



Dear Community,

Are you ready for summer? We have a full lineup of fun, engaging and entertaining experiences and performers for this year's [Summer Learning Challenge](#), running from **June 1 – August 31**.

The Summer Learning Challenge is a challenge for children, teens and adults to keep the learning fun going all year long, encouraging you to explore your interests or discover something new.

Children are automatically enrolled in the Summer Learning Challenge if they check out at least one item between June 1 and August 31 with a San Mateo County Libraries card. If you don't have a library card, you can [get one online](#). Pick up a log at [your local library](#), register online at [summerlearners.org](#) or [download and print](#) a copy of the log. Take the challenge for a chance to win amazing prizes like a family membership to [CuriOdyssey](#), or a \$1,000 college scholarship by joining the Summer Learning Challenge.

In addition to offering free books to help you complete this year's Summer Learning Challenge, each library will have plenty of [fun events and performances](#) for all ages. Join us this summer for multicultural celebrations, animal shows, musical shows and a little bit of magic!

[Start Now](#)



### [Calling All Fourth Graders! Free Park Passes and Field Trips](#)

This summer and fall, we're hosting some [adventure-packed field trips](#) for fourth graders and their families who live in the communities of [North Fair Oaks](#), [East Palo Alto](#), [Half Moon Bay](#) and rural Coastside communities. The free trips will be to the California Railroad Museum, the Jack London State Historic Park and the Samuel P. Taylor Park. Not a fourth grader? Don't forget that your [community library](#) has State Parks vehicle day-use passes available for check out for all library card holders.

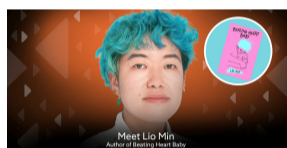
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### [Middle Scholars Returns This Summer!](#)

We're excited to announce the return of [Middle Scholars](#), an engaging summer science program for middle school students. We'll be offering fun, engaging [STEAM learning opportunities](#) to middle school youth this summer in partnership with three [County of San Mateo](#) agencies. [Every library](#) will host at least one STEAM-themed escape room-style challenge!

[Learn More](#)



### [Meet Lio Min, Author of \*Beating Heart Baby\*](#)

We'll welcome [Lio Min](#) on **Tuesday, June 27, at 6:30 PM**. Lio Min has devoted their life to writing about music, magic and sadness at the locus of queer youth culture and metamorphic Asia America. Join us as we dive into their debut novel, a love letter to internet friendships, anime and indie rock. Free copies of the book will be available at all [branches](#) on a first come, first served basis. Supply is limited.

[Register Now](#)



### [Celebrate Juneteenth](#)

Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. Originating as a celebration in 1866 from Galveston, Texas, Juneteenth was soon celebrated in other parts of the United States. Learn more about how much we've healed as a nation and recognize how far we still need to go. As a reminder, our [libraries](#) and [Customer Care](#) will be closed in observance of Juneteenth on **Sunday, June 18**, and **Monday, June 19**. We're always open at [smcl.org](#).

[Celebrate Now](#)

# Explore More

Explore, learn and connect at our [library programs](#)! You might also be interested in...

#### [Book Arts Roadshow](#)

**Saturday, June 17 • 12:00 PM • [Portola Valley Library](#)**

**Saturday, June 24 • 11:00 AM • [Brisbane Library](#)**

Make your own Origami Book in a Box! It's an expandable book made from folded origami pages that collapses down to fit in a little box that you can take home and fill with haikus, family recipes and stories, and more. Please register in advance for this workshop.

#### [¡Conectémonos! Tech Help | Ayuda Técnica](#)

**June 19 & June 22 • 6:00 PM • [North Fair Oaks Library](#)**

Need tech help? We're here for you! Teens from Siena Youth Center's New Voices for Youth will answer your questions and teach you how to get comfortable with technology. Visit the Help Desk at the North Fair Oaks Library. No registration required!

*¿Necesitas ayuda técnica? ¡Estamos aquí para ti! Los jóvenes de Nuevas Voces para la Juventud del Centro Juvenil de Siena están aquí para responder a tus preguntas y enseñarte cómo familiarizarte con la tecnología. Visita el servicio de asistencia en la biblioteca de North Fair Oaks. ¡No es necesario inscribirse!*

#### [Wildmind Animal Show](#)

**June 20, 21, 22, 28 & 29 • At some San Mateo County Libraries**

Want to see science come to life? Join us at a live animal show to think like a scientist and appreciate our connection to animals, the environment and each other.

#### [Intuitive Eating Workshop](#)

**June 20, 27, 28 & 29 • At some San Mateo County Libraries**

Join the experts of [Beyond Measure](#) to learn more about the nutritional aspects of Intuitive Eating. This multidisciplinary team of psychologists and registered dietitians are passionate about educating people of all ages on practicing self-care rather than self-control.

#### [Biblio Spectacular Magic Show With Brian Scott](#)

**Thursday, June 22 • 3:00 PM • [East Palo Alto Library](#)**

**Friday, June • 3:00 PM • [Woodside Library](#)**

This family-friendly event will be great for school-aged kids and adults who are young at heart. Brian Scott has been entertaining libraries and schools for over 30 years and will have you in awe.

#### [Middle Scholars: Animal Engineers](#)

**June 22, 25 & 29 • At some San Mateo County Libraries**

Engineers draw inspiration from animals and nature to design and build creative engineering solutions. Join us as we explore aspects of engineering in nature and learn about biomimicry through a presentation and hands-on learning. Program led by special guests from the San Mateo County Parks Department. Capacity limits may apply.

[Explore All Events](#)

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



Stay connected with our family of libraries!

## San Mateo County Libraries

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