

AT THE LIBRARY

Events and Happenings at the San Francisco Public Library

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Dear Friends,

I am deeply honored to be appointed by Mayor London Breed as your new City Librarian. San Francisco has the premier urban library in the country and I am humbled to be standing on the shoulders of giants as the next City Librarian.

I am extremely proud of what we've accomplished this past year, from expanded and improved hours, to national honors, to initiating the effort to make the library system fine free. I look forward to working alongside the dedicated and passionate staff here at the Library to continue welcoming all through our doors and enhancing the quality of life for all San Francisco residents. As your City Librarian, my mission is to increase our innovative services and resources to ensure equity and excellent service.

I hope to see you soon, here, at the San Francisco Public Library.

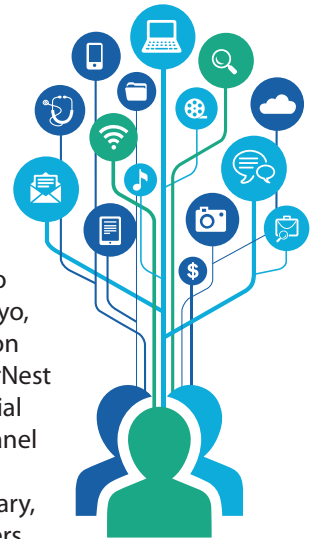
Michael Lambert, City Librarian

Connect with Tech Week May 5-11

Starting a business. Sharing party photos. Reading the latest news. What do they all have in common? More and more, these activities—and even mundane tasks like making a DMV appointment—take place online. To participate, you'll need the skills to navigate today's increasingly digital world.

Connect with Tech Week, May 5–11, is here to help! During Connect with Tech, the library and its partners are hosting more than 80 hands-on trainings, workshops and events to show how technology can make a difference in your life. There are classes on everything from keyboard comfort to coding, with opportunities to play while you learn. A mobile phone photography walk, in the Mission on Cinco de Mayo, will get you better acquainted with your phone's camera—and help you share photos on Instagram. Parents can learn computer skills—with free childcare—at Twitter NeighborNest in a Digital Parents class, or bring the family to play Renegade Buggies, an online financial literacy game. Entrepreneurs can discover tools to help their business, and come to a panel discussion about how they can use technology to help the community.

Connect with Tech is a citywide initiative spearheaded by San Francisco Public Library, supported by Microsoft, and produced with help from more than 30 community partners. For more information, visit sfpl.org/connectwithtech or call The Bridge at Main at (415) 557-4388.



Mission Photo Walk and Learn Instagram! – May 5, 1 p.m., Mission Branch. Presented in Spanish and English.

Digital Parents – May 8, 1 p.m., Twitter NeighborNest, 95 Hayes St. Call (415) 557-4388 to sign up. (En español, 10 a.m.)

Renegade Buggies – May 6, 4 p.m., Excelsior Branch. Bilingual in English and Spanish.

Use Tech to Grow Your Business – May 8, 2:30 p.m., Main Library, Learning Studio, 5th Floor

Start Up and Start Change – May 9, 6 p.m., WeWork Golden Gate Theatre, 25 Taylor St.

Celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

Did you know May 1st is Lei Day in Hawai'i? On this side of the Pacific, children and teens can learn how to make a candy lei, the perfect gift for graduation season, or do a deeper dive into Pacific Islander culture with Halau Ha'a Kea o Kinohi or Rahiti Polynesian Dance Company.

Throughout May, the Library's famous and ever popular Snack Trials will come to a branch near you with Asian, Korean, Filipino and Sweets Editions for youth and their families. Try something new, nosh on a tried and true snack and don't forget to vote for your favorite. Finally, relax and recharge with Chinese painting and poetry, hands-on henna or Japanese origami.



Head over to Golden Gate Valley to meet author June Jo Lee as she shares her immigrant story from Seoul to San Francisco. Lee is the coauthor of *Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix* and discusses the national food truck movement and her work as a food ethnographer studying American food culture. Enjoy a sample of her favorite Korean foods.

The library is honored to partner with the Asian Art Museum, APA Heritage Foundation and the Center for Asian American Media (CAAM) for a month of Asian Pacific Islander American commemorations, events and programs. We invite everyone to enjoy crafts, tea, food, music, dance, film screenings, author talks and more in observance of Asian Pacific Islander American culture within our community. See calendar pages 3–6 and visit sfpl.org/asian-pacific-american-heritage-month for the complete guide with more than 150 programs.

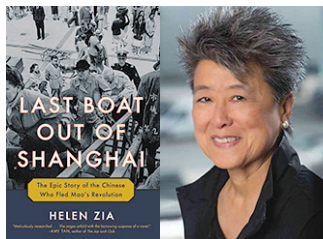


Halau Ha'a Kea o Kinohi – May 4, 12 p.m., Merced Branch; May 11, 11 a.m., Marina Branch; May 18, 12 p.m., Ocean View Branch and 3 p.m., Mission Bay Branch

June Jo Lee - Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix – May 15, 2:30 p.m., Golden Gate Valley Branch

Rahiti Polynesian Dance Company – May 25, 2 p.m., Western Addition Branch

APIA Author Talks



Helen Zia, *Last Boat Out of Shanghai: The Epic Story of the Chinese who Fled Mao's Revolution*. In conversation with Sherry Hu; presented in partnership with

the 1990 Institute – May 1, 6:30 p.m.



Anam Zakaria, *Between the Great Divide: A Journey into Pakistan-Administered Kashmir* – May 1, 6 p.m., Main Library, Learning Studio, 5th Floor



Jeffrey Thomas Leong, *Wild Geese Sorrow: The Chinese Wall Inscriptions at Angel Island* – May 5, 1 p.m., North Beach Branch



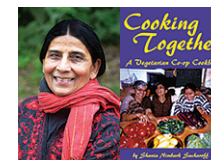
Amy Sueyoshi, *Discriminating Sex: White Leisure and the Making of the American "Oriental"* – May 11, 2 p.m., Main Library, Skylight Gallery



Malaka Gharib, *I Was Their American Dream: A Graphic Memoir* – May 11, 3 p.m., SFMOMA Public Knowledge Branch



May-lee Chai, *Useful Phrases for Immigrants: Stories* – May 14, 6 p.m., Main Library, Latino/Hispanic Room and May 18, 3:30 p.m., Chinatown Branch



Shanta Nimbank-Sacharoff, *Cooking Together: A Vegetarian Co-op Cookbook* – May 18, 2 p.m., Ortega Branch



Meredith Oda, *The Gateway to the Pacific: Japanese Americans and the Remaking of San Francisco* – May 22, 6:30 p.m., Western Addition Branch, May 25, 11 a.m., Main Library, Chinese Center, 3rd Floor

Coming Up:

JUNE 2
Embracing The Love: LGBTQ Films From Southeast Asia
Main Library, Koret Auditorium, 1–5 p.m.

JUNE 8
Summer Stride live StoryWalk with illustrator Zachariah OHora
Meet on the Presidio Lawn, 2 p.m.

JUNE 12
Opera for the People: Rusalka
West Portal Branch, 6:30 p.m.

JUNE 23
Northern California Book Awards
Main Library, 1–3:30 p.m.

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instagram.com/sfpubliclibrary

youtube.com/user/SanFranciscoLibrary

Bookmobile Schedules

Early Literacy Mobile

Schedule of child care center visits at sfpl.org.

San Francisco Zoo

Entrance to Children's Zoo, Sloat Blvd. and Great Hwy. 1st Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Free Admission for San Francisco residents. Check sfzoo.org to verify.

Swing Into Stories

Park visits: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Storytimes start at 10:30 a.m.

Golden Gate Park Children's Playground

295 Bowling Green Drive (off Martin Luther King Jr. Drive), Tuesday, May 7

Parque Niños Unidos

3090 23rd St. (Between Folsom St. and Treat Ave.), Tuesday, May 14

Cayuga Playground

301 Naglee Ave., Tuesday, May 21

Helen Wills Playground

Broadway and Larkin streets, Tuesday, May 28

Library on Wheels/Senior Bookmobile

Schedule of service locations at sfpl.org.

Treasure Island Bookmobile

Chapel Parking Lot West at California Ave. and Avenue of the Palms
Tuesdays, 2–5 p.m.; Thursdays, 1–5 p.m.

Special Events

Sunday Streets Bayview/Dogpatch

Sunday, May 5, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.
3rd St. between Egbert Ave. & 18th St.



New at The Mix: Teaching Artists

The Mix at SFPL is the Main Library's creative learning space and digital media lab designed by teens, for teens ages 13-18. At The Mix, teens find a welcoming environment where they can explore their passions through interest-driven learning in the audio and video studios and makerspaces. Now, teens have the opportunity to take their learning to the next level thanks to the addition of skilled teaching artists. Through a partnership with SF Recreation and Parks, teaching artists are at The Mix daily to serve as media mentors for teens, and their skills include 3D animation, game design, robotics, 3D printing, sewing, fine art and much more. The teen who likes to play the computer game Fortnite can now learn the code to design their own characters. The teen who wants to add 3D animation to their project now has a skilled mentor to help them achieve their goal. For more information, contact The Mix, (415) 557-4404, themix@sfpl.org, or visit themixatsfpl.org.

Collections and Services



Connect with Tech Fairs Citywide

Connect with Tech by attending one of the lively tech fairs happening all over the city. All events are free and open to the public, and most offer drawings for exciting tech prizes. Here's the rundown:

Tech Expo at City Hall – Tuesday, May 7, 1–3 p.m., City Hall, North Light Court. See what's new, useful and free from the world of technology—from virtual reality to accessibility devices to tech services. Enter a drawing for a Chromebook and other prizes.

Ask Me about Tech – Wednesday, May 8, 3–6 p.m., The Women's Building, 3543 18th St. Ask technology experts about mobile devices, email, social media, cyber security and more. Enjoy refreshments and enter a drawing for three personal computers and other prizes. Bilingual Spanish and English.

Tenderloin Tech Fair – Saturday, May 11, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., St. Anthony's Tenderloin Tech Lab, 150 Golden Gate Ave. Get patient, one-on-one help with computer repair, smartphones, coding, websites and more.

Bayview Branch Tech Fair – Saturday, May 11, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Bayview Branch. Get your very own refurbished desktop computer while supplies last! Speak with tech gurus about devices, low-cost Internet, community resources and much more.

For more information about Connect with Tech Week, visit sfpl.org/connectwithtech.



New Digital Service Offers Magazines from Asia

The Library has partnered with Kono Digital to offer high-quality magazines from Asia. From arts and fashion to business and leisure, Kono provides free access to more than 200 full-color digital titles from Hong Kong, Taiwan and Japan, with more additions on the way. Chinese titles are published in traditional characters.

Sign in with your library card to read magazines in a web browser on your computer, or get the Kono for Libraries app (Android, iOS) to enjoy them on your smartphone or tablet. All titles are available on demand and there's nothing to return, so they're perfect for travel as well as leisure-time reading.

Check out Kono Digital now at sfpl.org/emags.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Reads

Children

The House That Lou Built by Mae Respicio



A heart-filled story about what a girl can accomplish with her friends, family and power tools by her side.

Front Desk by Kelly Yang



Winner of this year's Asian/Pacific American Librarians' Association children's literature award, and an inspiring story based partly on the author's own life.

Teen

A Thousand Beginnings and Endings: 15 Retellings of Asian Myths and Legends



Fifteen young adult authors reimagine the folklore and mythology of East and South Asia in short retellings that range from traditional stories to science fiction. Each story is followed by an essay by its author.



The Weight of Our Sky by Hanna Alkaf
In this intense and emotional historical drama set against the May 1969 race riots in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, a 16-year-old Malay who suffers from severe OCD fights for survival while searching for her mother.

Adult

Miles from Nowhere by Nami Mun



A harsh and beautiful book that follows Korean immigrant Joon, who ends up a teenage runaway after her family falls apart.

Quiet as They Come by Angie Chau



Set in San Francisco, this collection of interrelated short stories follows a group of families through several generations after arriving in the U.S. as refugees of the Vietnam War.



Photo: Jason Doiy

FOG Readers Moves into the Sunshine

We're thrilled to announce that librarian Laura Lay has been chosen as a *Library Journal* 2019 Mover & Shaker in the Educator field for starting FOG Readers to help children read. The program is based on Orton-Gillingham

methodology which breaks reading and spelling into smaller skills involving letters and sounds. It is a phonetically based, sequential, structured approach that uses multisensory techniques—sight, hearing, touch and movement to help learners connect language with letters and sounds.

Students are matched with a trained volunteer tutor and meet once a week at the library. Currently there are 150 pairs of tutors and children meeting weekly together at 23 library locations. There are also a lot of kids on the program waiting list, so if you're interested in volunteering (or know of kids who need help), send them to Laura via sfpl.org/fog.



May Events

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Steps Sales

All books are \$1 or less!
Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Main Library's Larkin Street steps (100 Larkin St.)
(Please note that the Steps Sales are cancelled in the event of rain.)

May 2

Books and Brews!

5 p.m.-8 p.m., 495 De Haro Street
Love beer? Love books? Come to our monthly Books & Brews event at Anchor Public Taps.

Ongoing \$1 Sale at the Donation Center!

Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Friends Donation Center, 1630 17th Street
We expanded our mini-bookstore at the Donation Center and the sale has taken over our garage—all books and media are being sold for a dollar.

Call for Volunteers!

We're looking for folks who enjoy working with the public, greeting bookstore customers and serving as a back-up cashier at our Friends Bookstore at the Main Library. Must be patient and okay with quiet moments. Customer service or retail experience preferred but not required. Weekly shifts, 2-3 hours long. Interested? Contact Brenda Salguero at brenda.salguero@friendssfpl.org or call (415) 477-5223.

Friends Bookstore

Locations & Hours

Friends Bookstore at Fort Mason Center

Fort Mason Center, Building C
Open seven days a week.
Bookstore: 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Telephone (415) 771-1076

Friends Bookstore at the Main

Main Library, 100 Larkin St.
Grove Street Entrance
Open all Library hours
Telephone (415) 557-4238

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Our Library; Our Impact

From community connections to children's literacy, our SFPL far transcends books. The San Francisco Public Library is a beacon for so much good in San Francisco. From homeless services, immigration help, author readings, craft and performance programs and unrestricted internet access, the library is a free space that empowers every member of our society with tools to learn and engage the community around them. No matter the socioeconomic background, every person in San Francisco is a part of the library. Whether it's participating in library services, or supporting the voter-approved Library Preservation Fund, the library is part of our identity. Board member Sarah Jones said it best in a recent speech at the 2019 Library Laureates fundraiser, "It's not the library, it's our library."



Friends is an integral part of making sure the library is fully equipped to take on its important work. While the city covers the library's staffing and operational costs, private donations allow Friends to pay for expenses that fall outside of the city's capacity and to more quickly respond to needs. Support include fees for subcontracted service providers; honorariums for authors, artists and curators; collections acquisition; equipment; program supplies; food; multilingual materials; and professional training to keep SFPL librarians on the leading edge of innovation.

By supporting Friends, you can see the direct impact you are having on the 2018 Library of the Year. The partnership between Friends, the Library, and you is the reason our library is so successful and nationally recognized as a beacon of inclusivity in our community.



Books and Brews at Anchor Public Taps

Friends has started a new collaboration with Anchor Brewing Company. Every month, Friends fills up tables at the Potrero Hill brewery with an amazing selection of books and vinyl. Nineteen handcrafted beers are on tap and 5,000 book titles are available in all categories. You can hang out with book lovers and drink up Anchor's selection of amazing brews on tap.

The brewery's open space has room to meet up with friends, bring co-workers out for a drink, or just sit alone and read. Dogs are also allowed on the bar patio so feel free to bring your furry friends. Plus, there's always a culinary pop-up on site and street parking is available.

This sale is a part of our Community Book Program (CBP) that produces the Big Book Sale, Weekly Step Sales at the Main, \$1 Sale at the Donation Center, and runs the two Friends Bookstores at Fort Mason and in the Main Library. These efforts make Friends the second largest used bookseller in the city.

About a million books per year are donated to the CBP at our Donation Center located at 1630 17th Street in Potrero Hill. This book program empowers Friends to advocate for the Library and provides inexpensive books for all residents of San Francisco. When you buy books at our Books and Brews events, proceeds go to Friends and our mission to support the San Francisco Public Library.

Books and Brews – May 2, 5-8 p.m., 495 De Haro Street. Future dates at friendssfpl.org.



The mission of Friends of the San Francisco Public Library is to create, steward and support a superior, free public library system in San Francisco. We are committed to raising the standard of excellence of our libraries by funding programs and services beyond what is allocated in the city's budget. We believe in free and equal access to information for all.

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

Friends members (\$60+ level) receive a 10% discount at the following bookstores:

A. Cavalli Italian Bookstore ■ Academy Store, California Academy of Science ■ Adobe Bookstore ■ Alan Wofsy Fine Arts LLC ■ Alexander Book Co., Inc. ■ Alley Cat Books ■ Amazing Fantasy ■ The Beat Museum ■ Bibliohead Bookstore ■ Bibliomania ■ Bird & Beckett Books & Records ■ Black Oak Books Holding Corp. ■ Bolerium Books ■ Books, Inc. ■ Booksmith ■ Borderlands Books ■ Browser Books ■ Christopher's Books ■ Chronicle Books ■ Compass Books, Inc. ■ Dog Eared Books ■ Eastwind Books ■ Globus Slavic Bookstore ■ Great Overland Book Company ■ Green Apple Books & Music ■ The Green Arcade ■ Kayo Books ■ Louie Brothers Book Store, Inc. ■ Manning's Books & Prints ■ Marcus Book Stores ■ Omnivore Books on Food ■ Readers Bookstore Fort Mason ■ Readers Bookstore Main ■ Red Hill Books ■ San Francisco Botanical Gardens, Garden Bookstore ■ Thidwick Books ■

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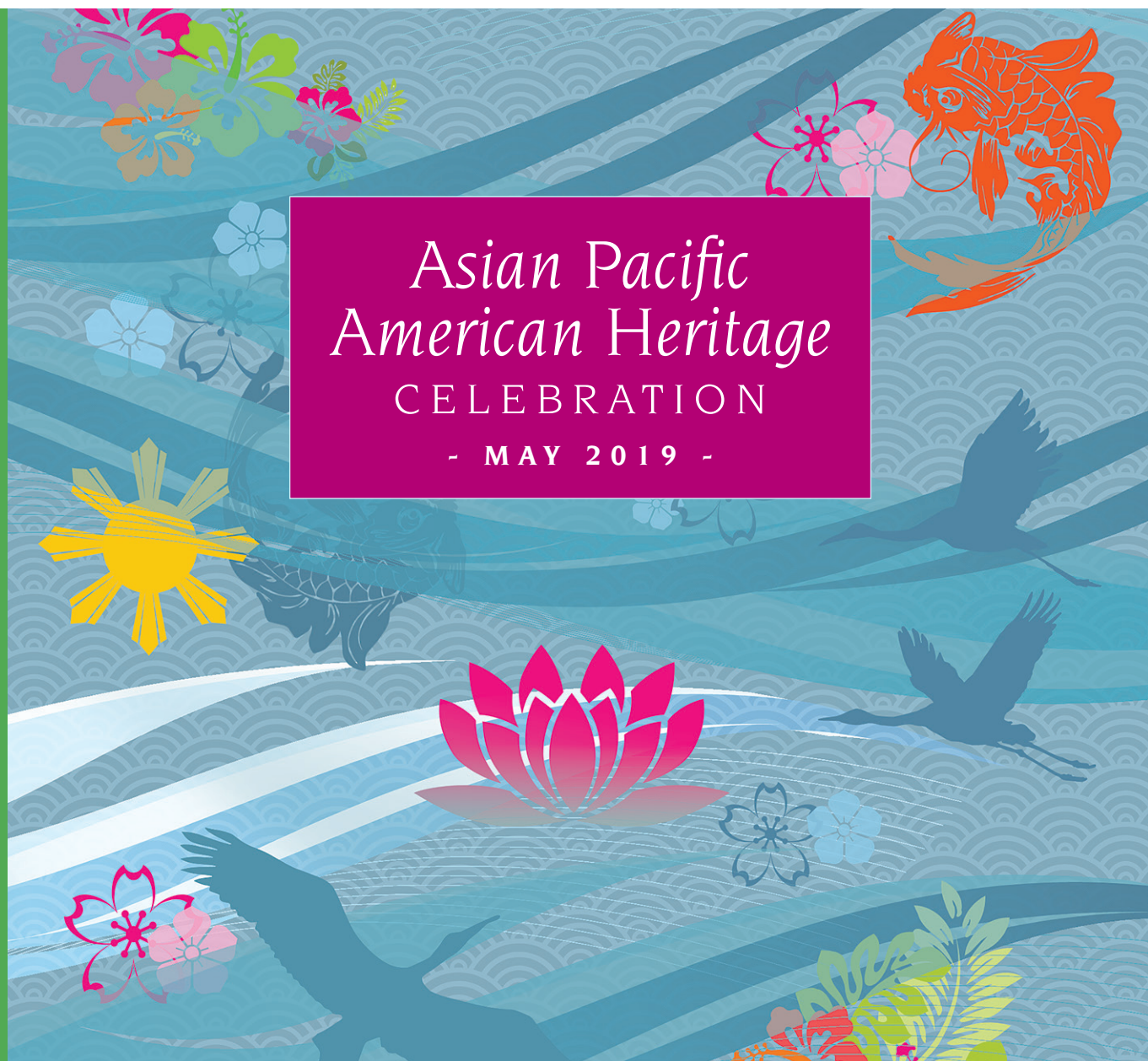
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Books and Brews



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Every effort has been made to produce a monthly calendar that is both accurate and complete. Please contact Public Affairs if you have any questions or comments regarding the listings.

Tours of Main

Tours are conducted on the first Tuesday of each month at 12 p.m. Meet at the Information Desk in the First Floor atrium. Tours are limited to 15 people on a first come, first served basis. Groups can schedule a private tour by calling (415) 557-4266.

SFPL Commission

Meetings are generally held on a Thursday each month. This month's meeting: 4:30 p.m. on May 16 in the Koret Auditorium of the Main. The public is welcome to attend.

Closure Times

All San Francisco Public Libraries will be closed on Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day.

LIBRARY LOCATIONS AND HOURS

			S	M	T	W	T	F	S
* ANZA	550 37th Ave.	355-5717	1-5	10-6	10-8	1-8	10-6	1-6	10-6
BAYVIEW/BROOKS BURTON	5075 Third St.	355-5757	1-5	10-6	10-8	10-8	10-8	1-6	10-6
* BERNAL HEIGHTS	500 Cortland Ave.	355-2810	1-5	10-6	10-7	1-9	10-6	1-6	10-6
CHINATOWN/LAI	1135 Powell St.	355-2888	1-5	1-6	10-9	10-9	10-9	1-6	10-6
EUREKA VALLEY/MILK	1 José Sarria Ct. (at 16th St., near Market)	355-5616	1-5	10-6	10-9	10-9	10-6	1-6	10-6
* EXCELSIOR	4400 Mission St.	355-2868	1-6	1-6	10-9	10-9	10-8	1-6	10-6
GLEN PARK	2825 Diamond St.	355-2858	1-5	10-6	10-6	12-8	10-7	1-6	10-6
* GOLDEN GATE VALLEY	1801 Green St.	355-5666	1-6	10-6	10-6	12-8	12-8	1-6	10-6
INGLESIDE	1298 Ocean Ave.	355-2898	1-5	10-6	10-6	10-8	12-7	1-6	10-6
* MAIN LIBRARY	100 Larkin St.	557-4400	12-6	9-6	9-8	9-8	9-8	12-6	10-6
	The Mix at SFPL	557-4404	12-6	1-6	1-8	1-8	1-8	1-6	12-6
MARINA	1890 Chestnut St.	355-2823	1-5	10-6	10-6	1-8	10-8	1-6	10-6
* MERCED	155 Winston Dr.	355-2825	1-6	10-6	10-9	1-9	10-8	1-6	10-6
MISSION	300 Bartlett St.	355-2800	1-5	1-6	10-9	10-9	10-9	1-6	10-6
MISSION BAY	960 Fourth St.	355-2838	1-5	10-6	10-6	11-8	10-6	1-6	10-6
NOE VALLEY/BRUNN	451 Jersey St.	355-5707	1-5	12-6	10-9	1-9	10-6	1-6	10-6
* NORTH BEACH	850 Columbus Ave.	355-5626	1-5	10-6	10-8	1-8	10-6	1-6	10-6
OCEAN VIEW	345 Randolph St.	355-5615	1-5	10-6	10-6	12-8	10-7	1-6	10-6
ORTEGA	3223 Ortega St.	355-5700	1-5	10-6	10-6	1-9	12-9	1-6	10-6
PARK	1833 Page St.	355-5656	1-5	12-6	10-9	1-9	10-6	1-6	10-6
PARKSIDE	1200 Taraval St.	355-5770	1-5	1-6	10-9	12-9	10-6	1-6	10-6
PORTOLA	380 Bacon St.	355-5660	1-5	10-6	10-6	12-8	10-7	1-6	10-6
* POTRERO	1616 20th St.	355-2822	1-6	1-6	10-8	1-8	10-8	1-6	10-6
* PRESIDIO	3150 Sacramento St.	355-2880	1-5	1-6	10-9	11-8	10-6	1-6	10-6
* RICHMOND/MARKS	351 9th Ave.	355-5600	1-6	1-6	10-9	10-9	10-8	1-6	10-6
* SUNSET	1305 18th Ave.	355-2808	1-5	10-6	10-8	10-8	10-8	1-6	10-6
VISITACION VALLEY	201 Leland Ave.	355-2848	1-5	10-6	10-8	10-8	10-8	1-6	10-6
WEST PORTAL	190 Lenox Way	355-2886	1-5	1-6	10-9	10-9	10-9	1-6	10-6
* WESTERN ADDITION	1550 Scott St.	355-5727	1-6	10-6	10-6	1-8	10-7	1-6	10-6
SFMOMA Public Knowledge	151 3rd St.	357-4000	10-5	10-5	10-5	closed	10-9	10-5	10-5

All phone numbers are in the 415 area code. See bookmobile schedule, page 2.

*New hours



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