KIDS & TEENS

Coming Soon: Summer Reading 2021
Registration begins June 21
Get ready to read! Join the Library’s summer reading program to help us reach the community reading goal of 500,000 minutes. For all ages.

Take & Make Kit: Self Love, Self Portrait
Available beginning Monday, May 10
See Curbside Pickup hours and locations
This month’s Cayton Creativity Kit explores the self-portrait. Through examples of classic works of art, kids learn how to observe and identify the components of their wonderful faces. Available at Curbside Pickup while supplies last.

Chinese Paper Cutting with Emmy Lam
Tuesday, May 11 / 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Access via the link below

Take & Make Kit: Discovery Time!
Available beginning Monday, May 24
See Curbside Pickup hours and locations
This engaging STEM kit encourages kids to think about science and engineering, learn problem solving, and develop critical thinking skills. Available at Curbside Pickup, while supplies last.

Dial-A-Story
Access 24/7 via telephone at (424) 610-8600
New stories are recorded each week in English, Spanish and Mandarin, and can be listened to by phone at any time of day.

Llama y escucha un cuento
¡Puedes acceder a este divertido servicio 24/7!
Acceso vía teléfono (424) 610-8600
Los bibliotecarios graban cuentos nuevos cada semana en inglés, español, y mandarín, y se pueden escuchar por teléfono en cualquier momento del día.

Reading-2-Go Kits
Take books wherever you go. Now available for check out, Reading-2-Go kits are themed backpacks that contain a set of five early literacy books and a CD, DVD, or toy. Kits include suggested activities to extend learning. Available in English, Spanish, and Amharic. Search 'Reading-2-Go' in the library catalog, smpl.bibliocommons.org.

Curbside Pickup
No appointments are necessary for curbside pickup. Just place a hold to pick up items at your preferred location: Main Library, Pico Branch, or Montana Avenue Branch. Wait to receive an email, text, or phone notification that your hold items are ready, then drop in to pick up your items at your selected location. 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.

Main Library & Pico Branch Library
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturday, May 1
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays
1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Montana Avenue Branch
Mondays & Friday, June 4
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays
1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Library is closed on Monday, May 31. Curbside Pickup service, telephone and email reference will be unavailable.

Building Blocks for Kindergarten with SMPL
Access via YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/user/SantaMonicaPL/playlists
These short bilingual English/Spanish video segments focus on kindergarten-readiness skills through reading and activities. Track Building Blocks activities your child completes through the virtual platform Beanstack and earn points towards a prize drawing for book packs. Register at smpl.beanstack.org.

Construyendo los cimientos para el kinder con SMPL
Acceda por YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/user/SantaMonicaPL/playlists
Unase a nosotros para ver breves segmentos de videos bilingües en inglés/español que se enfocarán en habilidades específicas de preparación para el kinder a través de actividades interactivas y de lectura. Rastree las actividades de Building Blocks que su hijo complete, a través de una plataforma virtual llamada Beanstack y gane puntos para un sorteo de premios para paquetes de libros. Para registrarse, vaya a smpl.beanstack.org.
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Ocean Park Branch Book Group Discussion
*Future Home of the Living God* by Louise Erdrich
Saturday, May 1 / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Register using the email address below
In a devolving world ruled by a growing police state, a young woman awaits the birth of a child who may emerge as a member of a primitive human species. To register, email karen.reitz@smgov.net.

Notable Fiction Book Group Discussion
*Nothing to See Here* by Kevin Wilson
Saturday, May 15 / 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Register using the email address below
Wilson’s new novel centers on a young woman taking care of two kids with a disturbing ability: when upset, they burst into flames. But in Wilson’s hands, what could be scary is funny, even beautiful. To register, email karen.reitz@smgov.net.

Main Library Book Group Discussion
*Beowulf: A New Translation* by Maria Dahvana Headley
Monday, May 17 / 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Register using the email address below
In her audacious new verse translation of the epic poem, Maria Dahvana Headley breathes new life and injects a feminist energy into the Old English tale of men and monsters. To register, email jeff.schwartz@smgov.net.

Just for Seniors: Virtual ‘Appy Hour’ Device Workshop (Android)
Tuesday, May 18 / 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Register using the link below or call (310) 458-8600
This session focuses on using Android smartphones and tablets. Learn about Library apps and get virtual help learning to use your device. Register here: https://t2pdeqprzrMjGNg_BGy6xDSUU-HEbcF-Jy_U

Mystery Book Group Discussion
*Beware Beware: A Juniper Song Mystery* by Steph Cha
Tuesday, May 18 / 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Register using the email address below
In the sequel to *Follow Her Home*, apprentice investigator Juniper Song is embroiled in a Hollywood scandal involving a dead movie star and a freelance screenwriter. To register, email karen.reitz@smgov.net.

Montana Avenue Branch Book Group Discussion
*Courting Mr. Lincoln* by Louis Bayard
Wednesday, May 19 / 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Register using the email address below
This historical novel reimagines the early adulthood of the future 16th President from the alternating views of the spirited debutante Mary Todd and Lincoln’s intimate confidante, Joshua Speed. To register, email stephanie.archer@smgov.net.

Ongoing Classes
ESL and Citizenship classes are taught by SMMUSD Adult Education Center instructors. Students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Enrollment is through the 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.

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 / 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
ESL, Multi Level HIGH / Mondays / 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Have questions or need help? Library staff are available Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact us at (310) 458-8600 or reference@smgov.net.