

May 2025 Library Report  
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## Many Cultures, One Community

May is [Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month](#). This year's [theme](#) is "A Legacy of Leadership and Resilience," which calls to mind the centuries of struggle and hard work that have been undertaken to advance the rights of modern day people of AANHPI heritage.

Our libraries have [different types of programs](#) scheduled around the month, including book discussions, arts and crafts, and a movie screening. Highlights include a talk by author Marie Silva Vallejo about the efforts of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Filipino Infantry Regiments to free the Philippines during World War II on [Thu., May 15](#), an introduction to the vibrant world of Japanese taiko drumming at two libraries on [Sat., May 17](#), hula performances on [Sun., May 18](#) and [Sun., May 31](#), and talks on traditional Chinese Medicine on [Fri., May 23](#) and the role of Chinese immigrants in the West Coast salmon industry on [Sun., May 25](#).

Keep an eye on our website for a blog post about AANHPI, including booklists. Our 24/7 Online Library also has resources around [Arts & Culture](#), [History](#), and [Biography](#) to learn more.

## Taking Some Time for Self Care

May is [Mental Health Awareness Month](#), where we focus on our psychological well-being, which if not in balance can negatively affect one's physical health. Our libraries host events to soothe the soul, and we have many useful [digital resources](#) to explore including the mindfulness app, [Headspace](#).



Learn about befriending your mind using the practice of mindfulness at one of three presentations at Morgan Hill ([Sat., May 3](#)), Los Altos ([Wed., May 14](#)), and Gilroy ([Sat., May 24](#)) libraries. Several of our libraries also offer morning and afternoon [meditation sessions](#). Another event of interest is an appearance at the Los Altos Library on [Tue., May 6](#) by JJ Elliot, author of [There Are No Rules for This](#). Her novel explores the consequences on a tight knit group of women when their friend commits suicide. The County's [Behavioral Health Department](#) urges those experiencing mental health crises to call 988.



## Summer Reading, Time to Level Up!

Get an early start on Summer Reading 2025 by registering starting on May 1 on [Beanstack](#). This year's theme is Level Up, which you will do by taking part in our excellent programming and enjoying some great reads, wherever you are.

Those who read at least 5 books (reminder that Audiobooks count) and complete one activity between June 1 and July 31 will earn badges for

logging their progress and children can then pick up a reward at their local library during the month of August, while supplies last. Keep an eye on our website for information on Summer Reading, which will include recommended booklists for each age and event highlights. Summer Reading is a fun activity encouraged for all ages!

## Two New Storybook SCCLD Play Spaces

Families visiting Morgan Hill Library have an exciting new way for their little ones to play and learn. They can now check out the Trusty Trails Play Space, with its trusty guide HikerBot. Each of our Storybook SCCLD play spaces incorporate the five principles of [Every Child Ready to Read](#): talking, singing, reading, writing and playing!



Children ages 0 – 10 will explore different types of play in Trusty Trails that will help them develop skills they need to be successful learners. **Imaginative play** with the playhouse and observatory is crucial in helping to develop social and emotional skills and enhance cognitive abilities. **Active play** in the climbing and balancing activities help young children to develop focus and spatial awareness which is critical for letter recognition and tracking text. **Interactive play** with the observatory telescope helps little hands develop the motor skills they'll need to learn to write, while **quiet play** in the reading nooks provides an opportunity for kids to relax with a good book.

Mark your calendar for [Sat., May 17](#) at 10 AM for the **Grand Opening event of the Gilroy Library Earthen Excursion Play Space!** Enter an underground world where MoleBot will lead families to discover hidden gems, while also working to explore colors, letters, numbers and words in both English and Spanish. Kids can also explore the drill car to find hidden treasures. [Read more online](#) about each space's theme, construction news, and where to find children's books while work is underway.

**FYI- All SCCLD Libraries will be closed on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day. Our [Online Library](#) is available 24/7 at [scclld.org](#)**

THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT PRESENTS

## VIRTUAL *May* Author Talks 2025

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**Dr. David Rosmarin**  
Wed., May 7 at 11:00 AM  
Discover how to transform anxiety from a burden into a strength and thrive.
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**Liann Zhang**  
Wed., May 14 at 4:00 PM  
Hear about her debut thriller about a murdered twin's search for a killer.
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**Rachelle Bergstein**  
Wed., May 21 at 11:00 AM  
Explore Judy Blume's life and cultural impact and groundbreaking YA novels.

## May Virtual Author Talks

How to harness the power of anxiety to help us accomplish what we want in life is the focus of the talk by Dr. David H. Rosmarin on Wednesday, May 7. His book [Thriving with Anxiety](#) offers a series of constructive, compassionate, and evidence-based suggestions for turning everyone's natural anxiety into a new power. [Please register.](#)

Liann Zhang will talk about her debut novel, [Julie Chan is Dead](#), which tells the story of a twin who assumes the identity of her slain influencer sister. This talk is on Wednesday, May 14. [Please register.](#)

Bestselling author Rachelle Bergstein closes out this month's offerings on Wednesday May 21 with a discussion around her new work, [The Genius of Judy](#), a close look at the life and work of young adult novelist Judy Bloom. [Please register.](#)

## Honoring Those Who Gave Everything

Monday, May 26 is Memorial Day, a federal holiday established to honor the many brave men and women who have died in the service of their country, from the time of the Revolutionary War up to today. May is also [Military Appreciation Month](#), which celebrates those who have served in the past and currently. There are several [commemorations](#) during the month, including Victory in Europe Day and Armed Forces Day.



Active duty military service members, veterans, and their families can find help with VA benefits or transitioning from military to civilian careers with [VetNow](#). The County also has a [Department of Veterans Services](#), which offers drop-in in-person assistance once a week and by appointment.



Don't forget about Mother's Day on Sunday, May 11! We have many things she is sure to enjoy, from [New Fiction](#) and [Nonfiction](#), to films streaming on [Kanopy](#) and [Hoopla](#). Feel like making something special to eat? Check out [New York Times Cooking](#) or one of our [cookbook lists](#). How about a work of art that expresses how you feel about your mother or mom-like figure in your life? We [have ideas](#) for that too! All of these resources are of course free. So are your hugs!



## **SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT**

### **MAY 2025 EVENTS**

***\*All SCCLD libraries will be closed and services unavailable  
on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day\****

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

##### **ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room Q-80*

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. Registration is required.

##### **Family Storytime (ages 0-5)**

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room Q-80*

Join us for stories, songs, and more. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on.

##### **Basket Weaving Workshop**

*Friday, May 23, 1 – 2:30 p.m.*

Spend some time with us and create your very own handmade basket to take home. All materials and tools to create a basket will be provided in this workshop. Please register.

##### **Digitize Your Memorable Moments**

*Thursday, May 29, 7 – 8 p.m., Room Q-80*

Explore free ways to digitize and share your memories online by creating a journal or website. All are welcome. Skills and experiences of programming are not required.

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

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

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., First Floor Program Room*

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

##### **Homework Help**

*Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 1, 6, 8, 13, & 15, 4:30 – 6 p.m.*

Students in grades K-5 who need homework help can stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

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

*Thursday, May 1, and Monday, May 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, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A*

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

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

*Fridays, May 2 & 16, 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**

*Saturdays, May 3, 10, 24, & 31, 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, May 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m.*

Join us for babywearing dance.

**Baby Sign and Sing**

*Sunday, May 4, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

This program is for infants and pre-walking babies under 12 months. Adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate with their babies.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A*

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

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

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

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

**LEGO Club (Grades K-8)**

*Tuesday, May 6, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children’s Meeting Room*

Children can build and create using LEGOs. Please leave your own LEGOs at home.

**Writing Family History with AI**

*Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201*

This workshop will help you craft a meaningful family story using AI-powered writing tools. Please register.

**Wednesday Afternoon Meditation and Mindfulness**

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Think Tank Meeting Room*

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

**Bedtime Storytime**

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 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.

**How to Install Native Plants**

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

This program will cover an overview of the process, lawn removal options, sheet mulching, and step-by-step photos of planting California natives.

**Art Therapy for Tweens (Kids 10+)**

*Friday, May 9, 4 – 5 p.m.*

We will explore different techniques and art materials each month. Materials will be provided, while supplies last.

**Pop Up Bug Museum**

*Saturday, May 10, 1 – 4 p.m., Room 101*

This Pop-Up Bug Museum includes displays of arthropods from around the world, live bug terrariums, and activities for all ages. No registration is required.

**Be Red Cross Ready for Teens**

*Saturday, May 10, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 201*

Join us for a workshop designed to teach teens essential skills for preparing and responding to emergencies like building a disaster kit, creating an emergency plan, and staying informed during a crisis.

**Nonfiction Book Discussion Group**

*Sunday, May 11, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201A*

We will discuss [\*The Mapmaker's Wife: A True Tale of Love, Murder, and Survival in the Amazon\*](#) by Robert Whitaker.

**Live Jazz Music: Charged Particles**

*Sunday, May 11, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 201*

Charged Particles delivers a unique blend of traditional and contemporary jazz, igniting audiences with their passion and virtuosity.

**Opioid Overdose Prevention Training**

*Monday, May 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room 201*

Learn how to recognize an opioid overdose and administer NARCAN Nasal Spray. Registration is not necessary, but you can RSVP to get an email reminder.

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

*Tuesday, May 13, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Adults can join us to discuss, reminisce, or discover for the first time a beloved children's classic. Please register at the Children's Reference Desk. This program is for adults only.

**Book Discussion for Adults**

*Wednesday, May 14, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thursday, May 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B*

We will discuss [\*The Housekeeper and the Professor\*](#) by Yoko Ogawa.

**Polynesian Stamping Craft (Grades K+)**

*Wednesday, May 14, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Learn about the Polynesian stamping process, then create your own stamp. Supplies are limited. This program is presented in celebration of Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

**Origami for School Aged Children**

*Thursday, May 15, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Learn to fold three different projects from easy to hard. Origami paper will be provided.

**Queer Taiko**

*Saturday, May 17, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.*

Immerse yourself in the vibrant world of Japanese taiko drumming, bamboo flute music, and captivating folk tales.

**Japanese Bilingual Storytime**

*Sunday, May 18, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101*

This bilingual Japanese storytelling session will include traditional kamishibai (paper theater), puppets and books!

**Basket Weaving Workshop**

*Monday, May 19, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201*

Create your very own handmade basket to take home. All materials and tools to create a basket will be provided in this workshop. Please register.

**Changemakers Book Club (Grades 1 & 2)**

*Tuesday, May 20, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

We will discuss [\*Geraldine Pu and Her Lunchbox, Too!\*](#) by Maggie P. Chang. Sign up and pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Reference Desk.

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

*Wednesday, May 21, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101*

Freedom Riders is a graphic novel book club that celebrates the freedom to read through diverse characters and experiences. For May we will read and discuss [\*Mabuhay!\*](#) by Zachary Sterling. Please register at the Children's Desk starting May 1.

**Ceramic Coil Snake Pots**

*Thursdays, May 22 & 29, 6 – 7 p.m., Room 101*

Kids in grades 3-8 will learn how to roll clay coils and build ceramic pots in this hands-on pottery class. This is a two-part class. On day 1, we will roll and shape the clay. On day 2, you will glaze and decorate your creations.

**Teen Study Hall**

*Saturdays and Sunday, May 24, 25, & 31, all day, Room 201*

This is a space for students to study for finals.

**Tuesday Travel Nights**

*Tuesday, May 27, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201*

We will experience the Easter processions in colonial Antigua, explore the Mayan villages around Lake Atitlán by boat, and travel to the isolated Petén to visit Tikal through David Couzens' stories, photography, and music.

**Adult Watercolor Workshop**

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

Discover the vibrant world of tropical botanicals in our upcoming watercolor workshop designed for adults. All necessary supplies will be provided. Registration is not required, and seating is limited.



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

### **Family Storytime/Hora de Cuentos**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.*

Join us for fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs to nurture early literacy skills.

Compartiremos historias divertidas, rimas, y canciones.

### **Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup/Tejido Semanal**

*Thursdays, May 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. ¡Trae tus proyectos, haz preguntas, recibe ayuda, comparte ideas y conoce gente nueva!

### **Homework & Reading Help/Ayuda con la Tarea y Lectura**

*Mondays – Fridays, 4:30 – 6:15 p.m., Children’s Area/ Area de Niños*

Students in grades K-8 can visit the library for help with reading and homework. Ayuda con las tareas y lectura gratis. Algunos tutores hablan español.

### **Intercambio: Practice English & Spanish Conversation/Practica la conversación en inglés y español**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 5 – 5:45 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Adults are invited to join us to practice English and Spanish listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment. Los adultos están invitados a unirse a nosotros para practicar habilidades de comprensión auditiva y expresión oral en inglés o español y conocer mejor otras culturas en un ambiente de apoyo.

### **Book Discussion**

*Friday, May 2, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B*

We will be discussing [\*The Feather Thief: Beauty, Obsession, and the Natural History Heist of the Century\*](#) by Kirk Wallace Johnson.

### **Adaptive Adventures for Teens & Adults**

*Friday, May 2, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Community Room*

Join us for accessible activities for teens and adults with disabilities, and their family, friends, and caregivers. Enjoy socializing, finding new friends, storytelling and having fun with art, games, music, and more. No registration is required.

### **Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth**

*Fridays, May 2 & 16, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and ally (LGBTQ+) youth to play games, participate in group activities and discussions, and build community. No registration necessary.

**Free Comic Book Day/Día de historieta cómica gratis**

*Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Adult Information Desk*

Pick up two free small comic books (while supplies last) that you can take home and keep. Comics are available for all ages; please refer to age ratings on individual titles.

**Bilingual Storytime: English & Spanish/Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe: Inglés y Español**

*Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.*

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

**Growing Culinary Herbs in Your Garden**

*Saturday, May 3, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Culinary herbs are easy to grow and add beauty and interest to your garden as well as attracting pollinators and other beneficial insects. Learn the basic requirements of popular annual and perennial herbs.

**Exploring the History of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band**

*Saturday, May 3, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room*

Chairman Valentin Lopez will share the pre-contact history of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band, the cultural significance of the sacred landscape known as Juristac, and current efforts to protect Juristac.

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

*Mondays, May 5, 12, & 19, 1 – 5 p.m., Computer Area Upstairs*

Drop by to get help with opening an email account, connect to Wi-Fi/hotspots, use laptops/Chromebooks, and use Microsoft Office. Ellos pueden ayudarte a abrir una cuenta de correo electrónico, conectar a Wi-Fi/puntos de acceso, utilizar computadoras portátiles/Chromebooks y utilizar Microsoft Office.

**Digital Literacy Classes in Spanish/Clases de Alfabetización Digital en español**

*Mondays and Tuesdays, March 5, 6, 12, & 13, 6 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B*

Learn basic computer skills, practice accessing the internet, and learn about staying safe online. Please register and plan to attend all four classes. Aprenda habilidades informáticas básicas, practique el acceso a Internet y aprenda a mantenerse seguro en línea. Se recomienda registrarse y planee asistir a las cuatro clases.

**Pajama Storytime/Cuentas en Pijama**

*Mondays, May 5, 12, & 19, 7 – 8 p.m.*

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

**Zumba at the Library**

*Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room*

Join us for an easy-to-follow dance that works all major muscle groups in a high-energy cardio blast. No registration required. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes and bring your own water and towel. Únase a nosotros para un entrenamiento gratuito basado en baile y ritmo. No es necesario registrarse.

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

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 4:30 – 5 p.m.*

Let's read stories, sing songs, dance, and play games with Miss Như Ý. Chúng ta cùng đọc sách, ca múa, và vui chơi cùng cô Như Ý nhé.

**LEGO Club**

*Friday, May 9, 3 – 4:30 p.m.*

We provide LEGOs, children build fun creations that will be displayed in the library. Nosotros proporcionamos los legos, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas! Estas serán exhibidas en la biblioteca.

**Sound Bath Meditation / Meditación en baño de sonido**

*Saturday, May 10, 1 – 2 p.m.*

The consistent vibration of sound healing instruments creates a deeply meditative experience. Crystal bowls emit a relaxing frequency that puts the body and mind at ease. La vibración constante de los instrumentos de sanación sonora crea una experiencia profundamente meditativa. Los cuencos de cristal emiten una frecuencia relajante que tranquiliza el cuerpo y la mente.

**Open Poetry Readings**

*Saturday, May 10, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room*

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

**Housing & Homeless in Gilroy: The Facts, Challenges & Solutions**

*Wednesday, May 14, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room*

Explore the latest data, root causes driving homelessness, and the critical role affordable housing plays in ending it. Featuring insights from a panel of local leaders and experts, attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the challenges our community faces, and leave equipped with the knowledge and tools to advocate for real, long-term solutions.

**Author Talk with Marie Silva Vallejo**

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

Author Marie Silva Vallejo will present from her recent book [\*Dauntless\*](#), about the 1st & 2nd Filipino Infantry Regiments and their covert operations to free the Philippines during World War II.

**The Importance of Bees**

*Saturday, May 17, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Pollinators play a vital role in the ecosystem and food production. Learn which plants are pollinator-friendly and how to make a safe bee water station.

**Children's Play Space Grand Opening**

*Saturday, May 17, 10:30 – 12:30 p.m., Children's Area and Library Courtyard*

Families with children 0-10 years old are invited to a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Earthen Excursion play space followed by a bubble show. Celebrate the newest addition to the Gilroy Library as we invite children to use their imaginations to play in our new environment. Vengan a celebrar la más reciente adición a la Biblioteca de Gilroy, donde los niños podrán usar su imaginación para jugar en este nuevo espacio.

**Pastel & Charcoal Drawing Class / Clase de Dibujo al Pastel y Carboncillo**

*Saturday, May 17, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room*

All adult & teen artists are welcome. No experience necessary! All supplies will be provided. Register to reserve your spot. Arrive early or your spot may be given away to a walk-in. Todos los artistas, adultos y adolescentes, son bienvenidos. ¡No se requiere experiencia! Se proporcionarán todos los materiales. Se aceptan visitas sin cita previa, siempre que haya espacio. Regístrese para reservar su lugar.

**Bike Repair / Reparación de Bicicletas**

*Sunday, May 18, 2 – 5 p.m.*

Bike Repair Mobile is a free bicycle repair clinic offered on a drop-in basis. We address a wide range of common bicycle malfunctions, including flat tires, brake issues, and shifter problems. Please note that bicycles must be equipped with gears and wheels. Primero en llegar, primero en ser atendido. Trae tu bici y llega temprano. ¡Reparamos casi cualquier cosa! Imprescindible tener ruedas y engranajes. Prioridad para niños de 0 a 17 años.

**Book Discussion: Into the Weeds**

*Sunday, May 18, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Library Courtyard*

Sustainable food advocate Peter Ruddock will lead a discussion about the book [\*Into the Weeds: How to Garden Like a Forager\*](#) by Tama Matsuoka Wong.

**Family Paint Your Own Pottery Workshop (ages 10+)**

*Friday, May 23, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

We will provide a curated selection of pre-formed pottery and a diverse palette of paints, allowing you to design a unique masterpiece. Please note that this program is offered on a first-come, first-served basis, and space is limited to a maximum of 20 participants. Proporcionaremos una selección curada de cerámica preformada y una diversa paleta de pinturas, permitiéndote diseñar una obra única. Ten en cuenta que este programa se ofrece por orden de llegada y el espacio está limitado a un máximo de 20 participantes.

**Befriending Our Minds: A Mindfulness Presentation**

*Saturday, May 24, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

We will discuss ways to gently connect with our bodies, breath, and internal thoughts and feelings. Over time, the practice of mindfulness can help reduce stress, improve our relationships, and facilitate a greater sense of meaning and purpose in our lives.

**Book Discussion**

*Tuesday, May 27, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we will be discussing [\*Miracle Creek\*](#) by Angie Kim.

**Paint a Pretty Tea Towel / Pintar un bonito paño de cocina**

*Saturday, May 31, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Community Room*

Enjoy a simple craft that is welcoming to all skill levels. Bonus, you get to keep your creative masterpiece! Please register to ensure that we have enough supplies for all attendees. En este evento "Pinta un Paño de Cocina Bonito", disfrutarán de una manualidad sencilla, apta para todos los niveles. ¡Además, podrán conservar su obra maestra creativa! Por favor, regístrense para asegurarnos de tener suficientes materiales para todos los asistentes.

**LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road****Children's Concert with Marylee Sunseri**

*Thursday, May 1, 10:30 – 11 a.m. and 11 – 11:30 a.m.*

MaryLee Sunseri is a singer/songwriter/performer of traditional and original songs for young children.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, May 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.

**Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club**

*Thursdays, May 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.

**Kindergarten Readiness**

*Thursday, May 1, 5:30 – 6 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join local teachers to learn how to get ready and make it a joyful transition. Topics include emotional preparation, physical skills that enhance reading and school success, and games and play that build fine and gross motor skills.



**Community Playdate**

*Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Hillview Park, near the Library*

There will be activities for all ages in an effort to promote play as an essential literacy component.

**Baby Sign and Stay & Play**

*Saturday, May 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.

**Sunday Movie Matinee**

*Sunday, May 4, 2 – 4:15 p.m., Orchard Room*

Celebrate Star Wars Day with a showing of [\*Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope\*](#) (Rated PG).

**Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness**

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

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

**Poetry Open Mic**

*Monday, May 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D*

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

**Jewish-American Heritage Month Celebration**

*Monday, May 5, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room*

Everyone is welcome for a celebration of Jewish-American Heritage Month, featuring talks by local Rabbis and community scholars, plus an educational table of Jewish artifacts/Judaica. No registration required.

**Author Talk: JJ Elliott**

*Tuesday, May 6, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Orchard Room*

Author JJ Elliot will read from her book, [\*There Are No Rules for This\*](#), then talk about the writing and publishing process, mental health and suicide prevention, and take questions. Register for an email reminder.

**The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club**

*Wednesday, May 7, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room*

We will discuss [\*Everyone in my Family has Killed Someone\*](#) by Benjamin Stevenson.

**World Affairs**

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

Every month we will discuss a different global issue.

**Toddler Storytime**

*Thursday, May 8, 15, 22, & 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.

**Watercolor Workshop for Adults**

*Friday, May 9, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Join us for a watercolor workshop. All supplies will be provided. Seating is first come, first served.

**Bay Area Games Day**

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

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

**Board Game Sunday**

*Sunday, May 11, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We have board games for adults, teens, and children – plus LEGOs and DUPLOs.

**Children's Concert with Sean Mendelson**

*Tuesday, May 13, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room*

Get ready for a unique high energy, interactive show for children of all ages and their caregivers with singer/songwriter Sean Mendelson! Due to limited space, we will begin handing out free tickets 30 minutes before the performance.

**Befriending Our Minds: A Mindfulness Presentation**

*Wednesday, May 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss ways to gently connect with our bodies, breath, and internal thoughts and feelings. Over time, the practice of mindfulness can help reduce stress, improve our relationships, and facilitate a greater sense of meaning and purpose in our lives.

**Miss Molly Bubbles**

*Saturday, May 17, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Witness incredible feats of bubble artistry, from giant bubbles to intricate formations. This captivating performance with Miss Molly Bubbles will fill your eyes with wonder and laughter, creating a magical experience for all ages.

**Piggy Bank Pioneers**

*Sunday, May 18, 11 – 11:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

This month's game will be "Currency Conga", designed for children ages 5-10. Players will vie for space on a vinyl mat as they attempt to touch the correct coins and bills (similar to Twister). Please note that space is limited, and advance registration is required.

**Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)**

*Sunday, May 18, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

This is a time to relax with the community and let your creativity shine. Children must come with their responsible adult crafting-buddy (this is not a drop-off program).

**Now Read This Book Club**

*Monday, May 19, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*James\*](#) by Percival L. Everett.

**Kids' Paint Your Own Pottery Workshop (ages 10-12)**

*Monday, May 19, 4 – 5 p.m.*

We will provide a curated selection of pre-formed pottery and a diverse palette of paints, allowing you to design a unique masterpiece. Please note that this program is offered on a first-come, first-served basis, and space is limited to a maximum of 20 participants.

**Malinky Music**

*Tuesday, May 20, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Orchard Room*

Come enjoy a concert of bilingual music and movement in English and Spanish for young children by Emilia Lopez-Yanez, founder of Malinky Music!

**Book Bugs Club (Grades 2 – 3)**

*Tuesday, May 20, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*Mr. Wolf's Class\*](#) by Aron Nels Steinke. Please read the book at home so we can discuss, then make a fun craft. Pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library. Please register.

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

*Wednesday, May 21, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH\*](#) by Robert C. O'Brien. Please read the book at home so we can discuss, then do a fun activity. Please register online then pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

**Plant with Purpose: Grow Your Own Beverage Ingredients**

*Wednesday, May 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how easy it is to grow a variety of plants that will elevate your beverages—whether crafting cocktails or simply infusing your water.

**Destress the TCM Way: Ancient Solutions for Modern Tension**

*Friday, May 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room*

Learn how Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) views stress, root causes of it, and how acupuncture, herbal medicine, and lifestyle changes can bring relief. Register for a reminder. Walk-ins welcome.

**The Essential Guide to Mushroom Foraging**

*Saturday, May 24, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

This program provides a comprehensive introduction to recognizing edible varieties like chanterelles, morels, and porcini, while emphasizing the critical importance of distinguishing them from poisonous species.

**Furry Friends Reading Buddies**

*Saturday, May 24, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room*

Bring a book from home or borrow one. Children in grades K-8 are welcome to participate. You may register for a 10-minute session online two days before the event.

**To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6 – 8)**

*Tuesday, May 27, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will discuss [\*The Schwa Was Here\*](#) by Neal Shusterman. After our discussion we will do a fun activity. Please register then pick up your copy of the book at the Children's Reference Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

**Los Altos Book Discussion for Adults**

*Tuesday, May 27, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

Please email [lpasternack@sccl.org](mailto:lpasternack@sccl.org) to join the group.

**Story Explorers Book Club (TK—Grade 1)**

*Wednesday, May 28, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will do a read-aloud and discuss a book, then move to music and do a craft.

**Wednesday Travel Nights**

From the streets of Havana, with its mix of grandeur and decay, to the old southern colonial town of Trinidad, and to the eastern port town of Baracoa, we will capture the essence of the Cuban people and their culture.

**Bike Repair**

*Friday, May 30, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.*

Bike Repair Mobile is a free bicycle repair clinic offered on a drop-in basis. We address a wide range of common bicycle malfunctions, including flat tires, brake issues, and shifter problems. Please note that bicycles must be equipped with gears and wheels.

**MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street****Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 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.

**Homework Help**

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

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

**Preschool Storytime: 3s & 4s Budding Bookworms**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room*

This storytime, aimed at 3 – 5-year-olds, features longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays.

**Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes**

*Fridays, May 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, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Meet other yarn lovers, get help or share ideas. Limited instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati, but note this is not a class. No registration required. Materials not provided.

**Teen Safe Space**

*Fridays, May 2 & 16, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

Join us for in-person LGBTQIA+ support. Teens and young adults are invited to games, crafts, discussion and community. No registration necessary.

**Mend with Friends**

*Saturday, May 3, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Conference Room*

Bring your own items to mend. Limited mending supplies and casual instruction are available, but bringing your own favorite tools, extra buttons, fabric scraps, and experience to share is always appreciated. No registration required.

**Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, May 3, 17, 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.

**Homebuying Seminar**

*Saturday, May 3, 2 – 4 p.m., Computer Training Center*

Topics covered will include preparing to buy a home, buying vs. renting, down payments, credit checks, mortgage terms, first-time homebuyer credits, and much more.



**Teen Rubik's Cube Club**

*Saturday, May 3, 4 – 5 p.m., Conference Room*

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

**Stanford Blood Drive**

*Sunday, May 4, 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium*

Please [register](#) to make an appointment to give blood.

**Baby Bouncers Lapsit**

*Tuesday, May 6, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room*

This is a baby and caregivers program with an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books. Bring a blanket for babies to lay on.

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

*Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 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。

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

*Wednesday, May 7, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium*

Join us as we read a book, do a craft activity based on the book, and then learn about resources provided at the Guerrero Family Resource Center in Milpitas.

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Program Room*

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

**Bilingual Cantonese Family Storytime/ 粵語雙語故事時間**

*Wednesday, May 7, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Children's Librarian Emilie will read storybooks and lead children with songs and fingerplays in English and Cantonese. 每月第一個周三晚上6:30 兒童圖書館員 Emilie 將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書，唱兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加。

**Board Game Day**

*Saturday, May 10, 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.

**StoryWalk & Puppets in the Park**

*Saturday, May 10, starts at 11 a.m., Murphy Park*

Please join us at Murphy Park to enjoy StoryWalk in the Park. After a short storytime, there will be a puppet show for the kids. Please bring a blanket to sit on.

**LEGO Club (Grades K-8)**

*Monday, May 12, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build anything they can imagine. This is a drop-in program. Space is limited.

**Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club**

*Monday, May 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium*

Sign up and pick up a copy of [\*Under Heaven\*](#) by Guy Gavriel Kay to read before we meet.

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

*Tuesday, May 13, 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.

**LGBTQ Movie Night**

*Friday, May 16, 4:30 – 7 p.m., Auditorium*

Join the Avenidas Rainbow Collective and Milpitas Library to screen LGBTQ films. Bring a friend, family member or a date. Please RSVP.

**Adult & Teen Crafternoon (ages 13+)**

*Saturday, May 17, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Program Room*

Learn to draw a cat.

**Music and Movement for Ages 3-8**

*Friday, May 23, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room*

Join us as we focus on early literacy through movement, songs and dance. Children and their caregivers will have fun exploring music and dance together!

**Reading Buddies for Grades K-5**

*Saturday, May 24, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room*

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

**Dungeons and Dragons Lite (ages 13+)**

*Saturday, May 24, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room*

Interested in Dungeons and Dragons but want to start slow? Try Dungeon World! It's a story driven table-top role-playing game with easy to remember rules.

**The Peaceful Poets**

*Thursday, May 29, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room*

Spend time with a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

**MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue****Snack Break: Free Snacks for Kids/Meriendas Gratis Para Niños**

*Mondays-Fridays except during school breaks, 3 – 4 p.m.*

Snacks provided by the YMCA, for kids 18 years old and under. Meriendas proporcionadas por la YMCA, para niños de 18 años y menores.

**Ready Together: Information Booth**

*Friday, May 2, 10:15 a.m. – 1 p.m., Lobby*

Visit this information booth and learn how to create an emergency plan, what emergency supplies are really needed, and resources in Morgan Hill to keep you safe and prepared.

**Tiny Tot Jamboree (1-2 years old)**

*Fridays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room*

Toddlers and caregivers are invited to stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

**Itty Bitty Jamboree (12 months and younger)**

*Fridays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 12 – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Babies and caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more!

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

*Friday, May 2, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

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

**Bilingual Family Storytime for All Ages**

*Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:15 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room*

Join us for 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 e inglés).

**ESL Conversation Club**

*Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, & 31, 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.

### **Befriending Our Minds: A Mindfulness Presentation**

*Saturday, May 3, 2 – 3 p.m.*

We will discuss ways to gently connect with our bodies, breath, and internal thoughts and feelings. Over time, the practice of mindfulness can help reduce stress, improve our relationships, and facilitate a greater sense of meaning and purpose in our lives.

### **Homework Help**

*Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m.*

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

### **AP Study Lounge**

*Monday – Wednesday, May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room*

The library offers an extra study space for all high schoolers studying for their AP exams and finals. Snacks, drinks, games and goodies for all teens available! No sign-ups required.

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

*Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.*

New knitters can show off projects, get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can make friends and provide help.

### **Kids LEGO Club**

*Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build anything they can imagine. LEGOs are available for ages 2+. No registration required.

### **After Dinner Book Club**

*Wednesday, May 7, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we will discuss [\*Pachinko\*](#) by Min Jin Lee.

### **Safe Space for LGBTQ+ Teens and Young Adults**

*Fridays, May 9 & 23, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room*

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and ally (LGBTQ+) youth to play games, participate in group activities and discussions, and build community. No registration necessary.

### **Drop-in Libby, eBook and eAudiobook Help**

*Sundays, May 11 & 18, 3 – 4 p.m., Information Desk*

Drop in to receive help with using the Libby app. You will need to bring your smart-phone, kindle or tablet. No registration needed.

**Family Fun Night**

*Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Families with school-aged children will create art or do a STEM activity. This month's project is making paper leis.

**Queer Taiko**

*Saturday, May 17, 2 – 2:45 p.m.*

Immerse yourself in the vibrant world of Japanese taiko drumming, bamboo flute music, and captivating folk tales.

**Sound Bath Meditation**

*Saturday, May 18, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.*

The consistent vibration of sound healing instruments creates a deeply meditative experience. Crystal bowls emit a relaxing frequency that puts the body and mind at ease.

**Zumba**

*Monday, May 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.

**Library Ukulele Society**

*Tuesday, May 20, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Program Room*

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

**Flowers for Your Summer Garden**

*Tuesday, May 20, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.*

Find out what flowers that can tolerate hot sun or require full shade. Emphasis will be put on those that attract pollinators and beneficial insects.

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

*Wednesday, May 21, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

Drop in and create wire sculptures inspired by Ruth Asawa.

**Movie Night**

*Thursday, May 22, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we will host a special screening of *Our America: Asian Voices* (Rated TV-14)



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

*Friday, May 23, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room*

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

**Kids' Paint Your Own Pottery Workshop (ages 10-12)**

*Saturday, May 24, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

We will provide a curated selection of pre-formed pottery and a diverse palette of paints, allowing you to design a unique masterpiece. Please note that this program is offered on a first-come, first-served basis, and space is limited to a maximum of 20 participants.

**Origami for Adults**

*Tuesday, May 27, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room*

Whether you're a seasoned pro or a first timer, come share your folding skills and discover new techniques with fellow paper crafting enthusiasts. No registration necessary.

**Safe Space: Minute to Win It Game Day**

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

Join other local teens and members of Safe Space to compete in a series of games to test your skills. Safe Space is an in-person support group meetings for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and ally (LGBTQ+) youth and young adults, ages 13-25.

**Hula Halau 'O Pi'ilani**

*Saturday, May 31, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, enjoy the beautiful traditions of Hawaiian and Polynesian culture through the art of dance.

**SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue****Drop-in Tech Help**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak Room*

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

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

*Fridays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

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

**Family Storytime**

*Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

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

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

**Easy Breezy Chamber Music**

*Saturday, May 3, 2 – 3 p.m.*

The program will feature live performances of easy-listening chamber music repertoire, along with storytelling about the composers, music, and musicians, creating a fun and interactive gathering for everyone.

**Mystery Book Club**

*Monday, May 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room*

We will be discussing [\*The Devotion of Suspect X\*](#) by Keigo Higashino. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

**Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele**

*Tuesdays, May 6 & 13, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room*

Bring your instrument and meet people who are also working on their musical journey.

**Music Theory Class**

*Tuesdays, May 6 & 13, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room*

Explore the world of music theory and how it connects to the foundation of modern music. Identify chord progressions, find the key of the song, and create harmonies to take your music to the next level.

**Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club**

*Tuesday, May 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month we will be discussing [\*How High We Go in the Dark\*](#) by Sequoia Nagamatsu. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

**Knit & Crochet Circle**

*Wednesday, May 7, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room*

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

**The Art of Chinese Seal Carving**

*Saturday, May 10, 2 – 4 p.m.*

What is a seal? What secrets does it contain? Learn about the history of this unique artform in China, and its current development in Silicon Valley.

**Mandarin Storytime**

*Thursday, May 15, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

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

**Teatime Book Chatter**

*Thursday, May 15, 1 – 2 p.m.*

Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up a copy of the book.

**Film Screening: Hakone**

*Saturday, May 17, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

As part of the Saratoga Blossom Festival, the Saratoga Historical Society will be screening the film *Hakone: A Century of Beauty and Endurance*.

**Film Screening: Heart's Delight**

*Saturday, May 17, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Maple Room*

Join us for a film screening with Marilyn Messina who describes 20th century life on her family's orchards in the "Valley of Heart's Delight," Santa Clara Valley, CA.

**Hula Halau 'O Pi'ilani**

*Sunday, May 18, 1 – 1:30 p.m., Community Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, enjoy the beautiful traditions of Hawaiian and Polynesian culture through the art of dance.

**Origami for Adults and Teens**

*Sunday, May 18, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

In honor of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Heritage Month, make some origami with us! This free event is open to high school students and adults. All levels are welcome, and materials will be provided. Registration required.

**Board Game Night for Adults**

*Monday, May 19, 6 – 8 p.m.*

Drop in at any time between 6 – 8 p.m. and play from one of the variety of board games.

**Strengthening Family Foundations & Relationships**

*Monday, May 19, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Join a family relationship expert for an impactful and enjoyable conversation that offers a fresh approach to deepening family bonds and strengthening those relationships.

**Travel Program: Ohenro Pilgrimage**

*Tuesday, May 20, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.*

Join Seiji Kawamura on a 740-mile Buddhist pilgrimage visiting 88 temples around the island of Shikoku, Japan.

**LEGOs**

*Wednesday, May 21, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room*

Kids ages 5+ can come play with LEGOs, while kids under 5 can play with Duplos.

**Spanish Storytime**

*Thursday, May 22, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room*

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

**Two Waves of Chinese Immigrants and the Salmon Canning Industry**

*Sunday, May 25, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room*

Learn about the two waves of Chinese immigrants that worked in the salmon canneries of the Pacific Northwest. This program is presented in celebration of Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

**Digital Literacy Class**

*Thursday, May 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, May 5, 12, & 19, 7 – 7:30 p.m.*

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

**Homework Help**

*Tuesdays, except during school breaks, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required.

**Book Discussion for Adults**

*Tuesday, May 13, 2 – 3:15 p.m.*

Email [lpasternack@sccl.org](mailto:lpasternack@sccl.org) to join the monthly email reminders.

**ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)****Online English Conversation Club**

*Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.*

Meet new friends and practice English together.

**Virtual Author Talk: Dr. David H. Rosmarin**

*Wednesday, May 7, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Dr. David H. Rosmarin, author of [\*Thriving with Anxiety\*](#), talks about how to become more self-accepting, connected with others, and resilient.

**Virtual Author Talk: Liann Zhang**

*Wednesday, May 14, 4 – 5 p.m.*

Join author Liann Zhang for an engaging online discussion about her thrilling debut novel, [\*Julie Chan is Dead\*](#).

**Virtual Author Talk: Rachelle Bergstein**

*Wednesday, May 21, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

Join author Rachelle Bergstein for a deep dive into Judy Blume's life and enduring cultural impact featured in [\*The Genius of Judy\*](#).

**The Language of Flowers in Asian Art**

*Tuesday, May 27, 7 – 8 p.m.*

Discover the expressive power of flowers in the arts and cultures of Asia through objects from the Asian Art Museum's permanent collection. This program is in celebration of Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Heritage Month.