



## LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

5:30 PM - Thursday, May 04, 2023

*Los Altos Community Center - Apricot Room*

**Please Note: The Library Commission will meet in person as well as  
via Telephone/Video Conference**

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### **Location:**

**Aloft Austin Southwest. Room 430  
6731 Legado Lane  
Austin, Texas 78749**

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PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM ## - MEETING DATE

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**Public testimony will be taken at the direction of the Chair, and members of the public may only comment during times allotted for public comments.**

## **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Members of the audience may bring to the Commission's attention any item that is not on the agenda. Please complete a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Staff Liaison. Speakers are generally given two or three minutes, at the discretion of the Chair. Please be advised that, by law, the Commission is unable to discuss or take action on issues presented during the Public Comment Period. According to State Law (also known as "the Brown Act") items must first be noticed on the agenda before any discussion or action.

## **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

1. **Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting of April 6,2023 and the special meeting of April 20,2023
2. **Special Meeting:** Recap April 20, 2023 special meeting and discuss follow up

## **COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES**

3. **Los Altos Library Endowment (LALE) Update:** Receive updates from LALE representative
4. **Friends of the Library Update:** Receive updates from Friends of the Library representative
5. **North County Library Authority (NCLA) Update:** Receive updates from NCLA representative

## **COMMISSION/SUBCOMMITTEE/STAFF ORAL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

6. **Santa Clara County Library District Presentations:** Receive information and updates from County Staff
7. **Main Library Staff Report:** Receive information and updates from Main Library Staff
8. **City Staff Update:** Receive updates from City Staff
9. **Subcommittee Reports:**
  - A. Awareness (*Carter, Fawcett, Wheeler*)
  - B. Infrastructure (*Carter, Gee, Wheeler*)
  - C. Futures (*Bedard, Crane, Gee*)
  - D. Services (*Bedard, Crane*)

## 10. Requests for Future Agenda Items

### ADJOURNMENT

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## LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

6:30 PM - Thursday, April 06, 2023

*Los Altos Community Center - Sequoia Room*

### ESTABLISH QUORUM

Chair Crane called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

**Present:** Chair Crane, Vice Chair Wheeler, Commissioners Carter, Bedard, Fawcett, and Gee

**Absent:** None

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. **Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2023

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Based on a motion by Vice Chair Wheeler and a second by Commissioner Carter, the Library Commission approved the minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2023.

Approve: Crane, Wheeler, Carter, Bedard, Fawcett, Gee

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed, unanimously: 6-0-0

2. **Special Meeting:** Discuss March 16 special meeting

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** After discussion and by unanimous consent, the Library Commission set their upcoming Special meeting to be held on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 2:30pm at the Los Altos Community Center.

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  - D. Services (*Bedard, Crane*)
9. **Requests for Future Agenda Items**
  - a. Brown Act (Traditional Brown Act vs AB 2449) Procedures
  - b. Special meeting (4/20) Recap
  - c. Review City Council Goals

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

10. Los Altos City Council Strategic Goals

## ADJOURNMENT

Chair Crane adjourned the meeting at 8:28pm



# LIBRARY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

2:30 PM - Thursday, April 20, 2023

*Los Altos Community Center - Sequoia Room*

## ESTABLISH QUORUM

Chair Crane called the meeting to order at 2:35pm

**Present:** Chair Crane, Vice Chair Wheeler (remote), Commissioners Carter, Bedard, Gee, and Fawcett

**Absent:** None

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. **Welcome**
2. **Presentation from Noll & Tam and questions**
3. **Break:** small group introductions
4. **Organizational Visions for 2023:**
  - Comments from Santa Clara County Library District
  - Comments from Community Librarian
  - Comments from NCLA
  - Comments from LALE
  - Comments from Friends of the Library
5. **Subcommittee Reports:**
  - A. Infrastructure
  - B. Services
  - C. Awareness
  - D. Futures
6. **Closing Comments from the Chair**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Crane adjourned the meeting at 3:34pm

May 2023  
Library Stakeholder Report  
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian

## Summer Reading is Taking Off

Temperatures are rising and our love for literature is heating up. This year's Summer Reading program's theme is [Find Your Voice](#). We want to help you discover new worlds and ideas through books this summer. Lasting from June 1 to July 31, Summer Reading offers both a reading challenge and a variety of fun and free in-person programs and activities for all ages and interests.



To take part, all you need to do is register starting May 1 on [Beanstack](#). Those who read 5 books (Audiobooks count!) and complete one activity between June 1 and July 31 will earn badges for logging their progress. Readers will be able to pick up a reward at their local library during the month of August, while supplies last. Keep an eye on our website for blogs around Summer Reading, which will include booklists and event highlights.



## Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Santa Clara County and the Bay Area is made up of individuals from a large number of backgrounds, including many people of Asian and Pacific Island heritage. May is a time to celebrate the many accomplishments of members of the AAPI community, as well as reflect on the centuries-long history of Asian American and Pacific Island communities locally.

Our libraries will be marking [Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month](#) with a number of free [events](#), as well as displays at several of our libraries. Saratoga Library has an art exhibition with 50 pieces by high school students in their Group Study Room. Check out our [blog post](#) about the month, which includes booklists for [children](#), [teens](#) and [adults](#). Our Calendar of Events has a longer, more detailed list, and here are some of the highlights. Please note, many events require registration.

[AAPI Book Scavenger Hunt](#) (Cupertino), [Behind Barbed Wire in the U.S. During WWII](#) (Morgan Hill)  
Anime Workshop for teens ([Cupertino](#), [Milpitas](#), [Morgan Hill](#)), [Japanese Martial Arts Demo](#) (Saratoga)  
Performances by [Rhythms of India](#) (Saratoga), [Nissishin Daiko taiko](#) (Morgan Hill), [Hula group](#) (Saratoga)  
[Suminagashi Japanese art craft](#) and [Craft for Kids](#) (Cupertino), [Ikebana flower arrangement](#) (Saratoga)  
[Guzheng classical Chinese instrument](#) performance (Saratoga), [Mandarin Family Storytime](#) (Cupertino)



## Graduation Day, Job Market

High school and college students are celebrating their well-earned diplomas this month after years of studying. New graduates may be continuing their educations, or perhaps they are ready to enter the workforce. Libraries can help them learn more about what opportunities are available, as well as help train them on the skillsets they will need.

SCCLD's 24/7 Online Library has a [Careers & Job Skill page](#), which offers resources like Brainfuse's JobNow online tutoring and career assistance,

LearningExpress Library with tools including job search engines, interview tips and occupational practice tests, as well as multiple ways to learn new skills. We also offer LinkedIn Learning with over 14,000 online classes in seven different languages to gain new skills.



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SANTA CLARA

## Mental Health Awareness Month

Greater attention is being paid to the importance of addressing mental health concerns and finding help for those who need it, especially when they are in crisis. A new phone number (988) has been set up nationwide, which routes callers quickly to trained local mental health professionals who can help.

The County's [Department of Behavioral Health](#) is the lead local public agency in providing suicide prevention and other crisis intervention services. They can make referrals to providers around mental health and drug addiction issues. They offer assistance 24/7, including holidays, with translation offered.

While the first priority is always to focus on those who most need help, all of us should think about our mental health the same way we think about our physical well-being. May is [Mental Health Awareness Month](#), the perfect time to consider small or big changes to our lifestyle and activities to try to improve our mood and reduce stress. The Library has many resources that can help with your voyage toward self-improvement.

[Headspace](#) is a great way to practice meditation and mindfulness, which can help you reduce stress and improve your sleep, which are essential to healthy living.

Find health libraries by [StayWell](#) and [PlaneTree](#) in our 24/7 Online Library's "[Health & Wellness](#)" section, as well as [MedlinePlus](#), which features health information from the National Institutes of Health.

You can also find many books, eBooks and Audiobooks on mental health topic in our [catalog](#).

## Introducing: The Palace Project

A new app called the [Palace Project](#) offers free access to digital titles for all ages and abilities, including content not available elsewhere. The Palace Project is a nonprofit, library-centered platform that supports the mission of public libraries by increasing access to digital content. Enjoy thousands of free eBooks, audiobooks, and more from your preferred device.

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## Campbell Library Renovation Update

An additional \$4.7 million in funding for the Campbell Library renovation project has been obtained from the California State Library's Building Forward Grant Program. The money will be used to add sustainability features to the project, and to address escalated construction costs following the COVID-19 pandemic.

These key projects of the library renovation and new police headquarters are expected to go out to bid this month, with construction starting in late summer. The library project modifications will take approximately 20 months. In the interim, the Campbell Express Library at the Campbell Community Center will continue to provide core services and share the most popular materials with the greater Campbell community.

## Memorial Day

As a reminder, all SCCLD locations will be closed and in-person services unavailable on Monday, May 29 in recognition of Memorial Day. Our [online library](#) is open and available 24/7.

***And don't forget Mother's Day on Sunday, May 14!***

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT MAY 2023 EVENTS

\* All libraries will be closed and services unavailable  
on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day\*

### **CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46**

#### **Baby Storytime (For ages 0-12 months)**

*Monday, May 1 & 8, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room Q84 (May 1) and Orchard City Banquet Hall (May 8)*  
Join us for stories, songs, and more! Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on. No registration required.

#### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, May 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. Please register online.

#### **Indoor Storytime for Kids 0-5**

*Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall*  
Join us for stories, songs, and more! Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on. No registration required.

#### **Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Discussion**

*Tuesday, May 23, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M50*  
Join us for a discussion about water purification. No registration necessary.

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

#### **AAPI Book Scavenger Hunt**

*Monday, May 1 – Sunday, May 7*  
Kids ages 5+ are invited to a scavenger hunt featuring books with Asian American and Pacific Islander characters, uncover the secret word and win a small prize.

#### **Storytime for Babies (ages 0-1)**

*Mondays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101A*  
This storytime features stories and songs that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 25 babies with a maximum of 2 adults per family.

### **Homework Help for K-9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Monday-Thursday through May 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m.*

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Toddler Storytime at Cupertino Library**

*Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

This storytime is suitable for kids ages 1-2 years old, and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Limited to the first 100 families.

### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, & 23, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A, Second Floor*

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

### **Family Storytime**

*Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 7 – 7:30 p.m., Room 101*

*Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

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.

### **Preschool Storytime**

*Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101*

This storytime is suitable for kids ages 3-5 years old, and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Limited to the first 100 families.

### **Teen Anime Drawing Workshop**

*Thursday, May 4, 4 – 5:15 p.m., Room 201*

Learn how to create and modify an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is. Online registration is required. This event is for teens ages 12-18.

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

*Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201B, Second Floor*

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.

### **Chinese Book Discussion**

*Thursday, May 11, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A*

We will discuss [犁過亡者的骨骸](#) *Li guo wang zhe di qu hai* ([Drive Your Plow Over the Bones of the Dead](#)) by Olga Tokarczuk. This discussion will be held in Mandarin.

### **CreateCU: Learn Suminagashi**

*Friday, May 12, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201*

Spend the evening learning the art of Suminagashi, a Japanese paper marbling technique. All materials will be provided. This event is for adults 18+. Please register online.

### **Cherry Blossom Art**

*Wednesday, May 17, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Join us for this Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month activity. This craft is for kids in grades 5-8. Registration is not required but space is limited.

### **LEGO Club**

*Thursday, May 18, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.*

Join us for on the third Thursday of the month for creative play. We have the bricks, you bring the imagination! This event is for K-Grade 8 patrons. Please leave your LEGOs at home.

### **Adult Book Discussion**

*Thursday, May 18, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201*

We will be discussing [Black Cake](#) by Charmaine Wilkerson.

### **AARP Smart Driver TEK Workshop**

*Monday, May 22, 6 – 8 p.m., Room 201*

This workshop will show you the latest high-tech safety features in your car, including blind spot warnings, forward collision warnings, smart headlights and more. Please register.

### **Changemakers Book Club**

*Wednesday, May 24, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 201*

This book club is for children in grades 1-3 only. We will be discussing the book, [Jasmine Toquchi, Mochi Queen](#).

### **AAPI Craft for Kids**

*Thursday, May 25, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Kids ages 5+ and their parents are invited to a fun Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month craft.

### **Let's Dye with Peopleologie**

*Friday, May 26, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201*

Learn the Japanese art of Shibori fabric dyeing. Online registration required.

### **Mandarin Family Storytime**

*Friday, May 26, 7 – 7:30 p.m.*

Kids ages 0-5 are invited to join us for Mandarin Storytime.

### **Intro to Basket Weaving**

*Wednesday, May 31, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.*

We will create a simple weave, 6" x 4" basket with raffia. No experience needed. All materials will be included. Please register online.

### **GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**

#### **Snack Break for Kids**

*Mondays-Fridays through May, 3 – 4 p.m., Pick up near Accounts Desk*

Kids ages 18 and under are welcomed to pick up an afterschool snack, while supplies last. No registration necessary. Snacks not offered on holidays or during school breaks.

#### **Homework Help for K-9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Monday-Thursday through May 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m.*

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. A peer tutor will be available Tuesdays from 4 – 5 p.m. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

#### **Teen Anime Drawing Workshop**

*Wednesday, May 3, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Community Room*

Learn how to create and modify an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is. Online registration is required. This event is for teens ages 12-18.

#### **Family Storytime at Gilroy Library**

*Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Ground Floor Children's Activity Room*

Join us for stories, songs and more.

#### **Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup**

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

Join us for an informal weekly drop-in knitting and crochet circle. Bring your projects, ask questions, get help, share ideas and meet new people!

#### **Book Discussion**

*Friday, April 7, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B*

We will discuss [\*The Soul of an Octopus\*](#) by Sy Montgomery. Please register.

#### **Baby Storytime**

*Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Adults and babies (ages 0-12 months) will laugh and learn together in this program designed to encourage the development of early literacy skills.



### **Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth**

*Fridays, May 5 & 19, 4 – 6 p.m., First Floor Meeting Room*

This in-person support group is for youth and young adults (ages 13-25). Play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

### **Cooking Demo and Tasting**

*Saturday, May 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room*

Adults and teens are invited to a free cooking demonstration and tasting. Learn how to make Sundried Tomato Pesto. Please register online.

### **The MEHKO Ordinance (en español)**

*Wednesday, May 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

¿Estás pensando en crear una pequeña empresa o vender comida casera? Un representante del Departamento de Salud Ambiental presentará información sobre la ordenanza de Operaciones de Cocinas en el Hogar de Microempresas (MEHKO). Seguimiento de preguntas y respuestas. Regístrese para recibir un recordatorio por correo electrónico. Personas sin reservaciones bienvenidos.

### **Age Well, Drive Smart: Senior Driver Education Class**

*Thursday, May 11, 12:30 – 2 p.m., Community Room*

Presented by the California Highway Patrol, this program was designed to help drivers over the age of 65 to continue to drive safely. Topics include aging and its effects on safe driving, maintaining good physical health, self-assessment and more.

### **Learn How Bees Operate Within the Hive**

*Saturday, May 13, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Members of the Gilroy Beekeepers Association will be presenting about how bees operate within a hive and the role of bees in nature. Please register to save your spot. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Open Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets**

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

Read whatever poetry you want to read and join in related discussions. No registration necessary.

### **Book Discussion**

*Sunday, May 21, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Outside Courtyard*

Local food advocate Peter Ruddock will lead a discussion of the book [\*The Way We Eat Now\*](#) by Bee Wilson. Please register.

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

### **Homework Help for K-9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Monday-Thursday through May 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m.*

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Bobbin Wranglers Sewing Club**

*Monday, May 1, 7 – 9 p.m.*

Every month we will learn new skills and create a simple project from start to finish. Please bring your own supplies. Each month we will discuss what will be needed for the next project.

### **Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater**

*Tuesday, May 2, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a special performance by the Puppet Art Theater for an adaptation of the classic story, The Three Little Pigs. Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes prior to the show. Tickets are first come, first served.

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

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

We will be discussing [\*The Gauquin Connection\*](#) by Estelle Ryan.

### **World Affairs: Where Big Tech Went Wrong & How We Can Reboot to Help Democratic Institutions**

*Wednesday, May 3, 7 – 8:30 p.m.*

Stanford professors Rob Reich and Jeremy Weinstein will discuss how democracies can govern and regulate technology rather than passively allowing technology to govern us.

### **Teen Anime Drawing Workshop**

*Thursday, May 4, 7 – 8:15 p.m.*

Learn how to create and modify an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is. Online registration is required. This event is for teens ages 12-18.

### **Bilingual Spanish Storytime**

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

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. ¡Únase a nosotros para escuchar cuentos, canciones y movimiento en español e inglés!

### **California Native Plant Society**

*Friday, May 5, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a talk about integrated pest management.



### **Baby Sign Time**

*Saturday, May 6, 10:30 – 11 a.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.

### **Stay and Play**

*Saturday, May 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

Non-walking babies and their grownups are invited to play with age-appropriate toys. Bring a blanket and come enjoy this socialization for babies.

### **Spring Early Literacy Series: Cascada de Flores**

*Tuesday, May 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a bilingual, participatory story told with music and dance. Cascada de Flores will be performing *The Treasure of Aquiles*. Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes prior to the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

### **Dark Matter: Our Universe's Worst-Kept Secret**

*Thursday, May 11, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Let's explore past, present and future techniques for unraveling the mystery of dark matter.

### **Get Ready for Kindergarten: Laugh and Learn Series**

*Saturday, May 13, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

*Sunday, May 28, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room*

Through stories, movement and joyful play, children will develop valuable school readiness skills.

### **Spring Early Literacy Series: MaryLee Sunseri**

*Tuesday, May 16, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us a special performance with MaryLee Sunseri, known for traditional and original music for babies and toddlers and their caregivers. Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes prior to the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

### **Book Bugs Club for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders**

*Tuesday, May 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*The Adventures of Henry Whiskers\*](#) by Gigi Priebe. We will then make a fun craft. Register in person.

### **The MEHKO Ordinance**

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

Learn about the Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations program that authorizes residents to prepare, cook, and sell food from their private home kitchen. Register online. Walk-ins welcome, as space allows.

### **Page Turners Book Club for Grades 4-6**

*Thursday, May 18, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We are discussing [\*When You Reach Me\*](#) by Rebecca Stead. We will discuss the book then play a modified version of the game show \$20,000 Pyramid. Please register then stop by the Children’s Reference Desk to check out a copy of the book.

### **Bay Area Games Day**

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

Stop by and learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite.

### **Spring Early Literacy Series: Little Folkies**

*Tuesday, May 23, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us a special performance with Little Folkies, known for their family folk music. Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes prior to the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

### **Book Talk for Kids**

*Wednesday, May 24, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Kids in grades 4-8 are invited to bring a favorite book and share the title with others. Get recommendations about some new reads also. Please register online.

### **Wednesday Travel Nights: Springtime in Japan**

*Wednesday, May 24, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Take a journey through Honshu and Hokkaido, stopping at the most iconic sites to view cherry blossoms.

### **Furry Friends Reading Buddies**

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

Come practice reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat. Please register.

### **Spring Early Literacy Series: Sean’s Music Factory**

*Tuesday, May 30, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Orchard Room*

Join us a special performance with singer/songwriter Sean Mendelson. Get ready for a unique, high energy, interactive show! Due to limited space, free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes prior to the performance. Tickets are first come, first served.

## **MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**

### **STEM Building with LEGO**

*Mondays, May 1, 8, 15, & 22, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Kids in grades K-8 are invited to drop by and have fun building with LEGOs. No registration needed.

### **Homework Help for K-9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Monday-Thursday through May 25, 3:45 – 5 p.m.*

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Baby Bouncers Lapsit**

*Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:30 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room*

This program has an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books.

### **Teen Anime Drawing Workshop**

*Tuesday, May 2, 4 – 5:15 p.m., Auditorium*

Learn how to create and modify an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is. Online registration is required. This event is for teens ages 12-18.

### **Fun with Art Presented by First5 Santa Clara County**

*Wednesday, May 3, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room*

This program is geared toward children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Come make some art with us and learn about available resources at the resource center.

### **Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes**

*Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2 – 4 p.m., Auditorium*

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

### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 3 – 4 p.m., Group Study Room A*

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

### **Toddler Storytime**

*Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room*

This storytime is geared to 1-2 year olds, and features lots of movement, singing and action.

### **Crafts Around the Galaxy**

*Thursday, May 4, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium*

In celebration of Star Wars Day, play games and make Star Wars inspired crafts. Wear your best costume for a chance to win a prize.

### **Knit & Crochet Circle**

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

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

### **Milpitas LGBTQ Social Space**

*Friday, May 5, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Conference Room*

Enjoy good company, snacks, and fun as we socialize and make new friends. We'll play board games, card games or swing by for a good discussion.

### **Family Storytime**

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

Early literacy focus is on picture books, flannel board stories, fingerplays and an early introduction to group dynamics and socialization.

### **Punch Needle Embroidery for Teens**

*Saturday, May 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Conference Room*

We'll learn the technique of punch needle embroidery with kits that you can take home. Registration recommended. This craft is for kids ages 12-18.

### **Milpitas Library Book Discussion Group**

*Wednesday, May 24, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Auditorium*

We will be discussing [\*Silas Marner\*](#) by George Eliot.

### **The Peaceful Poets**

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

Join this group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

### **Reading Buddies for Grades K-5**

*Saturday, May 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room*

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

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

### **Snack Break**

*Mondays-Thursdays, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Free afterschool snacks available for kids ages 0-18, while supplies last. No registration necessary. Snacks not available during school breaks and holidays.

### **Homework Help for K-9 Grade**

*Mondays and Wednesdays, through May 24, 3:30 – 5 p.m.*

Get help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome.

### **Introduction to Chinese Calligraphy for Children**

*Monday, May 1, 4 –5 p.m.*

Learn the basics of traditional Chinese calligraphy including holding a brush and writing. This event is for children ages 6-14. Please register online.

### **LEGO Club**

*Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Use LEGOs to build whatever you want, or based on our weekly theme. Creations will be displayed until our next meeting. LEGOs available for ages 2+. No registration required.

### **First Tuesday Knit-In**

*Tuesday, May 2, 6:45 – 8:45 p.m., Community Room*

New knitter can get advice and assistance, while advanced knitters can provide assistance and meet new friends in the community.

### **Teen Anime Drawing Workshop**

*Wednesday, May 3, 4 – 5:15 p.m., Program Room*

Learn how to create and modify an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is. Online registration is required. This event is for teens ages 12-18.

### **After Dinner Book Club**

*Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 – 8:45 p.m., Small Program Room*

We will be discussing [\*Still Life\*](#) by Louise Penny.

### **Family Storytime**

*Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for stories, music, movement and more!

### **Tiny Tot Jamboree**

*Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:45 a.m.*

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

### **Itty Bitty Jamboree**

*Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.*

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

### **Bilingual Storytime**

*Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children’s Activity Room*

Join us for stories, music, movement and more in English and Spanish!

### **Behind Barbed Wire in the U.S. During World War II**

*Saturday, May 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Program Room*

A local resident will share his family's experience during the 1940s when WWII started, as well as entering internment camps in the western United States.

### **Local Pollinator Talk**

*Sunday, May 7, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Program Room*

Learn about the connection between pollinators and the food we eat.

### **Growing Lavender Successfully**

*Tuesday, May 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room*

Lavender adds beauty and fragrance to your landscape, as well as attract bees and other beneficial insects.

### **Mother's Day Craft for Teens**

*Wednesday, May 10, 3 – 5 p.m. and Saturday, May 13, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room*

Come and paint flower pots and select a plant for a unique gift. Supplies will be provided as they last.

### **Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth**

*Fridays, May 12 & 26, 4 – 5:30 p.m.*

This in-person support group is for youth and young adults (ages 13-25). Play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

### **Nisseishin Daiko**

*Saturday, May 13, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Program Room*

Stop by and enjoy a beautiful performance.

### **Zumba**

*Mondays, May 15 & 22, 6 – 7 p.m.*

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.

### **Library Ukulele Society**

*Tuesday, May 16, 5 – 7 p.m.*

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

### **First Aid Training**

*Wednesday, May 17, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room*

Learn some first aid training, including what to do in case of a traumatic bleeding event.

### **Protecting Your Legacy: Preserving Your Heirlooms**

*Friday, May 19, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Learn about the three points of action in caring for your artifacts. You're invited to bring in a piece of art, documents or photographs for assessment and referral.

### **Bringing History to Life**

*Saturday, May 20, 10 – 11 a.m., Program Room*

Using data from the Morgan Hill Museum's collection and archives, you will see a compelling and educational exhibit right before your eyes. You may be encouraged to check out historical places in Morgan Hill.

### **History Makers: Film Screening & Discussion**

*Sunday, May 21, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Program Room*

Join us for a screening of the documentary, History Makers. Special guests include Mike and Debbi Sanchez from GMH Today Magazine.

### **AAUW Discussion**

*Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room*

The Morgan Hill AAUW will hold a follow-up discussion on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women program that was hosted on January 25. No registration required.

### **Special Performance with Steve Lin**

*Saturday, May 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room*

Join us for a special musical performance with classical guitarist Steve Lin.

### **Great Decisions Discussion**

*Tuesday, May 30, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room*

Stop by to discuss, develop awareness, understanding and informed opinions of U.S. foreign policy and global issues.

## **SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**

### **Homework Help for K-9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Monday-Thursday through May 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m.*

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Mystery Book Club**

*Monday, May 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room*

We will discuss [\*The Maid\*](#) by Nita Prose. Drop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

### **Family Storytime**

*Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room*  
*Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*  
Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

### **Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Wednesday, May 3, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room*  
Join us for our first ever, monthly event. Bring your own projects, ask questions, receive or give help, share ideas, and meet new people.

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

*Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room*  
Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

### **Rhythms of India Dance Program**

*Saturday, May 6, 1 – 4 p.m., Community Room*  
Enjoy four styles of India's rich tradition of classical dances. All are welcome.

### **The MEHKO Ordinance**

*Tuesday, May 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m.*  
Learn about the Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations program that authorizes residents to prepare, cook, and sell food from their private home kitchen. Register online. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Craft Club for Adults**

*Thursday, May 11, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room*  
We are making gemstone wire trees. All supplies will be provided. Please register online.

### **Bridge Drop-In Session**

*Fridays, May 12 and 26, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.*  
Practice playing Bridge in a friendly environment.

### **Taichi by the Orchard**

*Saturdays, May 13 and 20, 10 – 11 a.m., Community Room*  
Martial Artist Yang Li will teach the basic postures, breathing techniques and forms of taichi. Registration is required for each session.

### **LEGO Fun for Grades K-7**

*Wednesday, May 17, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*  
Apply your engineering skills and imagination to build with LEGOs. No registration required, first come, first served.



### **Teatime Book Chatter**

*Thursday, May 18, 1 – 2 p.m.*

We will be reading [Beautiful Country](#) by Qian Julie Wang. Please register and pick up a copy of the book at the Adult Reference Desk.

### **Teen Coffeehouse: Night of Stars**

*Friday, May 19, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room*

If you play music, create art, write poems or have a unique talent, we want you to perform at our Teen Coffeehouse! This program is for teens ages 13-17.

### **Parenting Talks with Jill Avery: Trust is a Must**

*Saturday, May 20, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room*

Jill will show you new approaches and pathways to earn trust and respect while also infusing camaraderie and fun. Register online.

### **Japanese Martial Arts Demo**

*Sunday, May 21, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room*

Several local martial arts practitioners will demonstrate the style they practice, how they practice, and some basic self-defense applications of that style.

### **Hula Performance**

*Sunday, May 21, 2 – 3 p.m.*

Enjoy live music and dance from local group Hula Halau 'O Pi'ilani.

### **Ikebana**

*Sunday, May 21, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room*

Ikebana is the Japanese art of flower arrangement. Join us to learn the principles and techniques. Please register.

### **Neighborhood Naturalists**

*Tuesdays, May 23 and 30, 7 – 8:30 p.m.*

This 3-part educational program for adults will introduce participants to the natural history of the Santa Clara Valley with a focus on the Saratoga region's geology, geography, flora, and fauna.

### **Guzheng Performance**

*Saturday, May 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Enjoy a classic guzheng performance by musician Hong Tai. The guzheng is a plucked zither with 15-25 strings. Please register.

## **WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**

### **Canine Companions Reading Buddies**

*Fridays, May 12 and 26, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.*

Practice your reading skills with a friendly dog. This program is perfect for emergent readers. This is a drop-in event, registration is not required and space is limited.

### **Family Storytime**

*Sunday, May 21, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Backyard*

Join us in the backyard of the library or inside (depending on the weather) for stories, songs, fingerplays about robots.

## **ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**

### **Virtual Author Talk**

*Wednesday, May 3, 10 – 11 a.m.*

Author Britt Hawthorne will discuss her book, [Raising Antiracist Children](#).

### **Online English Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.*

Meet new friends and practice English together.

### **Kindergarten Readiness for Special Education Families/ Preparación para el kindergarten para familias en el programa de Educación Especial**

*Thursday, May 4, 7 – 8:30 p.m.*

Make the transition to kindergarten easy for your special education child! Our virtual panel will answer questions and provide helpful information on making the transition to kindergarten, including an explanation of the IEP process.

¡Haga que la transición al kindergarten sea fácil para su hijo en educación especial! Nuestro panel virtual responderá a preguntas y proporcionará información útil sobre cómo hacer la transición al kindergarten, incluyendo una explicación del proceso IEP.

### **Virtual Author Talk**

*Saturday, May 6, 12 – 1:30 p.m.*

Join us for an interview with graphic novel author [Jordan Morris](#).

### **Bookshare: What Are YOU Reading?**

*Tuesday, May 9, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Come and share what titles you have been enjoying. No limit on genre.

### **Virtual Author Talk**

*Wednesday, May 10, 5 – 6 p.m.*

Author Jena Friedman will discuss her book, [Not Funny](#).

### **Virtual Taichi**

*Saturdays, May 13 and 20, 10 – 11 a.m.*

Martial Artist Yang Li will teach the basic postures, breathing techniques and forms of taichi. Registration is required for each session.

### **Teen College Day: College Essays**

*Tuesday, May 16, 5 – 6 p.m.*

Learn how to stand out from the competition and write a great college essay.

### **Get Started with Libby**

*Wednesday, May 17, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Join us for a one-hour presentation to help you get started with OverDrive's app, Libby, and get access to eBooks and Audiobooks.

### **Andy Warhol: The Life and Art**

*Wednesday, May 17, 7 – 8:15 p.m.*

Learn about the extraordinary life and work of pop art superstar Andy Warhol.

### **Introduction to Morning Investment Research Center**

*Thursday, May 18, 1 – 2 p.m.*

Morningstar provides analysis of stocks, mutual funds, and other financial investment products. You can build and analyze your investment portfolio. Join us for training session to learn more.

### **Virtual Author Talk**

*Wednesday, May 20, 5 – 6 p.m.*

Author Courtney Summers will discuss her book, [\*I'm the Girl.\*](#)