



**CITY OF GILROY
LIBRARY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024 | 7:00 PM

**GILROY LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
350 W. 6TH STREET
GILROY, CA 95020**

Chair: Victoria Coverson-Baxter

Vice Chair: Saeid Nooshabadi

Commissioner: Gabriela Kim

Staff Liaison: Harjot Sangha, Finance Director and Vince Bautista, Jr., Recreation Coordinator



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The agenda for this regular meeting is as follows:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4.1. **Wednesday, May 8, 2024.**

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

6. **LIBRARY STAFF RECOGNITION**

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7.1. **Review Library Commission Workplan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025.**

1. Staff Report: Vince Bautista, Jr., Recreation Coordinator
2. Public Comment
3. Possible Action: Review and comment on Library Commission Workplan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025.

7.2. **Review of Proposed Conceptual Plan of Improvements to the Library Facilities Utilizing Unspent Library Bond Proceeds.**

1. Staff Report: Harjot Sangha, Finance Director
2. Public Comment
3. Possible Action: Review and comment on the conceptual proposal. Also, recommend that City Council add the project to the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to utilize the unspent library bond proceeds.

8. **LIBRARY REPORTS**

8.1. **Gilroy Library Report for June 2024, July 2024, and August 2024.**

1. Staff Report: Jennifer Weeks, Santa Clara County Librarian
2. Public Comment
3. Possible Action: Review and comment on Santa Clara County Library report.

8.2. **Gilroy Library Report**

1. Staff Report: Cassandra Wong, Gilroy Librarian
2. Public Comment
3. Possible Action: Receive and comment on Gilroy Library report.

9. **STAFF COMMENTS**

10. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

City of Gilroy
Library Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 8, 2024 | 7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Coverson-Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	Victoria Coverson-Baxter, Chair Saied Nooshabadi, Vice Chair Gabriela Kim, Commissioner
Absent	None

3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The meeting agenda was posted online and in the City Hall kiosk on Friday, May 3, 2024.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4.1. **March 13, 2024**

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Gabriela Kim, Commissioner

SECONDER Saeid Nooshabadi, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner Kim, Commissioner Nooshabadi

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Gabriela Kim, Commissioner

SECONDER Saeid Nooshabadi, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Coverson-Baxter, Commissioner Kim, Commissioner Nooshabadi

6. **PRESENTATION FROM MAYOR BLANKLEY**

A video message from the mayor was played for the Commission.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1. Review Library Commission Workplan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025

Henig reviewed the current work plan with the Commission. Here were the following updates:

- **Training/Conference:** Coverson-Baxter, who was selected by the Commission to attend the American Library Association's (ALA) annual conference, was seeking input on which sessions she should attend Sunday and Monday (6-30-7/1). At the previous meeting, she received input for the sessions held on Saturday, June 29. The recommended list were:
 - iLead: Preparing Tomorrow's Library Leaders with an EDI Lens
 - Lead Your Friends Organization Through Transformation
 - "Let Us Help Advance the Field": Neurodivergent Librarian Voices Shaping Neuroinclusive Library Workplaces
 - Community ESL Classes at Public Libraries: The Why and How
 - Not Just One Thing: Intellectual Freedom and Information Literacy through a Social Justice Lens
 - Top 10 Things Every Library Board Member Should Know - But Often Don't
 - Building Partnerships with Communities in Africa : Sister Cities 500 in 5 years
 - Library Boards & Trustees Discussion Group
 - REFORMA's Children in Crisis Project - Creating Immigrant Youth and Library Connections
 - Library Facilities & Interiors Interest Group
 - Prepared Libraries, Empowered Teams: Putting Words to Action
 - READCON: A Curriculum for Library Readiness, Advocacy, and Community Empowerment During Challenging Conditions
 - Commissioner Nooshabadi recommended additional ones for Baxter to attend:
 - How Your Library can Support Users Impacted by Incarceration: Standards Launch
 - Depositing Joy: Programming and Services for Families Experiencing Homelessness
 - Services to Refugees, Immigrants and Displaced Persons Sub-committee (SRIDP) Meet & Greet
- **Promotion:** Commissioner Nooshabadi requested that the City Council interview commission applicants midyear. Currently, the City Council plans to interview applicant for vacant commission seats in December on an annual basis. Staff will forward his comment and provide a response at the next meeting.
- **Capital Improvements:** Finance Director Harjot Sangha informed the Commission that the City's Engineering team is currently reviewing the proposed designs for the library capital improvements. The project will be added to the City's CIP list. Sangha plans to share the plans at the August meeting.

9. LIBRARY REPORTS

9.1. **County Library report for April 2024 and May 2024**

Deputy County Librarian Stephen Fitzgerald presented his report that included the following:

- Poetry Month at the Library
- The Hoopla
- Juvenile Detention Center
- Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- Summer Reading
- Free Entry to Local Parks
- Movers and Shakers – a Gilroy librarian was recognized in the magazine *Library Journal*.
- Virtual Author Talks

Commissioner Nooshabadi requested a report about the library's juvenile incarceration program at the August meeting.

9.2. **Gilroy Library Report**

Gilroy Librarian Casandra Wong discussed the following from her report:

- El Dia De Los Ninos event on April 20
- Commendation from the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors
- Battle of the Books event
- Movers and Shakers – a Gilroy librarian was recognized in the industry magazine, *Library Journal*, for her achievements. Commissioner Nooshabadi requested that the librarian that was featured in *Library Journal* be recognized at a future commission meeting. Library staff will arrange for it.
- Library data update included circulation figures, total number of events and attendees; and total number of library patrons.
- May calendar and programs

10. **STAFF COMMENTS**

Henig reminded the Commission the next meeting is on August 14, 2024.

11. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Commission requested that a new line item be added to the agenda, which would be called "Library Staff Recognition." Wong will feature a different staff member to be recognized for their achievements at commission meeting. The first staff member will be Elizabeth Munoz-Rosas, who was featured recently in *Library Journal*.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Coverson-Baxter adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

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Adam Henig, Recreation Division
Recording Secretary



City of Gilroy Library Commission

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item Title: Review Library Commission Workplan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025.

Meeting Date: August 14, 2024

From: Vince Bautista, Jr., Recreation Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

Review and comment on Library Commission Workplan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025.

BACKGROUND

On May 24, 2023, the commission adopted its workplan for the next two fiscal years (FY24 and FY25). The plan addresses the following:

- Review and provide feedback to the Santa Clara County Library System regarding library services and programs offered at the Gilroy location.
- Participate in the annual California Library Association (CLA) or the American Library Association (ALA) conference, which will be held on June 27 – July 2, 2024 in San Diego.
- Promote the commission's purpose and library system to increase interest among prospective applicants to serve as commissioners.
- Provide recommendations to City Administrator and the City Council regarding potential capital improvement to the City's library facility based on the needs identified by the Santa Clara County Library staff and the Gilroy community, to be funded by the remaining library bond proceeds. There is approximately \$5 million available for facility upgrades. The Library and City are identifying a recommended list of improvements.

ANALYSIS

The following are updates to the Commission's current work plan:

- 1. American Library Association Conference:** Chair Coverson-Baxter, who was selected by the Commission to attend the American Library Association's annual conference, will be sharing her insights and experiences. Baxter will provide an oral report from the conference that will include sharing the sessions she attended, networking opportunities, and key takeaways.
- 2. Promotion of Library Commission:** The City Clerk's office has received one application to be on the Commission. The Commission will continue to share ideas on how they can promote serving on the commission to residents. The City Council will only consider holding a mid-year interview to fill a seat if the Commission does not have enough members for a quorum.
- 3. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT:** Sangha will be discussing this item in a separate staff report.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Staff report is included in the publicly posted agenda for this meeting.



City of Gilroy Library Commission

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item Title: Review of Proposed Conceptual Plan of Improvements to the Library Facilities Utilizing Unspent Library Bond Proceeds.

Meeting Date: August 14, 2024

From: Harjot Sangha, Finance Director

RECOMMENDATION

Review and comment on the conceptual proposal. Also, recommend that City Council add the project to the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to utilize the unspent library bond proceeds.

BACKGROUND

On November 4, 2008, the voters of the City of Gilroy approved ballot Measure F for the construction of public library improvements adjacent to City Hall. Measure F provided for the authorization to issue general obligation bonds for up to \$37 million. It was anticipated that the authorization would be split between two series of bonds. The first series was issued in May 2009, and the second was issued in August 2010. Subsequently, the city spent the bond proceeds on the construction of the 53,000 square foot two-level new library facility, which opened in April 2012. The library facility is owned by the City but is operated by the Santa Clara County Library District. Approximately \$5.4 million of the bond proceeds remain unspent.

Over the years, there had been plans to expend the remaining bond proceeds to make additional improvements to the facility, but these were halted during the onset of the COVID pandemic.

The Library Commission's adopted work plan for the current biennial budget cycle, fiscal years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025, includes making recommendations to the City Council on potential capital improvements to the City's library facility based on the needs identified by the Santa Clara County Library staff, to be funded by the remaining library bond proceeds.

ANALYSIS

The County library staff have prepared a conceptual proposal for consideration which includes improvements to both levels of the building. The conceptual proposal includes ideas for revamping the circulation and reference desks to make them compliant with the current Americans with Disability Act (ADA) requirements, expanding the current children's area and the teen study room, creating a new community room on the ground level, adding a maker space area, adding an integrated building management control system, and other improvements throughout the facility. The conceptual proposal is attached to this staff report.

The City staff, including the CIP engineering team, supports moving the initiative forward and has also consulted its municipal finance advisors on the unspent bond proceeds to confirm that the funds can be spent in the manner proposed. It is important to note that not all items in the conceptual proposal will qualify to be funded by the bond proceeds under the bond covenants. Particularly, items classified as repairs or equipment and furnishing which are not fixtures to the property, may not be paid for with bond proceeds. Thus, the utilization of the unspent bond proceeds will be limited to the structural improvements or replacement of major systems that improve the real property overall. The library staff understands these limitations and has expressed the County Library District's interest and desire to contribute financially to the project for the non-qualifying items.

The Library Commission is recommended to review the conceptual proposal, provide feedback, and recommend the City Council formally add the project to the City's Capital Improvement Program in the fiscal year 2024-2025.

ALTERNATIVE

The Library Commission could decide to not support or recommend the improvements to be made utilizing the unspent bond proceeds. An alternative would be to return the unspent bond proceeds to the Gilroy taxpayers in the form of reduced annual tax levies for the annual debt service of the outstanding bonds. This is not recommended, as the needed improvements have been carefully identified by the library staff and should the City decide to make these improvements in the future, the project would likely need to be financed. Based on the current market condition, the financing will likely carry a higher borrowing cost or interest rate compared to lower interest rate the existing bonds carry. There is a financial incentive to utilizing the unspent bond proceed for these improvements.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the library commission recommend, and the City Council formally add the project

to the City's Capital Improve Program, the primary funding source for the project will be the unspent library bond proceeds of approximately \$5.4 million. The project will undergo a design process, including the preparation of cost estimates, through which a final budget will be developed and include financial contributions that the County Library District may commit towards the project.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

This staff report was included in the publicly posted agenda for this meeting. Should the Library Commission recommend, and City Council ultimately add the project to the City's Capital Improvement Program, public participation will be planned to solicit input via the design process.

GILROY LIBRARY

FEASIBILITY STUDY UPDATE
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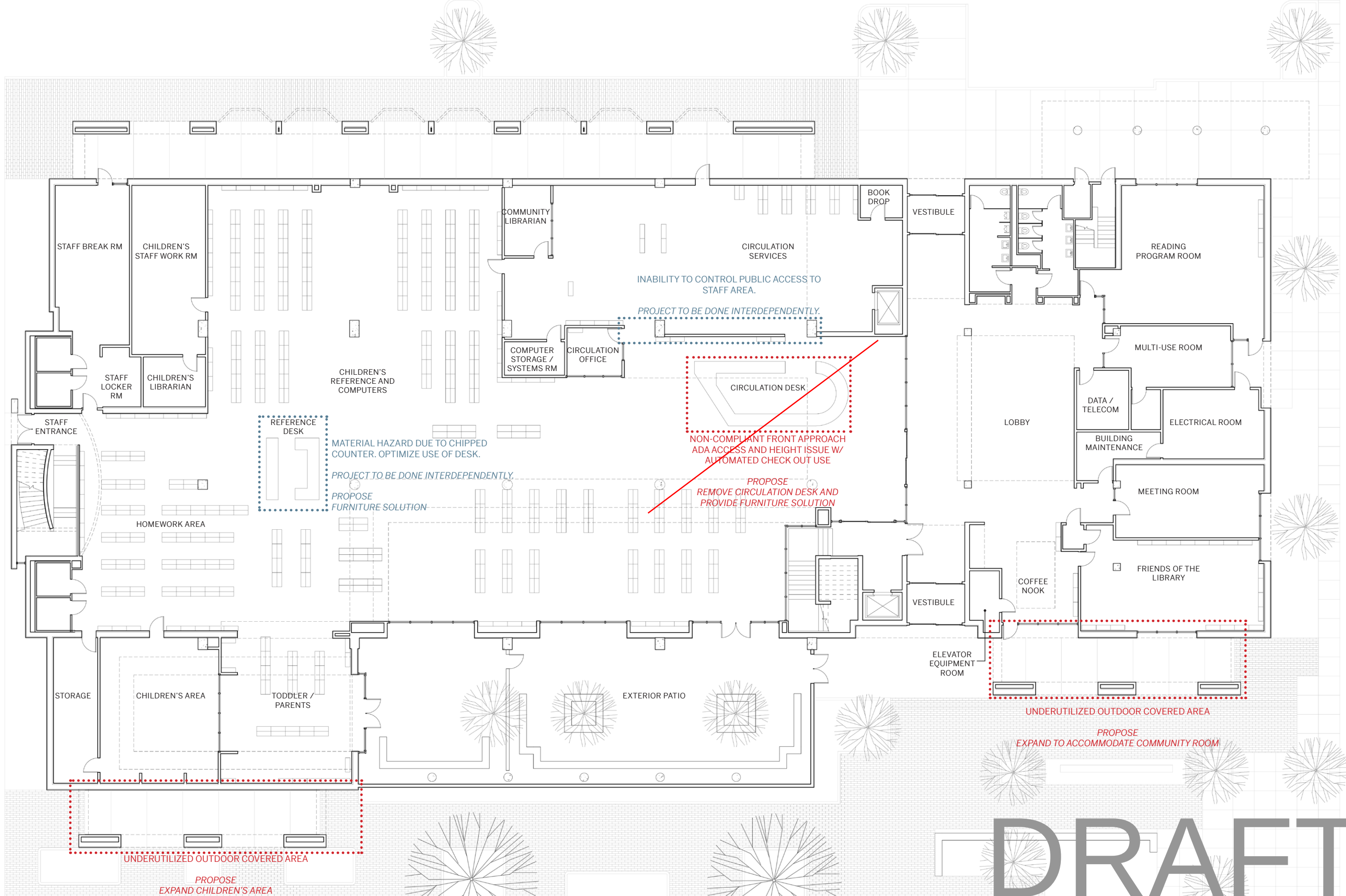
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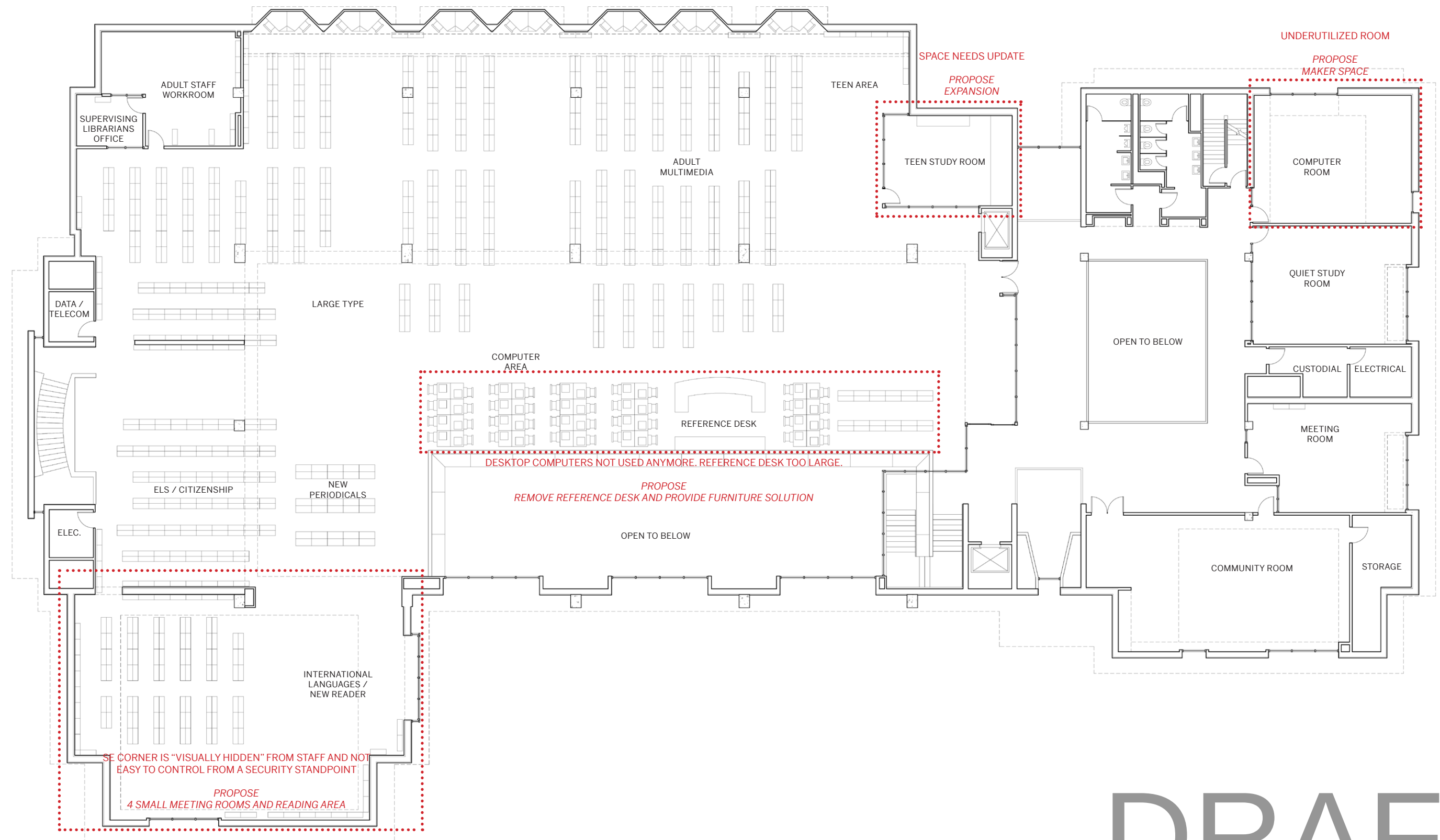
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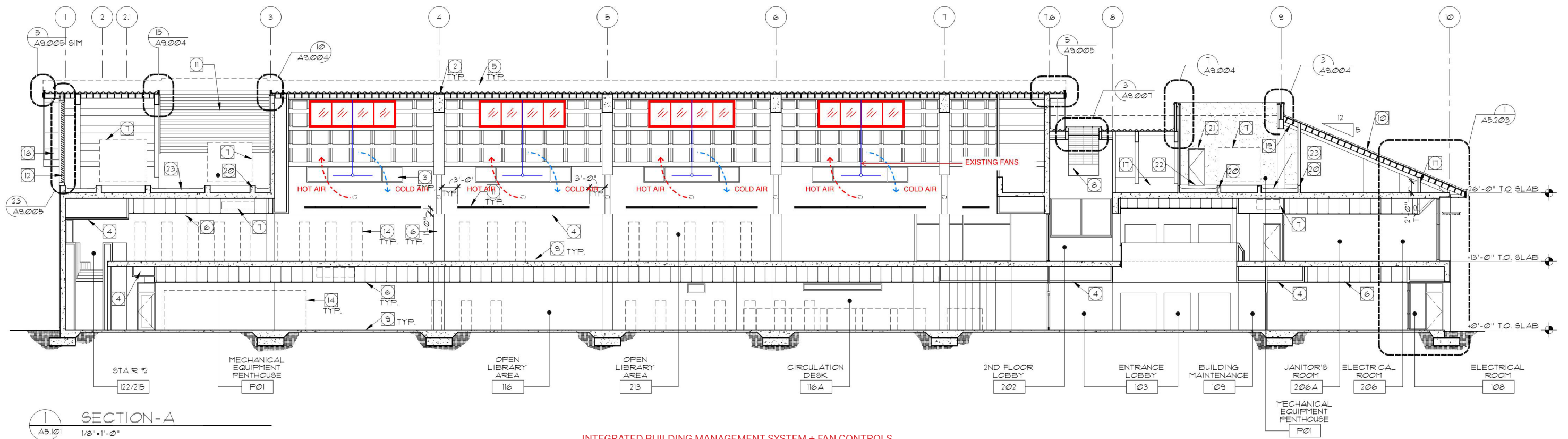
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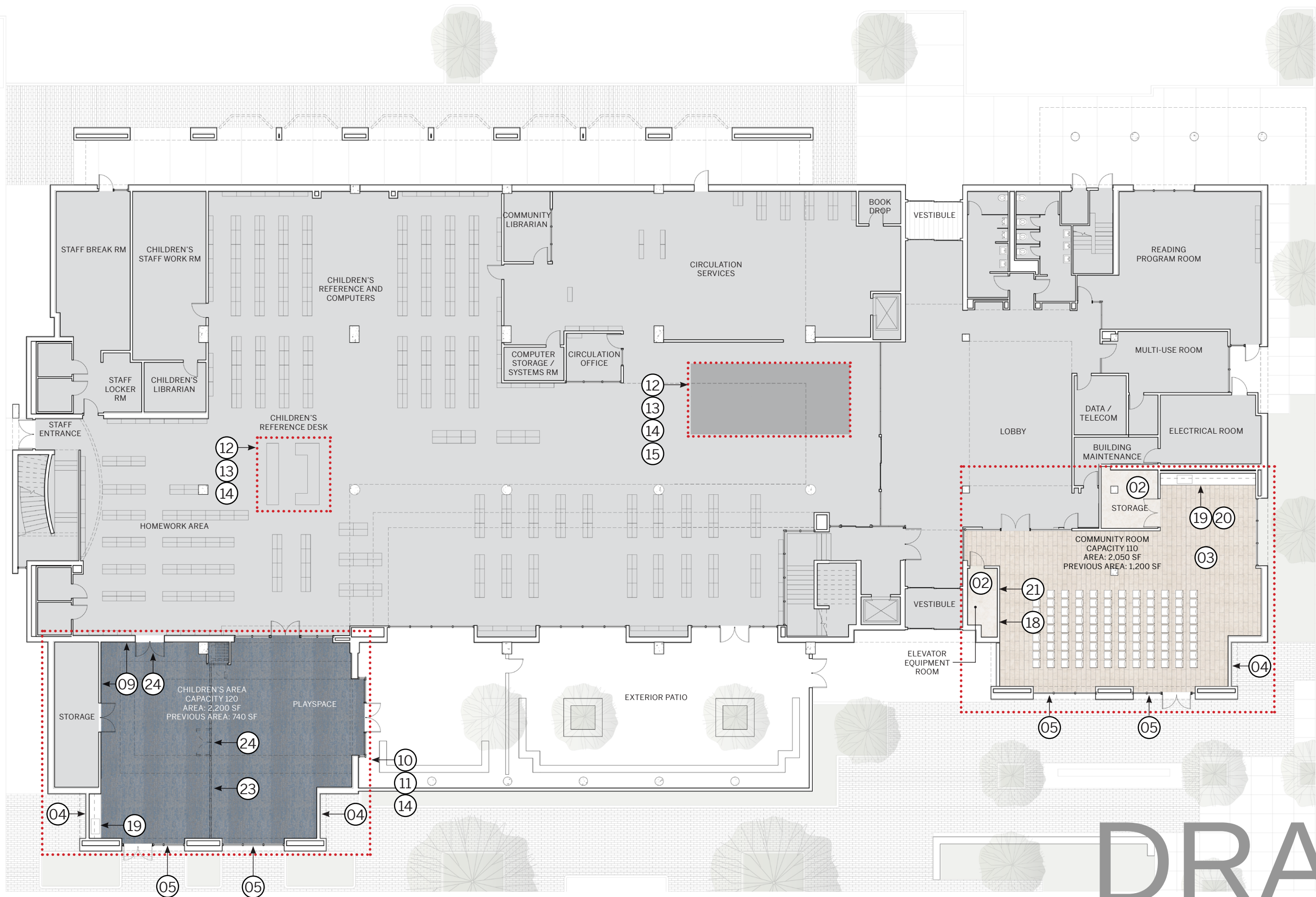


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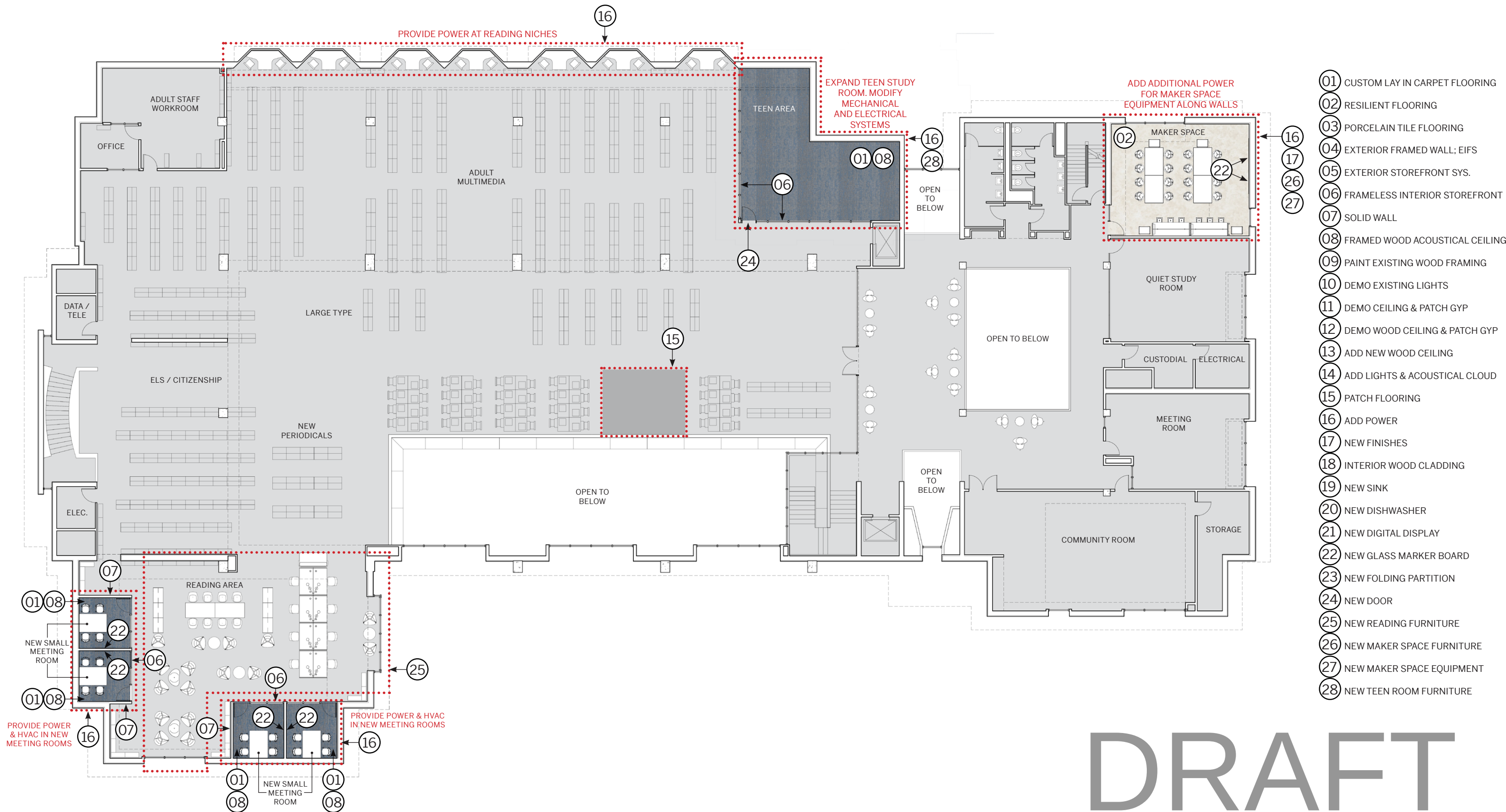
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MODIFIED CONDITION | LEVEL 1



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MODIFIED CONDITION | LEVEL 2



TEEN SPACE



MAKER SPACE



TEEN SPACE



MAKER SPACE

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SMALL MEETING ROOM / STUDY ROOM



MIXED READING AREA



SMALL MEETING ROOM / STUDY ROOM



MIXED READING AREA

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COMMUNITY ROOM | RELOCATE + ENLARGE + OUTDOOR CONNECTION



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Gilroy Library Opportunities



Feasibility Study Needs Assessment 2019

Steinberg Hart Architects

Downstairs community room

New entrance to main doors from the front parking lot

Enclosed staff space behind first floor circulation desk

Expanded children's room

Lobby makeover

Additional meeting rooms

Refreshed Teen Area

Redesigned reference desks on both floors

Moving computer area upstairs

Renovated restrooms

Considerations

Secured staff areas

Aging Building Maintenance System (BMS)

Evolving library service models

Accessibility

Priorities

Upgrade BMS

Small public meeting rooms

Upgraded power availability

Build out Tinker Space

More effective and accessible service desks

Expanded Children's Activity Room

Additional Community Room

Open Access model

Friends of the Library lower level access

June 2024
Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



Time for Summer Reading Fun!

Adventure Begins at Your Library as [Summer Reading 2024](#) kicks off on Saturday, June 1. We have even more events than normal at our libraries, with guest speakers, special storytimes and fun arts and crafts for all ages to take part in. Look for details in this month's events calendar and our website, which lists events for [kids](#), [teens](#) and [adults](#).

All ages are encouraged to take part in the Summer Reading challenge on [Beanstack](#) from June through July with prizes awarded in August. Our librarians have compiled suggested reading lists for [kids](#), [teens](#) and [adults](#) to get you started. Choose your own adventure based on what interests you.

In addition to providing food for the soul, we are also offering free lunch meals for kids ages 0 to 18 at our two South County libraries starting on Monday, June 10. Every weekday (excluding holidays) until August 9 (Morgan Hill) and August 16 (Gilroy), kids can enjoy nutritious meals as part of our Lunch at the Library program, while supplies last. *Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California, in partnership with the local YMCA.*

Marking June with Pride

June is the month that we celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride in recognition of the Stonewall Rebellion of 1968, considered to be a key watershed event in the fight for equality. Local celebrations take place all summer long across the globe, with [San Francisco Pride](#) on June 30, [Silicon Valley Pride](#) on August 25, and [Oakland Pride](#) on September 8.



Our libraries have a variety of event offerings around Pride Month, starting with a Kick-off Party at Gilroy Library on [Friday, May 31](#). Join book discussions on [Tuesday, June 4](#) at Saratoga Library (Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club), [Tuesday, June 11](#) at Woodland Library, and [Tuesday, June 25](#) at Los Altos Library. Cupertino Library has a late morning Pride Dance Party on [Sunday, June 9](#) with crafts. Morgan Hill Library is screening the teen coming of age dramedy **Love, Simon** (PG-13) on [Tuesday, June 11](#).

We are pleased to welcome former Santa Clara Supervisor Ken Yeager to the Campbell Express Library on [Monday, June 24](#) for a talk about his journey from being an activist for LGBTQ+ equality to running and serving in elected office. We also have two online events- an intergenerational LGBTQ+ Speakers Bureau Panel on [Thursday, June 20](#) and a survey of gender-fluid and ambiguously gendered depictions in Asian art across history on [Tuesday, June 25](#). Register to receive the Zoom links.



Teen Bookmark, Photo Contest

Young photographers ages 12 to 18 are invited to capture their adventures and show off their photo skills by [submitting an entry](#) to the first ever SCCLD Teen Photo Contest, which runs from June 1 through July 31. All original photography is welcome. Winners will be displayed on SCCLD's website and at our libraries and may be reproduced for public distribution.

We are also offering our [Teen Bookmark Art Contest](#), where budding artists ages 12 to 18 are invited to submit original bookmark designs using this year's Summer Reading Theme, "Adventure Begins at Your Library." This also runs through July 31, with winning designs printed and given out at our libraries. The artists will also be recognized for their work. Find details and prior examples on [our website](#).

Juneteenth Celebrates Freedom

Dating back to 1865 and the official end of slavery in all parts of the continental U.S. following the Civil War, [Juneteenth](#) is an annual commemoration that has grown in recognition across the country in recent years. The County of Santa Clara first recognized it as an official local holiday in 2020.



Our libraries, which will be closed on Monday, June 19 in observation of Juneteenth, have related events planned this month. Morgan Hill Library will host a book discussion about Ralph Ellison's posthumously released [Juneteenth](#) on [Wednesday, June 5](#). Cupertino Library has a quilting crafts event for kids 5+ on [Monday, June 10](#) that includes a history lesson about Juneteenth. Also look for a blog post on our website about the holiday, including suggested readings to learn more.

FYI- All SCCLD Libraries will be closed on Monday, June 19 for Juneteenth. Our [Online Library](#) is available 24/7 at [scclld.org](#)



Father's Day, Graduation Season

June is known for many things, including being the month for “dads and grads.” Fathers and father figures are the focus on Sunday, June 16. For those looking to do something special, we have plenty of ideas, including a recent collection of [barbecuing cookbooks](#). Is dad following the NBA playoffs? The Finals are coming up soon. Check out [our selection](#) of books, videos and video games around the sport.

Thousands of local students have just, or are about to, graduate from high school or college. Many of them started school during the era of COVID and had to cope with the additional pressures of remote virtual learning. For those looking to embark on the career track, we offer a number of resources in our online [Career and Jobs Skills](#) page. This includes [LinkedIn Learning for Libraries](#), which offers self-paced learning courses in a variety of professional skillset subject areas. Find out about which careers are the best fit for you in terms of compensation and working conditions with the [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#). Looking to take a gap year and explore the world? [Rosetta Stone](#) can help you learn a new language. We also offer several services that help with resume writing, including [Brainfuse JobNow](#).

Virtual Author Speaker Series for June

Each month we bring talks with top authors to you virtually. Here are June's offerings.

[Matt Shindell](#), the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum curator, will discuss his book, [For the Love of Mars](#). The book introduces readers to historical figures across eras and around the world who have made sense of this mysterious planet. His talk is Monday, June 3 at 11 a.m. Register [here](#).



Get your popcorn ready and take a seat as we talk to the Queen of Plot Twists, [Freida McFadden](#). She joins us on Thursday, June 13 at 5 p.m. to talk about writing psychological thrillers, including [The Housemaid](#) series, and the latest installment, [The Housemaid is Watching](#). Register [here](#).

Join New York Times bestselling author [Tiffany Jewell](#) on Thursday, June 20 at 11 a.m. as she highlights the inequalities Black and Brown students face from preschool through college in her new book, [Everything I Learned About Racism I Learned in School](#). Register for this program [here](#).

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

JUNE 2024 EVENTS

***All SCCLD libraries are closed and services unavailable on
Wednesday, June 19 for Juneteenth***

Summer Reading programs are highlighted in blue.

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M-50

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Registration is required.

Campbell's Roots: The History of Orchard City

Tuesday, June 4, 7 – 8 p.m., Room Q-80 (Roosevelt Redwood Room)

Join us for an engaging exploration of Campbell's heritage, including why it is affectionately dubbed the "Orchard City," and how its landscape has evolved into its modern-day character.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room Q-84

Kids ages 0-5 are invited to join us for stories, songs, and more. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on for the hard floors.

Make a Button Tree

Thursday, June 6, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

We will have canvas and buttons for kids to create an amazing piece of art. Register online.

Craft a Triskele Ball

Thursday, June 13, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Triskele balls look complicated but they are simple to craft. Join us to color, cut and fold! Register online.

Create a Stomp Rocket

Thursday, June 20, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

We will make stomp rockets with recycled materials. If there is time, we will test them. Come dressed to craft. Register online.

Run, Baby, Run: An Evening with Author Ken Yeager

Monday, June 24, 6 – 7 p.m., Room Q-84 (Campbell Room)

Yeager, a trailblazer as the first openly gay elected official in Santa Clara County, will share his personal experiences as a lifelong activist and politician. He is the author of [*Run: My Story of LGBTQ+ Political Power, Equality, and Acceptance in Silicon Valley*](#). There will be books available for purchase and a book signing opportunity.

BikeMobile: Free Bike Repair

Wednesday, June 26, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Courtyard

The BikeMobile can fix flat tires, adjust brakes and gears and replace broken or worn out pieces like chains, seats, and tires. Space is limited, first come, first served. Kids' bikes get priority.

Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, June 26, 7 – 8 p.m., Room E-44

We will be reading [*All Systems Red*](#) by Martha Wells. Please pick up a copy at the service desk. Register online.

Make a Sock Gnome

Friday, June 28, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Courtyard

Come and make a gnome out of socks and stuffing. No sewing needed for this craft. Be dressed to craft. Register online.

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue**Family Storytime for All Ages**

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 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. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Summer Music in the Courtyard: Stanford Jazz Workshop

Sunday, June 2, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and the Courtyard

Enjoy the next generation of jazz talent perform a set of swinging jazz standards.

Family Storytime for Kids 0-5

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room

This storytime is suitable for children up to 5 years old and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Please register online.

Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

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

Adult Summer Reading: Book Talk and Walk

Wednesday, June 5, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Join us as we hike along the Regnart Creek Trail and share our current reads or a book we always come back to. We will meet at the front doors of the library. Please wear sunscreen and a hat. Unaccompanied children cannot attend.

Bedtime Storytime

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, & 26, 7 – 7:30 p.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. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Storytime for Babies (ages 0-1)

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 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.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in. Meet new friends, start new projects, or finish old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

Mandarin/English Bilingual Family Storytime

Fridays, June 7 & 21, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101

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

Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Sunday, June 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*Cleopatra: A Life*](#) by Stacy Schiff (2010).

Pride Dance Party

Sunday, June 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101

Dance the morning away, create a rainbow wand and crown to wear on the dance floor. Space is limited. This is a safe space for all children and their families.

Summer Music in the Courtyard: Carlos Rivera

Sunday, June 9, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Join us for a classical guitar concert with Carlos Rivera.

Juneteenth Craft for Kids

Monday, June 10, 4 – 5 p.m.

Take an adventure in time and learn all about the history of Juneteenth and create a story quilt. This program is for children ages 5+. Space is limited.

LEGO Club

Tuesday, June 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Meeting Room

Children in grades K-8 are invited to build and create using LEGOs. Please leave your own LEGOs at home.

Special Performance: Cascada de Flores

Wednesday, June 12, 3 – 3:45 p.m.

Cascada de Flores combines music, dance and stories in English and Spanish. Please arrive on time, as space is limited.

Art Therapy for Tweens

Friday, June 14, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

We will explore different techniques and art materials. Materials will be provided, space is limited. This program is for kids ages 10+ and their adult caregiver.

Create CU: Paper Weaving

Friday, June 14, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

Adults ages 18+ are invited to learn the art of paper weaving. All materials and instruction included. Register online.

Escape Room for Teens

Saturday, June 15, 2 – 4 p.m., Room 201

Work with a team and show your smarts and win some cool prizes in the process. This is for teens ages 12-18. Register at the library's second floor reference desk. Space is limited.

Summer Music in the Courtyard: Dave Rocha

Sunday, June 16, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Dave Rocha brings a combination of jazz classics and original and contemporary compositions.

Zine Program for Grades 4-8

Tuesday, June 18, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Room 101

A zine is a homemade publication, like a small magazine. It can be about anything you want. If you like to draw, write and make booklets, join us to make a zine.

Book Discussion for Adults

Thursday, June 20, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

We will be discussing [*The Light Pirate*](#) by Lily Brooks-Dalton.

Mandarin for Beginners (Kids in Grades 3-8)

Saturdays, June 22 – August 3, 2 – 4 p.m., Room 101

Kids in grades 3-8 are invited to learn the basics of the language including sounds, words and phrases. Please plan on coming for the entire 8-class session. No experience necessary. Registration is required.

Teen Decoden Craft

Saturday, June 22, 3 – 5 p.m., Room 201A

Decoden crafting originated in Japan, where it was originally known as “deco-den,” short for “decorated denwa,” which means decorated phone. Spruce up an ordinary phone case and turn it into a work of art.

Summer Music in the Courtyard: Indian Saxophone and Percussion Duet

Sunday, June 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

The expertise of Keerthi and Hareesh lie in creating and reproducing Indian classical and Indian Western fusion music.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, June 23, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

We will be watching the 1964 version of *Mary Poppins* (rated G).

Recycle Challenge with Tech Interactive

Tuesday, June 25, 2 – 3 p.m.

Kids ages 5+ are invited to create an invention of their own by using recycled materials to help solve a current environmental issue. Space is limited, please arrive on time.

Seasons of Birds at Shoreline Park

Tuesday, June 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201A

Local author and photographer Karen Gough shares a narrated presentation of original photographs and video about the wide variety of birds found at Shoreline Park.

Special Performance: Coventry and Kaluza

Wednesday, June 26, 3 – 3:30 p.m., Room 101

Enjoy a variety of skills and thrills which feature juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, hula hooping and dog tricks. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Book Club for Grades 1 & 2

Thursday, June 27, 2 – 3 p.m.

We will discuss [Kondo and Kezumi Visit Giant Island](#) by David Goodner. This book club is for students who have just completed grades 1 & 2 in the 2023-24 school year. Registration required.

Lego Master Builder Visit

Friday, June 28, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Room 101

Join a real-life Lego Master Builder to learn about his favorite tips and tricks on Lego building and his journey to becoming a Lego master builder.

Smartphone Photography for Teens

Saturday, June 29, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Room 201

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. This workshop is for teens ages 12-18. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Registration is required.

Summer Music in the Courtyard: Leomele Hawaiian Band

Saturday, June 29, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Join us for some Hawaiian music performed by Richard and Karen Sanico.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, June 30, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

We will be watching The Wizard of Oz (rated G).

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**Saturday Storytime**

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., the Nest

Enjoy stories and songs with your family and librarian Cameron. Disfrute cuentos y canciones en familia con el bibliotecario Cameron.

Pajama Storytime

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, & 24, 7 – 7:30 p.m., the Nest

Join us for stories, sing songs, and wear your pajamas! Lee cuentos, canta canciones y ponte las pijamas para una hora de cuentos para niños de todas las edades con la bibliotecaria Gwyn.

Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos es español

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 4 – 5 p.m., the Nest

Join us for stories and songs in Spanish, followed by music and playtime with Librarian Patty. Acompáñenos a escuchar cuentos y canciones en español, seguido por música y tiempo para jugar con la Bibliotecaria Patty.

Zumba

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room

Zumba features rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia, and samba set to Latin and international beats. Wear comfortable workout clothes and shoes. No registration is required.

Zumba presenta ritmos como salsa, merengue, cumbia y samba con ritmos latinos e internacionales. Use ropa y zapatos deportivos cómodos. No es necesario registrarse.

Family Storytime

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., the Nest

Join Miss Elizabeth for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, get help, share ideas and meet new people.

Book Discussion

Friday, June 7, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [Small World](#) by Laura Zigman.

Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth

Fridays, June 7 & 21, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B

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

Summer Reading Kickoff 2024/Inicio del programa Lectura de Verano

Saturday, June 8, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Outside in the Paseo

Sign up for Summer Reading while enjoying fun at the library. This includes a performance from the City of Gilroy Hula Dance Class, games and more. ¡Ven e insíbete en nuestro Programa de Lectura de Verano mientras disfrutas de un rato divertido en la biblioteca! La clase de baile Hula de la ciudad de Gilroy se presentará a las 11 a.m. Habrán juegos y más.

Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, June 8, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Read whatever poetry you want to read and join in related discussions.

Paint Party for Adults

Sunday, June 9, 1 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Join local artist Paul Loughridge for an afternoon of fun. Paint along with Paul and create a lovely piece to keep. All materials and supplies provided. Registration is required.

CalFresh Healthy Tips

Tuesday and Friday, June 11 and 14, 12 – 1 p.m., Courtyard

CalFresh will share great information on healthy eating and empowering children to easily make healthier food choices. Compartirán información excelente sobre alimentación saludable y capacitarán a los niños para que elijan alimentos más saludables fácilmente.

The History of Aviation

Tuesday, June 11, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Volunteers with the Wings of History Air Museum will share the history of aviation.

Adventurous Art for Kids

Wednesdays, June 12 & 26, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

Join us making adventurous art! We will use unusual mediums as a canvas or as a paint brush. Come to one or come to all in the series, each program will explore different styles. For children in grades K-8. ¡Únete a nosotros para una tarde de diversión haciendo arte aventurero! Utilizaremos medios inusuales como lienzo o como pincel. Ven a uno o ven a todos en la serie, cada programa explorará diferentes estilos. Para niños en los grados K a 8.

Yoga at the Library

Wednesday, June 12, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

Start your journey towards calming your mind, setting your intentions, and stretching your body. Beginners are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. No registration required.

Special Performance: Magician Brian Scott

Thursday, June 13, 1 – 2 p.m., the Paseo

Join us for an exciting library magic show that promotes reading by using laughter and a great sense of humor that encourages children to use their imagination and embrace a sense of fun.

Basic Computer Classes

Thursdays, June 13 & 20, July 11 & 18, and August 1 & 8, 4 – 5:45 p.m., Computer Training Lab

Learn basic computer skills including creating an email account and using the Internet. Please register if you plan to attend all six classes.

Teen Library Lock-In

Friday, June 14, 6 – 10 p.m., Check in at 1st Floor Meeting Room

Play games, win prizes and make a whole summer's worth of memories in one night.

Participants must be at least 13 years old and no older than 18, no exceptions. All participants must submit a permission slips signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Smartphone Photography for Adults

Saturday, June 15, 2 – 3:15 p.m., Community Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Walk-ins welcome as space allows, register to reserve your spot.

STEM Series: Ozobots

Monday, June 17, 1 – 2:15 p.m., Community Room

Kids are invited to learn robotics and coding through the use of Ozobots and Dash & Dot robots. Ozobots are best for children in grades K – 2, while Dash & Dots are better for grades 3 – 5. Please register. Esta serie de programas STEM ofrecerá a los niños la oportunidad de aprender robótica y codificación con el uso de Ozobots y los robots Dash & Dot. La primera y tercera sesiones serán para Ozobots (mejor para niños de kinder a 2do. grado), y la segunda y cuarta sesiones serán para los robots Dash & Dot (mejor para niños de grados 3-5). Por favor regístrese.

Valley Verde Pollinator Presentation

Tuesday, June 18, 1 – 2 p.m. and 2 – 3 p.m., Courtyard

Learn the importance of pollinators with Valley Verde. Learn more about these essential and tireless workers and make butterfly baths, while supplies last. ¡Ven y aprende la importancia de los polinizadores con Valley Verde! Descubre más sobre estos trabajadores esenciales e incansables, y haz baños de mariposas, mientras duren los suministros.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Thursday, June 20, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., the Paseo

Steeped in humor, charm, clever plots and audience engagement, Puppet Art Theater will be a hit with children! Lleno de humor, encanto, tramas inteligentes y participación de la audiencia, el programa será un éxito entre los niños.

Special Performance: East Bay Vivarium's Traveling Reptile Show

Saturday, June 22, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

This traveling reptile show sees appearances from frogs, snakes, turtles and many more reptiles and insects. Educational topics that they incorporate into their presentation include natural history, ecology and animal safety. En su espectáculo itinerante de reptiles aparecen ranas, serpientes, tortugas y muchos más reptiles e insectos. Los temas educativos que incorporan en su presentación incluyen historia natural, ecología y seguridad animal.

Music and Mocktails

Tuesday, June 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

We will enjoy some soft music and sip a few mocktail samples, with recipes to take home. This program is for adults. Please register to ensure there's enough to go around.

Special Performance: Xtreme Science

Thursday, June 27, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

Get hooked on science with Don O'Brien in this fast-moving and interactive show full of experiments, demonstrations, and oodles of audience participation. Engánchate a la ciencia con Don O'Brien en este espectáculo interactivo y de rápido movimiento lleno de experimentos, demostraciones y mucha participación del público.

Teen Paint Party (ages 12-18)

Friday, June 28, 1 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Join local artist Paul Loughridge for an afternoon of fun. Paint along with Paul and create a lovely piece to keep. All materials and supplies provided. Registration is required.

Thankfulness and Crafts Family Day

Saturday, June 29, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room

Read books about thankfulness then make gratitude journals. Please register.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**Baby Sign and Stay & Play**

Saturday, June 1, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies under a year old and their grownups are welcome to sing songs and learn signs to share with your baby. Please bring a blanket for your baby. After storytime, stay and play with age-appropriate toys.

Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then ask questions for 10 minutes with instructor Manisha.

Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers. ¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

BikeMobile: Free Bike Repair

Tuesday, June 4, 3 – 5 p.m., Parking Lot

The BikeMobile can fix flat tires, adjust brakes and gears and replace broken or worn out pieces like chains, seats, and tires. Space is limited. First come, first served.

Smartphone Photography

Tuesday, June 4, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Registration is required.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, June 5, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will discuss [*A Test of Wills*](#) by Charles Todd.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays, June 5, 6, 12, 13, 20, 26, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

This interactive storytime is for early walkers, 1s and 2s. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before storytime.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, & 26, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room

Non-walking babies and their caregivers will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, short books and other fun. After storytime, enjoy the Stay & Play.

World Affairs

Wednesday, June 5, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

World Affairs will discuss a different global issue each month.

Poetry Community Hour

Wednesday, June 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D

Share your poetry and come hear poems by local and national poets. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Children 3-5 and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, movement and more!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

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.

Let's Make Origami!

Friday, June 7, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Room

Learn how to create origami designs from origami paper. This program is for kids in grades K+. All materials will be provided. No registration required.

Create Your Own Book Bag

Saturday, June 8, 3 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Children and their caregivers are invited to decorate book bags any way they like. We will provide the bags, die cuts, and markers. Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the program.

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, June 9, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Come with family and friends for an afternoon of fun and games. We have board games for children, teens, and adults – plus LEGOs!

Camp Read S'More for Grades 4-5

Tuesdays, June 11, 18, 25, and July 2, 2 – 3 p.m., Conference or Orchard Room

Camp Read S'More is a great way to keep your incoming 4th or 5th grader engaged during the summer. Throughout the four-week session, we will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Register for each date you can attend.

Camp Readaway for Grades 6+

Tuesdays, June 11, 18, 25, and July 2, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Conference or Orchard Room

Camp Readaway is the perfect way to keep your middle schooler engaged and entertained during the summer months. Throughout the four-week session, we will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Register for each date you can attend.

Unlocking the Secrets of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Tuesday, June 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn the principles and practices of Traditional Chinese Medicine, including basic therapy, how to do simple diagnosis on yourself, acupuncture, herbal medicine, dietary therapy and more. Register for an event reminder. Walk-ins welcome.

Special Performance: Fratello Marionettes

Wednesday, June 12, 3 – 3:30 p.m. and 4 – 4:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Carnival of the Animals serves as a canvas for presenting three classic fairy tales (The Three Little Pigs, the Tortoise and the Hare, and the Ugly Duckling). Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

Astrochemistry: Beyond the Fabulous Images of the James Webb Space Telescope

Thursday, June 13, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn about the (astro)chemistry of PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons), which are fundamental to understanding the physics and chemistry of star and planet formation.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, June 15, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Come learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite. We welcome newcomers to hobby gaming and families with kids.

Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)

Sunday, June 16, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This is a time to relax with the community and let your creativity shine.

Book Jewelry Craft

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will make jewelry from old/damaged books. All supplies will be provided. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration necessary, supplies are limited.

Creatures from the Outback with Joan Sparks

Thursday, June 20, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Wildlife photographer Joan Sparks will share images of kangaroos, kestrels, kites, koalas, kookaburras, emus, and more from Australia!

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Saturday, June 22, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Children in grades K-8 can practice their reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat. Please register for this program.

Basic 3D CADing

Sundays, June 23 & 30, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room

3D Collectives is hosting two beginner workshops about 3D printing and CAD. All skill levels are welcome. This 2-session series is for teens ages 13+ and up. Register for an event reminder. Walk-ins welcome.

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, June 24, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*Victory City: A Novel*](#) by Salman Rushdie.

Special Performance: Sterling the Bubblesmith

Wednesday, June 26, 3 – 4 p.m. and 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Sterling the Bubblesmith will delight us as he blows bubbles with hoops, loops, and other crafty contraptions. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

Wednesday Travel Nights: A Wee Bit of Scotland

Wednesday, June 26, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Photographer David Couzens takes us on a tour of the Scottish Highlands, focusing on the verdant landscape, historic churches and castles, and timeless towns and tiny villages.

Charcoal Drawing for Adults and Teens

Thursday, June 27, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

An instructor from Drawn2Art will lead this program. Registration not necessary, walk-ins are welcome. Seating will be determined on a first come, first served basis.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Friday, June 28, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1 – 2:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Work of Heart Studio will lead this workshop. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited, and content will be the same for both sessions. Please sign up for only one session per month.

Author Talk: Shan Woo Liu

Saturday, June 29, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Shan Woo Liu will share her children's book, [*Masked Hero, How Wu Lien-The Invented the Mask that Ended an Epidemic*](#). The author is the great-granddaughter of the book's main character.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**Family Storytime**

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing and action with picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays.

Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Pre-walkers

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room

This program focuses on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books. This program is designed for babies up to 12 months.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, & 26, 3 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

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

Pajama Jam Family Storytime

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, & 26, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

Snuggle up in your comfiest PJs as we dive into stories, fingerplays, rhymes, and tunes for everyone.

Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 1 and 2 year olds, features lots of movement, singing and action.

Special Performance: Coventry and Kaluza

Thursday, June 6, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. and 7 – 7:45 p.m., Auditorium

Enjoy a variety of skills and thrills which feature juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, hula hooping and dog tricks. Wristbands required for entry. Pick up a free wristband 30 minutes before the show. Limit of two adults per family.

Storysmith Workshop (Grades 4 – 6)

Mondays and Fridays, June 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24 & 28, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Activity Room

This is a four-week, seven-session series that focuses on major components and strategies of worldbuilding, character, plot, and theme development that encompasses the process of developing engaging stories. Register online.

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 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, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you are stuck and share ideas. Instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati. No registration required. Materials not provided.

Teen Bollywood Dance Meetup

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 3 – 4 p.m., Auditorium

Join us for BollyBe, a workshop series celebrating Bollywood dance. You'll be warming up, stretching, and learning choreography all while having fun. No registration required.

Board Game Day

Saturday, June 8, 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.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Sunday, June 9, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium

Work of Heart Studio will lead this workshop. Using simple techniques, this workshop will provide ideas for creating easy shapes and florals. No registration required. Please arrive 10 minutes before the program to check in and get seated.

Toddler STEAM (ages 3-5)

Tuesday, June 11, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room

Each month we will learn, nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required. Parents must participate with their child. Siblings welcomed.

Speculative Fiction Book Club

Tuesday, June 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

Explore strange worlds and alternate realities by joining the Speculative Fiction Book Club. We will discuss [*Use of Weapons*](#) by Iain M. Banks.

Anime Club for Grades 4 – 6

Wednesdays, June 12 & 26, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

We will hang out, eat snacks and watch anime.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Thursday, June 13, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. and 7 – 7:45 p.m., Auditorium

Straws, sticks, bricks and a huffing, puffing Big Bad Wolf add up to hilarity in this adaptation of the classic story, The Three Little Pigs. Wristbands required for entry. Pick up a free wristband 30 minutes before the show. Limit of two adults per family.

Family Board Game

Friday, June 14, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

This is great for people who want to learn more about different types of games. This is a family event for children ages 6+.

Seasons of Birds

Tuesday, June 18, 7 – 8 p.m.

Local author and photographer Karen Gough shares a narrated presentation of original photographs and video about the wide variety of birds found at Shoreline Park.

Special Performance: Mad Science

Thursday, June 20, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. and 7 – 7:45 p.m.

Join us for a Fire and Ice demonstration of magical chemical points, the wonders of dry ice and the dynamics of air pressure. Wristbands required for entry. Pick up a free wristband 30 minutes before the show. Limit of two adults per family.

Master Gardeners Series

Saturday, June 22, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Auditorium

Learn about successfully growing plants in containers. You'll learn what containers to use, and the requirements for soil, fertilizer and water to keep your garden growing all season.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, June 22, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

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

Teen Paint Party

Saturday, June 22, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Join local artist Paul Loughridge for an afternoon of fun. Paint along with Paul and create a lovely piece to keep. All materials and supplies provided. Registration is required. For teens ages 12 – 18.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills

Saturday, June 22, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Auditorium

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Special Performance: Mike the Magician

Sunday, June 23, 2 – 2:45 p.m. and 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium

Get ready to witness Mike the Magician's spellbinding magic extravaganza for kills of all ages. Wristbands required for entry. Pick up a free wristband 30 minutes before the show. Limit of two adults per family.

Milpitas Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, June 26, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [*Our Wives Under the Sea*](#) by Julia Armfield.

Special Performance: Magic with Brian Scott

Thursday, June 27, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. and 7 – 7:45 p.m., Auditorium

Prepare to be amazed by Brian Scott's engaging magic show which will entertain both kids and adults. Wristbands required for entry. Pick up a free wristband 30 minutes before the show. Limit of two adults per family.

The Peaceful Poets

Thursday, June 27, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

Join other poetry writers and appreciators of poetry.

Smartphone Photography

Saturday, June 29, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Registration is required. This program is for ages 12+.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**Bilingual Storytime for All Ages**

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us in the Children's Activity Room for family fun with your little one! Stories, music, movement, and more! Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English). ¡Acompáñenos en la sala de actividades para niños para divertirse en familia con su pequeño! ¡Cuentos, música, movimiento y más! Las horas de cuentos son bilingües (español/inglés).

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Adult Program Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. / ¡Únase a nosotros para tener conversaciones divertidas y practicar el inglés! Este programa es para adultos de 18 años y mayores que hablan inglés básico.

Snack Break – Free Snacks for Kids/Pausa de Merienda – Merienda Gratis Para Niños

Mondays-Thursdays, June 3 – 6, 3 – 4 p.m./lunes a jueves, 3 a 6 de junio, 3 a 4 p.m.

Stop by the library and pick up a **free** after-school snack. For kids 18 years old and under, while supplies last. ¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda **gratis** después de la escuela! Para niños de 18 años y menores, mientras duren las reservas.

LEGO Club

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 3 – 4 p.m.

Use LEGOs to build based on our weekly theme or build whatever you want.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, June 4, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Knitters are welcome to come and work together. New knitters can get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can meet new friends.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, June 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

We will discuss [*Juneteenth*](#) by Ralph Ellison.

Toddler Storytime

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for stories, music, movement and more. This program is geared towards children ages 2-3 and their caregivers.

Drop-in Libby Help

Thursday, June 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Information Desk

Drop in to get help with eBooks and Audiobooks on your kindles, tablets, and smartphones via the Libby app. Please bring your device with you.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Children ages 4-5 and caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more.

Tiny Tot Jamboree

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Toddlers (1-2 years old) and caregivers are invited to join us for short fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Babies (12 months and younger) and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more!

Raising Passionate Readers in a Digital Age

Saturday, June 8, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

This presentation will cover how to empower young readers and get them excited about reading, discover strategies to enhance reading skills and comprehension, and learn how to access free resources and more.

Teen Paint Party (ages 12-18)

Saturday, June 8, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Program Room

Join local artist Paul Loughridge for an afternoon of fun. Paint along with Paul and create a lovely piece to keep. Registration is required.

Girl STEMpowerment: Create Mousetrap Cars

Sunday, June 9, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room

This workshop will focus on teaching middle school girls the concepts of physics, then give them creative control to build mousetrap cars. This program is strictly for girls entering 6th-8th grade. Register online.

Lunch at the Library

Monday—Friday, Starting June 10, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required. ¡Almuerzos gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años! No es necesario registrarse.

Zumba

Mondays, June 10 & 24, 6 – 7 p.m., Program Room

Join us for a free dance and rhythm-based workout. This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, fitness party exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a high-energy cardio blast.

Art Camp for Kids

Tuesday-Friday, June 11-14, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

We will explore different art techniques and create a piece of art to contribute to our Art Camp Exhibit. Come each day or days that your schedule allows. This is a drop-in program for children ages 5+ and their adults.

Pride Month Film Screening

Tuesday, June 11, 6:15 – 8:15 p.m., Program Room

We will be screening *Love, Simon* (rated PG-13). No registration required.

Teens & Tweens Drop-in Crafternoon

Thursdays, June 13 & 27, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room

Drop-in and make some crafts!

Smartphone Photography for Adults

Saturday, June 15, 4:30 – 5:45 p.m., Community Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Registration is required.

Bollywood Dance Class for Teens and Adults

Monday, June 17, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

Join us for BollyBe, a workshop celebrating Bollywood dance. You'll be warming up, stretching, and learning choreography all while having fun. This program is for ages 12+. No registration required.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, June 18, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along! No registration required.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Thursday, June 20, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Watch the Puppet Art Theater's exciting production, a twist on the classic fairytale, Three Billy Goats Gruff.

Active Outdoor Adventures: Road Scholar

Saturday, June 22, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., Program Room

Explore different active learning adventures on multi-sports trips including walking, hiking, birding, kayaking, snorkeling, rafting, and dancing.

Special Performance: Magical Mark

Sunday, June 23, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Magical Mark's unique approach to magic will keep you on the edge of your seat!

Meditation at the Library

Sunday, June 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Tune into the present moment, waken your senses and cultivate a deeper connection with yourself and the world around you. No registration required.

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Thursday, June 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Watch birds from around the world do the most amazing things: singing Amazon parrots, colorful Macaws, and clever Cockatoos performing tricks.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Oasis of Serenity Art Exhibit**

Through June 29, Main Lobby

Enjoy the works of local artist Kirti Singh.

Paper Characters in 3D

Through June 29, Lobby Glass Case

Enjoy this 3D paper figure exhibit by San Jose resident Austin Oh.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, June 1, 8, & 15, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Intro to County Parks

Saturday, June 1, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room

Park Interpreter Colter Cook will share everything great that can be found right here in the South Bay. Experience touching real animal pelts, doing activities and more.

Guitar Concert

Sunday, June 2, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Join us for a performance with the South Bay Guitar Society Ensemble.

Mystery Book Club

Monday, June 3, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [*A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*](#) by Holly Jackson. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Band Jam Session

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Grab your guitar or ukulele and let's jam!

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, June 4, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [*The House in the Cerulean Sea*](#) by TJ Klune. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, June 5, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Young Investors Club: Financial Literacy for Teens

Wednesday, June 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Learning Lab

Teens ages 12-18 will learn the basics of saving and making money. Email sateen@sccl.org to join.

Creatures from the Outback with Joan Sparks

Thursday, June 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Wildlife photographer Joan Sparks will share images of kangaroos, kestrels, kites, koalas, kookaburras, emus, and more from Australia!

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Teen Geocache Hike with MidPen at Picchetti Ranch

Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Picchetti Ranch Open Space

Teens ages 13-18 are invited to join us for a guided geocache hike. Please bring water and snacks and be sure to wear long pants. Participants must sign a waiver. Register online.

Documentary Film Screening

Saturday, June 8, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Maple Room

Enjoy a screening of Heart's Delight: An Orchard Story, a film by Marilyn Messina. There will be a Q&A with Messina after the screening.

Indian Classical Concert

Saturday, June 8, 2 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

SR Fine Arts invites you to an Indian classical concert by Bay Area musicians from the Indian community.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills

Sunday, June 9, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Bollywood Dance Class for Teens and Adults

Sundays, June 9 & 16, 4 – 5 p.m.

Join us for BollyBe, a workshop series celebrating Bollywood dance. You'll be warming up, stretching, and learning choreography all while having fun.

Grow Alliums, Onions and Garlic

Tuesday, June 11, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn how easy it is to grow your own garlic, shallots, onions, and chives. We will cover the optimal time and management of planting, watering, fertilizing, harvesting, and storing.

Chinese Book Club - 中文書友會

Thursday, June 13, 10:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

The book selection is [明亮燦爛的你](#) ([Remarkably Bright Creatures](#) by Shelby Van Pelt).

參與者可選讀中文或英文版，討論則將以中文為主。

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Thursday, June 13, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Enjoy Puppet Art Theater's animated telling of two children's tales: the Tortoise and the Hare and Three Billy Goats.

BikeMobile: Free Bike Repair

Saturday, June 15, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The BikeMobile can fix flat tires, adjust brakes and gears and replace broken or worn out pieces like chains, seats, and tires. Space is limited, first come, first served. Kids' bikes get priority.

Gardening for Native Bees

Tuesday, June 18, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

Find out how planting a few select native plants can enrich your garden, save water and attract native bees.

Special Performance: Sterling the Bubblesmith

Thursday, June 20, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Sterling the Bubblesmith will delight us as he blows bubbles with hoops, loops, and other crafty contraptions.

Teatime Book Chatter

Thursday, June 20, 1 – 2 p.m.

We will be discussing [*West with Giraffes*](#) by Lydia Rutledge. Visit the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up a copy of this month's pick.

Family Bingo Night

Friday, June 21, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Fun for the entire family! Get a Bingo and win a prize.

Special Performance: Mr. Elephant Musical Adventure

Saturday, June 22, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Mr. Elephant and his puppet pals sing original family-friendly songs with styles ranging from rock to reggae, beats to bossa nova.

Trivia Night for Adults

Monday, June 24, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Answer questions in a variety of categories. Compete with a group or by yourself. We will be using Mentimeter to submit answers so please make sure at least one person in your group has internet access from a personal device. Register online, drop-ins are welcome.

Digital Literacy Class

Thursday, June 27, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

Learn basic computer skills, practice accessing the internet and how to stay safe online.

Spanish/English Storytime

Thursday, June 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers. ¡Únase a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Special Performance: Slim Chance Circus Show

Thursday, June 27, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

The Circus of Possibilities combines classic circus, vaudeville, and slapstick comedy into a multitude of funny magical moments and surprises.

Special Performance: Bingo Schmingo

Saturday, June 29, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Go on a bluesy singing and strumming musical adventure.

Repair Cafe

Sunday, June 30, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Community Room and Outdoor Patio

Volunteers can help repair broken items and show you how to fix things yourself. Get help with small electrical appliances, bike repair, external cleaning of PCs, laptops, smartphones and tablets, and mending clothing. Please register.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, & 24, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

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

Summertime Themed Family Storytime

Sunday, June 16, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a Summertime themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

Oceans and Fish Themed Family Storytime

Sunday, June 30, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy an ocean and fish themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)

Virtual Author Talk: Matt Shindell

Monday, June 3, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Smithsonian Curator Matt Shindell will talk about his book, [*For the Love of Mars*](#), where he introduces viewers to historical figures who have tried to make sense of the Red Planet.

Asian Art Museum Exhibit: Phoenix Kingdoms

Tuesday, June 4, 7 – 8 p.m.

Join this virtual adventure to the Phoenix Kingdoms of China's Bronze Age.

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20 & 27, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Freida McFadden

Thursday, June 13, 5 – 6 p.m.

The Queen of Plot Twists, Freida McFadden, will talk about writing psychological thrillers, including her popular [*The Housemaid*](#) series.

Virtual Author Talk: Tiffany Jewell

Thursday, June 20, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

New York Times bestselling author Tiffany Jewell will highlight the inequities Black and Brown students face from preschool through college, featured in the book, [*Everything I Learned About Racism I Learned in School*](#).

LGBTQ+ Speakers Bureau Panel

Thursday, June 20, 4 – 5 p.m.

Join an intergenerational panel of LGBTQ+ community members who will share their personal stories and experiences. The panel will be followed by Q&A.

Asian Art Museum Exhibit: Expressions of Gender in Asian Art

Tuesday, June 25, 7 – 8 p.m.

Gender-fluid and ambiguously gendered depictions have existed in the art of numerous Asian cultures for thousands of years. Explore some of these fascinating representations during this virtual program.

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Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



110 Years and Counting!

July 1 is our birthday! 110 years ago on that day the Santa Clara County Library was created at the Hall of Justice in downtown San José. Led by our first County Librarian Stella Huntington, the first library had 6,127 books and a circulation of 49,048.

From that humble beginning we have grown to seven community libraries, a branch library, an administrative

support building, two Bookmobiles, and a new facility on the way (keep reading!). We have been particularly busy over the past decade, hosting national exhibits at our libraries, winning major industry awards for our programs and services, launching a new website and greatly enhancing our digital offerings to keep up with changing patron demands. Seven of our libraries are now open seven days a week, with Cupertino, Los Altos, and Milpitas Libraries offering more than 70 weekly service hours!

As SCCLD embarks on a new decade of service, we are guided by our 2023-28 [Strategic Plan](#). We are looking forward to reopening the fully remodeled Campbell Library next year. We continue to find new ways to meet the needs of our communities, from expanded [Passport Services](#) offerings, providing libraries to youth in County correctional facilities, offering home delivery service to those in need through [BookDash](#) to adding Community Outreach Specialists, to doubling the number of locations offering Open Access.

Celebrating All Types of Ability

July is [Disabled Pride Month](#), which marks the passage in 1990 of the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act. Pride in being differently abled is about focusing on each person's uniqueness instead of defining them by what they cannot do or have difficulty doing. Advocacy groups and the County's [Office of Disability Affairs](#) are good resources for information about these issues.



[Tens of millions](#) of Americans live with some kind of disability, be it physical, mental or other. SCCLD [offers many services](#) to ensure that all patrons have full access to resources. These include [Bookdash](#) Home Delivery service for those who cannot come into a library, access to Braille and audio books, magazines and playback equipment, and assistance with American Sign Language interpretation at library events. Staff at our [Community Libraries](#) can also assist with requests for assistance.



Freedom to Read and Be Yourself

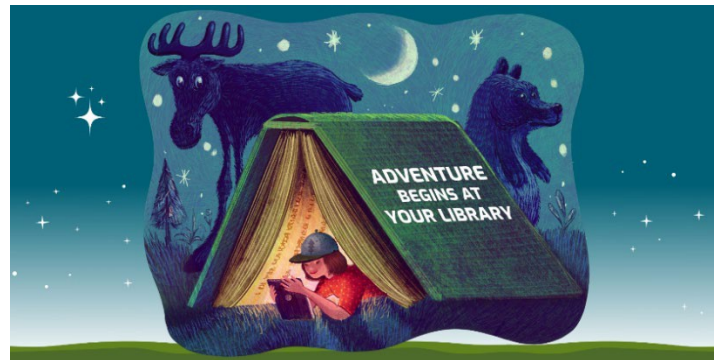
Our nation's Independence Day is a time to celebrate our freedoms, including the freedom to READ! Our forefathers sought to control their own destinies, which included a desire for self-governance and greater religious freedom. Libraries are an extension of this independent tradition.

You can learn more about the history of the struggle for independence and those who served in the U.S. Military to protect our independence using the free library resources below and on a blog on our website. Please note that SCCLD Libraries will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day but the Online Library is available 24/7.

- **Search U.S. Military Records:** [Fold3](#) is an online resource containing U.S. military records from the Revolutionary War to the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts, including stories, photos and personal documents from the men and women who served.
- **Explore the History of Independence Day:** Dive into the rich [history](#) behind the holiday with [biographies](#) of Founding Fathers that brings the era to life.

Summer Reading's Second Half

The second half of Summer Reading is about to start, with lots of fun and adventures still to come. If you have not yet signed up for our Reading Challenge, there is still time. Register on [Beanstack](#), complete challenges, and you can collect your prize at our libraries anytime in August (while supplies last).



Check out our July Events Calendar below for a list of everything that our libraries are offering this month. Our [online calendar](#) has the latest details on [Summer Reading events](#). These include special performances from musicians, magicians, comedians, dancers, puppets, and more. Like animals? We have presentations featuring live reptiles, insects, birds and bats, a talk about how to attract butterflies, and another about helpful bugs. Come join in a board game day, learn to dance, or take part in an arts and crafts event. Practice yoga, learn more about gardening, or hear tips about eating healthily.

Kids and teens will love the special programming that our librarians have come up with for them. Play with robots, create an invention, make your own manga or zine, or watch family friendly films and anime screenings. We are offering classes on sketchbook journaling, various arts projects, how to take artistic photos using your smartphone, and learning to write. There are also special reading clubs just for kids and teens. Hope to see you at the library!



Gilroy Library Grants Patrons Early Access

Following the successful pilot project at Woodland Library, Gilroy Library will soon be offering early access to its lobby area to patrons with library accounts who sign up for the service. They will be able to enter at 10 am, three hours before the normal opening time, Mondays through Wednesdays and Sundays and enjoy self-service access.

Inside they can browse books, check out library materials, relax and read, enjoy the WiFi, or use computers, printers and copy machines. To take part, visit the library and ask for the registration form. The tentative start date for Open Access at Gilroy Library is sometime during the second half of July.

Introducing The Nest-Learning Center

A new structure is going up next to the Services & Support Center in Campbell. Dubbed The Nest-Learning Center, this ecologically sensitive building will serve as the new home of SCCLD's [Reading Program](#). The Reading Program is for adult learners who want to improve their English reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.

Learners and volunteer tutors are paired, and they meet several times each week at one of our libraries or online to work on improving skills. The Nest will offer dedicated space for our Reading Program participants to go through their initial assessment, and another option for program pairs to meet.



Located next to percolation ponds that are home to many local wildlife, SCCLD had a unique opportunity to take advantage of the natural setting and create a bridge between this industrial area with the beauty of the ponds, walking trails and nature that is in our backyard. There are many thoughtful features that were incorporated into the design such as the placement of walls and windows to take full advantage of the views, as well as create some energy savings, and using bird safe glass and dark sky lighting to protect the natural wildlife and migrating birds. There will also be a large dividable program room, which will provide flexible meeting space for various public library functions, as well as in-person trainings.

The Reading Program is looking for volunteers to help spread the joy of literacy. One virtual and two in-person orientations take place in August. If you are 18 or older, can read and write English at a high school level or higher, and can devote two hours a week for six months, you can become a tutor. Read more about the [process online](#) and listen to video testimonials from program tutors and learners.

Virtual Author Speaker Series for July

Each month we bring talks with top authors to you virtually. July's schedule features beloved and important children's, teen and YA authors.

PK-Grade 2: Newbery Medal winning author [Kate DiCamillo](#) will be sharing the stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, the original [Mercy Watson](#) on Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. We will also be celebrating the publication of the final book in the *Mercy Watson* series! Please [register](#).

Grades 3 – 6: Join us on Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. to talk with *New York Times* bestselling author [Max Brallier](#) about [The Last Kids on Earth](#), both the book series and the animated series on Netflix. In this virtual event, Max will share how he came up with the different monsters and villains as well as the unique ways that Jack and his friends figure out to defeat them. [Register](#) now!

Grades 5 – 8: Join this year's winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, [Dan Santat](#), as he inspires tweens and teens to tell their own stories through graphic novels. His winning book, [A First Time for Everything](#), is a graphic memoir based on his own awkward middle school years and the trip to Europe that changed his life. This program is on Tuesday, July 30 at 11 a.m. [Register here](#).

Grades 9 – 12: You are invited to learn about the power of poetry with [Elizabeth Acevedo](#) on Tuesday, July 23 at 11 a.m.! In this exciting author conversation and Q&A, Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning and *New York Times* bestselling novel-in-verse, [The Poet X](#) serving as the backdrop to this amazing chat! Please [register](#).



A New World of Publications Awaits

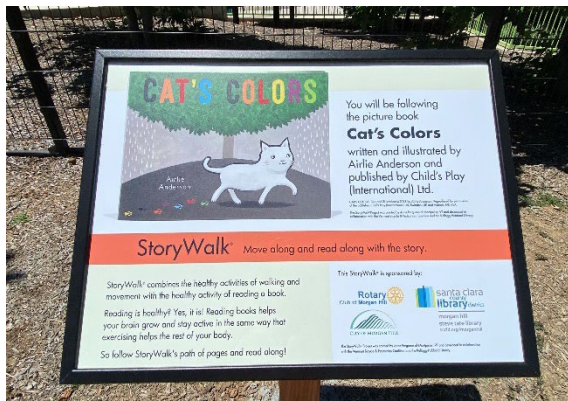
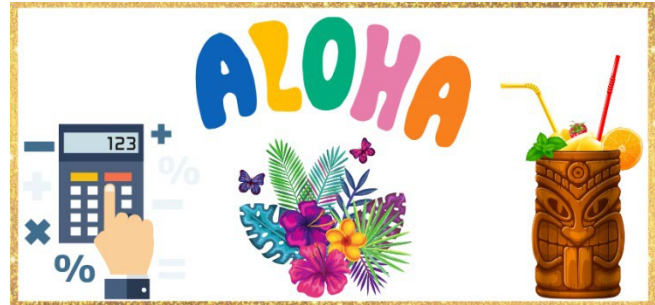
Starting on July 1, SCCLD's 24/7 Online Library will feature a new digital resource that features over 9,000 eMagazines and eNewspapers from across the globe and in dozens of languages. Welcome to the world's largest newsstand, "[Magzter](#)". Browse on the app or download to read offline. Search for magazines by title or subject area. You can find over a dozen versions of Vogue to peruse, for example.

One Ledger Closes, Another Opens

There really is only one word that properly conveys our feelings about the retirement of our financial guru, and welcoming our new Financial and Administrative Services Manager. Aloha!

Aloha (goodbye) to Chuck Griffin, who over the course of the dozen years he has worked at SCCLD has overseen the doubling of our budget as we have worked with our city partners to expand all of our libraries' open hours, offer new services and build our diverse collection. Chuck has been a steady hand who has guided us through all types of financial waters including creating an economic uncertainty fund to weather an economic downturn, providing responsible financial planning while still affording to make significant investments in key SCCLD projects, and adding important staff positions to support community needs. Chuck's last day will be on July 19.

We also wish to say Aloha (hello) to Megan Holland, who starts in her new role on July 8. She comes to SCCLD with 18 years of financial and administrative experience, including at Bay Area public agencies.



SCCLD Launches First Community StoryWalk® in Morgan Hill and Saratoga

SCCLD is offering a new way for families to engage little ones in early literacy while enjoying their local parks. The Library District is partnering with each of our cities to offer a StoryWalk® in a city park. StoryWalk is a great way to engage with budding readers in a fun and unexpected place. Being active and reading together in a beautiful environment stimulates young learners and helps contribute to encouraging a lifetime of reading.

You're now able to enjoy the first StoryWalk at Community Park in Morgan Hill, with a second coming in July to Kevin Moran Park in Saratoga. The next planned launch will be in Jack Fischer Park in Campbell, date to be announced. SCCLD continues to work with each of our city partners to offer StoryWalk in a public park within each of our cities.

The stories will be updated three times per year and offer a great opportunity for families to read together while staying active and enjoying our beautiful city parks. The first selection will be [Cat's Colors](#) by Airlie Anderson. We look forward to children and their adults discovering this new way to enjoy books and reading.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

JULY 2024 EVENTS

***All SCCLD libraries are closed and services unavailable
on Thursday, July 4 for Independence Day***

Summer Reading programs are highlighted in blue.

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M-50

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Registration is required.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room Q-84 (July 24 in Room Q-80 and July 31 in the Orchard City Banquet Hall)

Kids ages 0-5 are invited to join us for stories, songs, and more. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on.

Special Performance: Sterling the Bubblesmith

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Sterling the Bubblesmith will delight us as he blows bubbles with hoops, loops, and other crafty contraptions.

Community Automotive Education Series

Tuesday and Thursday, July 9 and 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Get familiar with your vehicle and learn what is under the hood with Brett Johnson, instructor at De Anza College's Automotive Technology program.

Special Performance: Music with Andy Z

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Join us for an afternoon of music, movement, and imagination.

Special Performance: Boo Chae Chom Fan Dance

Wednesday, July 17, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Participants can personalize their fans and have the chance to learn the fundamental movements of the fan dance. Please register.

Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, July 17, 7 – 8 p.m., Room E-44

Please pick up a copy at the service desk. Register online.

Special Performance: Magician Perry Yan

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Perry incorporates plenty of clean comedy that will keep you laughing while his sleight of hand magic will leave you in awe.

Auto Safety and Purchasing Tips

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Join us for an informative presentation focused on two crucial aspects of car ownership: safety and smart purchasing decision.

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue**Family Storytime for Kids 0-5**

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room

This storytime is suitable for children up to 5 years old and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Please register online.

Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

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

Special Performance: Soul 4Kidz

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance. Space is limited.

Bedtime Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 7 – 7:30 p.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. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in. Meet new friends, start new projects, or finish old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

Mandarin/English Bilingual Family Storytime

Fridays, July 5 & 19, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101

Join us for stories, songs, a flannel board story, fingerplay, and a craft project in Mandarin and English. Children and their caretakers are welcome to join. 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; 手指謠和做美勞。歡迎幼兒們和家長, 祿母一同前來參加。

Family Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Babywearing Dance

Sundays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

Join us for babywearing dance.

Music in the Courtyard: Ryan Trujillo's Jazz Trio

Sunday, July 7, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a variety of original and classic arrangements showcasing Afro Cuban rhythms ranging from the mambo, cha cha cha, danzón, rumba cubana, and more!

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 7, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of “Ella Enchanted” (PG).

LEGO Club

Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Meeting Room

Children in grades K-8 are invited to build and create using LEGOs. Please leave your own LEGOs at home.

Special Performance: Surfing Magician

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for this special performance. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Storytime for Babies (ages 0-1)

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 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.

Book Club for Grades 3 & 4

Thursday, July 11, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 3 & 4. We will be discussing [*Fly on the Wall*](#) by Remy Lai. Please register.

Art Therapy for Tweens

Friday, July 12, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

We will explore different techniques and art materials. Materials will be provided, space is limited. This program is for kids ages 10+ and their adult caregiver.

Teen Chibi and Monster Manga Workshop

Saturday, July 13, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Room 201

Learn how to draw cute character types and combine regular animals into new creatures or monsters. Online register is necessary.

Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Sunday, July 14, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*The Honey Bus*](#) (2019) by Meredith May.

Music in the Courtyard: The Charged Particles

Sunday, July 14, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a blend of classical music, complex orchestration and freewheeling improvisation.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 14, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of “Tarzan” (G).

Zine Program for Grades 4-8

Tuesday, July 16, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Room 101

A zine is a homemade publication, like a small magazine. It can be about anything you want. If you like to draw, write and make booklets, join us to make a zine.

Book Discussion for Adults

Wednesday, July 17, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Room 201B

We will be discussing [*The River*](#) by Peter Heller.

Special Performance: Asheba

Wednesday, July 17, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for a calypso music performance with musical storyteller Asheba. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Book Club for Grades 5 & 6

Thursday, July 18, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 5 & 6. We will be discussing [*When Stars are Scattered*](#) by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed. Please register.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8 p.m.

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.

Music in the Courtyard: Spring Women's Choir

Sunday, July 21, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a summer concert at the library.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 21, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of "Willy Wonka" (G).

Decorate a Book Tote

Tuesday, July 23, 3 – 4 p.m.

Decorate your own book tote with fabric markers. This program is for ages 5+. Please arrive on time. Registration is not required, but supplies are limited.

Special Performance: Unique Derique

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for an unforgettable comedic performance with juggling by Unique Derique, a.k.a. the Clown Prince of Fools. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Book Club for Grades 7 & 8

Thursday, July 25, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 7 & 8. We will be discussing [*Remember Us*](#) by Jacqueline Woodson. Please register.

Draw on Your Life: Sketchbook Journaling

Thursday, July 25, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Room 201A

When you don't have time to write a thousand words, try sketching! Experiment with finding the right balance of text and pictures. Registration required.

Origami for Kids

Thursday, July 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

Children 5+ will learn how to fold and create something fun to take home.

Gardening for Monarch Butterflies

Thursday, July 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201

This talk will cover different varieties available, methods to combat diseases and pests, guidance on growing from both seeds and seedlings, as well as best practices for planning, watering, fertilizing and overall care.

Music in the Courtyard: The Lunar Octet

Sunday, July 28, 12 – 1 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Listen to highly original and eclectic repertoire drawing on Cuban and Puerto Rican salsa, rock, African high-life music, and Brazilian sambas to forge a new sound enriched by these traditions.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 28, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of the animated version of “Alice in Wonderland” (G).

Trouble on the Tour de Cupertino

Tuesday, July 30, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 101

Students in Grades 3+ are invited to solve puzzles and mysterious happenings. Please register.

Special Performance: Hula Show

Wednesday, July 31, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 101

Children and their families are invited to watch Hālau Nā Wai Ola dance to a medley of songs as we bid farewell to our Summer Reading program.

Special Performance: Boswick the Clown

Wednesday, July 31, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

Join Boswick for a fun-filled performance.

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**Lunch at the Library**

Monday—Friday, Through August, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required. ¡Almuerzos gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años! No es necesario registrarse.

Pajama Storytime

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7 – 7:30 p.m., the Nest

Join us for stories, sing songs, and wear your pajamas! Lee cuentos, canta canciones y ponte la pijama para una hora de cuentos para niños de todas las edades.

Zumba

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room

Zumba features rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia, and samba set to Latin and international beats. Wear comfortable workout clothes and shoes. No registration is required.

Zumba presenta ritmos como salsa, merengue, cumbia y samba con ritmos latinos e internacionales. Use ropa y zapatos deportivos cómodos. No es necesario registrarse.

Python Ron's Reptile Kingdom

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Desde pitones de 18 pies hasta lagartos de 4 pies de largo, Python Ron brinda a todos la oportunidad de acercarse a estas increíbles criaturas.

Bilingual English and Vietnamese Storytime/Độc Truyện Song Ngữ Anh Việt

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., the Nest

Come read, sing, dance, and play with Miss Như Ý.

Mời bé đến đọc sách, ca múa, và vui chơi cùng cô Như Ý.

Book Discussion

Friday, July 5, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [*This is How You Lose the Time War*](#) by Amal El-Mohtar and Max Gladstone.

Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth

Fridays, July 5 & 19, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B

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

Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., the Nest

Join us for stories and songs in English and Spanish, followed by music and playtime with

Librarians Patty and Cameron. Acompáñenos a escuchar cuentos y canciones en inglés

y español, seguido por música y tiempo para jugar con los Bibliotecarios Patty y Cameron.

Special Presentation: NorCal Bats

Saturday, July 6, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room

This unique and exciting presentation is opportunity to learn about bats from the experts, and to see some bats up close, as well!

¡Esta presentación única y emocionante es una oportunidad para aprender sobre los murciélagos de la mano de los expertos y también para ver algunos murciélagos de cerca!

Adventurous Art for Kids

Wednesdays, July 10 & 24, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

We will use unusual mediums as a canvas or as a paintbrush. Come to one or come to all in the series, each program will explore different styles. For children in grades K-8.

Utilizaremos medios inusuales como lienzo o como pincel. Ven a uno o ven a todos en la serie, cada programa explorará diferentes estilos. Para niños en los grados K-8.

Yoga at the Library

Wednesday, July 10, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

Start your journey towards calming your mind, setting your intentions, and stretching your body. Beginners are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. No registration required.

Clases de computación para principiantes en español

Miércoles, 10 y 17 de julio, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Laboratorio de Entrenamiento de Computación

Únase a esta clase gratuita de computación básica y aprenda habilidades básicas de computación, incluyendo cómo encender y usar una computadora, cómo crear una cuenta de correo electrónico y cómo navegar el internet. ¡Regístrese ahora!

Family Storytime

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., the Nest

Join Miss Elizabeth for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, get help, share ideas and meet new people.

Smartphone Photography for Teens (ages 12-18)

Friday, July 12, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Walk-ins welcome as space allows, register to reserve your spot.

Insect Discovery Lab

Saturday, July 13, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

This presentation showcases a wide variety of live insects alongside education about identifying them, their roles in nature, and more.

Su galardonada presentación muestra una variedad de insectos vivos junto con educación sobre cómo identificarlos, sus funciones en la naturaleza y más.

Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, July 13, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Read whatever poetry you want to read and join in related discussions.

STEM Series: Ozobots

Monday, July 15, 1 – 2:15 p.m., Community Room

Kids are invited to learn robotics and coding through the use of Ozobots. Ozobots are best for children in grades K – 2. Please register.

Esta programa STEM ofrecerá a los niños la oportunidad de aprender robótica y codificación con el uso de Ozobots. Mejor para niños de kinder a 2do. grado. Por favor regístrese.

Valley Verde Gardening Kits

Tuesday, July 16, 1 – 2 p.m., Outside in the Paseo

Learn the importance of gardening and start your own garden with Valley Verde! Gardening kits will be provided to children, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de la jardinería y comienza tu propio jardín con Valley Verde! Se proporcionarán kits de jardinería a los niños, hasta agotar existencias.

Special Performance: Crosspulse Dance Party

Thursday, July 18, 1 – 2 p.m., Outside Paseo

Crosspulse is a "Body Music, Percussion & Rhythm Dance." They will have a dynamic stage show with lush harmony singing and exciting Body Music.

Crosspulse es "Música Corporal, Percusión y Danza Rítmica". Se ofrecerá un espectáculo dinámico con un canto de armonía exuberante y una emocionante música corporal.

Suncatcher Craft for Teens and Adults

Saturday, July 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Create a lovely 3D hanging glass suncatcher with wire, beads, and flowers to create something that will catch the eye and the sun. All materials and tools provided. Please register.

¡Únase a nosotros para crear un encantador atrapasoles de vidrio colgante en 3D! Decórelo con alambre, cuentas y flores para crear algo que llame la atención además del sol de verano. Todos los materiales y herramientas proporcionados. Regístrese para reservar su lugar.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills (ages 13+)

Saturday, July 20, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Book Discussion

Sunday, July 21, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Library Courtyard

Local sustainable food advocate Peter Ruddock will lead a discussion about the book, [*Ultra-Processed People: the Science Behind Food That Isn't Food*](#) by Chris van Tulleken.

Engineering Challenge with Tech Interactive

Monday, July 22, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Kids ages 5+ are invited to create an invention of their own using recycled materials to help solve a current environmental issue. El Tech Challenge invita a los niños de 5 años en adelante a construir cosas utilizando materiales reciclados para ayudar a resolver un problema.

Entrepreneurship Resources from the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center

Monday, July 22, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Learn about Renaissance classes, workshops, programs, special events, access to capital, and other services, as well as other resources in your community that can help you determine which programs and services are right for you and your stage of business development.

CalFresh Healthy Tips

Tuesday & Friday, July 23 & 26, 12 – 1 p.m., Courtyard

CalFresh will share great information on healthy eating and empowering children to easily make healthier food choices. Representantes de CalFresh compartirán excelente información sobre alimentación saludable y capacitarán a los niños para que elijan alimentos más saludables.

Save Our Shores

Tuesday, July 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Come learn about the exciting work Save Our Shores volunteers do in their presentation *A Day on the Beach- Having Fun While Helping Out*.

Horror Writing Workshop (Teens 13+ and Adults)

Tuesday, July 23, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn what makes a scary story tick and use those skills in your own writing. Register to reserve your spot. All reading and writing materials and supplies will be provided, but you can bring your own writing tools or device if you choose.

Horror Writing Workshop for Children (ages 9-13)

Thursday, July 25, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn what makes a scary story tick and use those skills in your own writing. Register to reserve your spot. All reading and writing materials and supplies will be provided, but you can bring your own writing tools or device if you choose.

DIY Simple LED Flashlight for Teens

Friday, July 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Learn basic circuitry to build your own simple LED flashlights to light your way on your summer adventures. All materials and tools provided. This program is just for teens age 12 to 18.

Special Performance: Wonder Magic Show

Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Civic Plaza

Fun-Filled Family Friendly Magic Show with Magician Cosmo.

Espectáculo de magia familiar lleno de diversión con el Mago Cosmo.

How to Be Your Very Best on Camera (ages 10-17)

Saturday, July 27, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

This workshop will help you appear more at ease and relaxed in Zoom job interviews, acting and self-tape auditioning. Please register.

How to Be Your Very Best on Camera (for Adults)

Saturday, July 27, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

This workshop will help you appear more at ease and relaxed in Zoom job interviews, acting and self-tape auditioning. Please register.

STEM Series: Dash & Dots

Monday, July 29, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

This series of STEM programs offer children a chance to learn robotics and coding with Dash & Dot robots (better for grades 3-5).

Esta serie de programas STEM ofrecerá a los niños la oportunidad de aprender robótica y codificación con el uso de robots Dash & Dot (mejor para niños de grados 3-5).

Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [*All My Rage*](#) by Sabaa Tahir. This is the teen selection for the year.

Special Performance: Banana Slug String Band

Wednesday, July 31, 12 – 2 p.m., Courtyard

Join us for an afternoon of music with the Banana Slug String Band! The songs are educational, funny and deeply moving. Kids come away, inspired, and ready to learn more about the Earth.

¡Únete a nosotros para una tarde de música con el grupo músico Banana Slug String Band! Las canciones son educativas, divertidas y profundamente conmovedoras. Los niños salen inspirados y listos para aprender más sobre el planeta.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then ask questions for 10 minutes with instructor Manisha.

Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers.

¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Camp Read S'More for Grades 4-5

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Camp Read S'More is a great way to keep your incoming 4th or 5th grader engaged during the summer. We will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Please register.

Teen Craft: Perler Dioramas (ages 12+)

Tuesday, July 2, 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Make a free-standing diorama out of perler beads featuring your favorite characters and games.

Camp Readaway for Grades 6+

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Conference Room

Camp Readaway is the perfect way to keep your middle schooler engaged and entertained during the summer months. We will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Please register.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, July 3, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will discuss [Back to the Garden](#) by Laurie R. King.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays, July 3, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, & 31, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

This interactive storytime is for early walkers, 1s and 2s. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before storytime.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room

Non-walking babies and their caregivers will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, short books and other fun. After storytime, enjoy the Stay & Play.

Special Performance: Magician Mike Della Penna

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m. & 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Magician Mike Della Penna will bring wonder and laughter to the library.

Poetry Community Hour

Wednesday, July 3, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D

Share your poetry and come hear poems by local and national poets. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

Let's Make Origami (grades K-8)

Friday, July 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to create origami designs from origami paper. All materials provided, no registration required.

Baby Sign and Stay & Play

Saturday, July 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies under a year old and their grownups are welcome to sing songs and learn signs to share with your baby. Please bring a blanket for your baby. After storytime, stay and play with age-appropriate toys.

Science Saturday: Intro to Tectonics

Saturday, July 6, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Participants will consider how mountains are formed and work to construct a puzzle model of Pangaea. Register online.

Smelly Lunchbox Cooking Demo

Sunday, July 7, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to make vegetarian chive and egg rice paper dumplings.

Special Performance: Coventry and Kaluza

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 3:30 p.m. and 4 – 4:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy a variety of skills and thrills which feature juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, hula hooping and dog tricks. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Adventure to Costa Rica with Road Scholar

Wednesday, July 10, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room

Take a travel adventure to central Costa Rica and see photos of lush rainforests with monkeys, birds, and sloths.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 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

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Children 3-5 and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, movement and more!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

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.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills (ages 13+)

Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

3D Printing Workshop for Teens

Saturday, July 13, 2 – 3 p.m.

We will demonstrate the printing process and go over how to find printer designs online. This workshop is limited to teens 12+.

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, July 14, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Come with family and friends for an afternoon of fun and games. We have board games for children, teens, and adults – plus LEGOs!

Drawing Landscapes with Chalk Pastels and Colored Pencils

Tuesday, July 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Draw a landscape with chalk pastels and colored pencils. Teens and adults are welcome to join. Registration is not necessary.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Wednesday, July 17, 3 – 4 p.m. & 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Puppet Art Theater presents Tommy's Pirate Adventure. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Container Gardening

Wednesday, July 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn what containers to use, the requirements for soil, fertilizer and water to keep your container garden growing all season.

The California Condor Comeback Story

Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn about the 20-year-long captive breeding program that has resulted in California Condors flying through Northern California skies once again.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Come learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite. We welcome newcomers to hobby gaming and families with kids.

Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)

Sunday, July 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This is a time to relax with the community and let your creativity shine.

Los Altos Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 23, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Email lpasternack@sccl.org to join the club and find out this month's selection.

Special Performance: Queer Taiko

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 3:45 p.m. & 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

The thunderous sounds of the drums as language, culture, and history combine into an exciting educational experience. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Wednesday Travel Nights: Tasmania

Wednesday, July 24, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Through a medley of photos, enjoy the rich history, unique animal life, differs landscape and day-to-day life of Tasmanians.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Friday, July 26, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1 – 2:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Work of Heart Studio will lead this workshop. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited, and content will be the same for both sessions. Please sign up for only one session per month.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Saturday, July 27, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, July 29, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom](#) by Ilyon Woo.

Special Performance: Magician Brian Scott

Wednesday, July 31, 3 – 3:45 p.m. & 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Magician Brian Scott will present a show filled with amazing music, laughter, and join-in fun. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Flowers as Islands: A Talk by Tadashi Fukami

Wednesday, July 31, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room

Tadashi Fukami will discuss “flowers as islands,” where the microbial community is formed in flower nectar with the help of hummingbirds, which can change nectar chemistry to alter how attractive the flowers are to hummingbirds, and therefore how successful the flowers will be in producing seeds.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Pre-walkers**

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room

This program focuses on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books. This program is designed for babies up to 12 months.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Insect Discovery Lab

Wednesday, July 3, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium

Explore the fantastic lives of beetles, millipedes, hissing cockroaches, walking sticks, whip scorpions and more. [Register online.](#)

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 3 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

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

Pajama Jam Family Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

Snuggle up in your comfiest PJs as we dive into stories, fingerplays, rhymes, and tunes for everyone.

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 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, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you are stuck and share ideas. Instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati. No registration required. Materials not provided.

Board Game Day

Saturday, July 6, 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.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing and action with picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays.

Bay Area Adventures Film Festival

Sundays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Auditorium

Our film festival includes classic and contemporary movies all set in the Bay Area. A full schedule of the films will be provided at each showing.

Family Jigsaw Puzzles (Ages 5-12)

Monday, July 8, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Children ages 5+ can challenge themselves to finish 100 or 500 piece jigsaw puzzles. This is a drop-in program.

Toddler STEAM (ages 3-5)

Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room

Each month we will learn, nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required. Parents must participate with their child. Siblings welcomed.

Speculative Fiction Book Club

Tuesday, July 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [*Elder Race*](#) by Adrian Tchaikovsky.

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Cryptography

Wednesday, July 10, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Cryptography is the science of encoding and decoding messages and is still important in our current technological world. Learn about different types of ciphers through a variety of code-breaking activities using tools, keys, and your very own brain. Register online.

Anime Club for Grades 4 – 6

Wednesdays, July 10 & 24, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

We will hang out, eat snacks and watch anime.

Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 1 and 2 year olds, features lots of movement, singing and action.

Special Performance: Soul4Kidz

Thursday, July 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance.

Tiny Olympics (ages 2 – 5)

Friday, July 12, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Auditorium

Participate in a pint-size version of the Olympic Games. Parents will need to stay with their child.

Gaming Day (grades 3 – 8)

Fridays, July 12 & 26, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Play videogames like Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart and more. You can bring your own controller, but you are responsible for it.

Paint Your Own Pottery for Teens (age 12-18)

Saturday, July 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Pre-made pottery pieces and paint will be supplied. Please register.

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Python Ron

Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Python Ron will bring his collection of snakes to the library. Come learn about reptiles in this interactive program for children in grades 3 – 6. Register online.

Coloring Hours for Kids

Wednesday, July 17, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Drop in and join us for an hour of coloring and relaxation. All supplies will be provided. No registration required.

Perfectly Whelmed Improv (Grades 3 – 8)

Thursday, July 18, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Unleash your inner comedy genius with improv exercises. Register online.

Teen Manga Workshop (ages 12 – 18)

Friday, July 19, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Learn how comic books are made and create your own. Registration required.

Christmas in July

Tuesday, July 23, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Make some holiday-themed crafts while listening to holiday music. All supplies will be provided. This program is for grades K-5. Please register.

Summer STEM with Tech Interactive (Grades 1 – 8)

Wednesdays, July 24 & 31, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Kids are invited to create an invention of their own by using recycled materials. Register online.

Special Performance: Boswick's Reading Circus

Thursday, July 25, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Join Boswick for a whimsical escapade where children can unleash their inner wild animal, attempt nifty acrobats and even give juggling a whirl.

The Peaceful Poets

Thursday, July 25, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

Join other poetry writers and appreciators of poetry.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

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

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 2:45 p.m. and 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium

Watch birds from around the world do the most amazing things: singing Amazon parrots, colorful Macaws, and clever Cockatoos performing tricks. Wristbands are required for entry, and will be given out 30 minutes before the performance.

Teen Printmaking (ages 12 – 18)

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

A Work of Heart studio will lead a workshop about collagraphy, a form of printmaking.

Rock Paper Scissors Tournament (Grades K – 8)

Monday, July 29, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Compete in our tournament for a chance to be crowned the champion. Please register in person at the Children's Reference Desk.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**Lunch at the Library**

Monday—Friday, Through August, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required.

¡Almuerzos Gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años! No es necesario registrarse.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, July 2, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Knitters are welcome to come and work together. New knitters can get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can meet new friends.

Tiny Tot Jamboree

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Toddlers (1-2 years old) and caregivers are invited to join us for short fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Babies (12 months and younger) and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more!

Bilingual Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, July 6, 13, & 27, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for family fun with your little one! Stories, music, movement, and more! Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English). ¡Acompáñenos para divertirse en familia con su pequeño! Cuentos, música, movimiento y más. Las horas de cuentos son bilingües (español/inglés).

Seed Bomb Workshop (during Lunch at the Library)

Monday, July 8, 12:30 – 1 p.m.

Come make a seed bomb with Valley Verde! A seed bomb is a collection of seeds in a form that is easy to plant outdoors. While supplies last.

¡Ven a hacer una bomba de semillas con Valley Verde! Una bomba de semillas es una colección de semillas en una forma fácil de plantar al aire libre. Hasta agotar existencias.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, July 10, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

We will discuss [*Sitting Pretty*](#) by Rebekah Taussig.

Silly Circus

Thursday, July 11, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Bri Crabtree's Silly Circus Show is full of outrageous jokes and sleight-of-hand tricks will have you glued to your seats, howling with laughter, and asking, "How did she do that?"

CalFresh Healthy Tips

Thursdays, July 11 & 18, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room

CalFresh will share great information on healthy eating and empowering children to easily make healthier food choices. Compartirán excelente información sobre alimentación saludable y capacitarán a los niños para que elijan alimentos más saludables fácilmente.

Teens & Tweens Crafternoon (ages 10—17)

Thursdays, July 11 & 25, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room

These crafts are a bit more challenging, using more difficult materials to manipulate. All supplies will be provided. No registration necessary.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth (ages 13-25)

Fridays, July 12 & 26, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

LGBTQ+ youth are invited to play games, participate in group activities and discussions, and build community. No registration necessary.

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, July 13, 20, & 27, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Adult Program Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. ¡Únase a nosotros para tener conversaciones divertidas y practicar el inglés! Este programa es para adultos de 18 años y mayores que hablan inglés a nivel básico.

Zumba

Mondays, July 15 & 29, 6 – 7 p.m., Program Room

Join us for a free dance and rhythm-based workout. This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, fitness party exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a high-energy cardio blast.

Helpful Bugs with Beetlelady

Tuesday, July 16, 1 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Kids will learn about ladybugs, bees, and many other helpful arthropods, and how they help us and the environment we share.

STEM Camp

Tuesday-Friday, July 16-19, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Learn to operate Dash & Dot robots and dig into other exciting topics. This is a drop-in program for children 5+ and their adults.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, July 16, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along! No registration required.

Toddler Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for stories, music, movement and more. This program is geared towards children ages 2-3 and their caregivers.

Preschool Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Children ages 4-5 and caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more.

Special Performance: Soul4Kidz

Saturday, July 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance.

Road Scholar Nature and Environmental Adventures

Saturday, July 20, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., Program Room

Take a travel adventure to central Costa Rica and see photos of lush rainforests with monkeys, birds, and sloths.

Butterfly Bath Workshop (during Lunch at the Library)

Monday, July 22, 12:30 – 1 p.m.

Come learn the importance of pollinators with Valley Verde! Learn more about these essential and tireless workers and make butterfly baths, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de los polinizadores con Valley Verde! Aprenda más sobre estos trabajadores esenciales e incansables y haga baños de mariposas, hasta agotar existencias.

Bollywood Dance Class for Teens and Adults (ages 12+)

Monday, July 22, 8 – 9 p.m., Program Room

Not only will you get to groove to energetic Bollywood beats, but you'll have the chance to explore a bit of South Asian culture and heritage. No registration required.

Sip & Savor Mocktails

Tuesday, July 23, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Concoct two literary-inspired mocktails. Mocktails are available on a first-come, first-served basis. No registration required. This program is for adults 18+.

Python Ron's Reptile Kingdom

Thursday, July 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Activity Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Meditation at the Library

Sunday, June 28, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Tune into the present moment, waken your senses and cultivate a deeper connection with yourself and the world around you. No registration required.

Valley Verde Gardening Kits (during Lunch at the Library)

Wednesday, July 31, 1 – 2 p.m.

Learn the importance of gardening and start your own garden with Valley Verde! Gardening kits will be provided to children, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de la jardinería y comienza tu propio jardín con Valley Verde! Se proporcionarán kits de jardinería a los niños, hasta agotar existencias.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Once Upon Tomorrow Art Exhibit**

Through July, Group Study Room

This exhibit features a unique teenage perspective on global challenges including climate change and industrialization through the innocence of childhood eyes.

Mystery Book Club

Monday, July 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [The Spy Coast](#) by Tess Gerritsen. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Band Jam Session

Tuesdays, July 2 & 9, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Grab your guitar or ukulele and let's jam!

Family Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Saturdays, July 6, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, July 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [The Martian](#) by Andy Weir. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, July 3, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Python Ron's Reptile Show & Tell

Wednesday, July 3, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Indian Classical Concert

Saturdays, July 6 & 13, 2 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

SR Fine Arts invites you to an Indian classical concert by Bay Area musicians from the Indian community.

Kids Glitter Slime

Tuesday, July 9, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Make and keep your very own glitter slide. One per child. All materials will be provided, seating is limited.

Seasons of Birds at Shoreline Park

Tuesday, July 9, 7 – 8 p.m.

Local author/photographer Karen Gough shares a narrated presentation of original photographs and video about the wide variety of birds found at Shoreline Park. Register online.

Teen Paint Party

Friday, July 12, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

Artist Paul Loughridge will lead a hands-on teen paint party. All materials and supplies provided. Please register at the Adult Reference Desk.

Special Performance: Mr. Elephant Musical Adventure

Saturday, July 13, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Mr. Elephant and his puppet pals sing original family-friendly songs with styles ranging from rock to reggae, beats to bossa nova.

Board Game Night for Adults

Monday, July 15, 6 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

Drop in and enjoy a variety of board games.

DIY Space Helmet

Tuesday, July 16, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Kids can create a space helmet using a paper bag. All materials will be provided, no registration required. Seating is limited.

Rainforest Animals

Wednesday, July 17, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Wildmind Science will teach you about the armadillo, coendou, macaw, skink and spectacled owl.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

This 30- minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

Teatime Book Chatter

Thursday, July 18, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

We will be sharing and recommending our favorite recent reads with other group members.

Yoga for Success

Sunday, July 21, 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Learn simple yet powerful yoga postures to bring stability and balance. Please bring your own yoga mat and towel. Please register to attend.

Family Bingo Night

Tuesday, July 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Fun for the entire family! Get a Bingo and win a prize.

Special Performance: Surfing Magician

Wednesday, July 24, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Get ready to be amazed and amused by Doug the Surfing Magician.

Digital Literacy Class

Thursday, July 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

Learn basic computer skills, practice accessing the internet and how to stay safe online.

Spanish/English Storytime

Thursday, July 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers.

¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Wednesday, July 31, 11 – 11:45 a.m. and 12 – 12:45 p.m., Community Room

Watch birds from around the world do the most amazing things: singing Amazon parrots, colorful Macaws, and clever Cockatoos performing tricks. Please only attend one show.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road

Monday Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

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

Woodland Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 9, 2 – 3:15 p.m.

Email lpasternack@sccl.org to join the club and find out this month's selection.

Family Storytime: Colors & Flags

Sunday, July 14, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a storytime with the theme Colors & Flags. Dress for the weather!

Family Storytime: Camping

Sunday, July 28, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a camping-themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)

Virtual Author Talk: Kate DiCamillo

Tuesday, July 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will be sharing the stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, the original [Mercy Watson](#), and the follow up series, [Tales from Deckawoo Drive](#).

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Max Brallier

Tuesday, July 16, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

We're talking with New York Times bestselling author Max Brallier about [The Last Kids on Earth](#), both the book series and the Netflix animated series.

Virtual Author Talk: Jordan Morris

Wednesday, July 17, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion with graphic novel author Jordan Morris about his experience writing and publishing graphic novels, comic books, podcasts, and major television networks.

Virtual Author Talk: Elizabeth Acevedo

Tuesday, July 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

In this exciting online conversation and Q&A, Elizabeth Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning [The Poet X](#), which serves as a backdrop to this amazing chat.

Virtual Author Talk: Dan Santat

Tuesday, July 30, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Dan Santat's award winning book, [A First Time for Everything](#), is a graphic memoir based on his own awkward middle school years and the trip to Europe that changed his life.

Art Talk: Legion of Honor Turns 100

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m.

The Legion of Honor is home to one of the world's outstanding collections of Rodin sculpture and European Art. This talk tells the fascinating story of how the museum was modeled after the Legion of Honor in Paris and would come to be built on a hill with a breathtaking view of the San Francisco Bay.

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Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian

A Library Card is the Most Important School Supply!

Many schools in Santa Clara County are starting the new academic year in the coming weeks. Santa Clara County Library District (SCCLD) libraries are ready to help students succeed.



Students (and educators) can find books and research materials on different topics in our [libraries](#), [Bookmobile](#) and [Online Library](#), and our librarians are ready to help patrons find the right resources, including a few geared specifically for students. [Scholastic Go!](#) offers encyclopedia databases including Amazing Animals, America the Beautiful, Lands and Peoples, and The New Book of Popular Science. [Brainfuse HelpNow](#) provides free online tutoring help for K-12 from 1 – 10 p.m. every day. Students can get help with English and language arts, math, science, social studies, test prep, and more.

Stay tuned for more details about our popular Homework Help program, offered to students in grades K-6 afterschool in our libraries. Read below to find out how to become a tutor.



Tutors Needed

The Santa Clara County Library District is putting out a call to volunteers who would like to help their neighbors succeed!

We are looking for [volunteers to provide homework help](#) to students in grades K-6 in the topics of Math, Science, and English.

Volunteer tutors must be at least 14 years old, available at least one day (Monday-Thursday) per week from 4 – 5:30 p.m., and commit to a full semester. Students can earn community service hours for this program! Adult volunteers will be background checked, and all tutors must attend required trainings. If you're ready to volunteer and help students succeed, please fill out our [online application form](#).

In addition, [The Reading Program](#) is looking for adult tutors who would like to help adult learners improve their English reading, writing and speaking skills. Tutors must be 18+ years old, be able to read and write English at a high school level, pass a background check, and dedicate at least 2 hours a week for 6 months working with their learner. No teaching experience is necessary. There are upcoming orientations and trainings coming up. Register for an orientation [here](#).



SCCLD Expands Passport Services

The Gilroy Library is just about ready to begin offering [U.S. passport services](#) in August. This marks the fourth SCCLD library to become an official passport acceptance facility following Milpitas, Cupertino and Los Altos Libraries. Saratoga Library will also begin offering this convenient option for passport services later this year.

Since January 2022, SCCLD libraries have processed more than 19,500 passport applications. SCCLD is the County of Santa Clara's primary provider of passport services. Our passport facilities offer weekday, weekend, and evening hours to accommodate residents' busy schedules.

People can visit scclld.org/passport to see a list of services offered, make an appointment, find out what important documents are needed, and applicable fees. Applicants do not need to be library cardholders to utilize this service.

Cupertino Library Passport Office Hours:

Tuesday and Wednesday 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. (closed 4 – 5 p.m.)

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (closed 1 – 2 p.m.)

Gilroy Library Passport Office Hours:

Tuesday and Wednesday 1 – 8 p.m. (closed 4 – 5 p.m.)

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (closed 1 – 2 p.m.)

Los Altos Library Passport Office Hours:

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (closed 1 – 2 p.m.)

Wednesday and Thursday 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. (closed 4 – 5 p.m.)

Milpitas Library Passport Office Hours:

Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (closed 1 – 2 p.m.)

Monday and Tuesday 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. (closed 4 – 5 p.m.)

New ESL Class Series to Begin

SCCLD is happy to once again offer [English as a Second Language](#) (ESL) classes for patrons who would like to practice and improve their English listening and speaking skills. Classes will be held several times a week for up to 16 weeks at [Gilroy, Los Altos, Milpitas and Saratoga Libraries](#) and are led by professional ESL instructors.



Residents must be 18 years or older, and must be able to attend the entire session. Interested participants are required to take a placement test to determine their level.

SCCLD libraries also offer [English Conversation Clubs](#) where learners can practice their English speaking skills in a supportive and more informal environment.



Summer Reading 2024 is in the Books!

Our Summer Reading program, [Adventure Begins at Your Library](#), is wrapping up for the season. We thank you for joining us as we dove into the pages of thrilling tales, explored far-off lands, and met fascinating characters along the way!

Participants who have read and logged five books and completed one activity are welcome to pick up their completion prizes at their home library starting August 1. *Prizes are available while supplies last.*

Enter to Win Free Concert Tickets!

Kidz Bop is a children's music group that sings family-friendly covers of current songs. SCCLD is holding a special Summer Reading prize drawing for two Family 4-Pack of tickets to a [Kidz Bop Concert](#) on September 22 at Shoreline Amphitheatre in Mountain View.



Please visit our [website](#) to enter. One entry per family please. Multiple entries will be disqualified, and only 500 entries will be accepted. The winners must be able to attend the concert on September 22.

Entries are accepted August 1 – 31. The winners will be notified by September 6.

Celebrate StoryWalks® with Us!

SCCLD continues to add more Storywalks® in our partner cities this month. [Kevin Moran Park](#) in Saratoga and [Jack Fischer Park](#) in Campbell will feature a Storywalk® for families to read and enjoy [Cat's Colors](#) by Airlie Anderson. This is in addition to the StoryWalk® at [Community Park](#) in Morgan Hill.



We invite you and the public to several free community programs to celebrate StoryWalks®. [Sean's Music Factory](#) will be visiting Morgan Hill Library on August 10 at 10:30 a.m. to perform a special family concert with songs all about cats and colors. He will also be at Jack Fischer Park in Campbell on Wednesday, September 11. Join us at the park for storytime at 10:30 a.m. and a concert at 11:15 a.m. It's sure to be a fun filled morning!



Enjoy Expanded Hours with Open Access

SCCLD is offering a new service at the Gilroy Library. Open Access allows patrons to enjoy exclusive, self-service access to browse books, check out library materials, relax and read, or use the free WiFi in the Gilroy Library lobby, before the library fully opens to the public.

It's easy to get started!

1. Visit the [Gilroy Library](#) during regular open hours to fill out a form to register for self-service hours.
2. Once you have completed the form, take it to the accounts desk.
3. Staff will walk you through a short demonstration of how to scan your card to access self-service hours.
4. Once the demonstration is completed, staff will update your library card to allow access to self-service hours.

Open Access is available Sunday-Wednesday from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. (excluding holidays). ***Please note: no staff assistance will be provided, so if you need help, please visit during regular library hours for full service.***

This service is also available at [Woodland Library](#). Open Access hours are 10 a.m. -- 1 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, excluding holidays. Please visit the Accounts Desk to sign up.

We hope you enjoy this convenient service at the Gilroy and Woodland Libraries!

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

AUGUST 2024 EVENTS

Summer Reading programs are highlighted in blue.

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

Growing Blueberries in Santa Clara County

Tuesday, August 20, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Learn about the types of blueberries that flourish in our region and explore essential topics, including finding the ideal location, sunlight exposure, soil composition, watering practices, fertilization techniques, mulching, pruning methods, harvesting tips and pest management.

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue

Reading Buddies

Thursday, August 1, and Monday, August 12, 7 – 8 p.m.

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.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in. Meet new friends, start new projects, or finish old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

Babywearing Dance

Sundays, August 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

Join us for babywearing dance.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Please register online.

Flex Prep Seminar for Teens

Wednesday, August 7, 6 – 7 p.m., Room 201A

A counselor will share what works in college applications and the growing importance of a great college essay.

Create CU: Monoprinting using Gelli Plates

Friday, August 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

Come learn how to do monoprinting using Gelli Plates. All instruction and materials will be provided. This program is for adults 18+. Please register to save your spot.

Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Sunday, August 11, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*Awe: The New Science of Everyday Wonder and How it Can Transform Your Life*](#) by Dacher Keltner.

Book Discussion for Adults

Wed., August 14, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thursday, August 15, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Room 201B

We will be discussing [*Loot*](#) by Tania James.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills

Saturday, August 17, 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Master Gardeners: Growing Citrus Successfully

Wednesday, August 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201

Learn about citrus varieties for our climate, planting tips, soil preparation, nutrient requirements, irrigation, pruning and managing pests.

Poetry Workshop: A Time for Rhyme

Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201

This workshop is a welcoming place to explore rhymes and learn tricks for using rhyme in your own poems. Register online.

Sunday Line Dance

Sunday, August 25, 2 – 3:15 p.m., Room 201

Learn and master shuffles, sweeps and turns while improving your balance, coordination, stamina, footwork and arm styling. For beginner to improver levels. No registration required.

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**Family Storytime**

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., the Nest

Join Miss Elizabeth for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Lunch at the Library

Monday—Friday, Through August 16, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required. **¡Almuerzos Gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años!** No es necesario registrarse.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, get help, share ideas and meet new people.

Book Discussion

Friday, August 2, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [All My Rage](#) by Sabaa Tahir. This is the teen selection for the year.

Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth

Fridays, August 2 & 16, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B

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

Bilingual Storytime: English & Spanish / Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe: Ingles y Español

Saturdays, August 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., the Nest

Join us for stories and songs in English and Spanish, followed by music and playtime with Librarians Patty and Cameron. Acompáñenos a escuchar cuentos y canciones en ingles y español, seguido por música y tiempo para jugar con los Bibliotecarios Patty y Cameron.

End of Summer Party

Saturday, August 3, 3 – 5 p.m., Children's Area

The event will feature crafts for kids and teens, pizza and refreshments in the courtyard. It will also be a great time to pick up your Summer Reading completion! El evento contará con la creación de pines para niños y adolescentes, pizza y refrescos en el patio. ¡También será un buen momento para recoger tus premios por completar el desafío de lectura de verano!

Pajama Storytime

Mondays, August 5, 12, 19, & 26, 7 – 7:30 p.m., the Nest

Join us for stories, sing songs, and wear your pajamas! Lee cuentos, canta canciones y ponte la pijama para una hora de cuentos para niños de todas las edades.

Zumba

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room

Zumba features rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia, and samba set to Latin and international beats. Wear comfortable workout clothes and shoes. No registration is required. Zumba presenta ritmos como salsa, merengue, cumbia y samba con ritmos latinos e internacionales. Use ropa y zapatos deportivos cómodos. No es necesario registrarse.

Bilingual English and Vietnamese Storytime/Độc Truyện Song Ngữ Anh Việt

Wednesdays, August 7, 14, 21, & 28, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., the Nest

Come read, sing, dance, and play with Miss Như Ý. Mời bé đến đọc sách, ca múa, và vui chơi cùng cô Như Ý.

LGBTQ+ Listening Forum

Wednesdays, August 7, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room

You're invited to share feedback on what programs and services are needed today for the LGBTQ+ community. Food and drinks will be served. Please [register](#).

LEGO Club

Friday, August 9, 3 – 4:30 p.m., the Nest

We provide LEGOs, children build fun creation that will be displayed in the library. Nosotros proporcionamos los legos, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas! Estas seran exhibidas en la biblioteca.

Vegan Sushi Making Workshop

Saturday, August 10, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

You will learn about the ingredients, methods and tools needed. Also, the difference between sushi rice and rice and how to properly stack and roll. Registration required.

Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, August 10, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Read whatever poetry you want to read and join in related discussions.

PC Building from Scratch Workshop

Saturday, August 10, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

This presentation, geared towards ages 11-15, will cover PC components and tools needed, step-by-step building process, budgeting and Q&A. Walk-ins welcome as space allows. Register to reserve your spot.

Self-Care Saturday

Saturday, August 17, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Community Room

We will create personal care products with rosemary and mint for you to take home and enjoy. Please note, we will be using dried herbs, coconut oil, and essential oils. This program is for teens and adults. Please register.

STEAM Program: Paper Skyscrapers (Grades 1-8)

Tuesday, August 20, 6 – 7 p.m., the Nest

We will learn about engineering skyscrapers and build a paper version. All supplies provided. En agosto, aprenderemos sobre la ingeniería de rascacielos y cómo construir nuestro propio rascacielos de papel. Todos los materiales serán proporcionados.

ESL Class Session/Sesión de clase de inglés

Mondays and Wednesdays, August 26 – November 25, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Reading Program

This class session is for high beginners to low intermediate. Join us to learn and improve your English listening and speaking skills. Space is limited so registration is recommended. Esta sesión de clase es para principiantes altos hasta intermedios bajos. Únase a nosotros para aprender y mejorar sus habilidades para escuchar y hablar en inglés. El espacio es limitado por lo que se recomienda registrarse.

Reading Buddies/Compañeros de Lectura

Monday, August 26, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., the Nest/el Nido

Each 15-minute session is with a specially trained therapy dog and their volunteer. Stop by the Children's Desk to register for a 15-minute reading session. ¡Cada sesión de 15 minutos es con un perro de terapia especialmente entrenado y su voluntario! Pasa por el Escritorio de Niños cada mes para registrarte para una sesión de lectura de 15 minutos.

Pastel & Charcoal Drawing Class

Tuesday, August 27, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room

All adult & teen artists are welcome. No experience necessary. All supplies will be provided.

Please register. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**The Moon Dream Exhibit**

Through the month of August, Art Wall

Viviana Leija-Sysak's *The Moon Dream* art exhibition will be on display at the Art Wall.

ESL Class Placement Test

Thursday, August 1 – Friday, September 13, Conference Room

This class session is for beginner and intermediate students to learn and improve English listening and speaking skills. Registration for a placement test is required. ESL classes will be Monday, Tuesdays & Fridays from September 3 – October 29.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays & Thursdays, August 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m.,

Orchard Room

This interactive storytime is for early walkers, 1s and 2s. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before storytime.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 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

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Children 3-5 and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, movement and more!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

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.

Let's Make Origami (grades K-8)

Friday, August 2, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to create origami designs from origami paper. All materials provided, no registration required.

Baby Sign and Stay & Play

Saturday, August 3, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies ages 0-12 months and their grownups are welcome to sing songs and learn signs to share with your baby. Please bring a blanket for your baby. After storytime, stay and play with age-appropriate toys.

Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, August 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then ask questions for 10 minutes with instructor Manisha.

Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime/Hora de cuentos bilingüe para familias

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers. ¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Happier Aging Workshop

Tuesday, August 6, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn about healthier and happier living at home. The workshop will share local resources including senior transportation, as well as safety tips in the home. Please register.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, August 7, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will discuss [*Blacktop Wasteland*](#) by S.A. Cosby.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play

Wednesdays, August 7, 14, 21, & 28, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room

Non-walking babies and their caregivers will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, short books and other fun. After storytime, enjoy the Stay & Play.

Eating Disorders and Body Positivity

Wednesdays, August 7, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for an informational presentation about eating disorders and body positivity. Register online.

Poetry Community Hour

Wednesday, August 7, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D

Read your poetry, fiction or nonfiction, or just come to listen, talk and learn what's new in modern poetry.

Native California Oak Mysteries

Thursday, August 8, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room

Of the some 600 species of oaks worldwide, roughly 21 are native to California. This talk will focus on understanding the recent historical identities of the surviving Santa Clara County oaks.

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Sat., August 10, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., 12:30 – 1:15 p.m. Orchard Room

Enjoy more than 25 amazing tricks performed by talking and singing parrots. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance. There are three performances.

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, August 11, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Come with family and friends for an afternoon of fun and games. We have board games for children, teens, and adults – plus LEGOs!

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, August 17, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Come learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite. We welcome newcomers to hobby gaming and families with kids.

Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)

Sunday, August 18, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This is a time to relax with the community and let your creativity shine.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Friday, August 23, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1 – 2:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Work of Heart Studio will lead this workshop. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited, and content will be the same for both sessions. Please sign up for only one session per month.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Saturday, August 24, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, August 26, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*The Heat Will Kill You First: Life and Death on a Scorched Planet*](#) by Jeff Goodell.

Los Altos Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, August 27, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We discuss mostly contemporary fiction titles. Space is limited. Email lpasternack@sccl.org to get monthly reminders.

Wednesday Travel Nights

Wednesday, August 28, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Let's go on a stunning video journey on Antarctica and South Georgia Island.

Earth-Independent Operations for Human Missions to Mars

Thursday, August 29, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This talk will discuss the history of NASA's human space flight missions and current approach to increasingly Earth-independent operations including advances in communication networks, advanced sensor networks, onboard intelligent systems and crew preparation.

Writing Family History with AI Workshop

Saturday, August 31, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn storytelling fundamentals from traditional tales to AI-generated narratives. Discover how AI can enhance your writing process and create captivating stories. Please register.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**Decorate a Book Bag (Ages 7-12)**

Thursday, August 1, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Auditorium

Drop in to decorate a book bag. Book bags available while supplies last.

Brawl Stars Tournament (ages 12-18)

Friday, August 2, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Program Room

This is a bracket-style tournament with limited spots, so please arrive on time. Participants must bring their own charged phone. They will play in the “Friendly Duels” game mode and be allowed to ban one brawler each.

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 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, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you are stuck and share ideas. Instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati. No registration required. Materials not provided.

Board Game Day

Saturday, August 3, 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.

Fun with Art Presented by First5 Santa Clara County

Wednesday, August 7, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium or Activity Room

Come make some art with us and learn about the resources provided at the resource center.

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, August 7, 14, 21, & 28, 3 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

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

Little Learners STEAM (ages 3-5)

Tuesday, August 13, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Each month we will learn, nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required. Parents must participate with their child. Siblings welcomed.

Speculative Fiction Book Club

Tuesday, August 13, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [Recursion](#) by Blake Crouch.

Teen Intro to SQL Workshop (ages 12-18)

Saturday, August 17, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Program Room

Join us for a hands-on workshop on the basics of SQL (Structured Query Language). You'll be learning about database querying and data analysis. Bring a laptop if you can. Register online.

Open Creativity Craft Hour (Teens 13+ and Adults)

Sunday, August 18, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium

We will provide a variety of craft supplies, you bring the creativity! Walk-in while supplies last.

Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Pre-walkers

Tuesdays, August 20 & 27, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room

This program focuses on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books. This program is designed for babies up to 12 months.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Tuesdays, August 20 & 27, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This 30- minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

ICAN Read!

Wednesday, August 21, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

Join us for children's stories in Vietnamese and English that nurture imagination, and inspire a love for learning! Furthermore, children will be able to showcase and practice their creative abilities with a variety of crafts activities. Chương trình ICAN Read! mở ra một thế giới đầy màu sắc cùng nhiều câu truyện khơi dậy niềm yêu thích đọc sách ở trẻ. Ngoài ra, các bé có cơ hội thể hiện khả năng sáng tạo của mình thông qua các hoạt động thủ công.

Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together

Thursdays, August 22 & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 1 and 2 year olds, features lots of movement, singing and action.

Preschool Storytime: 3s & 4s Budding Bookworms

Thursdays, August 22 & 29, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 3 and 4 year olds, features longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, August 24 & 31, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing and action with picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, August 24, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

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

The Peaceful Poets

Thursday, August 29, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

Join other poetry writers and appreciators of poetry.

Rubik's Cube Club for Teens/Tweens

Fridays, August 30, September 6 & 13, 4 – 5 p.m., Program Room

We will teach you everything you need to know to solve your first Rubik's cube. Attendance for all three events is required. Space is limited, so register as soon as possible.

Teen Book Club (ages 13 – 18)

Saturday, August 31, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Peer-led and run, this will be a relaxed meeting to just chat. We will discuss [*Under the Whispering Door*](#) by TJ Klune. Snacks and refreshments provided.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**Lunch at the Library**

Monday—Friday, Through August 9, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required. **¡Almuerzos Gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años!** No es necesario registrarse.

Tiny Tot Jamboree

Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Toddlers (1-2 years old) and caregivers are invited to join us for short fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree

Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Babies (12 months and younger) and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more!

Bilingual Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, August 3, 17, 24, & 31, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for family fun with your little one! Stories, music, movement, and more! Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English). ¡Acompáñenos para divertirse en familia con su pequeño! ¡Cuentos, música, movimiento y más! Las horas de cuentos son bilingües (español/inglés).

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, August 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Adult Program Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. ¡Únase a nosotros para tener conversaciones divertidas y practicar el inglés! Este programa es para adultos de 18 años y mayores que hablan inglés básico.

Zumba

Mondays, August 5 & 19, 6 – 7 p.m., Program Room

Join us for a free dance and rhythm-based workout. This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, fitness party exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a high-energy cardio blast.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-6

Mondays, August 5 & 19, 6 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room

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

Sneaky Bugs with Beetlelady

Tuesday, August 6, 1 – 3 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for an interactive storytime about how bugs hide and how they defend themselves. Meet live bugs up close and make insect camouflage art.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Knitters are welcome to come and work together. New knitters can get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can meet new friends.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, August 7, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

We will discuss [The Coworker](#) by Freida McFadden.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth (ages 13-25)

Fridays, August 9, 23, & 30, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

LGBTQ+ youth are invited to play games, participate in group activities and discussions, and build community. No registration necessary. The 30th meetup is a special end-of-summer program.

Cat's Colors StoryWalk Concert

Saturday, August 10, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Celebrate the launch of our StoryWalk® at Community Park with a concert featuring Sean's Music Factory.

Dungeons & Dragons Open House: An Introduction to Parents

Saturday, August 10, 3 – 5 p.m., Community Room

This talk will highlight the positive social benefits of tweens and teens participating in D&D. You will discover how learning the skills to fight imaginary dragons can help with real world problem solving, and how it can help kids develop a sense of teamwork and of agency.

Bollywood Dance Class for Teens and Adults (ages 12+)

Monday, August 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

Not only will you get to groove to energetic Bollywood beats, but you'll have the chance to explore a bit of South Asian culture and heritage. No registration required.

Explore Your Creativity: Open Paint Session

Tuesday, August 13, 6 – 8 p.m., Program Room

We'll have a limited supply of paint-by-number kits, canvas and paints available. Let your creative spirit guide you. Registration is not required.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills

Wednesday, August 14, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along! No registration required.

Dungeons & Dragons for Teens (ages 11-18)

Saturday, August 24, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

If you are looking for a group to play with, join us! Please note, by joining our club you are committing to playing twice a month for the entire Fall 2024 semester. We will meet eight times. This first session is important, as we will discuss the type of campaign, basic rules and expectations and more.

Meditation at the Library

Sunday, August 25, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Tune into the present moment, waken your senses and cultivate a deeper connection with yourself and the world around you. No registration required.

Western States Adventures with Road Scholar

Saturday, August 31, 12 – 1 p.m., Program Room

Explore the Channel Islands near Ventura, Joshua Tree National Park in Southern California, Oregon's Central Coast and San Juan Islands in Washington.

D&D Miniatures Painting Class for Teens (ages 11-18)

Saturday, August 31, 2:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

We will provide the supplies and instruction. Experience with Dungeons and Dragons is highly encouraged but not mandatory. Please register online.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Glass Exhibit**

Through August, Main Lobby Glass Display

Enjoy glass artist Mark Fisher's beautiful, decorative glass art pieces.

Drop In Tech Help

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, & 22, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak Room

Our volunteer can provide one-on-one help with using laptops, tablets, or cell phones. Help is on a first-come, first served basis.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, August 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Writing Family History with AI Workshop

Sunday, August 4, 1 – 3 p.m.

Learn storytelling fundamentals from traditional tales to AI-generated narratives. Discover how AI can enhance your writing process and create captivating stories. Please register.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, August 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [The Natural History of Dragons](#) by Marie Brennan. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, August 7, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Chinese Book Club - 中文書友會

Thursday, August 8, 10:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

The discussion is primarily in Mandarin. The August book selection is [AI科學家李飛飛的視界之旅 \(李飛飛 著; 廖月娟, 林俊宏 譯\)/The Worlds I See](#) by Dr. Fei-Fei Li.

Seasons of Birds at Shoreline Park

Tuesday, August 13, 7 – 8 p.m.

Local author/photographer Karen Gough shares a narrated presentation of original photographs and video about the wide variety of birds found at Shoreline Park. Register online.

Board Game Night for Adults

Monday, August 19, 6 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

Drop in and enjoy a variety of board games.

All About Seed Saving

Tuesday, August 20, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Learn the science of seed saving and how to successfully save seeds for future uses. Also, get tips of seed storage, share and exchange with local gardeners.

Band Jam Session

Tuesdays, August 20 & 27, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Community Room

Grab your guitar or ukulele and let's jam!

Beginning Guitar Class for Adults

Tuesdays, August 20—September 24, 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., Community Room

This 6-week series is designed for the novice/beginner guitar player. Space is limited. Please register only if you can commit to coming all 6 classes.

Digital Literacy Class

Thursday, August 29, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

Learn basic computer skills, practice accessing the internet and how to stay safe online.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, August 5, 12, 19, & 26, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

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

Family Storytime: Birds

Sunday, August 11, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a bird-themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

Woodland Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, August 13, 2 – 3:15 p.m.

We discuss mostly contemporary fiction and nonfiction titles. Space is limited. Email lpasternack@sccl.org to get monthly reminders.

Family Storytime: Music

Sunday, August 25, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a music-themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**Drawing for Kidz Bop Concert Tickets**

Thursday, August 1 – Saturday, August 31

Kidz Bop is a children's music group that makes family friendly covers of popular songs. The group is performing at Shoreline Amphitheatre on September 22. Enter to win a Family 4-pack of tickets. One entry per family, multiple entries will be disqualified. Enter on our [website](#).

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Jennifer Levasseur

Wednesday, August 7, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Dr. Levasseur will guide you through the Smithsonian's [Behind the Scenes at the Space Station](#).

Virtual Author Talk: Irina Smith, Ph. D.

Thursday, August 15, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Hear the constructive and healthy ways to approach the college applications process, preserve your relationship with your teen, and help them define success on their terms instead of chasing the elusive “[*Golden Ticket*](#).”

Virtual Author Talk: Shelby Van Pelt

Wednesday, August 21, 4 – 5 p.m.

We’re thrilled to host a conversation with acclaimed author Shelby Van Pelt whose debut novel, [*Remarkably Bright Creatures*](#), became an instant New York Times bestseller and a Read with Jenna selection.

August 2024 Gilroy Library Free Events

ADULTS

Tuesdays
5:45PM



Zumba for Adults

Wed. 8/7
6PM



LGBTQ+ Listening Forum
with SCC Office of LGBTQ Affairs

Wed. 8/7 & 8/21
6:30PM

Spanish Basic Computer Class*
Computación Básica en Español

Sat. 8/10
11AM



Vegan Sushi Making*
Workshop for Beginners

Sat. 8/17
2:30PM



Self-Care Saturday*
for Adults and Teens 12+

Mon./Wed.
6:30PM

ESL Class for Adults*
Class Session Runs 8/26 to 11/25

Tue. 8/27
2PM



Pastel & Charcoal Drawing*
for Adults and Teens 12+

Thu. 8/29
10:30AM

Spanish Entrepreneurship Class*
Class Session Runs 8/29 to 10/3

Fri. 8/30
10:30AM



Canva Basics Workshop*
Graphic Design Class

THANKS FOR READING WITH
US THIS SUMMER!

Log Your Summer
Reading Books and
Pick Up Your Prize
by 8/31!

TEENS

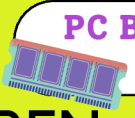
8/1 to 8/31

Teen Advisory Board*
Applications Open (Ages 14 to 18)

Fri. 8/2 & 8/16
4PM

Safe Space Meetup with LGBTQ
Youth Space for Ages 13 to 25

Sat. 8/10
3:30PM



PC Building from Scratch*
for Ages 11 to 15

Mon. 8/19 to 9/1

Teen Volunteer Sign-ups Open*
High School Seniors Only: 8/19-8/25
Other Grades (ages 14-18): 8/26-9/1

CHILDREN

Mon - Fri
12 to 1PM



Lunch at the Library
for Ages 0-18 (Ends 8/16)

Fri. 8/9
3PM



LEGO Club

Tue. 8/20
6PM



STEAM: Paper Skyscrapers
for Grades 1 to 8

Mon. 8/26
5:30PM

Reading Buddies*
Grades Pre-K to 6



Weekly Story Times

Mondays 7PM Pajama Storytime

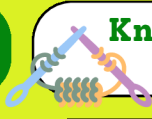
Wed. 4:30PM Bilingual Vietnamese Storytime

Thu. 10:30AM Family Storytime

Sat. 10:30AM Bilingual Spanish Storytime

ALL AGES

Thursdays
1 to 4PM



Knitting & Crochet Circle
Weekly Meetup

Sat. 8/3
3PM

End of Summer Party
Food, Crafts, Tours, and More!

Tue. 8/6
4:30PM



National Night Out
in the Civic Center Paseo

Thu. 8/8
3PM

Crochet for Beginners
for Ages 10+

Sat. 8/10
10A to 1P



Big Book Sale
with the Friends of the Library

Monday 9/2



Library Closed All Day for Labor Day

*** = Registration Required**

Registration, Details, and More Events: scclld.org/events



Gilroy Library Free Events

August 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 12:00pm - 1pm Lunch at the Library on Mondays -Fridays (for ages 0-18 / ends Aug 16) 1:00pm STEM Series: Dash & Dot Robots (gr. 3-5 / full) 7:00pm Pajama Storytime	30 11:00am Virtual Author Talk: Dan Santat (register) 5:45pm Zumba 7:00pm Book Discussion: All My Rage 7:00pm Online Art Talk: Legion of Honor Turns 100 (register)	31 12:00pm Banana Slug String Band Family Event 4:30pm Storytime: English & Vietnamese Last day to sign up for Summer Reading: sccf.beanstack.org/reader365	1 10:30am Family Storytime 11:00am Online English Conversation Club (register) 1:00pm -4pm Knitting & Crochet Meetup 4:00pm Basic Computer Class (full) 8/1-8/31 Online drawing for 4 tickets to Kidz Bop Concert at https://tinyurl.com/34jtcxxz	2 10:15am Book Discussion: All My Rage 4:00pm Online ESL Book Club (register) 4:00pm Safe Space for LGBTQ+ youth ages 13-25 Gilroy Library Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Applications accepted (ends 8/31)	3 10:30am Storytime: English & Spanish 3:00pm -5pm End of Summer Party for Families: Food, tours, crafts, and more!	4
5 7:00pm Pajama Storytime	6 4:30pm - 8pm National Night Out 5:45pm Zumba	7 11:00am Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Jennifer Levasseur (register) 4:30pm Storytime: English & Vietnamese 6:00pm LGBTQ+ Listening Forum 6:30pm Clases de Computación para Principiantes en Español / Computer Class in Spanish (register)	8 10:30am Family Storytime 11:00am Online English Conversation Club (register) 1:00pm -4pm Knitting & Crochet Meetup 3:00pm Crochet for Beginners (ages 10+) 4:00pm Basic Computer Class (full)	9 3:00pm LEGO Club for Kids	10 10:00am -1pm Big Book Sale 10:30am Storytime: English & Spanish 11:00am Vegan Sushi Making Workshop (register) 3:30pm Poetry Readings 3:30pm PC Building from Scratch Workshop (ages 11-15 / register)	11
12 7:00pm Pajama Storytime	13 5:45pm Zumba	14 4:30pm Storytime: English & Vietnamese	15 10:30am Family Storytime 11:00am Online English Conversation Club (register) 11:00am Virtual Author Talk: Irena Smith, PhD (register) 1:00pm -4pm Knitting & Crochet Meetup	16 4:00pm Safe Space for LGBTQ+ youth ages 13-25	17 10:30am Storytime: English & Spanish 2:30pm Self-Care Saturday for adults & teens (register)	18
19 7:00pm Pajama Storytime 8/19 - 9/1 Teen Volunteer Sign-Ups for Incoming High School Seniors	20 5:45pm Zumba 6:00pm STEAM: Paper Skyscrapers / Rascacielos de papel (for grades 1-8)	21 4:00pm Virtual Author Talk: Shelby Van Pelt (register) 4:30pm Storytime: English & Vietnamese 6:30pm Clases de Computación para Principiantes en Español / Computer Class in Spanish (register)	22 10:30am Family Storytime 11:00am Online English Conversation Club (register) 1:00pm -4pm Knitting & Crochet Meetup	23	24 10:30am Storytime: English & Spanish	25
26 5:30pm Reading Buddies /Compañeros de Lectura (pre-K to 6 grade / register) 6:30pm ESL Class Session / Sesión de clase de inglés (register) 7:00pm Pajama Storytime 8/26 - 9/1 Teen Volunteer Sign-Ups for Ages 14 - 18	27 2:00pm Pastel & Charcoal Drawing Class for adults & teens (register) 5:45pm Zumba	28 4:30pm Storytime: English & Vietnamese 6:30pm ESL Class Session / Sesión de clase de inglés (register)	29 10:30am Family Storytime 10:30am - 12:30pm Digitalize Para Emprender Clases en español / Entrepreneurship Classes 11:00am Online English Conversation Club (register) 1:00pm -4pm Knitting & Crochet Meetup	30 10:30am Canva Basics Workshop: Learn how to create professional looking flyers, brochures, and more (register)	31 10:30am Storytime: English & Spanish Last day to pick up Summer Reading prize for finishers	1

Agosto 2024 Eventos Gratuitos en la Biblioteca de Gilroy

ADULTOS

Los martes
5:45PM



Clase de Zumba

Mi. 8/7
6PM



Foro de LGBTQ+

con el Office of LGBTQ Affairs del Condado

Mi. 8/7 &
8/21 6:30PM

Clase de Computación Básica*

Presentado en español

Sa. 8/10
11AM



Taller del Sushi Vegano*

para Principiantes

Sa. 8/17
2:30PM



Sábado de Autocuidado*

para edades 12+

Lu./Mi.
6:30PM

Clases de Inglés*

del 8/26 al 11/25

Ma. 8/27
2PM



**Clase de dibujo al pastel y
carboncillo*** para edades 12+

Ju. 8/29
10:30AM



Digitalizate Para Emprender*

Clase en español del 8/29 al 10/3

Vi. 8/30
10:30AM

Taller de Canva*

Clase de diseño para principiantes

¡GRACIAS POR LEER CON
NOSOTROS ESTE VERANO!

¡Premios para la
Lectura de Verano
están disponibles
hasta 8/31!

ADOLESCENTES

8/1 al
8/31

Junta Asesora de Adolescentes*

Solicitudes Abiertas (edades 14 a 18)

Vi. 8/2 &
8/16 4PM

Espacio Seguro con el Centro
Juvenil LGBTQ (para edades 13 a 25)

Sa. 8/10
3:30PM

Taller de construcción de PC*

para edades 11 a 15

Lu. 8/19
to 9/1

Inscribirse para Servicio Comunitario*

Solo 12º Grado: 8/19-8/25

Otros Grados (edades 14-18): 8/26-9/1

NIÑOS

De lu. a vi.
12 a 1PM

Almuerzo en la Biblioteca

para edades 0-18 (Último día 8/16)

Vi. 8/9
3PM

Club de LEGO



Ma. 8/20
6PM

STEAM: Rascacielos de Papel

para Grados 1 a 8

Lu. 8/26
5:30PM



Compañeros de Lectura*

Grados Pre-K a 6

Horas de
Cuentos
Semanales

Los lunes 7PM Cuentos en pijama

Mi. 4:30PM Cuentos en inglés y vietnamita

Ju. 10:30AM Cuentos para Familias

Sa. 10:30AM Cuentos en inglés y español

TODOS

Los jueves
1 a 4PM

Círculo de tejido y crochet

Reunión semanal

Sa. 8/3
3PM

Fiesta del Fin de Verano

¡Comida, Manualidades y más!

Mi. 8/6
4:30PM

National Night Out

en el Paseo del Centro Civil

Ju. 8/8
3PM

Tejer para Principiantes

para edades 10+

Sa. 8/10
10A to 1P



Gran venta de libros

con los Friends of the Library

Lunes
9/2



La Biblioteca Está Cerrada
para Día del Trabajo

*** = Se requiere registro**

Registro, detalles y más en: scclld.org/events



Eventos Gratis de Gilroy Library

August 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 1:00pm Serie STEM: Dash & Dot Robots (gr. 3-5 / lleno) 7:00pm Hora de Cuentos en Pijama Lunes - Viernes: Almuerzo para niños de 0 a 18 años hasta agotar existencias (finaliza el 16 de agosto)	30 11:00am Charla virtual de autor: Dan Santat (inscriba) 5:45pm Zumba 7:00pm Discusión del libro: All My Rage 7:00pm Charla de arte online: Legion of Honor cumple 100 años (inscriba)	31 12:00pm Evento familiar de la banda de cuerdas Banana Slug 4:30pm Hora del cuento: inglés y vietnamita Último día para inscribirse en la lectura de verano: sccl.beanstack.org/reader365	1 10:30am Hora de Cuentos 11:00am en línea ESL (inscriba) 1:00pm -4pm Tejer y crochet 4:00pm Clase de informática básica (lleno) Sorteo en línea de 4 boletos para el Concierto Kidz Bop en https://tinyurl.com/34jtcxxz (ingrese antes del 9/1)	2 10:15am Discusión del libro: All My Rage 4:00pm Club de lectura de ESL en línea (inscriba) 4:00pm Espacio seguro para LGBTQ+ 13 a 25 años Junta Asesora para Adolescentes (TAB) de la Biblioteca Gilroy Se aceptan solicitudes (finaliza el 31 de agosto)	3 10:30am Hora del Cuento: inglés y español 3:00pm - 5pm Fiesta de fin de verano para familias: ¡comida, manualidades y diversión!	4
5 7:00pm Hora de Cuentos en Pijama	6 4:30pm - 8pm National Night Out 5:45pm Zumba	7 11:00am Charla virtual de autora: Dra. Jennifer Levasseur (inscriba) 4:30pm Hora del cuento: inglés y vietnamita 6:00pm Foro de escucha LGBTQ+ 6:30pm Clases de Computación para Principiantes en Español (inscriba)	8 10:30am Hora de Cuentos 11:00am en línea ESL (inscriba) 1:00pm -4pm Tejer y crochet 3:00pm Ganchillo para principiantes (mayores de 10 años) 4:00pm Clase de informática básica (lleno)	9 3:00pm LEGOs para niños	10 10:00am -1pm Gran Venta de libros 10:30am Hora del Cuento: inglés y español 11:00am Taller de elaboración de sushi vegano (inscriba) 3:30pm Poesía lecturas 3:30pm Taller de construcción de PC desde cero (11-15 años / inscriba)	11
12 7:00pm Hora de Cuentos en Pijama	13 5:45pm Zumba	14 4:30pm Hora del cuento: inglés y vietnamita	15 10:30am Hora de Cuentos 11:00am en línea ESL (inscriba) 11:00am Autora virtual Discusión: Irena Smith, PhD (inscriba) 1:00pm -4pm Tejer y crochet	16 4:00pm Espacio seguro para LGBTQ+ 13 a 25 años	17 10:30am Hora del Cuento: inglés y español 2:30pm Sábado de autocuidado para adultos y adolescentes (inscriba)	18
19 7:00pm Hora de Cuentos en Pijama 8/19-9/1 Inscripciones de voluntarios adolescentes para estudiantes de último año de secundaria entrantes	20 5:45pm Zumba 6:00pm STEAM: Rascacielos de papel (grados 1-8)	21 4:00pm Charla de autor virtual: Shelby Van Pelt (inscriba) 4:30pm Hora del cuento: inglés y vietnamita 6:30pm Clases de Computación para Principiantes en Español (inscriba)	22 10:30am Hora de Cuentos 11:00am en línea ESL (inscriba) 1:00pm -4pm Tejer y crochet	23	24 10:30am Hora del Cuento: inglés y español	25
26 5:30pm Compañeros de Lectura (pre-K a 6 grado / inscriba) 6:30pm Sesión de clase de inglés (inscriba) 7:00pm Hora de Cuentos en Pijama 8/26-9/1 Inscripciones de voluntarios adolescentes para edades de 14 a 18 años	27 2:00pm Clase de dibujo al pastel y carboncillo para adultos y adolescentes (inscriba) 5:45pm Zumba	28 4:30pm Hora del cuento: inglés y vietnamita 6:30pm Sesión de clase de inglés (inscriba)	29 10:30am Hora de Cuentos 10:30am -12:30pm Digitalize Para Empezar Clases en español (inscriba) 11:00am en línea ESL (inscriba) 1:00pm -4pm Tejer y crochet	30 10:30am Taller de conceptos básicos de Canva: aprenda a crear volantes, folletos y más de aspecto profesional (inscriba)	31 10:30am Hora del Cuento: inglés y español Último día para recoger el premio de lectura de verano para los finalistas	1



Gilroy Library Commission

June – August 2024

Agenda

- Updates
- Engagement
- Numbers
- Projects and Goals
- Upcoming Events



Updates

- Summer Programming Final Numbers
- ALA recap
- New Opportunities for Engagement
- Passport Services
- Open Access
- Building Updates



Engagement

[Lunch in the Library news story](#)

[Passport office article](#)





Engagement







Numbers



- New Borrowers
 - 4360 online users; 4512 borrowers; 372 new borrowers
- Items Circulated
 - 52197 items; 6372 eAudiobooks; 5006 eBook; 10% increase
- Programs and Attendance
 - 90 teen participants; 81 total programs; 1786 program attendees with 27 programs for children's department
- Patrons
 - 16676; 9% increase
- Lunch in the Library over 1600 meals served
- Summer Reading
 - 93 teen participants; 491 adult participants;

Trends and Changes

Surpassing pre-pandemic levels of circulation, programming, patron usage, attendance

New programming including Vietnamese bilingual story time

National Night Out and Party in the Park

StoryWalk

City Connections and Partnerships

Arts in the Library

Building Improvements

Strategic Plan Goals

Employee Wellness

Digital Inclusion and Equity



Upcoming Projects and Goals

Upcoming Events

- 8/7 LGBTQ+ Listening Forum with County office of LGBTQ affairs and City of Gilroy
- 8/10 Vegan Sushi Making workshop
- 8/10 PC Building Demonstration for teens
- 8/23 Outreach at Christopher High School
- 8/26 New ESL Class session starts
- 8/27 Pastel & Charcoal Drawing workshop
- 8/29 Spanish classes for Entrepreneurs on marketing with partner Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center called “Digitalize Para Emprender”
- 8/30 Canva Basics workshop
- 9/4 Disaster Preparedness workshop with the City of Gilroy (September is National Preparedness month)
- 9/7 Growing vegetables in fall & winter with Master Gardeners
- 9/9 & 9/11 Automotive workshops
- 9/10-10/8 Cooking & Nutrition class series in English and Spanish with CalFresh & Public Health
- 9/17 National Voter Registration Day tabling with volunteers (any want to volunteer?)
- 9/21 One-on-One consultations with the Financial Planning Association
- 9/22 Author talk: Picture Bride, War Bride co-sponsored by the Gilroy Historical Society
- 9/28 Intro to Gluten-free Baking with The Family Chef Amy Fothergill
- 9/28 Election Forum with Gilroy AAUW (tentative)

Thank you

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