

# AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at San Francisco Public Library

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## SF Tech Week, May 7–13

Explore technology, ease your tech frustrations or learn how to do something new at SF Tech Week. Produced by SFPL and almost two dozen partners, Tech Week offers exciting opportunities.

- **Money for home internet:** Eligible households can receive \$30 every month towards their home broadband bill. Claim this benefit at special signup events during Tech Week.
- **Win a Chromebook!** Attendees at several events will have a chance to win a refurbished device courtesy of Tech Exchange.
- **Explore Artificial Intelligence:** With AI increasingly in the news and our lives, understand the promise and risks of this technology.

The full schedule is at [sfpl.org/techweek](https://sfpl.org/techweek). All events are free and none require prior experience. Take advantage of SF Tech Week to learn something new and meet the partner organizations who bring the week to life.

**Tech Week Office Hours: Rethinking Tech Use at Home** – May 8, 5 p.m., Main Library, 5th Floor, Learning Studio

**Chris Ategeka, The Unintended Consequences of Technology** – May 9, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level

**Money for Home Internet: ACP Enrollment** – May 11, 1 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level and May 13, 2 p.m., Ocean View Branch

**AI and AI Robotics** – May 13, 1:30 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level

See pg. 2 for all Tech Week events.

## Welcome to Weaving Stories

### Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Heritage

Come to the Library to discover the many facets of AANHPI heritage. In music, dance, film and the written word, a multitude of narratives unfold for you to enjoy through both virtual and in-person programs.



Nancy Hom with her artwork *Weaving Cultures*

## Meet Artist Nancy Hom

The artwork for our Weaving Stories celebration, featured by the Main Library's Grove Street entrance and on posters in all locations, is by Nancy Hom, a beloved figure in the local arts community. Hom has dedicated her career to the arts, working in a variety of capacities—artist, writer, organizer, curator and arts consultant. She was also the executive director of the storied Kearny Street Workshop, which has a featured art exhibition at the Main Library.

### What stories or ideas do you like to convey in your art, and what do you hope people will take away?

As a community artist, I have created work that celebrates cultural events and promotes various social and political causes. My art is about instilling values—helping one another, celebrating cultures, valuing our history and elders, telling our stories and respecting the environment and people's rights. I consider my work successful if the project moves people emotionally or stirs them to think more deeply about an issue.

My large-scale floor mandalas are educational and healing. They build community through collective art-making. By creating work together, we can learn from each other and honor our common humanity. We can see that we are all interdependent and part of something larger than ourselves.

Read the full interview at [sfpl.org/aanhpi](https://sfpl.org/aanhpi).

## Exhibition Celebrates Asian American Arts and Activism

The Library partners with the groundbreaking arts nonprofit Kearny Street Workshop (KSW) to present *Dreaming People's History*, an exhibition of past and present Asian American arts and activism.

*Dreaming People's History* features the voices of recognized trailblazers, like Jessica Hagedorn and Leland Wong, and emerging artists alike. Collectively, they illuminate KSW's 50 years of community arts dating back to the height of the Asian American Movement. Inspired by this multigenerational history, the exhibition puts the work of contemporary artists and organizers MC Amable, Juke Jose, Tina Kashiwagi, Vida Kuang, Andrew Szeto, Lorenzo Tamayo-Lee and Weston Teruya in conversation with KSW's archive of photographs and silkscreen posters that capture a time when young radicals were uncovering and reclaiming the experiences of their ancestors. The exhibition also highlights Kearny Street Workshop Press, which published numerous books of poetry by local authors, many of which can be found in the San Francisco History Center.



***Dreaming People's History*** – Through August 6, 2023, Main Library, Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

**Opening Reception** – Thursday, May 4, 6–7:30 p.m., Main Library, Jewett Gallery, Lower Level

## Celebrate with Your Community at Our Branches

Our bounty of branch open houses continues this spring! Come fill out your Explorer Map and discover these neighborhood gems.

Stop by Richmond Branch on Saturday, May 6, to meet our vibrant Inner Richmond community.

On May 13, Golden Gate Valley Branch boasts a West African drumming performance by Keenan Webster, coaster making with GoGo Craft and an SFFD fire truck.

Also on May 13 is the Merced Branch Open House. Celebrate with Japanese drumming at 1 p.m. and Hawaiian dancing at 3 p.m. Enjoy the tech mobile, origami, scavenger hunts, glitter tattoos and refreshments.

North Beach Branch's 9th annual celebration

is on May 20. Hop on the SFFD fire truck, watch a ballet show, view the Bruce Lee collections and join a special guided walking tour of North Beach.

At West Portal Branch on May 20, enjoy balloon twisting with Mr. SHAP, face painting, a Hawaiian music performance by Keli'i Amantiad, Hoover Middle School music performances and take-home craft kits.

### May Open House Events:

**Richmond Branch** – May 6, 1–5 p.m.

**Golden Gate Valley Branch** – May 13, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Merced Branch** – May 13, 1–5 p.m.

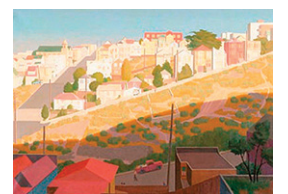
**North Beach Branch** – May 20, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

**West Portal Branch** – May 20, 1 p.m.–4 p.m.

### Art Show Returns to Potrero

The 62nd Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition returns this summer.

The opening reception features live music, light refreshments, art projects for children and the



Painting by Charles Farr

chance to meet your local artists. The late Charles Farr hosted the first exhibit in 1955 and the funds raised prevented the Branch from closing. Come celebrate this legacy and our community.

**Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition** – May 20–July 27

**Opening Reception** – May 20, 6–9 p.m.

Both events are at Potrero Branch

### Coming Up:

**June 4**  
**Summer Stride Kickoff**  
Main Library, Fulton St. steps

**June 7**  
**Dr. Jewell Parker Rhodes:**  
**Effie Lee Morris Lecture**  
Main Library, Koret Auditorium

**June 8**  
**Children's Drawing**  
**Workshop with K-Fai Steele**  
Visitacion Valley Branch

**June 29**  
**Club Q Party Revival**  
Main Library, LGBTQIA Center,  
3rd Floor



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## Small Business Week 2023

The Library is going big for Small Business Week this year with seven virtual programs for entrepreneurs at all stages. Before your first sale, make sure you have all your bases covered by attending Starting a Business in San Francisco, presented by the Office of Small Business. Seeking funding? Check out How to Find Funding Opportunities for Your Small Business and Introduction to Pitch Decks. Want to attract more customers? Join Introduction to Online Advertising to learn about powerful new tools for 2023. All presenters are experts in their fields.

Register for these free and virtual presentations on the Library's events calendar, under the topic, Small Business Week:

**How to Find Funding Opportunities for Your Small Business** – May 9, 10 a.m.

**Introduction to Pitch Decks** – May 9, 12 p.m.

**Starting a Business in San Francisco** – May 10, 12 p.m.

**Become a San Francisco Green Business** – May 10, 2 p.m.

**Introduction to Online Advertising in 2023: 3 Steps** – May 11, 12 p.m.

**Choosing A Retirement Solution for Your Small Business** – May 11, 3 p.m.

**Plan Builder for Entrepreneurs** – May 12, 11 a.m.

For related programs, see our **Work it (Jobs, Business, Finance)** calendar of events on Page 5.



## Tech Time

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Tuesdays

預約圖書館員/  
**Book a Librarian**  
Chinatown, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Basic Tech Drop-In**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 1–2:30 p.m.

3 Wednesday

**Book a Librarian**  
Ingleside, 3–4 p.m.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays

**Ayuda de computación en español** Computer help in Spanish. Main, 5th Floor Computer Training Ctr., 6–7:30 p.m.

5 Friday

**Tech Support for Older Adults**  
Richmond, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

7 Sunday

**Beginner's Computer Clinic**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr. 4–5:30 p.m.

8 Monday

**iOS 內置照片編輯工具 / iOS built-in photo editing tools** (Cantonese)  
Photo editing: Virtual, 9:30–10:30 a.m.  
Video editing: Virtual, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Phishing and Online Safety**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 10–11 a.m.

**Apple Device Help**  
Virtual, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Tech Support**  
DEV/Mission STEAM Hub,  
6271 3rd St., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

**Computer Basics**  
Virtual, 1–2:30 p.m.

**Drop-in Tech Help**  
Noe Valley, 2–3 p.m.

**Computer Basics, Part 1**  
Goodwill Training Ctr.,  
750 Post St., 2–4 p.m.

**Download eBooks and Audiobooks**  
Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

**Rethinking Tech at Home**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.,  
5–6 p.m.

9 Tuesday

**Tech Support**  
Valencia Gardens, 360 Valencia St.,  
10 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Learn Anything Online**  
SF Senior Ctr. Downtown, 481  
O'Farrell St., 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Internet Basics**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Canva**  
Virtual, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**網絡安全和在線詐騙 (國) / Cybersecurity and Online Scams (Mandarin)**  
Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

**Computer Basics, Part 2**  
Goodwill Training Ctr.,  
750 Post St., 2–4 p.m.

**Google Maps and Citymapper**  
Virtual, 3–4 p.m.

10 Wednesday

**Free Lifeline Phones**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 10–11 a.m.

**Tech Support**  
DEV/Mission STEAM Hub,  
6271 3rd St., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

**Seguridad de Correo Electrónico /Email Security**  
(Spanish) SF Senior Ctr.  
Downtown, 481 O'Farrell St.,  
10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Accessibility Features in Microsoft Office**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Smartphone or Tablet Ready for Emergencies?**  
Virtual, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**網上銀行：存入支票 (粵) / Online Banking (Cantonese)**  
Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

**SF Genealogy Group**  
Virtual, 1–3 p.m.

**Tech Support Pop-Up/ 技術幫助 /Ayuda Tecnológica**  
Excelsior, 1:30–3:30

**Beginner's Computer Clinic**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 2–3:30 p.m.

**Android Help Desk**  
Virtual, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

**Mobile App Design**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.,  
6–7:30 p.m.

11 Thursday

**你的安卓設備 (粵語) / Android Device (Cantonese)**  
Virtual, 10–11 a.m.

**Floppy Copy and Old Files Rescue**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Ctr., 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Tech Support**  
Valencia Gardens, 360 Valencia St.,  
10 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Photos and Videos with Your Smartphone or Tablet**  
Virtual, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**DIY Digi Lab Demo**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.,  
2–3 p.m.

**Google 谷歌翻譯 (粵語) / Google Translate**  
(Cantonese) Virtual, 2–3:30 p.m.

**eBook Drop-In**  
Main, Atrium, 4–6 p.m.

**Social Media 101 / Reconsideración del uso de tecnología en casa (English and Spanish)**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.  
and Virtual, 5–6 p.m.

**Email Basics**  
Visitacion Valley, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

**AI—The Good, the Bad and the Ugly** Main, Learning Studio -  
5th Fl. and Virtual, 6–7 p.m.

11, 25 Thursdays

**Book a Librarian**  
Parkside, 3–4 p.m.

12 Friday

**Photowalk Mission/Caminata de Fotos Por La Mision**  
Ruth's Table, 3160 12th St.,  
10 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Google Translate? / Como usar el traductor de Google?**  
The Women's Building,  
3543 18th St., 10–11:30 a.m. &  
4–5:30 p.m.

**Start Your Career**  
Virtual, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Tech Tools for Accessibility**  
Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

**Tech Help /技術支**  
(English, Chinese, Vietnamese,  
Russian) Geneva Community  
Ctr., 5050 Mission St., 1–4 p.m.

**Tech support for Older Adults**  
Anza, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

**Streaming Without Screaming**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.,  
1–3 p.m.

12, 26 Fridays

**Tablet/Smartphones for Seniors and Adults with Disabilities**  
(English, Cantonese and Mandarin) Sunset, 1–2:30 p.m.

13 Saturday

**Technology Workshops**  
Tenderloin Technology Lab,  
150 Golden Gate Ave.,  
10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Everyday Accessibility: Built-in Tools that Benefit Everyone**  
Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl.,  
11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**AI and AI Robotics**  
Main, Latino/Hispanic,  
1:30–2:30 p.m.

**AI Robots, Hands-On Intro**  
Main, Latino/Hispanic Mtg.  
Rm., 2:45–4:30 p.m.

16 Tuesday

**Tech Support for Seniors**  
Visitacion Valley, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

23 Tuesday

**與人工智能對話：ChatGPT**  
Chinatown, 2–3:30 p.m.

**Book a Librarian**  
Eureka Valley, 3–4:30 p.m.

25 Thursday

**Computer Skills Practice**  
Main, 5th Floor Computer Training  
Ctr., 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

26 Friday

**Tech Support for Older Adults**  
Ortega, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

31 Wednesday

**Earn a Certificate in Micro-soft Basics** Main, 5th Floor  
Computer Training Ctr., 4–6 p.m.

Tech Coaches

Main, Atrium  
• 2, Tuesday, 4:30–7:30 p.m.  
• 4, Thursday, 4–8 p.m.  
• 6, Saturday, 12–6 p.m.

Sunset

• Wednesdays 2–6 p.m.  
• Saturdays, 3:30–5:30 p.m.  
• Sundays, 1–5 p.m.

West Portal

• 6, Saturday, 1:15–5 p.m.

## On View

Jewett Gallery, Main Library, Lower Level

**Dreaming People's History: The Asian American Radical Imagination** Through Aug. 6

6th Floor Exhibits, Main Library

**Heavy Metal: The Humor of Mechanization**  
Through June 30. Skylight Gallery

**Artists in the Archive** Through June 8.  
San Francisco History Center Exhibit Space

**San Francisco IDentities** Through June 8.  
San Francisco History Center Exhibit Space

Other Exhibits at the Main Library

**Close to Home: Government's Pivotal Role in Redlining and Housing Exclusion** Through May 11.  
Government Information Center, 5th Floor

**I Still Love You: Queerness, Ancestors and the Places That Made Us** Through June 29.  
James C. Hormel LGBTQIA Center, 3rd Floor

**Treasured Stories: Treasure Island Oral Histories, 1997–Present** Through June 30. Business, Science & Technology Center, 4th Floor

Exhibits at the Branches

**62nd Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibition**  
May 20–July 27. Potrero Branch



Young Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation hotel residents, circa 1985, TNDC Records (SFH 702)

## Collections Corner:

### Tenderloin District and Its Changing Communities

How did the Tenderloin become home to a vibrant community of individuals and families from Southeast Asia?

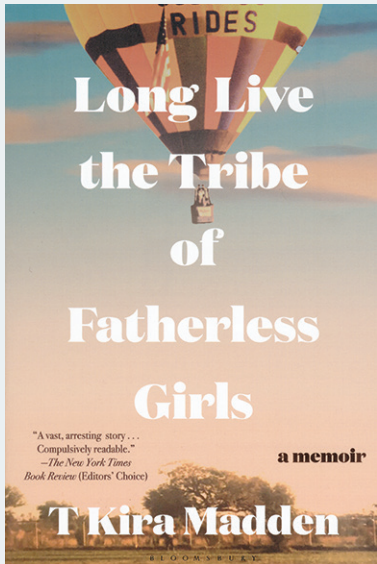
Academic researcher Minh Quoc Nguyen wondered just that and found many answers in the San Francisco History Center. He pored through the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (TNDC) Records and discovered different aspects of the story.

The TNDC Records document the work of the largest community-based development center in San Francisco. TNDC began in 1981 and was a pioneer in permanent supportive housing by renovating a Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residential hotel in the neighborhood. Services now include social work, health and wellness, after-school care, urban agriculture and community food distribution, and community organizing.

Nguyen found that between 1980 and 2000, San Francisco's demographics were significantly changed by those escaping war, genocide, and the new communist regimes of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, people collectively referred to as Southeast Asians. The Tenderloin, previously a transient enclave, became a permanent home for many of these new residents. Nguyen's 2023 dissertation analyzes how participants—Southeast Asian American residents, housing organizations, business interests and local government—brought about this change.

The San Francisco History Center has many resources to answer your questions big and small, visit [on.sfppl.org/sf-history](https://on.sfppl.org/sf-history).





## ON THE SAME PAGE

MAY-JUNE Selection

*Long Live the Tribe of Fatherless Girls: A Memoir* by T Kira Madden

**A**claimed literary essayist T Kira Madden's raw and redemptive debut memoir is about coming of age and reckoning with desire as a queer, biracial teenager amidst the fierce contradictions of Boca Raton, Florida, a place where she found cult-like privilege, shocking racial disparities, rampant white-collar crime and powerfully destructive standards of beauty hiding in plain sight.



T Kira Madden

As a child, Madden lived a life of extravagance, from her exclusive private school to her equestrian trophies and designer shoe-brand name. But under the surface was a wild instability. The only child of parents continually battling drug and alcohol addictions, Madden confronted her environment alone. Facing a culture of assault and objectification, she found lifelines in the desperately loving friendships of fatherless girls.

With unflinching honesty and lyrical prose, spanning from 1960s Hawai'i to the present-day struggle of a young woman mourning the loss of a father while unearthing truths that reframe her reality, *Long Live the Tribe of Fatherless Girls* is equal parts eulogy and love letter. It's a story about trauma and forgiveness, about families of blood and affinity, both lost and found, unmade and rebuilt, crooked and beautiful.

### Related Events:

**Author Talk: T Kira Madden and Matthew Clark Davison in Conversation** – June 21, 7 p.m., Virtual Library

**On the Same Page Book Club** – June 20, 7 p.m., Virtual Library

## Documentary Screening on Art and Addiction



**S**ubstance use disorder is a widespread and a devastating issue in every community. During the COVID pandemic, addiction rates increased by 15–17% in the United States. The nine stories told in *The Creative High* (NR, 75 minutes, 2022) reveal the transformative quality of the creative process and conveys the emotional depth and search for meaning that accompanies the struggle to recover from addiction. The documentary showcases how art can be a guidepost, while delving into the artist's

challenge to maintain equilibrium before and after recovery. The film screening is followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers, Adriana Marchione and Dianne Griffin, and a few of the artists featured in the documentary.

**Screening: *The Creative High*** – May 24, 6 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium

## Calling All Bay Area Musicians

**W**ant to share your music with a new audience? Looking to connect with local music fans?

Contribute your music to Bay Beats, the only streaming music platform completely devoted to Bay Area music and hosted by SFPL, during the first call for submissions, May 1 to July 31, 2023. Bay Beats will offer commercial-free, curated music to the public later this year. Music lovers will be able to stream music on Bay Beats and download albums with an SFPL library card...all for free!

Musicians currently playing or recording in the Bay Area are encouraged to showcase their music. From Jazz to Soul, Rap to Rock, Classical to World, New Age to Noise, we're looking for submissions in all genres. Find the submission guidelines on our website: [baybeats.sfpl.org](http://baybeats.sfpl.org).



## Become a Nature Library Ranger

**P**ortola Branch partners with Candlestick Point State Recreation Area to combine literacy, nature and fun for children. The third Thursday of every month, through December, the Candlestick Point State Park staff offers a Library Rangers program at Portola Branch Library with a story read-aloud, a nature-themed activity and a creative craft. Learn about your local State Parks with the Library Rangers. For children and their families.



**Workshop: Library Rangers** – May 18, 2:30 p.m., Portola Branch



## Celebrating Young Families!

Expecting or have a tiny new member of your family? We want to celebrate with you at our Community Baby Shower. All expecting families and those with little ones aged 24 months and under are welcome. Enjoy a Storytime for Babies, a play area, light refreshments and a handprint craft to commemorate this special time. Our guests include community agencies eager to let new families know about resources available to them. Plus, the first 200 families will receive a gift for attending the event with your baby.

**Ocean View Community Baby Shower** – May 27, 1 p.m., Ocean View Branch



## Book Connections for Young Bookworms

**C**elebrate Asian American, Pacific Islander and Native Hawaiian history, culture and community with the thousands of youth literature resources in Book Connections. The Book Connections database offers tailored booklists, author interviews, book trailers, discussion questions and much more.

Within their international Asian and Asian American booklists, filters by age and genre make it a snap to pick great books for classroom read-alouds, heritage celebrations or bookish gifts. The read-along audio recordings make texts more accessible to readers with disabilities or readers who are learning English. Or get the story behind the story by watching interviews with authors like Saadia Faruqi (Pakistani American author of the *Yasmin* series) or Tae Keller (Korean American author of *When You Trap a Tiger*). Access Book Connections at [sfpl.org/articles-databases](http://sfpl.org/articles-databases) or speak with a librarian if you need assistance.

## Games Galore

**C**ome try out a classic game or learn a new one. From strategy to free play to gaming systems, bring a friend to challenge yourself.

Learn new words by playing the Japanese Word Game, "Shiritori." Shiritori literally means "taking the end" or "taking the rear." Come up with a word using the final kana of the



previous word. For ages 10–18. **May 2, 4:30 p.m., North Beach Branch**

Test your skills on our Wii and a variety of board games to see if you'll be victorious. For ages 8 and older. **May 3, 3 p.m., Excelsior Branch**

Play the classic Chinese board game Aeroplane chess. The first player to finish their airplane journey first wins. For ages 10–18. **May 3, 3 p.m., North Beach Branch**

The library provides a variety of board games for anyone to try and play with friends and family. Are you up for a challenge? For ages 3 and older. **May 5, 12, 4:15 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch**

Learn a new board game or play an old favorite. We can teach you how to play games like Dixit, Exploding Kittens, Fluxx, Ticket to Ride, Codenames, Forbidden Island and more. Or bring one of yours to share with us. For ages 10–16. **May 8, 4:30 p.m., Glen Park Branch**

Enjoy friendly competition with board games. For ages 13–18. **May 9, 3:30 p.m., Eureka Valley Branch**

Play a whole role-playing game (RPG) with us in just a couple of hours using one-page RPGs. Learn how to play and enjoy the thrill of playing tabletop games without the commitment of multi-month campaigns. **May 15, 3:45 p.m., Glen Park Branch**

Bernal Chess Club presents a short chess talk, followed by casual games. Please bring your own chess set if you have one. **May 24, 6 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch**

## Looking for Teen Volunteers

**Calling all interested teen youth volunteers to help lead the best\* library summer learning program around.** Our locations are looking for helpful, kind and enthusiastic rising 8th–12th graders to volunteer 10 hours or more during the summer. Volunteers will welcome visitors to the Library and explain how Summer Stride works. For more information, eligibility requirements and applications, visit [themixatsfpl.org/jobs-and-volunteer](http://themixatsfpl.org/jobs-and-volunteer) OR [sfpl.org/summerstride](http://sfpl.org/summerstride).

\*It really is, we've won awards!



# Weaving Stories [sfpl.org/AANHPI](https://sfpl.org/AANHPI)

The Library invites everyone to participate in author talks, book clubs, film screening, crafts and food programs and be entertained by musical and dance performers at our locations. In defiance of the ongoing racism faced by the AANHPI community, join this celebration of joyful futures as we recognize AANHPI Heritage Month's theme of "Strengthening Community Fabric."

## Adult Programs

### Deanne Liu of Asian Pacific Environmental Network (APEN)

Liu, APEN's Oakland Political Coordinator, speaks on environmental justice issues in California. **May 2, 5 p.m., Virtual Library**



### Artist Jessica So Ren Tang

Experience the artwork of Jessica So Ren Tang, Bay Area embroidery artist who references Asian patterns and

objects from her childhood. **May 2, 7 p.m., Virtual Library**



### The Convergence of Writing, Womanhood, and Family History

A partnership with Diasporic Vietnamese Artists Network (DVAN).

A conversation with Christina Vo and Lan P. Duong, celebrating Vo's new memoir. Moderated by Dr. Isabelle Pelaud. **May 4, 6 p.m., Manny's, 3092 16th St., San Francisco**

### Artistry, Craftsmanship, Utility: The Japanese Pre-modern Writing Instrument

Robert De Maria discusses the yatate, the Japanese pre-modern portable writing instrument or kit in wide use in Japan from the late 13th century to the early 20th century. **May 6, 1 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level**

### Commemoration: Acupuncture Legalization in California 紀念：針灸熱 — 加州針灸立法史

Film screening of the first English documentary on the legalization of acupuncture in California. **May 7, 1:30 p.m., Richmond Branch**

### Chinatown Rising Screening and Discussion



A special screening of *Chinatown Rising*, followed by a discussion with Joshua Chuck, producer and director. **May 10, 5:30 p.m., Ortega Branch**

### Chinese Guqin and Poetry 古琴演奏及詩歌朗誦

Local musician Coral Liang and her students perform Guqin together with poetry. **May 13, 12 p.m., Ocean View Branch**

### Guru Shradha Ensemble

Enjoy the Odissi dance, the oldest surviving classical form of Indian dance from the Eastern India state of Odisha. **May 13, 1 p.m., Richmond Branch**

### Seeking the Divine: Deities of Asian Religions

In this Asian Art Museum docent talk, hear about how ideal beauty is interpreted in different Asian cultures and transformed by altering the forms of the body. **May 16, 6:30 p.m., Virtual Library**



### Author Kiều Chinh, Hanoi to Hollywood: A Remarkable Journey

A partnership with Diasporic Vietnamese Artists Network (DVAN). Celebrated author and

actress Kiều Chinh discuss her life, journey and memoir. Moderated by Dr. Isabelle Pelaud. **May 20, 3 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level**

### REALSOUL Zine Storytelling

Katie Quan, founder of REALSOUL, will lead us in a hands-on activity of storytelling through zines. **May 21, 1 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room, Lower Level**

### 11, 103: Film Screening and Forum

A documentary featuring survivor stories of state-sponsored violence during the Martial Law years of the dictator Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, Sr. **May 27, 2 p.m., Main Library, Koret Auditorium, Lower Level**

### Nature Boost: Uprooting Chinatown

Our partners at Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy explore the history of Chinese in the Bay Area. **May 31, 7 p.m., Virtual Library**



### Classical Tea Art and Tasting Ceremony

The Dasen American Academy presents a classical tea ceremony followed by a discussion of the

historical and cultural significance of the practice. **May 6, 2:30 p.m., Anza Branch**  
**May 13, 2 p.m., Chinatown Branch**  
**May 20, 2:30 p.m., Visitacion Valley Branch**  
**June 6, 2:30 p.m., Noe Valley Branch**

### Chinatown Walking Tour

In this guided walking tour, learn about the history of Chinatown, hidden alleys, temples and local food. **May 10, 10 a.m., Chinatown Branch**  
**May 24, 10 a.m., Chinatown Branch**

### Filipino Weaving with Rachel Lozada

Learn about Ilocano traditional weaving led by a local weaver, and learn about the socio-cultural and historical significance to the Filipino American community. **May 19, 2 p.m., Glen Park Branch**  
**May 27, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch**

## Youth Programs

### Guzheng

Listen to the music of guzheng, an ancient Chinese stringed instrument dating back 2500 years. **May 6, 3:15 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch**  
**May 13, 3:15 p.m., Sunset Branch**

### Make Art with Minnie

Minnie Phan, 2022 Summer Stride artist, returns to the Library to celebrate her new book, *The Yellow Áo Dài*. Enjoy Phan's art making workshop based on illustrations from her book. For ages 5 and older.



**May 9, 1 p.m., Portola Branch**  
**May 9, 3:30 p.m., Excelsior Branch**  
**May 10, 1 p.m., Richmond Branch**  
**May 10, 3:30 p.m., Marina Branch**

### Taiko Drums with Kristy Oshiro

Feel the thunderous sounds of taiko drums as Kristy Oshiro combines Japanese language, culture and history into an exciting experience.

**May 11, 12 p.m., Eureka Valley Branch**  
**May 13, 11 a.m., Ingleside Branch**  
**May 13, 1 p.m., Merced Branch**  
**May 31, 3:45 p.m., Chinatown Branch**

### Filipina American Music Collective

Travel around the world musically with a Filipina American led music collective with roots in soul, jazz, blues and improvisation.

**May 13, 2 p.m., Excelsior Branch**  
**May 27, 2 p.m., Bernal Heights Branch**

### Kathak Dance

Participate and learn a few moves from this centuries-old North Indian art form.

**May 13, 2 p.m., West Portal Branch**  
**May 20, 11 a.m., Parkside Branch**  
**May 20, 2 p.m., Portola Branch**

### Hawaiian Dance

Learn about native Hawaiian culture with Halau Ha'ā Kea o Kinohi and enjoy a hula performance.

**May 18, 3:45 p.m., Chinatown Branch**

### Cultural Mask Making

Learn about reclaiming identities and stories through mask making. For ages 8 and older. Space limited. Reservations required: (415) 355-5648.

**May 20, 1 p.m., Richmond Branch**

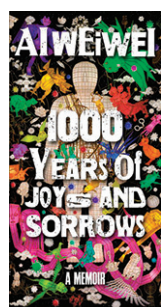
### Sabrina and Eunice Moyle

Authors read from books and live-draw pictures inspired by the books. Includes a discussion of the impact their AAPI heritage has had on their creative process. For ages 6 and older. Space limited. Reservations required: (415) 355-2858.

**May 20, 2 p.m., Glen Park Branch**

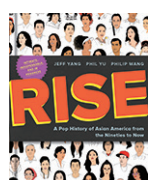
## AANHPI BOOKLISTS

### NON-FICTION More at [on.sfpl.org/AANHPI23NonFic](https://on.sfpl.org/AANHPI23NonFic)



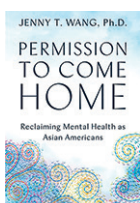
### 1000 Years of Joys and Sorrows: A Memoir by Ai Weiwei

One of the world's most famous artists and activists presents a personal memoir and a history of the last 100 years of China, while shedding light on his own artistic process.



### RISE: A Pop History of Asian America from the Nineties to Now by Jeff Yang, Phil Yu & Philip Wang

RISE is a love letter to and for Asian Americans—a vivid scrapbook of voices, emotions and memories from an era in which our culture was forged and transformed.



### Permission to Come Home: Reclaiming Mental Health as Asian Americans by Jenny Wang

For Asian Americans and the diaspora, this book is a necessary road map for the journey to wholeness.



### Our Voices, Our Histories: Asian American and Pacific Islander Women

Brings together 35 Asian American and Pacific Islander authors in a single volume to explore the historical experiences, perspectives and actions of Asian American and Pacific Islander women in the United States and beyond.

### KIDS More at [on.sfpl.org/AANHPI23Kids](https://on.sfpl.org/AANHPI23Kids)



### Punky Aloha by Shar Tuiasoa

Punky, a shy Polynesian child, overcomes her fears to go buy butter for her Grandma's banana bread.



### Shining a Light: Celebrating 40 Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders Who Changed the World by Veeda Bybee and Victo Ngai

From scientists to sports stars, meet 40 influential Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders who helped change the world with their talents.



### Love in the Library by Maggie Tokuda-Hall

Inspired by the experiences of her own grandparents, Tokuda-Hall tells the story about finding love at a Japanese internment camp's library.



# Event Calendar: May 2023

## Adults

Start times only are listed for programs that run 1–2 hours.

### 1 Monday

**Chair Yoga** Noe Valley, 2 p.m.

### 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays

**Tai-Chi** Anza, 11:30 a.m.

### 1, 15 Mondays

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

### 2 Tuesday

**Deanne Liu, Asian Pacific Environmental Network** Virtual, 5 p.m.

**Vinyl Club** North Beach, 6:30 p.m.

**Artist Jessica So Ren Tang** Virtual, 7 p.m.

### 2, 9, 16, 23 Tuesdays

**ESL Convo Club** Virtual, 3 p.m.

### 2, 9, 16, 30 Tuesdays

**Spanish Conversation / conversacion en español** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl., 4 p.m.

### 3 Wednesday

**Language Learning** Golden Gate Valley, 2 p.m.

**Film: Blue Bayou** Ocean View, 4 p.m.

**Ayurveda with Amaya Wellness** Presidio, 6 p.m.

**Chad L. Williams, The Wounded World: W. E. B. Du Bois and the First World War** Main, African American Ctr., 6 p.m.

### 3, 10 Wednesdays

**Chinese Brush Painting / 張老師國畫班** Chinatown, 4:30 p.m.

### 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays

**Diabetes Education (Spanish) / Educación y prevención de la diabetes** Virtual, 10 a.m.

**Adult Coloring Club** North Beach, 1 p.m.

**Tai Chi Presidio** Beginners, 11:30 a.m. Advanced, 12:15 p.m.

### 3, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays

**Meditation** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl., 12 p.m.

### 4 Thursday

**Film: American Graffiti** Main, Koret, 12 p.m.

**Film: On the Beach at Night Alone** Richmond, 4:30 p.m.

**Writing, Womanhood and Family History with Diasporic Vietnamese Artists Network** Manny's Community Space, 6 p.m.

**Dreaming People's History Exhibit Opening** Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

### 4, 11, 18, 25 Thursdays

**Breath Meditation** Richmond, 11 a.m.

**Wild Goose Qigong** Presidio, 2 p.m.

### 5 Friday

**Housing Rights with Chinatown Community Development Ctr.** Virtual, 10 a.m.

**Property Taxes and Prop. 19 with Assessor Joaquin Torres** North Beach, 4 p.m.

### 5, 19 Fridays

**Watercolor Community** Bernal Heights, 1–5 p.m.

**Knitting Circle** Anza, 3:30 p.m.

### 6 Saturday

**Knitting Circle** Noe Valley, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Garden Tour** Noe Valley, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Plant and Seed Exchange** Golden Gate Valley, 11 a.m.

**Japanese Pre-modern Writing Instrument** Main, Latino/Hispanic, 1 p.m.

**Earthquake Preparedness** Mission Bay, 1 p.m.

**Chinese American Genealogical Research** North Beach, 1 p.m.

**Paper Hearts Craft** Excelsior, 2 p.m.

**Crochet Coasters** Ingleside, 2–4:30 p.m.

**Succulent Landscaping** North Beach, 3 p.m.

**Red Envelope Craft** Park, 3 p.m.

### 6, 20 Saturdays

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

### 6, 20, 27 Saturdays

**Chinese Chess / 棋逸休閒周** 六午 Chinatown, 2 p.m.

### 7 Sunday

**Minecraft Tour of Chinatown** Main, Learning Studio, and Virtual, 12 p.m.

**Acupuncture Legalization in CA film and commemoration** 紀念：針灸熱 — 加州針灸立法史 Richmond, 1:30–4 p.m.

### 7, 14, 21, 28 Sundays

**Wild Goose Qigong** Marina, 1 p.m.

### 8 Monday

**在金門公園拍照 / Photowalk** San Francisco Botanical Garden, Main Gate, 2 p.m.

### 8, 15 Mondays

**Diabetes Risk Factors for Seniors** Glen Park, 11 a.m.

### 8, 15, 22 Mondays

**Tai Chi** Anza, 11:30 a.m.

### 9 Tuesday

**Chris Ategeka, The Unintended Consequences of Technology** Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

**On the Page, Off the Page** Park, 6 p.m.

### 9, 23 Tuesdays

**Knitting Circle** Glen Park, 1 p.m.

### 10 Wednesday

**Chinatown Walking Tour** Chinatown, 10 a.m.

**Asian Pacific American Community Ctr. Office Hours** Visitacion Valley, 1 p.m.

**Film: Green for Danger** Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

**Chinatown Rising Screening / Discussion** Ortega, 5:30 p.m.

### 10, 24 Wednesdays

**Department of Disability and Aging Services (DAS)** Main, Atrium, 2:30–5 p.m.

### 11 Thursday

**Film: Ford v Ferrari** Main, Koret, 12 p.m.

**Craft Club** West Portal, 5:45 p.m.

**Kim Shuck's Poem Jam: Sinister Wisdom** Main, Latino/Hispanic Mtg. Rm., 6 p.m.

### 12 Friday

**Film: Searching** Noe Valley, 2 p.m.

### 12, 26 Fridays

**Watercolor** Glen Park, 1:30–5 p.m.

### 13 Saturday

**Plant Swap** Ortega, 11 a.m.

**Branch Open House** • Golden Gate Valley, 11 a.m.–3 p.m. • Merced, 1–5 p.m.

**Chinese Guqin and Poetry** 古琴演奏及詩歌朗誦 Ocean View, 12 p.m.

**Guru Shradha Ensemble** Richmond, 1 p.m.

**Classical Tea Art Ceremony & Tasting** 茶道與中國傳統服飾表演 Chinatown, 2 p.m.

**Home Internet: ACP Enrollment** Ocean View, 2–5 p.m.

### 13, 27 Saturdays

**Music & Yarn** Mission Bay, 10:30 a.m.

### 14 Sunday

**Plant Swap** Bernal Heights, 1 p.m. Glen Park, 1 p.m.

**Upcycled Paper Pinwheels Craft** Eureka Valley, 3 p.m.

### 15 Monday

**Intro. to Bookbinding** North Beach, 11 a.m.

### 16 Tuesday

**Deities of Asian Religions / Asian Art Museum Docent Talk** Virtual, 6:30 p.m.

**Zinething** Main, Paley Rm., 6 p.m.

### 17 Wednesday

**Homeless Veterans Outreach Services** Main, Atrium, 1–3:30 p.m.

**Alix Christie, The Shining Mountains** Main, Saroyan, 6 p.m.

**Film: Hanzi** Richmond, 6 p.m.

**Toni Morrison's Life and Times** with Dr. Tiffany Caesar Visitacion Valley, 6 p.m.

**Film: Plus One** Glen Park, 6 p.m.

### 17, 24 Wednesdays

**Chronic Pain Self-Management** Ocean View, 4 p.m.

### 18 Thursday

**Film: Ctr. Stage: Ruan Ling Yu** Richmond, 4–6:30 p.m.

**Film Discussion: Chan Is Missing** Main, Stong Rm. - 1st Fl., 6 p.m.

### 19 Friday

**Filipino Weaving with Rachel Lozada** Glen Park, 2 p.m.

### 20 Saturday

**Branch Open House** North Beach, 10 a.m.–5 p.m. West Portal, 1–4 p.m.

**Origami Books** Golden Gate Valley, 1 p.m.

**Drawing From Film—Vertigo** Main, Latino/Hispanic Mtg. Rm., 12 p.m.

**Korean Paper Hanbok** Ocean View, 1 p.m.

**Classical Tea Art and Tasting Ceremony** Visitacion Valley, 2:30 p.m.

**Kiêu Chinh, Hanoi to Hollywood: A Remarkable Journey** Main, Koret, 3 p.m.

**Film: Crazy Rich Asians** Park, 3 p.m.

**62nd Annual Artists' Exhibit Reception** Potrero, 6–9 p.m.

### 21 Sunday

**REALSOUL Zine Storytelling** Main, Latino/Hispanic Mtg. Rm., 1 p.m.

**San Francisco Correspondence Co-op** Main, Learning Studio - 5th Fl., 1–3:30 p.m.

**Origami Flower** Portola, 2 p.m.

**Origami Bookmark** Main, Stong Rm. - 1st Fl., 3 p.m.

### 23 Tuesday

**Chinese Tea Eggs** Richmond, 2:30 p.m.

**Film: Inherent Vice (2014)** North Beach, 5 p.m.

**Practical Consciousness workshop** Richmond, 5:30 p.m.

**Re-frame Chinese Art and Culture** Virtual, 6:30 p.m.

### 24 Wednesday

**Chinatown Walking Tour** Chinatown, 10 a.m.

**Film: So Evil My Love** Golden Gate Valley, 3 p.m.

**Decoden Mirror Craft** Presidio, 4 p.m.

**Origami Japanese Kimono** Sunset, 4 p.m.

**Film: Dim Sum: A Little Bit of Heart** Richmond, 5:30 p.m.

**Chess Club** Bernal Heights, 6 p.m.

**Film: The Creative High, Screening/Discussion** Main, Koret, 6 p.m.

### 25 Thursday

**Felt Fortune Cookies** Ortega, 1 p.m.

**Film: Nomadland** Main, Koret, 12 p.m.

**Film: Picture Bride** Richmond, 4:30 p.m.

**Dorothy Lazard, What You Don't Know Will Make a Whole New World** Main, African American Ctr. - 3rd Fl., 6 p.m.

### 26 Friday

**Beginners Embroidery Class** Chinatown, 2–4:30 p.m.

### 27 Saturday

**Peony Paint By Number** Bayview, 10 a.m.

**Book Exchange** Golden Gate Valley, 1 p.m.

**Family History Research in China** North Beach, 1 p.m.

**Healthy Living for Brain/Body** Sunset, 1:30 p.m.

**Film: 11, 103, Screening/Forum** Main, Koret, 2 p.m.

**Filipino Weaving with Rachel Lozada** West Portal, 2 p.m.

**Film: Kaija Saariaho's opera L'Amour de loin** Richmond, 2:30–5 p.m.

### 28 Sunday

**Spring Wood Chimes** Bayview, 2 p.m.

### 30 Tuesday

**Miss Major Speaks with Toshio Meronek** Main, Hormel LGBTQIA Ctr., 6 p.m.

### 31 Wednesday

**Film: Forever, Chinatown** Richmond, 6 p.m.

**Nature Boost: Uprooting Chinatown** Virtual, 7 p.m.

### Book Clubs

Start times only are listed for book clubs that run 1–2 hours.

### 1 Monday

**Claire Keegan, Small Things Like These** Virtual, 4 p.m.

### 2 Tuesday

**Reader's Club on 9th / Читательский клуб на 9-ой** Richmond, 6 p.m.

### 3 Wednesday

**ASL Book Club** Virtual, 5 p.m.

### 3, 17, 31 Wednesdays

**Silent Book Club** Richmond, 3 p.m.

### 4 Thursday

**Han Kang, The Vegetarian** Virtual, 6 p.m.

### 7 Sunday

**Anthony Veasna So, After-parties** Eureka Valley, 3:30 p.m.

### 10 Wednesday

**Mia P. Manansala, Arsenic and Adobo** Presidio, 3 p.m.

### 14 Sunday

**Hua Hsu, Stay True** Main, Paley Rm., 2 p.m.

### 17 Wednesday

**Sayaka Murata, Convenience Store Woman** Noe Valley, 6:30 p.m.

### 18 Thursday

**中文線上讀書會** Virtual, 6 p.m.

### 20 Saturday

**Michael Moss, Salt, Sugar, Fat** Ortega, 11 a.m.

### 21 Sunday

**Individual in the Chains of Illusion: Erich Fromm** Anza, 1:30 p.m.

**Thomas Pynchon, Inherent Vice** North Beach, 2 p.m.

**Shruti Swamy, The Archer** Marina, 2 p.m.

**Sherry Thomas, A Tempest at Sea** Eureka Valley and Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

### 23 Tuesday

**Julie Otsuka, The Swimmers** Visitacion Valley, 4 p.m.

### 28 Sunday

**Margaret Verble, Maud's Line** Eureka Valley and Virtual, 3:30 p.m.

### 30 Tuesday

**Haruki Murakami, The Wind-up Bird Chronicle** Bernal Heights, 2 p.m.

### 31 Wednesday

**Naomi Hirahara, Clark and Division** Golden Gate Valley, 4 p.m.

**Blake Crouch, Recursion and Upgrade** Mission Bay, 6:30 p.m.

**ZZ Packer, Brownies** Virtual, 6:30 p.m.

## Tech Time

See Page 2 for our Tech Time event calendar

## Work It (Jobs, Business, Finance)

**Meet One-on-One with a Smart Money Coach** Tuesday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–6 p.m., by appointment only. Main, Study Room 441 – 4th Fl., and Virtual

**Meet One-on-One with a Certified Financial Planner™** Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–6 p.m. Virtual.

### 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays

**Career Coaching** Main, | Sycip Rm. - 4th Fl., 3–5 p.m.

### 4 Thursday

**How to Apply For a California State Job** Virtual, 1–2:30 p.m.

### 7 Sunday

**Resume Writing and Cover Letter** Virtual, 3–4:30 p.m.

### 8 Monday

**Small Business Digital Ready** Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

**Resume Writing Essentials** Virtual, 1–2 p.m.

### 9 Tuesday

**Find Funding Opportunities for Your Small Business** Virtual, 10–11 a.m.

**Intro to Pitch Decks** Virtual, 12–1 p.m.

### 10 Wednesday

**Starting a Business in San Francisco** Virtual, 12–1:30 p.m.

**Become a San Francisco Green Business** Virtual, 2–3 p.m.

**LinkedIn**



# Event Calendar: May 2023

## Teens

### The Mix at SFPL

Main Library, 2nd Fl.

[3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays](#)

**Basic Sewing** 4–5 p.m.

**Snackivity** 4–5 p.m.

[4, 11, 18, 25 Thursdays](#)

**Writer's Club** 5–6 p.m.

[7 Sunday](#)

**Skateboard Deck-O-Ration**  
12:30–2:30 p.m.

**JavaScript for Beginners**

Main, 5th Floor Computer  
Training Center, 2–3:30 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Sundays](#)

**Hand Build With Clay** 4–5 p.m.

**Mix Recording Studio**

**Guitar and Bass Lessons**

- Tuesdays, 5:30–6 p.m.
- Wednesdays, 4–4:30 p.m.
- Fridays, 4–4:30 p.m.
- Saturdays, 3:30–4 p.m.

**Recording Studio Orientation**

- Tuesdays, 6–6:30 p.m.
- Wed.–Fridays, 4:30–5 p.m.
- Saturdays, 4–4:30 p.m.

**Intro to Recording and  
Songwriting**

- Tuesdays, 6:30–7 p.m.
- Wed.–Fridays, 5–5:30 p.m.
- Saturdays, 4:30–5 p.m.

**Teens at the Branches**

[2 Tuesday](#)

**Shiritori (Japanese Word  
Game)** North Beach,  
4:30–5:30 p.m.

[3 Wednesday](#)

**Teen Gaming**  
Excelsior, 3–5 p.m.

**Aeroplane Chess**

North Beach, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[5 Friday](#)

**Karaoke** Potrero, 3–4 p.m.

[6 Saturday](#)

**Crafts with Keriann**  
North Beach, 1–3 p.m.

[6, 13, 20 Saturdays](#)

**Book Review** Parkside, 2–4 p.m.

[6, 20, 27 Saturdays](#)

**Gardening**  
Merced, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

[9 Tuesday](#)

**Teen Lounge** Eureka Valley,  
3:30–4:30 p.m.

**Film: *Agent Carter, Episodes  
1-2*** Potrero, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

[10 Wednesday](#)

**Asian Snack Trials**  
Sunset, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[12 Friday](#)

**Book Swap**  
Excelsior, 4–5:30 p.m.

[14 Sunday](#)

**Film: *Tokyo Godfathers***  
Park, 2–4 p.m.

[15 Monday](#)

**Dungeons and Dragons**  
Glen Park, 3:45–5:45 p.m.

[17 Wednesday](#)

**免費圖書交換寫書評**  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.

[23 Tuesday](#)

**Decoupage Ceramic Tiles**  
Richmond, 3–5 p.m.

**Film: *Blinded by the Light***  
Potrero, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

[24 Wednesday](#)

**ESL Club** 青少年學英語會話  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.

**Candy Lei** Excelsior, 4–5 p.m.

[25 Thursday](#)

**Tiny Collage (Buttons)**  
Merced, 5–6 p.m.

[26 Friday](#)

**Tiny Collage (Buttons)**  
Merced, 4–5 p.m.

## Children

**Early Childhood**

[2, 9, 16, 23 Tuesdays](#)

**Swing Into Stories**

- 5/2 – Garfield
- 5/9 – Koret
- 5/16 – Hilltop
- 5/23 – Redwood Grove Bookmobiles 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Storytime 10:30–11 a.m. Details on p.8

[2 Tuesday](#)

**Little Builders, Magna-Tiles**  
Golden Gate Valley, 2–4 p.m.

[3 Wednesday](#)

**Storytime for Preschoolers**  
Children's Creativity Carousel,  
221 4th Street, 10:30–11 a.m.

[3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Wednesdays](#)

**Storytime For Families in  
Salesforce Park** 425 Mission  
St., Rooftop, 10–10:30 a.m.

[6, 13, 20, 27 Saturdays](#)

**Playtime** Potrero, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

[9 Tuesday](#)

**Mini Makers** Merced,  
11–11:30 a.m.

[20 Saturday](#)

**Totoro Paper Plate Purse**  
Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

[22 Monday](#)

**Little Artists** Bernal Heights,  
3:30–4:30 p.m.

[27 Saturday](#)

**Community Baby Shower**  
Ocean View, 1–3:30 p.m.

**Elementary School Age**

[3 Wednesday](#)

**Origami Book** Anza, 3–4:30 p.m.

[4 Thursday](#)

**Pressed Flower Lantern and  
Bookmark** Bayview, 3–4 p.m.

**Become a Library Ranger and  
Learn about Pollination**  
Visitation Valley, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

**Spaghetti and Marshmallow  
Towers** North Beach, 4–4:45 p.m.

[6 Saturday](#)

**Origami Club**  
Bernal Heights, 2–5 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Sundays](#)

**Dungeons & Dragons Club**  
Main, Children's Center,  
2:30–4:30 p.m.

[9 Tuesday](#)

**Suncatcher** Noe Valley,  
2:30–3:30 p.m.

[9, 23 Tuesdays](#)

**Puppy Reading Circle**  
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

[10 Wednesday](#)

**Pinecone Animals Craft**  
Ingleside, 3–4 p.m.

**Tissue Paper Vases**  
Bernal Heights, 4–5 p.m.

[12 Friday](#)

**Mother's Day Craft**  
Richmond, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

**DIY Card Making**  
Merced, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

[13 Saturday](#)

**Insect Discovery Lab**  
Ingleside, 1–2 p.m.

**Tissue Paper Stained Glass  
Flower Art** Parkside, 2–3 p.m.

[13 & 27 Saturday](#)

**Origami Hour** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

[18 Thursday](#)

**Straw Ink Painting**  
Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

**Library Rangers** Portola,  
2:30–3:30 p.m.

**Halau Ha'a Kea o Kinohi**  
Chinatown, 3:45–4:30 p.m.

[20 Saturday](#)

**Cultural Mask Making**  
Richmond, 1–2 p.m.

[28 Sunday](#)

**Children's Reading Roundtable:  
*I Will Take a Nap!* by Mo  
Willems** Mission Bay, 2–3 p.m.

[30 Tuesday](#)

**3D Flower** Bayview, 3–4 p.m.

**LEGO Free Play**

- Bernal Heights, 3 Wed., 6–7:30 p.m.
- Sunset, 4 Thur., 2:30–4 p.m.
- Chinatown, Every Sat., 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- Presidio, 6 Sat., 2–3 p.m.
- Park, 7 Sun., 2–3:30 p.m.
- Merced, 7 Sun., 2–4 p.m.
- Noe Valley, 16 Tue., 2–3 p.m.
- Bayview, 17 Wed., 3–5 p.m.

**Middle School Age**

[2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Tuesdays](#)

**Portfolio Prep for Tweens/  
Teens** Main, Children's Center,  
5–6 p.m.

[4 Thursday](#)

**"May The 4th Be With You"  
buttons and crafts**  
Mission, 4–6 p.m.

[4, 18 Thursdays](#)

**Young Writers Group**  
Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

[6 Saturday](#)

**K-pop Photocard Decoden**  
West Portal, 1–3 p.m.

[8 Monday](#)

**Board and Card Games**  
Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

[19 Friday](#)

**Origami Crane** 摺紙鶴  
Chinatown, 3:30–5 p.m.

[22 Monday](#)

**Graphic Novel Club**  
Glen Park, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

[24 Wednesday](#)

**Asian Snack Trials** Western  
Addition, 3–4:30 p.m.

[25 Thursday](#)

**Slime** Ingleside, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

## Family

[1 Monday](#)

**Family Dance Party**  
Glen Park, 10–11 a.m.

[4 Thursday](#)

**Kusudama Origami**  
Portola, 2–3 p.m.

**Star Wars Paper Crafts**  
Ingleside, 3–4 p.m.

**Book Club For Boys, Christina  
Soontornvat's *All Thirteen***  
West Portal, 6:45–7:45 p.m.

[5, 12 Fridays](#)

**Board Games Free Play**  
Visitation Valley, 4:15–5:30 p.m.

[6 Saturday](#)

**Tea Party Hat** Bayview, 2–3 p.m.

**Kamishibai** Japanese/English  
Western Addition, 2:30–3 p.m.

**Classical Tea Ceremony and  
Tasting** Anza, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

**Button Making**  
Visitation Valley, 2:30–4 p.m.

**Rock the Bike** Ortega, 3–4 p.m.

**SF Guzhang Music Society**  
Golden Gate Valley, 3:15–4 p.m.

[6, 13, 20, 27 Saturdays](#)

**KODO Marble Tracks and  
Wooden Ball Tracks**  
Glen Park, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

[7, 14, 21, 28 Sundays](#)

**Board Games** Sunset, 2–3 p.m.

[8 Monday](#)

**Origami** Ocean View, 4–5 p.m.

[10 Wednesday](#)

**Origami Book**  
Bayview, 3–4:30 p.m.

[11 Thursday](#)

**Japanese Taiko Drumming**  
Eureka Valley, 12–1 p.m.

**Rock Painting**  
Glen Park, 3:30–5:30 p.m.

[12 Friday](#)

**Museum of Craft & Design**  
Mission Bay, 3–5 p.m.

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**Japanese Taiko Drumming**  
Ingleside, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Afternoon Tea Party**  
Bayview, 12–1 p.m.

**Chinese Music and Culture  
with Live Zither Performance**  
Visitation Valley, 2–2:30 p.m.

**Rahiti** Western Addition,  
2–2:30 p.m.

**Free Press Music**  
Excelsior, 2–2:45 p.m.

**Kathak Indian Dance**  
West Portal, 2–3 p.m.

**Play-Doh Afternoon**  
Marina, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

**KODO Water Painting**  
Bernal Heights, 3–4 p.m.

**Islamic Bookmarks**  
Ortega, 3–4 p.m.

**Mother's Day Craft**  
Portola, 3–4 p.m.

**SF Guzhang Music Society**  
Sunset, 3:15–4:15 p.m.

[14 Sunday](#)

**Crafts** West Portal, 1–4 p.m.

**Origami Bookmarks**  
Mission Bay, 2–3 p.m.

**Table Tennis / Ping Pong**  
Visitation Valley, 2–4 p.m.

## Children's Storytimes

**Storytimes for Babies**

Songs, rhymes and books for infants and their caregivers.

**Bernal Heights** – Every Wednesday, 12–12:30 p.m.

**Chinatown** – Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.

**Eureka Valley** – Every Wednesday, 1:30–2 p.m.

**Golden Gate Valley** – Every Tuesday, 11:15–11:45 a.m.

**Main** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Ortega** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Park** – Every Saturday, 11–11:30 a.m.

**Potrero** – Every Tuesday, 1:15–2:15 p.m.

**Sunset** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Storytimes for Toddlers**

Books, songs, movement and more. For toddlers 16 months through age 2 and their caregivers.

**Bernal Heights** – Every Thursday, 10–10:30 a.m.

Every Tuesday, 10–10:30 a.m. *English/español*

**Eureka Valley** – Every Tuesday, 1:30–2 p.m.

**Excelsior** – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Glen Park** – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

Every Thursday, 11–11:30 a.m.

**Ingleside** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

Every Sunday, 1:30–2 p.m.

**Main** – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Merced** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

**Mission** – Every Thursday, 10:15–10:45 a.m. & 11–11:30 a.m.

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**Mission Bay** – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

**Ocean View** – 2, 16, 23, 30 Tuesdays, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Every Thursday, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. (Minnie & Lovie Ward  
Rec Center, 650 Capitol Ave.)

**Ortega** – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Park** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Parkside** – 2, 9, 16, 23 Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Portola** – 1, 8, 15, 22 Mondays, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Presidio** – Every Tuesday, 10:15–10:45 a.m.

**Sunset** – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

**Visitation Valley** – 1 Monday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Western Addition** – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

**Storytimes for Preschoolers**

Stories, songs, fingerplays, and more for ages 3–5.

**Bayview** – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m. *English/español*

Every Friday, 1:30–2 p.m. *English/español*

**Excelsior** – Every Wednesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

4, 11 Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m. *English/國語 (Mandarin)*

**North Beach** – Every Tuesday, 11–11:30 a.m.

**Parkside** – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Portola** – Every Tuesday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**West Portal** – Every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Storytimes for Families**

Books, songs, rhymes and fun for children of all ages.

**Anza** – Every Thursday, 10:30–11 a.m.

**Bernal Heights** – Every Saturday, 10–10:30 a.m.

**Chinatown** – Every Saturday



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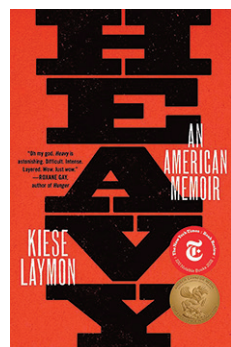
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## Happy Mother's Day, May 14

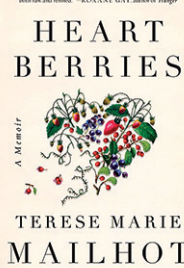
Mother's Day celebrates and honors the people in our lives that have nurtured us, raised us and given us unconditional love. Mothers play many roles, and "teacher" is one of the most important roles. Public libraries are teachers and nurturers too. The library gives us access to a wealth of knowledge and resources to educate ourselves and better understand the world around us. **Happy Mother's Day to all moms, maternal figures and guardians who provide love and support for their families.**

## May Is Mental Health Awareness Month—SFPL Can Help

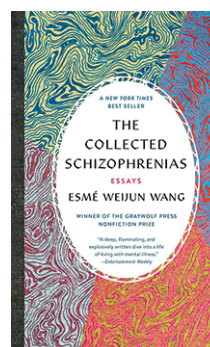
The Library has books, videos and other materials to help people understand mental health issues, treatment options and self-care strategies. Its extensive collection of books touch on important topics such as trauma, grief, mental illness and substance abuse. In the height of the pandemic, the Library provided a list of recommended titles, which we share again for you during mental health awareness month.



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With an introduction by Sherman Alexie and an Afterword by Joan Navituk Kane



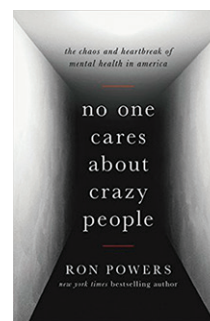
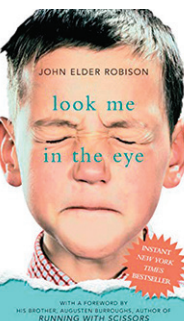
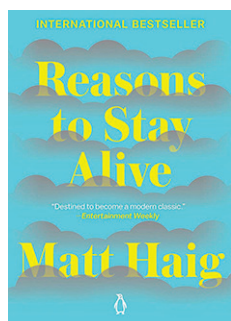
**Heavy: An American Memoir** by Kiese Laymon

**Heart Berries** by Terese Marie Mailhot

**I'm Telling the Truth, but I'm Lying** by Bassey Ikpi

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Weaving Cultures by Nancy Hom

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2nd Tuesday

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Young Circle, 3rd Tuesday

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