

# AUGUST 2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

GROUNDBREAKING

LIVE READING BY AUDIOBOOK NARRATORS GROUNDBREAKING READS SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2:00 PM

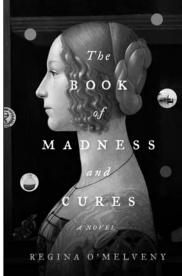
ADULT SUMMER READING



FILMS BY AND ABOUT HANS RICHTER SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2:00 PM



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AUTHOR TALK **REGINA O'MELVENY** THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 7:00 PM SCREENING WONDER WOMEN! WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21 7:00 PM

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**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING** THU, AUG I, 7:00 pm / ADMIN CONFERENCE ROOM Meets the first Thursday of each month.

**FRIENDS BOARD MEETING** MON, AUG 12, 6:30 pm / ADMIN CONFERENCE ROOM Meets the second Monday of each month.

## **AL FRESCO SUMMER CONCERT with**



TOWN SAT, AUG 3 12:00 pm NORTH COURTYARD

The library will be swinging to the beat of Big Town! Relax and listen, or get up and dance, as six members of this energetic combo play vintage dance music from the 1930s through the 1950s.

## **SCREENING SERIES:**

A SUMMER AT <u>DOWNTON ABBEY</u> TUESDAYS, 6:30pm / MLK JR. AUD / THROUGH AUG 27

One or two episodes per week. **AUG 6:** Season 3, Episodes 3 & 4 (105 min.) **AUG 13:** Season 3, Episodes 5 & 6 (105 min.) **AUG 20:** Season 3, Episodes 7 & 8 (120 min.) **AUG 27:** Season 3, Episode 9 (65 min.)

#### **CABARET CONCERT: JAN ABRAMS**



SAT, AUĞ 10,3:00 pm MLK JR. AUDITORIUM Cabaret singer Jan Abrams, performs songs by her uncle Victor Abrams, who wrote for legends like Dinah Washington, Dean Martin and Nat King Cole.

## LEE GALE GRUEN presents <u>Adventures with Dad</u>

**WED, AUG 14, 7:00 pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM** Lee Gale Gruen discusses her latest book, inspired by a senior acting class she and her father took at Santa Monica's Emeritus College. A book sale and signing follows.

#### ORGANIC: WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU AND HOW IS IT REGULATED? THU, AUG 15, 7:00 pm / MLK [R. AUDITORIUM

As more customers ask for organic produce at farmers markets, farmers are taking another look at whether they should become certified organic. Three Santa Monica Market farmers discuss why they became certified, how the process works, and what organic means to the farmer and the consumer.

## **ADULT SUMMER READING: THROUGH AUG 17**



Join us for Adult Summer Reading at Santa Monica Public Public Library. Pick up a **Groundbreaking Reads** form at any SMPL location and turn it in by August 17 to be eligible to win prizes for your summer reading activities. *See the Groundbreaking Reads form for entry and prize details.* 

## **GROUNDBREAKING READS BOOK GROUP**

**VIRGINIA AVE. PARK TEEN CENTER, WORKROOM I, 2200 Virginia Ave.** Join us for a discussion of this recent groundbreaking novel and get a preview of our upcoming Pico Branch Library as it's being built.

THU, AUG 15, 6:00 pm : Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan

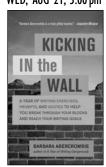
## **GROUNDBREAKING READINGS**

**SAT, AUG 17, 2:00 pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM & MULTIPURPOSE ROOM** Join us as we close our Adult Summer Reading season with live readings by audiobook narrators Cassandra Campbell, John Lee, Coleen Marlo, and Kathe Mazur, featuring selections from their favorite books and a discussion of the audiobook production process. *A meet-and-greet with the narrators follows.* 

### **TD MOVIE SCREENING:** FILMS BY AND ABOUT HANS RICHTER SUN, AUG 18, 2:00 pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM

Timothy Benson, curator of the *Hans Richter: Encounters* exhibition currently on view at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art introduces this screening program on the pioneering, avant-garde filmmaker. Screenings include three short films by Richter, *Rhythmus 23* (1923), *Ghosts Before Breakfast* (1927-28), *Everything Turns Everything Revolves* (1929), and an excerpt from the documentary *Hans Richter: Everything Turns-Everything Revolves* (2013).

#### KICKING IN THE WALL: A WRITERS WORKSHOP WED, AUG 21, 3:00 pm / MULTIPURPOSE ROOM



Author Barbara Abercrombie leads a workshop for a small group of serious writers wanting to get beyond their writer's block. A book sale and signing follows. Space limited to 20. Seating on a first arrival basis.

## THE POLITICAL IS PERSONAL FILM SERIES: *WONDER WOMEN!* (2012)

**WED, AUG 21, 7:00 pm** / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM This documentary traces the fascinating evolution and legacy of Wonder Woman. From the birth of the comic book superheroine of the 1940s to the blockbusters of today, the film offers an enlightening and entertaining counterpoint to the maledominated superhero genre. (54 min.)

#### **REGINA O'MELVENY presents** *The Book of Madness and Cures* THU, AUG 22, 7:00 pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM

Author Regina O'Melveny discusses her critically-acclaimed novel about a woman doctor in Renaissance Venice, who is compelled to cross Europe in search of her father. A book sale and signing follows.

## SAT, AUG 24, 3:00 pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM



The budding romance between teens Ethan and Lena is tested when Lena discovers she is descended from a line of powerful witches. Based on the best-selling book series by Kami Garcia and Margaret Stohl. (124 min.)

## FAIRVIEW BRANCH

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## WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK THURSDAYS, 1:00 pm (NOTE: THE AUG I

MEETING BEGINS AT NOON)

A free-wheeling

review and discussion of the week's key news stories at home and abroad. Moderated by Jack Nordhaus.

## LITERATURE BOOK GROUP 2nd SATURDAY EVERY MONTH AT 11:00 am

**AUG 10:** <u>Main Street</u> by Sinclair Lewis. This satirical classic finds a big city girl rebelling when her marriage to a smalltown man takes her away from her cosmopolitan roots.

#### **MOVIE:** <u>*LINCOLN*</u> (2012) WED, AUG 21, 6:00 pm



Oscar-winner Daniel Day Lewis headlines this dramatic recreation of President Abraham Lincoln's efforts to pass the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery. (150 min).

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AUG 10 & 24, 3:30pm Knitting, con-

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MONDAYS, 1:00 pm

Have fun, meet

challenge your

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and beginners

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## WRITE-AWAY TUESDAYS, 12:00 pm

Inspiration, guidance and support for writers. Call Sandy at 310-450-6258 for more information.

## **MONTANA BRANCH**

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#### MINDFULNESS MEDITATION WEDNESDAYS, AUG 7 & 21, 6:00 pm

Enjoy a pause in the day to refresh yourself by simply sitting and paying attention to your senses, feelings and thoughts.

## **GTD ORGANIC GARDENING WORKSHOP**



**SAT, AUG 10, 7:00 pm** Master gardener Emi Carvell leads this workshop on container gardening and plant propagation using cuttings.

## **ETTI LAUGHTER YOGA**

TUE, AUG 13, 7:00-8:00 pm

Get your endorphins flowing! We'll laugh, stretch, clap, breathe, and relax. Join us.

#### **MYSTERY BOOK GROUP** 2nd WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 pm AUG 14: <u>Bad for Business</u> by Rex Stout. The head of a catering service dies after a food-poisoning scandal and a private detective is hired to investigate.

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT" SUMMER FILM SERIES: TUESDAYS AT 6:30pm CLINT EASTWOOD/DON SIEGEL





AUG 6: <u>COOGAN'S BLUFF</u> (1968) An Arizona sheriff tracks an escaped killer to New York City. (95 min.)

AUG 20: <u>TWO MULES FOR SISTER SARA (1970)</u>

A wandering cowboy escorts a gunrunning nun (Shirley Maclaine) through rough territory. (114 min.)

## AUG 27: <u>THE BEGUILED</u> (1971)

During the Civil War, a wounded Union soldier is sheltered at an all-girls school in Louisiana, where he becomes an object of desire and jealousy. (105 min.)

## **INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP**



**THU, AUG 15, 7:00-8:30pm** Prepare your best answers to get the job. Practice in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere.

**MONTANA BRANCH BOOK GROUP** 3rd WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 pm AUG 21: <u>George, Nicholas, and Wilhelm</u> by Miranda Carter.

In this triple biography, Miranda Carter chronicles Europe's march towards World War I through the stories of royal cousins King George V of Britain, Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany and Tsar Nicholas II of Russia.



THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH / 12:30 pm On Friday, August 16, docents will lead tours of the Main Library. Learn about library collections, history, sustainability, art, and architecture!

## **RIDE YOUR BIKE**

Bicycle parking racks are available at the Main Library and all Branch Libraries.

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OCEAN PARK BRANCH LIBRARY Lines 1 and 8



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## **OCEAN PARK BRANCH**

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## **OCEAN PARK BOOK GROUP** Ist SATURDAY EVERY MONTH AT 11:00 am AUG 3: The Spirit Catches You

and You Fall Down by Anne Fadiman. This award-winning nonfiction book explores the clash of cultures between a small California hospital and a pair of traditional Hmong immigrants when the couple's young daughter falls critically ill.

## **HISTORY OF FILM SERIES: BROADWAY DANNY ROSE** (1984)



Filmmaker Elaina Archer screens and discusses this black-and-white comedy film written, directed by and starring Woody Allen. Discussion follows screening. (84 min.)

## **CONCERT ON THE LAWN**

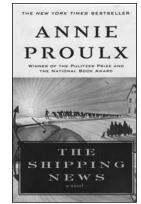


SAT. AUG 10. 2:00 pm Folksinger Fur Dixon and legendary fiddler Brantley Kearns treat us to an afternoon concert on the library's lawn.

## **SPIRITUAL SELF-CARE** THU, AUG 15, 7:00pm

Sarah Neustadter. PhD. discusses the transformative nature of self-care. From walks to healthy eating, learn how you can take the best care of yourself.

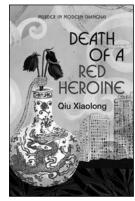
## **OCEAN PARK** PULITZER PRIZE BOOK GROUP



**3rd SATURDAY EVERY** MONTH AT 11:00 am AUG 17: The Shipping News

by Annie Proulx. A man returns to Newfoundland with his two daughters after losing his parents to suicide and his unfaithful wife in a car crash.

#### **OCEAN PARK MYSTERY BOOK GROUP** 3rd TUESDAY EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 pm



AUG 20: Death of a **Red Heroine** by Oiu Xiaolong. Set in late 1990s Shanghai, this political mystery offers a peek into the tightly sealed, often crooked world of post-Tiananmen Square China.

## **LIBRARY** HOURS

MAIN LIBRARY MON-THUR: 10 AM-9 PM FRI-SAT: 10 AM-5:30 PM SUN: 1 PM-5 PM BRANCHES MON-THUR: NOON-9 PM FRI: NOON-5:30 PM SAT: 10 AM-5:30 PM CLOSED SUNDAY

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