

Dear Community,

[San Mateo County Libraries](#) is thrilled to announce that expanded library service hours are here! Starting March 6, most of our libraries returned to [7-day-a-week service](#).

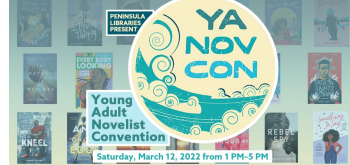
The expanded evening and weekend hours mean more in-person opportunities for you to seek resources and find support when it comes to job hunting, schoolwork, literacy, STEAM programs, access to the internet, technology and more. With careful consideration of our reopening plan, 11 of our 13 libraries will follow this 7-day-a-week schedule:

- Monday–Thursday 10 AM–8 PM
- Friday–Sunday 10 AM–5 PM

This easy-to-remember, inclusive schedule benefits the community and provides a valuable resource center to anyone in search of materials and resources for learning, discovery and support.

Whether you treasure a Sunday visit to the library or need to access our resources after a long workday, we're here for you and excited to welcome you back!

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[7th Annual YANovCon](#)

The 7th Annual Young Adult Novelists' Convention known as YANovCon returns Saturday, March 12 from 1:00–5:00 PM. Author [Candice Iloh](#) will join us virtually to open this free half-day celebration with a teen-led Q&A session, followed by live, in-person panel discussions and author book signings featuring award-winning, notable and new young adult novelists.

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[We're Hiring for Big Lift Inspiring Summers Learning Facilitators](#)

Can you bring encouragement, patience and fun to a classroom of children excited to learn? We are looking for caring and dependable people who are at least 18 to help support young learners in an active classroom environment during our summer program, [Big Lift Inspiring Summers](#). Pay is competitive, training is provided and we have multiple part-time and full-time positions available.

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[Newsworthy Online Resources To Keep You Informed](#)

Keeping up with current events can be a challenge. There's a lot happening in the world! [San Mateo County Libraries](#) helps you stay up to date and well-informed on local, national and international news. Read the latest headlines and in-depth coverage with our free and reliable online news resources.

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Explore, learn, and connect at our [library programs!](#)

[Developing Your Business Idea Parts II & III](#)

March 10 & 17 • 6:00 PM

There's still time to join this virtual series to learn how to develop your business. Ron Visconti will help you define your unique value proposition, outline your key channels and relationships and give you an overview of legal entities and business formation to help you take the first step toward your dream.

[Chinese Calligraphy With Jojo Liu](#)

March 12, 18, 19, 24 & 25

This class will be held at multiple San Mateo County Libraries locations throughout March. To celebrate Make It March, we are bringing you a Chinese traditional calligraphy class. Join us for an introduction to the art of Chinese calligraphy with Jojo Liu!

[Meet Bryant Terry, Author of Black Food](#)

Monday, March 14 • 6:30 PM

We're welcoming James Beard award-winning chef and educator [Bryant Terry](#) to discuss his newest book, [Black Food: Stories, Art and Recipes From Across the African Diaspora](#).

[Virtual Poetry Night Featuring Diane Lee Moomey](#)

Tuesday, March 15 • 7:00 PM

This month, Belmont Poetry Night welcomes artist and poet, Diane Lee Moomey of Half Moon Bay for 'Queens, Sisters, Healers': Women's History Month. Expressed through art and poetry, let us explore and celebrate the multidimensional spectrum of being a woman. Hosted by Belmont Poet Laureate, Monica Korde.

[LinkedIn for Job Search – Build Your Brand](#)

Tuesday, March 22 • 4:30 PM

Whether you're currently looking for a job or are wanting to grow in one you already have, [LinkedIn](#) can be a big help. Learn more about the concept of personal branding and how to use LinkedIn features to establish your own brand.

[Starting Your Business on eBay: Parts I and II](#)

Thursdays, March 24 & 31 • 1:00 PM

This two-week series will help you get started on [eBay](#) and teach you the importance of great customer service. Learn the basics of creating an effective listing and other marketplace trends, then how to improve your placement and get more sales. Participants must attend both classes.

[Explore All Events](#)

Community Picks

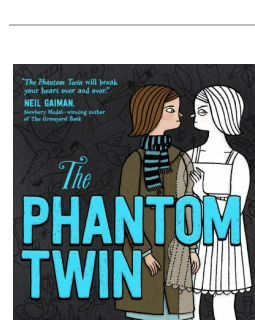
Our Community Picks titles are available digitally through [online resources](#) or in print at [our libraries](#).



Children's Fiction: [Josephine Against the Sea](#) by [Shakirah Bourne](#)

Full of humor and adventure, perfect for readers in Grades 4–7. Josephine discovers her father's new girlfriend, Mariss, is actually a sea creature of Caribbean mythology eager to take her place as his first love. She must convince her friends to help her and use her cricket skills to save her dad from Mariss' clutches.

Angela, Pacifica Libraries



Young Adult Fiction: [The Phantom Twin](#) by [Lisa Brown](#)

In this dark graphic novel, conjoined twins Jane and Isabel are performers in an early-20th-century carnival sideshow. Sold by their parents to the sideshow manager at the age of 3, the twins are exploited to perform for gawking audiences. The other performers (or "freaks," an insult they have reclaimed) become their family. Now 16, Jane is ambitious and outgoing while Isabel is more appreciative of their carnival support system. When a doctor who aspires to medical fame offers to surgically separate the sisters, Jane jumps at the opportunity to lead a "normal" life. Isabel is less convinced but agrees for her sister's sake.

Amy, Woodside Library



Adult Nonfiction: [She Votes: How U.S. Women Won Suffrage, and What Happened Next](#) by [Bridget Quinn](#)

What could be more timely? This book provides context for the 100+ years struggle for voting rights up to the present day.

Nicole, Administrative Offices

Make sure to [follow our blogs](#) for updates on new events, resources and services.



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