process from character creation and basic rules. Make your own character and get lost in the world of Dungeons and Dragons. Walk-ins welcome.

### **Mardi Gras Cooking Class & Samples**

*Sunday, February 15, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Participants will explore the roots and stories behind iconic dishes while learning how to prepare a soulful, crowd-pleasing vegetarian and meat gumbo along with a jalapeno cheddar cornbread from scratch.

### **Lunar New Year Celebration**

*Tuesday, February 17, 3 – 5 p.m., Auditorium*

We will have a Year of the Horse craft and a performance from the lion dance troupe, Yun Yee Tong Traditional Kung Fu Academy Dragon and Lion Dance Association.

### **Adult and Teen Crafternoon (Ages 13+)**

*Saturday, February 21, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room*

We will be using brewed tea and coffee to create sepia, watercolor-like designs. Come for some cozy creative time, sip a cup of tea, and connect with other crafters. No registration is required; walk-in while supplies last.

### **Money Smarts: Building Financial Confidence for Youth (ages 12-18)**

*Saturday, February 21, 3 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Join us for a presentation created by your peers! Pearl is a Girl Scout ambassador working towards her Gold Award.

### **Traditional and Modern Vietnamese Dance**

*Saturday, February 21, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Experience the beauty of Vietnamese culture through a vibrant mix of traditional and modern dance. The performance invites audiences to learn a short Vietnamese dance using props like conical hats or fans.

### **Paper Cutting Craft with Peopleologie (ages 6-12)**

*Sunday, February 22, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium*

We start with a cultural sampling of celebrations throughout Asia, and then make a paper cut of the current zodiac calendar animal, or another. Using paper, scissors, and glue, practice using positive and negative space, and the almost-lost arts of cutting and gluing, which are foundational and critical small motor skills.

### **The South Bay Needlepointers Stitch-In**

*Monday, February 23, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Conference Room*

The South Bay Needlepointers present programs which encourage and inspire members to explore new techniques in needlepoint, learn about design, color, texture and perspective, and provide an opportunity to network with others who share a passion for needlepoint.

### **Books & Bricks Book Club (Grades 4-6)**

*Tuesday, February 24, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Join our book and Lego building club for fourth to sixth graders! This month we are reading [Next Stop](#) by Debbie Fong. Register online.

### **Knitting for Kids (ages 8-12)**

*Tuesdays, February 24 – April 14, 5 – 5:45 p.m., Activity Room*

All supplies will be provided but attendees must be able to attend each class. The student will be able to knit basic stitches and yarn sew by the end of the 8-week session.

### **Silicon Valley Reads Book Discussion Group**

*Wednesday, February 25, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Program Room*

*Thursday, February 26, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room*

We will discuss [Mainline Mama](#) by Keeonna Harris.

### **The Peaceful Poets**

*Thursday, February 26, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room*

The Peaceful Poets are a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

### **Read for the Record Storytime**

*Thursday, February 26, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room*

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### **Holi Celebration (Grades 3-8)**

*Friday, February 27, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

We invite you to a colorful celebration of Holi, the festival of colors, with a fun sand art session at Milpitas Library.

### **Repair Cafe**

*Saturday, February 28, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Auditorium*

Repair Cafe will bring tools, materials, and volunteer experts to help you make any repairs you need on clothes, furniture, small appliances, bicycles, crockery, electronics, lamps, toys, and more. Their goal is to extend the life of everyday items.

### **Reading Buddies (Grades K-5)**

*Saturday, February 28, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one on one from a favorite book.

## **MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**

### **Free Snacks for Kids! / ;Meriendas Gratis Para Niños!**

*Mondays-Fridays, 3 – 4 p.m. (except during holidays)*

Children ages 0-18 can stop by for snack, while supplies last. No registration required.

¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda gratis después de la escuela! No es necesario registrarse.

### **Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Students can get free homework help. No registration is required.

### **Zumba Fitness Class/Clase de Zumba Fitness**

*Monday, February 2, 6 – 7 p.m., and Tuesday, February 10, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room*

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

### **Reading Buddies (Grades K-6)**

*Mondays, February 2 & 23, 6 – 7 p.m., Activity Room*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

**Evening Itty Bitty Jamboree**

*Tuesdays, February 3 & 17, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Adults and babies (0 to 12 months old) are invited to short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

**Kids LEGO Club**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build anything they can imagine.

**Start Smart: Driving Smart to Stay Safe for Teens**

*Wednesday, February 4, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room*

Start Smart is aimed at helping newly licensed or soon to be licensed teen drivers become more aware of the responsibilities that accompany being a licensed California driver.

**After Dinner Book Club**

*Wednesday, February 4, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room*

We will discuss the Silicon Valley Reads selected title, *The Power of Bridging* by john a. powell.

**Toddler Storytime (ages 2-3)**

*Thursday, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of interactive movement!

**Preschool Storytime**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of interactive movement!

**Tiny Tot Jamboree (ages 1-2)**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Parents and toddlers: Join us for short stories, rhymes, fingerplays, activities, and songs.

**Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)**

*Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27, 12 – 1 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Adults and their babies: Join us for short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. Itty-Bitty Jamboree is 30 minutes followed by Stay & Play time.

**Kids Keva Club (Ages 5+)**

*Friday, February 6, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Create structures, sculptures, and ball-runs out of wooden planks. Practice your artistic and architectural skills without tools, glue, nails, or tape - just planks!

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Saturdays, February 7 & 21, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.*

Come to improve your English speaking and listening skills, while learning about other cultures in a safe and supportive environment.

**Bilingual Spanish & English Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, February 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English) and all ages are welcome to attend.

Las horas de cuentos son bilingües (español/inglés) y todas las edades son bienvenidas.

**Lunar New Year Lion Dance**

*Sunday, February 8, 3:30 – 4 p.m.*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

**Adult Friendship Bracelet**

*Monday, February 9, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Community Room*

Come solo or bring a friend and enjoy this hands-on activity! All materials provided.

**Family Fun Night**

*Tuesday, February 10, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Families with school-aged children will create art, crafts, or participate in STEM activities. This month we will make Valentine’s Day cards.

**Friendship Bracelet Pop Up**

*Wednesday, February 11, 2 – 4 p.m., Teen Space*

Make a friendship bracelet for yourself and make another one to give to someone else.

Materials will be provided, while supplies last.

**Adult Watercolor: Fairytale Mushrooms (ages 18+)**

*Sunday, February 15, 2 – 3:30 p.m.*

This guided workshop invites you to relax, create, and celebrate the magic of spring through dreamy watercolor art. Seating is limited to the first 25 attendees and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Kids Art Club (Ages 5+)**

*Wednesday, February 18, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Join us for an afternoon of creativity with the Kids Art Club. We will make a collage.

**It's Not a Box**

*Friday, February 20, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Join us in building cars, ships, roads, and rockets with your imagination and a few boxes. Decorations, tape, and glue are provided.

**Traditional and Modern Vietnamese Dance**

*Saturday, February 21, 12 – 1 p.m.*

Experience the beauty of Vietnamese culture through a vibrant mix of traditional and modern dance. The performance invites audiences to learn a short Vietnamese dance using props like conical hats or fans.

**Mardi Gras Cooking Class**

*Sunday, February 22, 2 – 3 p.m.*

Participants will explore the roots and stories behind iconic dishes while learning how to prepare a soulful, crowd-pleasing vegetarian and meat gumbo along with a jalapeno cheddar cornbread from scratch.

**Chat & Craft: ESL Conversation Club**

*Monday, February 23, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Community Room*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills while making a craft in a fun, supportive environment.

**The Trailblazers Book Club (Grades 3-5)**

*Wednesday, February 25, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.*

We will discuss the Silicon Valley Reads selected youth book, *Front Desk* by Kelly Yang.

**Read for the Record Storytime & Craft**

*Thursday, February 26, 3:30 – 4 p.m.*

Read for the Record is a nationwide initiative dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of early literacy. On one single day, classrooms, libraries, and communities will come together to share a single book: See Marcus Grow by Marcus Bridgewater.

**Safe Space for LGBTQ+ Teens and Young Adults (ages 13-25)**

*Friday, February 27, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and ally (LGBTQ+) youth to play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community.

**Sensory Playtime (ages 4-10 with a parent/caregiver)**

*Friday, February 27, 4 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Sensory playtime is a hands-on, interactive experience designed to engage children through a variety of activities. Designed for kids with sensory processing differences, autism, or who have other special needs. Please register.

**Teen Watercolor: Spring Animals (Teens ages 13-18)**

*Saturday, February 28, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Room 101*

Guided step by step, you’ll discover watercolor techniques that bring your art to life while expressing your own unique style.

**Mr. Boom Boom’s African Drum Circle**

*Saturday, February 28, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.*

Step into the circle and feel the beat in an immersive, hands-on musical journey that brings the power and spirit of African drumming to life, while connecting its influence to rhythms and instruments from around the world.

**SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**

**To Hold On: An Art Exhibit**

*Through February 27, Library Lobby*

Siana Smith's exhibition, *To Hold On*, examines the objects, memories, and screens that anchor us in an age defined by speed, consumption, and digital drift.

**Marian Gault: A Retrospective Exhibit**

*Through February 27, Group Study Room*

Marian Gault was an exceptional artist, calligrapher, and teacher. The local calligraphy guild, *Pacific Scribes*, remembers Marian with love and admiration.

**Small Expressions: A Calligraphy Exhibit**

*Through February 27, Lobby Display Case*

Calligraphy is the art of decorative handwritten lettering. ***Pacific Scribes*** is a nonprofit, calligraphy organization with a focus on stimulating and fostering a wide appreciation of calligraphy.

**Homework Help for Grades K-6**

*Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, 3 – 4:30 p.m.,  
Orchard Room*

Students can drop-in for free homework help. No registration is required. Caregivers of children under 10 years old must stay with their child.

**Mystery Book Club**

*Monday, February 2, 7–8 p.m.*

In honor of Black History Month, for our February meeting we will be discussing [While Justice Sleeps](#) by Stacey Abrams.

**Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele**

*Tuesdays, February 3 & 10, 10:30–11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Meet people who are also working on their music journey, learn new chords/strums, and get encouragement to practice towards mastering your instrument. Bring your own guitar or ukulele, all other materials will be provided.

**Family Storytime**

*Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11–11:30 a.m., Community Room*

*Saturdays, February 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11–11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

**Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club**

*Tuesday, February 3, 7–8 p.m., Maple Room*

To celebrate Black History Month we will be discussing [The Killing Moon](#) by N. K. Jemisin. You can sign up and get a copy of the book from the adult reference desk.

**Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Wednesday, February 4, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m., Maple Room*

Bring your own projects and yarn, ask questions, receive help, give help, share ideas and meet new people.

**Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)**

*Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11–11:15 a.m., Community Room*

Join us for fun, interactive nursery rhymes, fingerplays, action rhymes, and songs.

**Drop-in Tech Help**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 a.m.–1 p.m., Oak Room*

Get help using your laptop, tablet or cell phone. Help is first-come, first-served.

**Board Game Night for Adults**

*Monday, February 9, 6–8 p.m., Maple Room*

Drop in and play a variety of board games.

**Children's Craft: Heart Wreath**

*Tuesday, February 10, 4–5 p.m., Community Room*

Create a Valentine's Day heart wreath for yourself or as a gift. All ages welcome. No registration required.

### **Growing Asian Vegetables in the South Bay**

*Tuesday, February 10, 7–8:30 p.m., Community Room*

Learn how to plan and grow a variety of nutritious and delicious produce, including what gardeners can do right now to prepare for a bountiful harvest in late spring and summer.

### **Chinese Book Club / 中文書友會**

*Thursday, February 12, 10:15 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

The February book selection is 人鼠之間 (*Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck).

### **Furry Reading Buddies (completed Grades K-5)**

*Fridays, February 13 & 27, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

Children must register themselves in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

### **Lunar New Year Lion Dance**

*Saturday, February 14, 1 – 1:30 p.m.*

Skilled performers bring an intricately crafted lion to life through expressive, coordinated movements, all set to the pulse of rhythmic drums, cymbals, and gongs.

### **Indian Classical Dance Program**

*Saturday, February 14, 1:15 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room*

Saratoga Library presents performances by accomplished Bay Area classical dancers.

### **How to Draw Fantasy Characters (Ages 11-18)**

*Saturday, February 14, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Maple Room*

Join author and comic book artist Oliver Chin for a dynamic drawing workshop. You'll learn how to sketch fantastical figures, from spell-slinging sorcerers to mythical beasts.

### **African Drumming**

*Sunday, February 15, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room*

Celebrate Black History Month as we welcome African drumming by Onye Onyemaechi.

### **Year of the Horse Craft for Children**

*Tuesday, February 17, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

Celebrate Lunar New Year by creating a Year of the Horse craft! While supplies last. No registration necessary.

### **Travel Program: Discovering America's Backroads**

*Tuesday, February 17, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

This video presentation includes inspiring scenery, interesting towns, colorful events and the weird and fascinating discoveries along historic Route 66.

**Mandarin Storytime**

*Thursday, February 19, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

Join us for fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Mandarin.

**Teatime Book Chatter**

*Thursday, February 19, 1 – 2 p.m.*

Please visit the Adult Reference Desk at Saratoga Library to register and pick up a copy of the book.

**Reading Program Family Literacy Club: Celebrate Pokémon Day**

*Friday, February 20, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room*

We will have Pokémon-related activities while practicing our literacy skills. No registration required but limited spots are available.

**West Valley Community Services Presentation**

*Saturday, February 21, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.*

Learn about their mission and various services and opportunities to volunteer.

**Firebird Youth Chinese Orchestra**

*Saturday, February 21, 2 – 3 p.m.*

Enjoy traditional Chinese music from young musicians who play Chinese instruments.

**Open Mic**

*Sunday, February 22, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

This is your opportunity to share your musical talents in a safe, inviting community of teens of all levels and ages 13+. Bring your guitar, ukulele, voice, or any fun instruments you have been practicing to perform in an open mic setting.

**Technology Class: Digital Hygiene**

*Monday, February 23, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Community Room*

Learn about internet cookies, credit freezing, secure passwords, password managers, multi-factor authentication, and cell phone verification.

**Read for the Record Storytime**

*Thursday, February 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

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**Dancheong Suncatcher Craft (Grades K-5)**

*Saturday, February 28, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.*

Participants create their own sun catchers by coloring traditional Korean dancheong patterns onto translucent discs. Seating is limited to the first 50 attendees.

**Before Your Eyes: An Immersive Music Performance**

*Saturday, February 28, 2 – 3 p.m.*

Before Your Eyes is an immersive, participatory performance that integrates harp, violin, piano, water-based instruments, and creative coding to explore how sound, nature, and technology can unite performers and audiences in real time.

**SERVICES & SUPPORT CENTER – 1370 Dell Avenue, Campbell**

**Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Board Meeting**

*Thursday, February 12, 12 – 1 p.m.*

For information about the meetings, agendas, and packets, please visit [sccl.org/jpa/](http://sccl.org/jpa/).

**WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**

**Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Mondays, February 2, 9, & 23, 7 – 7:30 p.m.*

Practice meditation for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk to the instructor.

**Sweet Tiny Tot Tales**

*Sunday, February 8, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Backyard Patio (dress for weather!)*

This special storytime is full of stories, wiggles, music, and fingerplays.

**ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**

**Online English Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.*

Meet new friends and practice English together.

**Virtual Author Talk: Vanessa Riley**

*Thursday, February 5, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Vanessa Riley delves into *Fire Sword and Sea*, her novel inspired by the legendary pirate Jacquette Delahaye.

**Reading Program Learner Orientation**

*Wednesday, February 11, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m.*

This learner orientation is required for new students to learn about the program's structure, services and expectations. During the session you will learn about the program requirements and about how this program can help you meet your goals with English.



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**Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Lindsey Stewart**

*Thursday, February 12, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Dr. Lindsey Stewart's [The Conjuring of America](#) traces 400 years of Black women's magic through the lives of enslaved Mammies, Voodoo Queens, Blues Women, Granny Midwives, and textile weavers who preserved their spiritual practices in secrecy across generations.

**Virtual Author Talk: Tom Crouch**

*Thursday, February 24, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Join Smithsonian Curator Emeritus Tom Crouch for an engaging discussion of his book [Smithson's Gamble](#), a revealing look at the bold decisions, controversies, and visionary leadership that shaped the early years of the Smithsonian Institution.