Dear Community,

Gardening is a perfect summer pastime. It can be equal parts fun, educational, challenging and rewarding, especially when you’re growing your own food. If you’re considering growing vegetables in your garden now is the time to start! We want to grow in the fall. If you’re looking for tips and tricks on fall vegetable gardening, then you won’t want to miss our upcoming series of in-person talks sponsored by the Master Gardeners of San Mateo & San Francisco Counties.

As we reach the peak of summer, now’s the time to start filling our gardens with what we need. If you’re ready to learn more about gardening, our resources and partners are here to help. A team of experts will be visiting our libraries to help us get ready for fall. Enjoy this short guide to help you get started on your gardening journey now.

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**Attend one of SMCL.org’s weekly talks to help all of us in a disaster.** This talk will be held at the Belmont Library on Thursday, July 27th at 7:00 PM. The topic will be “Art Talk - The Obama Portraits Tour.”

**Open for Exploration**

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July 21, 16, 22, 23 & 29 • In person at some San Mateo County Libraries

Cunamacué Family Show

Preservers of San Mateo and San Francisco Counties

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Belmont Talks - Emergency Preparation

San Mateo Consolidated Fire Department

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**More community events:**

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The de Young Museum presents the portraits of former President Barack Obama and former First Lady Michelle Obama by artists Kehinde Wiley and Amy Sherald. The exhibition opens July 27. Join the de Young Museum for the world premiere of the first major exhibition of the Obama portraits. The event will feature a conversation with de Young director Hili Hilaire de Pontbriand, former First Lady Michelle Obama, and de Young curator of contemporary art and education, Tricia Womack.

**Event Details:**

Wednesday, July 27 • 7:00 PM

Art Talk - The Obama Portraits Tour

The de Young Museum

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Yes, you can make your favorite condiments at home! Join the UC Master Food Sheth, a long-time meditator for this transformational online workshop. Meditation has become increasingly more popular and it can provide many life-transforming benefits when practiced regularly. By meditating we become relaxed and calm as we come in contact with a state of inner peace and wellbeing. Please join Nirav Sheth, a long-time meditator for this transformational online workshop.

**Event Details:**

Thursday, July 21 • 6:00 PM

Meditation for men and women

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Is your character Excited? Frustrated? Suspicious? We'll show you how to give your character expressions that can really tell a story about your character. Expressions are an unspoken language that can really tell a story about your character.

**Event Details:**

Friday, July 15 • 2:00 PM • Atherton Library

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Are you ready to learn how to make a cheesecake? Join us for this fun activity. Open to artists of all abilities.

**Event Details:**

Friday, July 15 • 2:00 PM • Atherton Library

Condiments For Your Summer Barbecue

UC Master Food Preservers of San Mateo and San Francisco Counties

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