

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 2022

KIDS

Take & Make: Martin Luther King, Jr. Light-Up Postcard Available beginning Monday, January 3

Learn how to create a simple circuit inspired by Martin Luther King, Jr.'s quote: "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." Pick up at the Main Library Youth Services desk, Pico Branch or at Montana Branch curbside pickup. Available while supplies last. For grades 2-8.

Zoom Zone Virtual Trivia Tuesday, January 4 / 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Register using the email address below

It's National Trivia Day! Test your trivia knowledge with 10 questions during our Zoom program. Theme: Santa Monica. For grades 4-8. Sign up in teams of 2-4. To register, email myleen.dejesus@santamonica.gov

Early Readers Book Club Fridays: January 7, 14, 21, 28 / 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Register using the email address below

This virtual book club is for beginning readers. Enhance your reading comprehension skills, enjoy activities and learn about new books that will get you excited about reading! For grades K-2. To register, email ingha.chopra@santamonica.gov

Puppet Show: *Wacky Winter Adventure* Saturday, January 8 / 11:30 a.m. Main Library, Children's Activity Room Register using the email address below

Luce Puppet Company presents the story of Pepe the Dog and Freezey the Snow Girl as they travel to the North Pole to find the Gingerbread Princess who can grant them a special wish. For families. Space is limited. To register, email ann.wilson@santamonica.gov

Story Time: Santa Monica Police Chief Ramon Batista Wednesday, January 19 / 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Main Library, Children's Activity Room Register using the email address below

Santa Monica Police Chief Ramon Batista reads to us at a special story time! Ages 2 & up. Space is limited. To register, email ann.wilson@santamonica.gov

Story Time: What are Opposites? Tuesday, January 25 / 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. Pico Branch, The Annex Register using the email address below

Wear your pajamas during the daytime! Be serious or silly when you join us in celebrating National Opposite Day. Activities will be opposite of boring — but you'll have to be here to find out! To register, email ingha.chopra@santamonica.gov

TEENS

The Santa Monica College Journey Thursday, January 20 / 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Want to save money while exploring careers and majors and gaining opportunities to transfer to schools you've only dreamed of? Community College might be the right option for you! Find out why Santa Monica College (SMC) is #1 in transfers to the UC's and beyond at this virtual workshop. Register here: shorturl.at/rxEK3

LIBRARY HOURS

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday, January 8
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday
2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pico Branch Curbside Pickup
2201 Pico Blvd.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, January 8
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday
2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Montana Avenue Branch Curbside Pickup
1704 Montana Ave.
Tuesday
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday
2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Ocean Park Branch Self-Service
2601 Main St.
Pre-authorization required. Sign up at smpl.org/SelfServiceHours
Wednesday & Friday
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

For Curbside Pickup, place a hold to pick up items at Montana Ave. Branch. Wait for notification that your hold items are ready, then drop in to pick up your items. Upon arrival, follow the directions on the posted signs. When picking up items, please bring your Library card or photo ID, wear a mask, and practice social distancing.

The Library is closed on Saturday, January 1 & Monday, January 17

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ADULTS

Ocean Park Branch Book Group Discussion *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson

Saturday, January 8 / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Register using the email address below

The remarkable true stories of a family of blue-skinned people and of a Federal corps of librarians who delivered books on horseback merge in this novel of 1930s Kentucky. To register, email jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov

Notable Fiction Book Group Discussion *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu Saturday, January 15 / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Register using the email address below

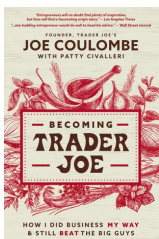
Using the form of a screenplay, this National Book Award winner dissects Asian-American stereotypes and our relationship to media and entertainment. To register, email jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov

Main Library Book Group Discussion *The Human Stain* by Philip Roth Monday, January 17 / 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Register using the email address below

Roth explores themes of political correctness, infidelity, and racial passing in what *GQ Magazine* called "one of the 20th Century's essential novels." To register, email jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov

Mystery Book Group Discussion *Chaos: A Scarpetta Novel* by Patricia Cornwell Tuesday, January 18 / 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Register using the email address below

Suspicious of a bizarre death by lightning strike, forensics examiner Kay Scarpetta identifies links between the case and a series of emails from an anonymous cyberstalker. To register, email karen.reitz@santamonica.gov



Montana Avenue Branch Book Group Discussion *Becoming Trader Joe: How I Did Business My Way & Still Beat the Big Guys* by Joe Coulombe Wednesday, January 19 / 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Register using the email address below

Coulombe founded what would become Trader Joe's in the late 1960s and helped shape it into the quirky food chain it is today. He shares the lessons he learned by challenging the status quo and rethinking the way a business operates. To register, email stephanie.archer@santamonica.gov

Library programs are generously supported by
The Friends of Santa Monica Public Library. All programs
are subject to change.

ONGOING CLASSES

These classes are taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, 90405. Contact Olga Saucedo at (310) 664-6222, ext. 76203 or osaucedo@smmusd.org to enroll.

Citizenship Classes

Mondays / 12:00 to 2:30 p.m.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes

ESL, Multi Level LOW: Fridays / 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
ESL, Multi Level LOW: Saturdays / 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
ESL, Multi Level HIGH: Mondays / 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



At 4:31 a.m. on January 17, 1994, the 6.7 magnitude Northridge earthquake struck Southern California. The above shows the aftermath in the Main Library (Image Archives M127). The heavily damaged Main Library and Fairview Branch Library closed for weeks for repairs.

Make earthquake preparedness a New Year's resolution!

Learn how to be prepared with LA County's resource guide:
<https://lacounty.gov/emergency/earthquake-preparedness/>

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HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP?

Library staff are available during open hours. Contact us
at (310) 458-8600 or library@santamonica.gov