LIBRARY DECEMBER 2019 CALENDAR





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CRAFT HANDMADE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 6:30PM MONTANA BRANCH

DECEMBER AT SMPL ESL CLASSES - IMPEACHED IN THE USA - HOLIDAY CONCERT - WESTSIDE WRITERS MINGLE

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

THU, DEC 5 / 7:00 pm / ADMIN CONFERENCE RM Meets the first Thursday of each month.

FRIENDS BOARD MEETING

MON, DEC 9 / 7:00pm / ADMIN CONFERENCE RM Meets the second Monday of each month.

MAIN LIBRARY DOCENT TOUR

THIRD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH / 12:30 pm / LOBBY FRI, DEC 20: Docents lead tours of the Main Library. Learn about the Library collections, sustainability, history, art, and architecture.



SUPPORTING YOUR LIBRARY ONE USED BOOK AT A TIME SHOP THE FRIENDS OF THE SANTA MONICA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKSTORE, LOCATED IN THE MAIN LIBRARY RECEPTION COURTYARD.

friendsofsmpl.org

MON / II:00am to 4:30pm TUE & WED / Closed THU, FRI, SAT / II:00am to 4:30pm SUN / I:30pm to 4:30pm

WALK-IN TUTORING: BASIC READING, WRITING, AND ONLINE SKILLS

TUESDAYS, DEC 3, 10, & 17 / 1:00 to 3:00 pm and DEC 10 & 17 / 5:00 to 7:00 pm / LITERACY CTR

Tutors provide help with basic reading and writing skills, using the Internet, filling out online forms, using email, resume writing, and job searches.

SOUNDWAYES:DAVID KAPLAN JACARANDA PREVIEW

WED, DEC 4 / 7:30pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM In 1991, a suitcase owned by Gideon Klein, a pianist and composer killed in the Holocaust, was found containing his original compositions and sheet music collection. Pianist David Kaplan performs a preview of "Gideon's Suitcase," featuring Klein's repertoire and rediscovered works.

CHRISTMAS JAZZ with SEAN STACKPOOLE

THU, DEC 5 / 7:00pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM



Steeped in the tradition of the great jazz era of the late 1950s and early 1960s,

saxophonist and flutist Sean Stackpoole's music simultaneously looks back at the tradition of straight-ahead jazz and forward to the jazz of the future. His performance features jazz standards and traditional Christmas classics.

ESL CLASSES AT THE LIBRARY

This ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes is free. Students must be 18 years or older. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center. Call Olga Saucedo at 310-664-6222, ext. 76203.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL), MULTI LEVEL LOW TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS / 11:45am to 2:45pm / NO CLASS ON DEC 24, 26, 31 & JAN 2 MAIN LIBRARY / COMMUNITY RM

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL), MULTI LEVEL LOW SATURDAYS / 11:00 am to 2:00 pm / NO CLASS ON DEC 28 PICO BRANCH LIBRARY / THE ANNEX

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL), MULTI LEVEL HIGH MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS / 11:00am to 2:00pm / NO CLASS ON DEC 23, 25, 30 & JAN I MAIN LIBRARY / COMMUNITY RM

SOUNDWAYES: BRENDAN WHITE PLAYS HINDEMITH WED, DEC 11 / 7:30pm / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM

Pianist Brendan White performs a prelude, a



modern version of Bach's "Well-Tempered Clavier," and Paul Hindemith's "Ludus Tonalis," a set of 25 pieces, written in 1942 to demonstrate his compositional techniques in all major and minor keys.

THE LYRIC CHORUS SINGS IN THE SEASON THU, DEC 12 / 11:00am / MLK |R. AUDITORIUM



The SMC Emeritus Lyric Chorus returns under the direction of Tom Gerhold and Linda Jackson for a seasonal concert featuring a variety of Broadway songs as well as winter and holiday favorites.

IMPEACHED IN THE USA: A BRIEF HISTORY OF PRESIDENTIAL IMPEACHMENT

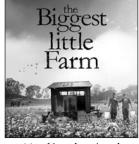
THU, DEC 12 / 7:00pm / MULTIPURPOSE RM
Go beyond the buzz and learn the facts about presidential impeachment. Jon Michaels, Professor of Law at UCLA School of Law, provides a layman's guide to the impeachment process and an overview of its history in the United States.

QUICKLOOK CLASS: EVICTIONS

FRI, DEC 13 / 1:30 to 2:15 pm / MULTIPURPOSE RM An LA Law Library legal research specialist provides an overview of legal information search tools and techniques. After the class, office hours will be held with a specialist to assist in finding information and resources on any legal topic, from 2:30 to 5:00 pm in Study Room 6.

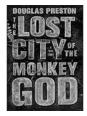
DOCUMENTARY SCREENING & DISCUSSION: THE BIGGEST LITTLE FARM (2018)

SAT, DEC 14 / II:00am / MLK JR. AUDITORIUM



This film follows dreamers John and Molly Chester on an eight-year journey filled with successes and failures as they work to develop a sustainable farm on 200 acres

outside of Los Angeles. A panel discussion with John Chester follows the screening. (Film runtime: 91 min.)



MAIN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP MON, DEC 16 / 7:00pm COMMUNITY RM The Lost City of the Monkey God: A True Story by Douglas Preston.



Sign up for free access to ReadyRosie and receive a weekly playlist of videos for children that connect fun activities with serious learning opportunities. Register today at ReadyRosie.com/register and use code SMPL.



MAIN LIBRARY CONTINUED

COMPUTER CLASSES

JUST FOR SENIORS:

COMPUTER BASICS BOOTCAMP

WED, DEC 4 / 2:00pm / COMPUTER TRAINING RM A 3-hour course to help build confidence using a computer with a focus on using the mouse, dragging and dropping, and saving your work.

EXCEL I (OFFICE 2016)

TUE, DEC 10 / 6:00pm / COMPUTER TRAINING RM Learn to format cells and manipulate data to create simple spreadsheets.

SENIOR COMPUTER CLUB

WED, DEC 11 / 4:00pm / COMPUTER TRAINING RM An informal session to practice the skills learned in computer basics, keyboarding, and beyond.

EXCEL II (OFFICE 2016)

TUE, DEC 17 / 6:00pm / COMPUTER TRAINING RM Go beyond the basics with formulas, multi-level data sorts, and more.

LIBRARY HOURS

MAIN LIBRARY MON-THU: 10:00 am-9:00 pm FRI-SAT: 10:00 am-5:30 pm / SUN: 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

BRANCHES MON-THU: NOON-9:00 pm FRI: NOON-5:30 pm / SAT: 10:00 am-5:30 pm SUN: All Branches CLOSED

RIDE YOUR BIKE Bicycle parking racks are available at all library locations.

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MAIN LIBRARY Lines 1, R10, and 18

FAIRVIEW BRANCH LIBRARY Lines 8, 16, and 44

MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH LIBRARY Lines 18, 41, and 42

OCEAN PARK BRANCH LIBRARY Lines 1 and 8
PICO BRANCH LIBRARY Line 7

Seating is limited and on a first arrival basis for all library events. Early arrival is recommended. The Library often photographs programs for use in publicity materials. By being present during these activities, you consent to the use of your appearance or likeness by the Library, and its licensees, designees, or assignees, in all media, worldwide, in perpetuity.

FAIRVIEW BRANCH

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WRITE AWAY

TUESDAYS, DEC 3, 10 & 17 / NOON to 2:30pm Support and encouragement for writers.

GENTLE YOGA

TUESDAYS, DEC 3 & 17 / 6:30pm

Instructor Raghavan guides you through a one-hour session of gentle yoga and meditation. Please bring a mat or towel.

CURRENT EVENTS

THURSDAYS, DEC 5, 12 & 19 / 1:00 to 2:30pm A lively discussion of the latest news.

AUTHOR TALK & SCREENING: HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE



CHRISTMAS

SAT, DEC 7 / 2:00 pm

Alonso Duralde,
author and film critic
for thewrap.com,
discusses the quirky
history of holiday
movies. Following
Duralde's talk, we
screen one of his
favorite obscure
Christmas flicks.

Holiday Affair, a romantic comedy starring Janet Leigh and Robert Mitchum. (Film runtime: 87 min., 1949)

HOLIDAY CONCERT: THE MARK TWAIN RINGERS

WED, DEC 11 / 4:00pm

Enjoy a special holiday concert featuring a group of English handbell ringers from Mark Twain Middle School. The teens have performed across the United States and worldwide! Space is limited. Free tickets released at 3:30pm, a half hour before the performance.

PRESERVING OUR DIVERSITY: CASH ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME, SENIOR, SANTA MONICA RENTERS

WED, DEC 11 / 6:30pm

Learn how you, or someone you know, can take part in the Preserving Our Diversity (POD) program during this workshop hosted by staff from the Santa Monica Housing and Economic Development Department. Space is limited and on a first-arrival basis.



CLASSICS BOOK GROUP SAT, DEC 14 / 11:00am Bel-Ami by Guy de Maupassant.

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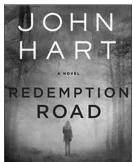
MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

WEDNESDAYS, DEC 4 & 18 / 5:30 pm Led by facilitators from UCLA Mindful Awareness Research Center.

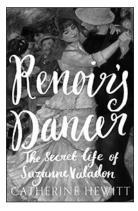
HANDMADE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS MON, DEC 9 / 6:30pm



Crafter Amy Muscoplat shows how to make crafty banners, centerpieces, garlands, and one-of-a-kind decorations for a beautiful holiday celebration. Enjoy crafting using felt, hand stamping, paper crafting techniques, and more to create special items for the holidays.



MONTANA MYSTERY BOOK GROUP WED, DEC 11 7:00pm Redemption Road by John Hart.



MONTANA
BRANCH BOOK
GROUP
WED, DEC 18
7:00pm
Renoir's Dancer:
The Secret Life
of Suzanne
Valadon
by Catherine Hewitt.

COMPUTER CLASSES -

JUST FOR SENIORS: HOW TO BUY A SMARTPHONE

THU, DEC 12 / 4:00pm

Get tips on how to choose a device that is right for you.

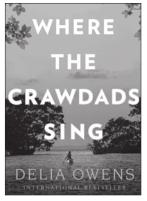
OCEAN PARK BRANCH 2601 MAIN STREET • 310-458-8683

WESTSIDE WRITERS MINGLE

WED, DEC 4 / 7:00pm



A monthly meeting of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. The group will discuss Kidlit Cares: Charity and Advocacy in children's literature. Open to all.



OCEAN PARK BOOK GROUP SAT. DEC 7 11:00am Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens.

HOLIDAY CARD CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA



MINDFUL MEDITATION



Henry Schipper, graduate of UCLA's Mindful Awareness program, teaches the concepts of mindful meditation.

TUE. DEC 10

3:30 to 4:30pm

Create spectacular

cards or gift tags

folding, coloring,

glue, or pop-up construction.

for the holiday

season using

OCEAN PARK MYSTERY BOOK GROUP



TUE, DEC 17 7:00pm My Sister, the Serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite.

OCEAN PARK FICTION WINNERS



BOOK GROUP SAT, DEC 21 11:00am Euphoria by Lily King.

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CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

MONDAYS, DEC 2, 9 & 16 / NOON to 2:30 pm THE ANNEX

An ongoing series of classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors who help students complete and submit their applications and prepare them to pass the Naturalization Test. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Center 310-664-6222, ext. 76203.

SANTA MONICA YOUTH ORCHESTRA: A HOLIDAY MARIACHI CONCERT

TUE, DEC 3 / 6:30 pm THE ANNEX

De-stress from the holiday rush and join us for a mariachi concert featuring well-known holiday songs and popular mariachi songs. Sing along and enjoy a complimentary hot cocoa.

TEA & CANVAS PAINTING

MON, DEC 23 / 6:30 pm / THE ANNEX

Get together with your friends for a wintertime celebration of painting fun and a hot tea treat! Learn a step-by-step method for creating your very own piece of artwork.

COMPUTER CLASS-

JUST FOR SENIORS: 'APPY HOUR' DEVICE WORKSHOP

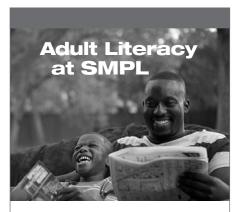
MON, DEC 9 / 4:00pm / THE ANNEX Bring your smartphone or tablet and get help learning to use your device.

PROGRAMS IN SPANISH

PRIMEROS AUXILIOS EMOCIONALES

LUNES, 9 DE DICIEMBRE De 6:30 a 8:00pm THE ANNEX

Monica Severson enseñará a los participantes a avudar a otros a través de una crisis emocional y cómo empoderar y revitalizar de manera efectiva a las personas durante una situación de crisis.



Would you like to help someone with their reading and writing? We are looking for volunteer tutors to provide free one-on-one tutoring for adults.

For information, contact us at literacy.program@smgov.net or 310-458-8603.



Literacy Education for Adults & Families