



Regular Meeting Agenda

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission

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Tuesday, July 2, 2024 6:00 PM

**Council Chamber
17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

DECLARATION OF POSTING AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

This opportunity for public comment is for items that are not on the agenda. If you would like to make comments on an item that is on the agenda, please wait until we get to that item to offer your comments. Members of the public are entitled to address the Commission concerning any item within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes. Except for certain specific exceptions, the Commission is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Public comment is intended for comments. Questions posed during public comment are not generally answered. If you have

questions, please send them to the City Clerk at
LCACpubliccomment@morganhill.ca.gov to receive a response. (See additional
noticing at the end of this agenda)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

REPORTS

1. **County Librarian Report – Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian**
Recommendation:
Receive report.
2. **Morgan Hill Library Report - Heather Geddes, Community Librarian**
Recommendation:
Receive report.
3. **Friends of the Morgan Hill Library Report – Vicky Reader, Friends President**
Recommendation:
Receive report.
4. **Morgan Hill Historical Society Report - Roger Knopf, Board President**
Recommendation:
Receive report.
5. **City of Morgan Hill Update - Chris Ghione, Public Services Director**
Recommendation:
Receive report.

BUSINESS

1. **Accept June 2, 2024 Meeting Minutes**
Recommendation:
Accept June 2, 2024 Meeting Minutes.
2. **Development/Discussion of Public Art Master Plan Vision, Mission and Core Values**
Recommendation:
 1. Discuss structure of Public Art Master Plan;
 2. Discuss components to be included in the Master Plan; and
 3. Discuss Mission and Vision for Master Plan
3. **Develop and Finalize FY 24/25 Work Plan for City Council Review**
Recommendation:
 1. Develop and Finalize FY 24/25 Work Plan for City Council review; and

2. Assign commissioners to Work Plan items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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July 2024
Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



110 Years and Counting!

July 1 is our birthday! 110 years ago on that day the Santa Clara County Library was created at the Hall of Justice in downtown San José. Led by our first County Librarian Stella Huntington, the first library had 6,127 books and a circulation of 49,048.

From that humble beginning we have grown to seven community libraries, a branch library, an administrative

support building, two Bookmobiles, and a new facility on the way (keep reading!). We have been particularly busy over the past decade, hosting national exhibits at our libraries, winning major industry awards for our programs and services, launching a new website and greatly enhancing our digital offerings to keep up with changing patron demands. Seven of our libraries are now open seven days a week, with Cupertino, Los Altos, and Milpitas Libraries offering more than 70 weekly service hours!

As SCCLD embarks on a new decade of service, we are guided by our 2023-28 [Strategic Plan](#). We are looking forward to reopening the fully remodeled Campbell Library next year. We continue to find new ways to meet the needs of our communities, from expanded [Passport Services](#) offerings, providing libraries to youth in County correctional facilities, offering home delivery service to those in need through [BookDash](#) to adding Community Outreach Specialists, to doubling the number of locations offering Open Access.

Celebrating All Types of Ability

July is [Disabled Pride Month](#), which marks the passage in 1990 of the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act. Pride in being differently abled is about focusing on each person's uniqueness instead of defining them by what they cannot do or have difficulty doing. Advocacy groups and the County's [Office of Disability Affairs](#) are good resources for information about these issues.



[Tens of millions](#) of Americans live with some kind of disability, be it physical, mental or other. SCCLD [offers many services](#) to ensure that all patrons have full access to resources. These include [Bookdash](#) Home Delivery service for those who cannot come into a library, access to Braille and audio books, magazines and playback equipment, and assistance with American Sign Language interpretation at library events. Staff at our [Community Libraries](#) can also assist with requests for assistance.



Freedom to Read and Be Yourself

Our nation's Independence Day is a time to celebrate our freedoms, including the freedom to READ! Our forefathers sought to control their own destinies, which included a desire for self-governance and greater religious freedom. Libraries are an extension of this independent tradition.

You can learn more about the history of the struggle for independence and those who served in the U.S. Military to protect our independence using the free library resources below and on a blog on our website. Please note that SCCLD Libraries will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day but the Online Library is available 24/7.

- **Search U.S. Military Records:** [Fold3](#) is an online resource containing U.S. military records from the Revolutionary War to the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts, including stories, photos and personal documents from the men and women who served.
- **Explore the History of Independence Day:** Dive into the rich [history](#) behind the holiday with [biographies](#) of Founding Fathers that brings the era to life.

Summer Reading's Second Half

The second half of Summer Reading is about to start, with lots of fun and adventures still to come. If you have not yet signed up for our Reading Challenge, there is still time. Register on [Beanstack](#), complete challenges, and you can collect your prize at our libraries anytime in August (while supplies last).



Check out our July Events Calendar below for a list of everything that our libraries are offering this month. Our [online calendar](#) has the latest details on [Summer Reading events](#). These include special performances from musicians, magicians, comedians, dancers, puppets, and more. Like animals? We have presentations featuring live reptiles, insects, birds and bats, a talk about how to attract butterflies, and another about helpful bugs. Come join in a board game day, learn to dance, or take part in an arts and crafts event. Practice yoga, learn more about gardening, or hear tips about eating healthily.

Kids and teens will love the special programming that our librarians have come up with for them. Play with robots, create an invention, make your own manga or zine, or watch family friendly films and anime screenings. We are offering classes on sketchbook journaling, various arts projects, how to take artistic photos using your smartphone, and learning to write. There are also special reading clubs just for kids and teens. Hope to see you at the library!



Gilroy Library Grants Patrons Early Access

Following the successful pilot project at Woodland Library, Gilroy Library will soon be offering early access to its lobby area to patrons with library accounts who sign up for the service. They will be able to enter at 10 am, three hours before the normal opening time, Mondays through Wednesdays and Sundays and enjoy self-service access.

Inside they can browse books, check out library materials, relax and read, enjoy the WiFi, or use computers, printers and copy machines. To take part, visit the library and ask for the registration form. The tentative start date for Open Access at Gilroy Library is sometime during the second half of July.

Introducing The Nest-Learning Center

A new structure is going up next to the Services & Support Center in Campbell. Dubbed The Nest-Learning Center, this ecologically sensitive building will serve as the new home of SCCLD's [Reading Program](#). The Reading Program is for adult learners who want to improve their English reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.

Learners and volunteer tutors are paired, and they meet several times each week at one of our libraries or online to work on improving skills. The Nest will offer dedicated space for our Reading Program participants to go through their initial assessment, and another option for program pairs to meet.



Located next to percolation ponds that are home to many local wildlife, SCCLD had a unique opportunity to take advantage of the natural setting and create a bridge between this industrial area with the beauty of the ponds, walking trails and nature that is in our backyard. There are many thoughtful features that were incorporated into the design such as the placement of walls and windows to take full advantage of the views, as well as create some energy savings, and using bird safe glass and dark sky lighting to protect the natural wildlife and migrating birds. There will also be a large dividable program room, which will provide flexible meeting space for various public library functions, as well as in-person trainings.

The Reading Program is looking for volunteers to help spread the joy of literacy. One virtual and two in-person orientations take place in August. If you are 18 or older, can read and write English at a high school level or higher, and can devote two hours a week for six months, you can become a tutor. Read more about the [process online](#) and listen to video testimonials from program tutors and learners.

Virtual Author Speaker Series for July

Each month we bring talks with top authors to you virtually. July's schedule features beloved and important children's, teen and YA authors.

PK-Grade 2: Newbery Medal winning author [Kate DiCamillo](#) will be sharing the stories behind the

creation of her early chapter book series, the original [Mercy Watson](#) on Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. We will also be celebrating the publication of the final book in the *Mercy Watson* series! Please [register](#).

Grades 3 – 6: Join us on Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. to talk with *New York Times* bestselling author [Max Brallier](#) about [The Last Kids on Earth](#), both the book series and the animated series on Netflix. In this virtual event, Max will share how he came up with the different monsters and villains as well as the unique ways that Jack and his friends figure out to defeat them. [Register](#) now!

Grades 5 – 8: Join this year's winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, [Dan Santat](#), as he inspires tweens and teens to tell their own stories through graphic novels. His winning book, [A First Time for Everything](#), is a graphic memoir based on his own awkward middle school years and the trip to Europe that changed his life. This program is on Tuesday, July 30 at 11 a.m. [Register here](#).

Grades 9 – 12: You are invited to learn about the power of poetry with [Elizabeth Acevedo](#) on Tuesday, July 23 at 11 a.m.! In this exciting author conversation and Q&A, Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning and *New York Times* bestselling novel-in-verse, [The Poet X](#) serving as the backdrop to this amazing chat! Please [register](#).



A New World of Publications Awaits

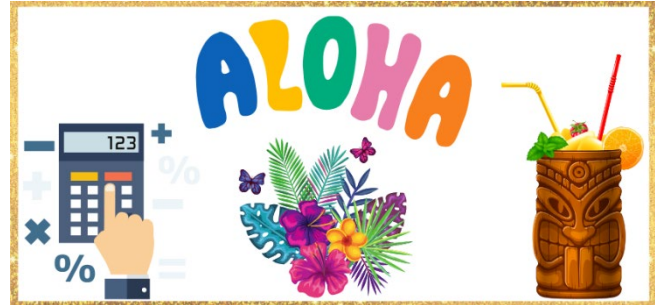
Starting on July 1, SCCLD's 24/7 Online Library will feature a new digital resource that features over 9,000 eMagazines and eNewspapers from across the globe and in dozens of languages. Welcome to the world's largest newsstand," [Magzter](#). Browse on the app or download to read offline. Search for magazines by title or subject area. You can find over a dozen versions of Vogue to peruse, for example.

One Ledger Closes, Another Opens

There really is only one word that properly conveys our feelings about the retirement of our financial guru, and welcoming our new Financial and Administrative Services Manager. Aloha!

Aloha (goodbye) to Chuck Griffin, who over the course of the dozen years he has worked at SCCLD has overseen the doubling of our budget as we have worked with our city partners to expand all of our libraries' open hours, offer new services and build our diverse collection. Chuck has been a steady hand who has guided us through all types of financial waters including creating an economic uncertainty fund to weather an economic downturn, providing responsible financial planning while still affording to make significant investments in key SCCLD projects, and adding important staff positions to support community needs. Chuck's last day will be on July 19.

We also wish to say Aloha (hello) to Megan Holland, who starts in her new role on July 8. She comes to SCCLD with 18 years of financial and administrative experience, including at Bay Area public agencies.



SCCLD Launches First Community StoryWalk® in Morgan Hill and Saratoga

SCCLD is offering a new way for families to engage little ones in early literacy while enjoying their local parks. The Library District is partnering with each of our cities to offer a StoryWalk® in a city park. StoryWalk is a great way to engage with budding readers in a fun and unexpected place. Being active and reading together in a beautiful environment stimulates young learners and helps contribute to encouraging a lifetime of reading.

You're now able to enjoy the first StoryWalk at Community Park in Morgan Hill, with a second coming in July to Kevin Moran Park in Saratoga. The next planned launch will be in Jack Fischer Park in Campbell, date to be announced. SCCLD continues to work with each of our city partners to offer StoryWalk in a public park within each of our cities.

The stories will be updated three times per year and offer a great opportunity for families to read together while staying active and enjoying our beautiful city parks. The first selection will be [Cat's Colors](#) by Airlie Anderson. We look forward to children and their adults discovering this new way to enjoy books and reading.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT JULY 2024 EVENTS

***All SCCLD libraries are closed and services unavailable
on Thursday, July 4 for Independence Day***

Summer Reading programs are highlighted in blue.

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M-50

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Registration is required.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room Q-84 (July 24 in Room Q-80 and July 31 in the Orchard City Banquet Hall)

Kids ages 0-5 are invited to join us for stories, songs, and more. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on.

Special Performance: Sterling the Bubblesmith

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Sterling the Bubblesmith will delight us as he blows bubbles with hoops, loops, and other crafty contraptions.

Community Automotive Education Series

Tuesday and Thursday, July 9 and 11, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Get familiar with your vehicle and learn what is under the hood with Brett Johnson, instructor at De Anza College's Automotive Technology program.

Special Performance: Music with Andy Z

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Join us for an afternoon of music, movement, and imagination.

Special Performance: Boo Chae Chom Fan Dance

Wednesday, July 17, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Participants can personalize their fans and have the chance to learn the fundamental movements of the fan dance. Please register.

Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, July 17, 7 – 8 p.m., Room E-44

Please pick up a copy at the service desk. Register online.

Special Performance: Magician Perry Yan

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Perry incorporates plenty of clean comedy that will keep you laughing while his sleight of hand magic will leave you in awe.

Auto Safety and Purchasing Tips

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall

Join us for an informative presentation focused on two crucial aspects of car ownership: safety and smart purchasing decision.

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue**Family Storytime for Kids 0-5**

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room

This storytime is suitable for children up to 5 years old and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Please register online.

Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

This storytime will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills.

Special Performance: Soul 4Kidz

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance. Space is limited.

Bedtime Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 7 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in. Meet new friends, start new projects, or finish old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

Mandarin/English Bilingual Family Storytime

Fridays, July 5 & 19, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101

Join us for stories, songs, a flannel board story, fingerplay, and a craft project in Mandarin and English. Children and their caretakers are welcome to join. 兒童圖書館員將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書; 唱兒歌; 用絨布板講故事; 手指謠和做美勞。歡迎幼兒們 和家長, 祇母一同前來參加。

Family Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Program Room

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

Babywearing Dance

Sundays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

Join us for babywearing dance.

Music in the Courtyard: Ryan Trujillo's Jazz Trio

Sunday, July 7, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a variety of original and classic arrangements showcasing Afro Cuban rhythms ranging from the mambo, cha cha cha, danzón, rumba cubana, and more!

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 7, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of “Ella Enchanted” (PG).

LEGO Club

Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Meeting Room

Children in grades K-8 are invited to build and create using LEGOs. Please leave your own LEGOs at home.

Special Performance: Surfing Magician

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for this special performance. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Storytime for Babies (ages 0-1)

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., First Floor Program Room

This storytime features stories and songs that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 30 babies with a maximum of 2 adults per family.

Book Club for Grades 3 & 4

Thursday, July 11, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 3 & 4. We will be discussing [*Fly on the Wall*](#) by Remy Lai. Please register.

Art Therapy for Tweens

Friday, July 12, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

We will explore different techniques and art materials. Materials will be provided, space is limited. This program is for kids ages 10+ and their adult caregiver.

Teen Chibi and Monster Manga Workshop

Saturday, July 13, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Room 201

Learn how to draw cute character types and combine regular animals into new creatures or monsters. Online register is necessary.

Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Sunday, July 14, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*The Honey Bus*](#) (2019) by Meredith May.

Music in the Courtyard: The Charged Particles

Sunday, July 14, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a blend of classical music, complex orchestration and freewheeling improvisation.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 14, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of “Tarzan” (G).

Zine Program for Grades 4-8

Tuesday, July 16, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Room 101

A zine is a homemade publication, like a small magazine. It can be about anything you want. If you like to draw, write and make booklets, join us to make a zine.

Book Discussion for Adults

Wednesday, July 17, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Room 201B

We will be discussing [*The River*](#) by Peter Heller.

Special Performance: Asheba

Wednesday, July 17, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for a calypso music performance with musical storyteller Asheba. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Book Club for Grades 5 & 6

Thursday, July 18, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 5 & 6. We will be discussing [*When Stars are Scattered*](#) by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed. Please register.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8 p.m.

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book. Children must register themselves in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

Music in the Courtyard: Spring Women's Choir

Sunday, July 21, 2 – 3 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Enjoy a summer concert at the library.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 21, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of "Willy Wonka" (G).

Decorate a Book Tote

Tuesday, July 23, 3 – 4 p.m.

Decorate your own book tote with fabric markers. This program is for ages 5+. Please arrive on time. Registration is not required, but supplies are limited.

Special Performance: Unique Derique

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join us for an unforgettable comedic performance with juggling by Unique Derique, a.k.a. the Clown Prince of Fools. Please arrive on time, space is limited.

Book Club for Grades 7 & 8

Thursday, July 25, 2 – 3 p.m.

This book club is for children who have just completed grades 7 & 8. We will be discussing [*Remember Us*](#) by Jacqueline Woodson. Please register.

Draw on Your Life: Sketchbook Journaling

Thursday, July 25, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Room 201A

When you don't have time to write a thousand words, try sketching! Experiment with finding the right balance of text and pictures. Registration required.

Origami for Kids

Thursday, July 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

Children 5+ will learn how to fold and create something fun to take home.

Gardening for Monarch Butterflies

Thursday, July 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201

This talk will cover different varieties available, methods to combat diseases and pests, guidance on growing from both seeds and seedlings, as well as best practices for planning, watering, fertilizing and overall care.

Music in the Courtyard: The Lunar Octet

Sunday, July 28, 12 – 1 p.m., Room 101 and Courtyard

Listen to highly original and eclectic repertoire drawing on Cuban and Puerto Rican salsa, rock, African high-life music, and Brazilian sambas to forge a new sound enriched by these traditions.

Family Movie Time

Sunday, July 28, 4 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Join us for a showing of the animated version of “Alice in Wonderland” (G).

Trouble on the Tour de Cupertino

Tuesday, July 30, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 101

Students in Grades 3+ are invited to solve puzzles and mysterious happenings. Please register.

Special Performance: Hula Show

Wednesday, July 31, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 101

Children and their families are invited to watch Hālau Nā Wai Ola dance to a medley of songs as we bid farewell to our Summer Reading program.

Special Performance: Boswick the Clown

Wednesday, July 31, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

Join Boswick for a fun-filled performance.

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**Lunch at the Library**

Monday—Friday, Through August, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required. ¡Almuerzos gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años! No es necesario registrarse.

Pajama Storytime

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7 – 7:30 p.m., the Nest

Join us for stories, sing songs, and wear your pajamas! Lee cuentos, canta canciones y ponte la pijama para una hora de cuentos para niños de todas las edades.

Zumba

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m., Community Room

Zumba features rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia, and samba set to Latin and international beats. Wear comfortable workout clothes and shoes. No registration is required.

Zumba presenta ritmos como salsa, merengue, cumbia y samba con ritmos latinos e internacionales. Use ropa y zapatos deportivos cómodos. No es necesario registrarse.

Python Ron's Reptile Kingdom

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Desde pitones de 18 pies hasta lagartos de 4 pies de largo, Python Ron brinda a todos la oportunidad de acercarse a estas increíbles criaturas.

Bilingual English and Vietnamese Storytime/Độc Truyện Song Ngữ Anh Việt

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., the Nest

Come read, sing, dance, and play with Miss Như Ý.

Mời bé đến đọc sách, ca múa, và vui chơi cùng cô Như Ý.

Book Discussion

Friday, July 5, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [*This is How You Lose the Time War*](#) by Amal El-Mohtar and Max Gladstone.

Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth

Fridays, July 5 & 19, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for youth to play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., the Nest

Join us for stories and songs in English and Spanish, followed by music and playtime with Librarians Patty and Cameron. Acompáñenos a escuchar cuentos y canciones en inglés y español, seguido por música y tiempo para jugar con los Bibliotecarios Patty y Cameron.

Special Presentation: NorCal Bats

Saturday, July 6, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room

This unique and exciting presentation is opportunity to learn about bats from the experts, and to see some bats up close, as well!

¡Esta presentación única y emocionante es una oportunidad para aprender sobre los murciélagos de la mano de los expertos y también para ver algunos murciélagos de cerca!

Adventurous Art for Kids

Wednesdays, July 10 & 24, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

We will use unusual mediums as a canvas or as a paintbrush. Come to one or come to all in the series, each program will explore different styles. For children in grades K-8.

Utilizaremos medios inusuales como lienzo o como pincel. Ven a uno o ven a todos en la serie, cada programa explorará diferentes estilos. Para niños en los grados K-8.

Yoga at the Library

Wednesday, July 10, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

Start your journey towards calming your mind, setting your intentions, and stretching your body. Beginners are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. No registration required.

Clases de computación para principiantes en español

Miércoles, 10 y 17 de julio, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Laboratorio de Entrenamiento de Computación

Únase a esta clase gratuita de computación básica y aprenda habilidades básicas de computación, incluyendo cómo encender y usar una computadora, cómo crear una cuenta de correo electrónico y cómo navegar el internet. ¡Regístrese ahora!

Family Storytime

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., the Nest

Join Miss Elizabeth for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, get help, share ideas and meet new people.

Smartphone Photography for Teens (ages 12-18)

Friday, July 12, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn tips and tricks on how to use your smartphone camera to produce creative photographs inspired by everyday life, books, and movies. Participants need access to a smartphone with camera function. Walk-ins welcome as space allows, register to reserve your spot.

Insect Discovery Lab

Saturday, July 13, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

This presentation showcases a wide variety of live insects alongside education about identifying them, their roles in nature, and more.

Su galardonada presentación muestra una variedad de insectos vivos junto con educación sobre cómo identificarlos, sus funciones en la naturaleza y más.

Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, July 13, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Read whatever poetry you want to read and join in related discussions.

STEM Series: Ozobots

Monday, July 15, 1 – 2:15 p.m., Community Room

Kids are invited to learn robotics and coding through the use of Ozobots. Ozobots are best for children in grades K – 2. Please register.

Esta programa STEM ofrecerá a los niños la oportunidad de aprender robótica y codificación con el uso de Ozobots. Mejor para niños de kinder a 2do. grado. Por favor regístrese.

Valley Verde Gardening Kits

Tuesday, July 16, 1 – 2 p.m., Outside in the Paseo

Learn the importance of gardening and start your own garden with Valley Verde! Gardening kits will be provided to children, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de la jardinería y comienza tu propio jardín con Valley Verde! Se proporcionarán kits de jardinería a los niños, hasta agotar existencias.

Special Performance: Crosspulse Dance Party

Thursday, July 18, 1 – 2 p.m., Outside Paseo

Crosspulse is a "Body Music, Percussion & Rhythm Dance." They will have a dynamic stage show with lush harmony singing and exciting Body Music.

Crosspulse es "Música Corporal, Percusión y Danza Rítmica". Se ofrecerá un espectáculo dinámico con un canto de armonía exuberante y una emocionante música corporal.

Suncatcher Craft for Teens and Adults

Saturday, July 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Create a lovely 3D hanging glass suncatcher with wire, beads, and flowers to create something that will catch the eye and the sun. All materials and tools provided. Please register.

¡Únase a nosotros para crear un encantador atrapasoles de vidrio colgante en 3D! Decórelo con alambre, cuentas y flores para crear algo que llame la atención además del sol de verano. Todos los materiales y herramientas proporcionados. Regístrese para reservar su lugar.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills (ages 13+)

Saturday, July 20, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

Book Discussion

Sunday, July 21, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Library Courtyard

Local sustainable food advocate Peter Ruddock will lead a discussion about the book, [*Ultra-Processed People: the Science Behind Food That Isn't Food*](#) by Chris van Tulleken.

Engineering Challenge with Tech Interactive

Monday, July 22, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Kids ages 5+ are invited to create an invention of their own using recycled materials to help solve a current environmental issue. El Tech Challenge invita a los niños de 5 años en adelante a construir cosas utilizando materiales reciclados para ayudar a resolver un problema.

Entrepreneurship Resources from the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center

Monday, July 22, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Learn about Renaissance classes, workshops, programs, special events, access to capital, and other services, as well as other resources in your community that can help you determine which programs and services are right for you and your stage of business development.

CalFresh Healthy Tips

Tuesday & Friday, July 23 & 26, 12 – 1 p.m., Courtyard

CalFresh will share great information on healthy eating and empowering children to easily make healthier food choices. Representantes de CalFresh compartirán excelente información sobre alimentación saludable y capacitarán a los niños para que elijan alimentos más saludables.

Save Our Shores

Tuesday, July 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Come learn about the exciting work Save Our Shores volunteers do in their presentation *A Day on the Beach- Having Fun While Helping Out*.

Horror Writing Workshop (Teens 13+ and Adults)

Tuesday, July 23, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn what makes a scary story tick and use those skills in your own writing. Register to reserve your spot. All reading and writing materials and supplies will be provided, but you can bring your own writing tools or device if you choose.

Horror Writing Workshop for Children (ages 9-13)

Thursday, July 25, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room

Learn what makes a scary story tick and use those skills in your own writing. Register to reserve your spot. All reading and writing materials and supplies will be provided, but you can bring your own writing tools or device if you choose.

DIY Simple LED Flashlight for Teens

Friday, July 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Learn basic circuitry to build your own simple LED flashlights to light your way on your summer adventures. All materials and tools provided. This program is just for teens age 12 to 18.

Special Performance: Wonder Magic Show

Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Civic Plaza

Fun-Filled Family Friendly Magic Show with Magician Cosmo.

Espectáculo de magia familiar lleno de diversión con el Mago Cosmo.

How to Be Your Very Best on Camera (ages 10-17)

Saturday, July 27, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

This workshop will help you appear more at ease and relaxed in Zoom job interviews, acting and self-tape auditioning. Please register.

How to Be Your Very Best on Camera (for Adults)

Saturday, July 27, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

This workshop will help you appear more at ease and relaxed in Zoom job interviews, acting and self-tape auditioning. Please register.

STEM Series: Dash & Dots

Monday, July 29, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

This series of STEM programs offer children a chance to learn robotics and coding with Dash & Dot robots (better for grades 3-5).

Esta serie de programas STEM ofrecerá a los niños la oportunidad de aprender robótica y codificación con el uso de robots Dash & Dot (mejor para niños de grados 3-5).

Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B

We will discuss [All My Rage](#) by Sabaa Tahir. This is the teen selection for the year.

Special Performance: Banana Slug String Band

Wednesday, July 31, 12 – 2 p.m., Courtyard

Join us for an afternoon of music with the Banana Slug String Band! The songs are educational, funny and deeply moving. Kids come away, inspired, and ready to learn more about the Earth.

¡Únete a nosotros para una tarde de música con el grupo músico Banana Slug String Band! Las canciones son educativas, divertidas y profundamente conmovedoras. Los niños salen inspirados y listos para aprender más sobre el planeta.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then ask questions for 10 minutes with instructor Manisha.

Bilingual Spanish Family Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers.

¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Camp Read S'More for Grades 4-5

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Camp Read S'More is a great way to keep your incoming 4th or 5th grader engaged during the summer. We will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Please register.

Teen Craft: Perler Dioramas (ages 12+)

Tuesday, July 2, 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Make a free-standing diorama out of perler beads featuring your favorite characters and games.

Camp Readaway for Grades 6+

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Conference Room

Camp Readaway is the perfect way to keep your middle schooler engaged and entertained during the summer months. We will explore a different book and participate in engaging discussions and activities. Please register.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, July 3, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will discuss [Back to the Garden](#) by Laurie R. King.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays, July 3, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, & 31, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

This interactive storytime is for early walkers, 1s and 2s. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before storytime.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room

Non-walking babies and their caregivers will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, short books and other fun. After storytime, enjoy the Stay & Play.

Special Performance: Magician Mike Della Penna

Wednesday, July 3, 3 – 4 p.m. & 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Magician Mike Della Penna will bring wonder and laughter to the library.

Poetry Community Hour

Wednesday, July 3, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D

Share your poetry and come hear poems by local and national poets. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

Let's Make Origami (grades K-8)

Friday, July 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to create origami designs from origami paper. All materials provided, no registration required.

Baby Sign and Stay & Play

Saturday, July 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies under a year old and their grownups are welcome to sing songs and learn signs to share with your baby. Please bring a blanket for your baby. After storytime, stay and play with age-appropriate toys.

Science Saturday: Intro to Tectonics

Saturday, July 6, 2 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Participants will consider how mountains are formed and work to construct a puzzle model of Pangaea. Register online.

Smelly Lunchbox Cooking Demo

Sunday, July 7, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to make vegetarian chive and egg rice paper dumplings.

Special Performance: Coventry and Kaluza

Wednesday, July 10, 3 – 3:30 p.m. and 4 – 4:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy a variety of skills and thrills which feature juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, hula hooping and dog tricks. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Adventure to Costa Rica with Road Scholar

Wednesday, July 10, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room

Take a travel adventure to central Costa Rica and see photos of lush rainforests with monkeys, birds, and sloths.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for those who speak basic English. No registration required.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Children 3-5 and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, movement and more!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

Teens are welcome to drop in and watch the game. Right now, the game is full, but we will occasionally have openings for new players. Please check in at the Adult Reference Desk.

Essential Laptop Repair Skills (ages 13+)

Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Learn the basic skills to repair a ThinkPad laptop. Practice how to clean, replace, and check the health of the laptop's battery, RAM, fan, and screen. Do not bring your own device. Please note: laptops that are repaired in this program will go to a student or an adult in need.

3D Printing Workshop for Teens

Saturday, July 13, 2 – 3 p.m.

We will demonstrate the printing process and go over how to find printer designs online. This workshop is limited to teens 12+.

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, July 14, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Come with family and friends for an afternoon of fun and games. We have board games for children, teens, and adults – plus LEGOs!

Drawing Landscapes with Chalk Pastels and Colored Pencils

Tuesday, July 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Draw a landscape with chalk pastels and colored pencils. Teens and adults are welcome to join. Registration is not necessary.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Wednesday, July 17, 3 – 4 p.m. & 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Puppet Art Theater presents Tommy's Pirate Adventure. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Container Gardening

Wednesday, July 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn what containers to use, the requirements for soil, fertilizer and water to keep your container garden growing all season.

The California Condor Comeback Story

Thursday, July 18, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn about the 20-year-long captive breeding program that has resulted in California Condors flying through Northern California skies once again.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Come learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite. We welcome newcomers to hobby gaming and families with kids.

Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)

Sunday, July 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This is a time to relax with the community and let your creativity shine.

Los Altos Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 23, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Email lpasternack@sccl.org to join the club and find out this month's selection.

Special Performance: Queer Taiko

Wednesday, July 24, 3 – 3:45 p.m. & 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

The thunderous sounds of the drums as language, culture, and history combine into an exciting educational experience. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Wednesday Travel Nights: Tasmania

Wednesday, July 24, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Through a medley of photos, enjoy the rich history, unique animal life, differs landscape and day-to-day life of Tasmanians.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Friday, July 26, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1 – 2:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Work of Heart Studio will lead this workshop. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited, and content will be the same for both sessions. Please sign up for only one session per month.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Saturday, July 27, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book. Register online.

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, July 29, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom](#) by Ilyon Woo.

Special Performance: Magician Brian Scott

Wednesday, July 31, 3 – 3:45 p.m. & 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Magician Brian Scott will present a show filled with amazing music, laughter, and join-in fun. Free tickets will be handed out 30 minutes before the performance.

Flowers as Islands: A Talk by Tadashi Fukami

Wednesday, July 31, 7 – 9 p.m., Orchard Room

Tadashi Fukami will discuss “flowers as islands,” where the microbial community is formed in flower nectar with the help of hummingbirds, which can change nectar chemistry to alter how attractive the flowers are to hummingbirds, and therefore how successful the flowers will be in producing seeds.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Pre-walkers**

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Activity Room

This program focuses on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, very short and simple picture books. This program is designed for babies up to 12 months.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Insect Discovery Lab

Wednesday, July 3, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium

Explore the fantastic lives of beetles, millipedes, hissing cockroaches, walking sticks, whip scorpions and more. [Register online.](#)

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 3 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. No registration required.

Pajama Jam Family Storytime

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

Snuggle up in your comfiest PJs as we dive into stories, fingerplays, rhymes, and tunes for everyone.

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 1 – 3 p.m., Auditorium

Relieve stress and anxiety, increase energy and vitality and improve physical health during these exercise sessions. Giảm căng thẳng và lo lắng, tăng năng lượng và sức sống, Cải thiện sức khỏe thể chất.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you are stuck and share ideas. Instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati. No registration required. Materials not provided.

Board Game Day

Saturday, July 6, 10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Auditorium

Learn different board games or play your favorite one. This program is open to ages 18+. Online registration is encouraged but not required.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing and action with picture books, flannel board stories and fingerplays.

Bay Area Adventures Film Festival

Sundays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Auditorium

Our film festival includes classic and contemporary movies all set in the Bay Area. A full schedule of the films will be provided at each showing.

Family Jigsaw Puzzles (Ages 5-12)

Monday, July 8, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Children ages 5+ can challenge themselves to finish 100 or 500 piece jigsaw puzzles. This is a drop-in program.

Toddler STEAM (ages 3-5)

Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room

Each month we will learn, nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required. Parents must participate with their child. Siblings welcomed.

Speculative Fiction Book Club

Tuesday, July 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [Elder Race](#) by Adrian Tchaikovsky.

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Cryptography

Wednesday, July 10, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Cryptography is the science of encoding and decoding messages and is still important in our current technological world. Learn about different types of ciphers through a variety of code-breaking activities using tools, keys, and your very own brain. Register online.

Anime Club for Grades 4 – 6

Wednesdays, July 10 & 24, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

We will hang out, eat snacks and watch anime.

Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 1 and 2 year olds, features lots of movement, singing and action.

Special Performance: Soul4Kidz

Thursday, July 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance.

Tiny Olympics (ages 2 – 5)

Friday, July 12, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Auditorium

Participate in a pint-size version of the Olympic Games. Parents will need to stay with their child.

Gaming Day (grades 3 – 8)

Fridays, July 12 & 26, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Play videogames like Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart and more. You can bring your own controller, but you are responsible for it.

Paint Your Own Pottery for Teens (age 12-18)

Saturday, July 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Pre-made pottery pieces and paint will be supplied. Please register.

Summer STEM for Grades 3 – 6: Python Ron

Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Python Ron will bring his collection of snakes to the library. Come learn about reptiles in this interactive program for children in grades 3 – 6. Register online.

Coloring Hours for Kids

Wednesday, July 17, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Drop in and join us for an hour of coloring and relaxation. All supplies will be provided. No registration required.

Perfectly Whelmed Improv (Grades 3 – 8)

Thursday, July 18, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Unleash your inner comedy genius with improve exercises. Register online.

Teen Manga Workshop (ages 12 – 18)

Friday, July 19, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

Learn how comic books are made and create your own. Registration required.

Christmas in July

Tuesday, July 23, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Make some holiday-themed crafts while listening to holiday music. All supplies will be provided. This program is for grades K-5. Please register.

Summer STEM with Tech Interactive (Grades 1 – 8)

Wednesdays, July 24 & 31, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Auditorium

Kids are invited to create an invention of their own by using recycled materials. Register online.

Special Performance: Boswick's Reading Circus

Thursday, July 25, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Join Boswick for a whimsical escapade where children can unleash their inner wild animal, attempt nifty acrobats and even give juggling a whirl.

The Peaceful Poets

Thursday, July 25, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

Join other poetry writers and appreciators of poetry.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 2:45 p.m. and 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium

Watch birds from around the world do the most amazing things: singing Amazon parrots, colorful Macaws, and clever Cockatoos performing tricks. Wristbands are required for entry, and will be given out 30 minutes before the performance.

Teen Printmaking (ages 12 – 18)

Saturday, July 27, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Computer Training Room

A Work of Heart studio will lead a workshop about collagraphy, a form of printmaking.

Rock Paper Scissors Tournament (Grades K – 8)

Monday, July 29, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

Compete in our tournament for a chance to be crowned the champion. Please register in person at the Children's Reference Desk.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**Lunch at the Library**

Monday—Friday, Through August, 12 – 1 p.m.

Free lunch meals for kids ages 0 – 18. No registration required.

¡Almuerzos Gratuitos para niños de 0 a 18 años! No es necesario registrarse.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, July 2, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Knitters are welcome to come and work together. New knitters can get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can meet new friends.

Tiny Tot Jamboree

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Toddlers (1-2 years old) and caregivers are invited to join us for short fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Babies (12 months and younger) and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more!

Bilingual Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, July 6, 13, & 27, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for family fun with your little one! Stories, music, movement, and more! Storytimes are bilingual (Spanish/English). ¡Acompáñenos para divertirse en familia con su pequeño! Cuentos, música, movimiento y más. Las horas de cuentos son bilingües (español/inglés).

Seed Bomb Workshop (during Lunch at the Library)

Monday, July 8, 12:30 – 1 p.m.

Come make a seed bomb with Valley Verde! A seed bomb is a collection of seeds in a form that is easy to plant outdoors. While supplies last.

¡Ven a hacer una bomba de semillas con Valley Verde! Una bomba de semillas es una colección de semillas en una forma fácil de plantar al aire libre. Hasta agotar existencias.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, July 10, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

We will discuss [*Sitting Pretty*](#) by Rebekah Taussig.

Silly Circus

Thursday, July 11, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children’s Activity Room

Bri Crabtree’s Silly Circus Show is full of outrageous jokes and sleight-of-hand tricks will have you glued to your seats, howling with laughter, and asking, “How did she do that?”

CalFresh Healthy Tips

Thursdays, July 11 & 18, 12 – 1 p.m., Community Room

CalFresh will share great information on healthy eating and empowering children to easily make healthier food choices. Compartirán excelente información sobre alimentación saludable y capacitarán a los niños para que elijan alimentos más saludables fácilmente.

Teens & Tweens Crafternoon (ages 10—17)

Thursdays, July 11 & 25, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room

These crafts are a bit more challenging, using more difficult materials to manipulate. All supplies will be provided. No registration necessary.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth (ages 13-25)

Fridays, July 12 & 26, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

LGBTQ+ youth are invited to play games, participate in group activities and discussions, and build community. No registration necessary.

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, July 13, 20, & 27, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Adult Program Room

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. ¡Únase a nosotros para tener conversaciones divertidas y practicar el inglés! Este programa es para adultos de 18 años y mayores que hablan inglés a nivel básico.

Zumba

Mondays, July 15 & 29, 6 – 7 p.m., Program Room

Join us for a free dance and rhythm-based workout. This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow, fitness party exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a high-energy cardio blast.

Helpful Bugs with Beetlelady

Tuesday, July 16, 1 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Kids will learn about ladybugs, bees, and many other helpful arthropods, and how they help us and the environment we share.

STEM Camp

Tuesday-Friday, July 16-19, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

Learn to operate Dash & Dot robots and dig into other exciting topics. This is a drop-in program for children 5+ and their adults.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, July 16, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along! No registration required.

Toddler Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for stories, music, movement and more. This program is geared towards children ages 2-3 and their caregivers.

Preschool Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Children ages 4-5 and caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, movement and more.

Special Performance: Soul4Kidz

Saturday, July 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for a high-energy, entertaining and interactive music performance.

Road Scholar Nature and Environmental Adventures

Saturday, July 20, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., Program Room

Take a travel adventure to central Costa Rica and see photos of lush rainforests with monkeys, birds, and sloths.

Butterfly Bath Workshop (during Lunch at the Library)

Monday, July 22, 12:30 – 1 p.m.

Come learn the importance of pollinators with Valley Verde! Learn more about these essential and tireless workers and make butterfly baths, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de los polinizadores con Valley Verde! Aprenda más sobre estos trabajadores esenciales e incansables y haga baños de mariposas, hasta agotar existencias.

Bollywood Dance Class for Teens and Adults (ages 12+)

Monday, July 22, 8 – 9 p.m., Program Room

Not only will you get to groove to energetic Bollywood beats, but you'll have the chance to explore a bit of South Asian culture and heritage. No registration required.

Sip & Savor Mocktails

Tuesday, July 23, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Concoct two literary-inspired mocktails. Mocktails are available on a first-come, first-served basis. No registration required. This program is for adults 18+.

Python Ron's Reptile Kingdom

Thursday, July 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Activity Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Meditation at the Library

Sunday, June 28, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room

Tune into the present moment, waken your senses and cultivate a deeper connection with yourself and the world around you. No registration required.

Valley Verde Gardening Kits (during Lunch at the Library)

Wednesday, July 31, 1 – 2 p.m.

Learn the importance of gardening and start your own garden with Valley Verde! Gardening kits will be provided to children, while supplies last.

¡Ven a aprender la importancia de la jardinería y comienza tu propio jardín con Valley Verde! Se proporcionarán kits de jardinería a los niños, hasta agotar existencias.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Once Upon Tomorrow Art Exhibit**

Through July, Group Study Room

This exhibit features a unique teenage perspective on global challenges including climate change and industrialization through the innocence of childhood eyes.

Mystery Book Club

Monday, July 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [The Spy Coast](#) by Tess Gerritsen. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Band Jam Session

Tuesdays, July 2 & 9, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Grab your guitar or ukulele and let's jam!

Family Storytime

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Saturdays, July 6, 20, & 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, July 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [The Martian](#) by Andy Weir. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, July 3, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Bring your own projects, ask questions, receive or give help, share ideas, and meet new people.

Python Ron's Reptile Show & Tell

Wednesday, July 3, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

From 18-foot pythons to 4-foot long lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Indian Classical Concert

Saturdays, July 6 & 13, 2 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

SR Fine Arts invites you to an Indian classical concert by Bay Area musicians from the Indian community.

Kids Glitter Slime

Tuesday, July 9, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Make and keep your very own glitter slide. One per child. All materials will be provided, seating is limited.

Seasons of Birds at Shoreline Park

Tuesday, July 9, 7 – 8 p.m.

Local author/photographer Karen Gough shares a narrated presentation of original photographs and video about the wide variety of birds found at Shoreline Park. Register online.

Teen Paint Party

Friday, July 12, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

Artist Paul Loughridge will lead a hands-on teen paint party. All materials and supplies provided. Please register at the Adult Reference Desk.

Special Performance: Mr. Elephant Musical Adventure

Saturday, July 13, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Mr. Elephant and his puppet pals sing original family-friendly songs with styles ranging from rock to reggae, beats to bossa nova.

Board Game Night for Adults

Monday, July 15, 6 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

Drop in and enjoy a variety of board games.

DIY Space Helmet

Tuesday, July 16, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Kids can create a space helmet using a paper bag. All materials will be provided, no registration required. Seating is limited.

Rainforest Animals

Wednesday, July 17, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Wildmind Science will teach you about the armadillo, coendou, macaw, skink and spectacled owl.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Thursday, July 18, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

This 30- minute storytime features movement, sing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

Teatime Book Chatter

Thursday, July 18, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

We will be sharing and recommending our favorite recent reads with other group members.

Yoga for Success

Sunday, July 21, 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Learn simple yet powerful yoga postures to bring stability and balance. Please bring your own yoga mat and towel. Please register to attend.

Family Bingo Night

Tuesday, July 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Fun for the entire family! Get a Bingo and win a prize.

Special Performance: Surfing Magician

Wednesday, July 24, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Get ready to be amazed and amused by Doug the Surfing Magician.

Digital Literacy Class

Thursday, July 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

Learn basic computer skills, practice accessing the internet and how to stay safe online.

Spanish/English Storytime

Thursday, July 25, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, songs, and movement in Spanish and English. This program is designed for children up to age 5 and their caregivers.

¡Venga a la biblioteca para cuentos, canciones y movimiento en inglés y español! Este programa está diseñado para niños hasta 5 años de edad y sus cuidadores.

Special Performance: Happy Birds

Wednesday, July 31, 11 – 11:45 a.m. and 12 – 12:45 p.m., Community Room

Watch birds from around the world do the most amazing things: singing Amazon parrots, colorful Macaws, and clever Cockatoos performing tricks. Please only attend one show.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

Practice meditation for 20 minutes then ask questions for 10 minutes with the instructor.

Woodland Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 9, 2 – 3:15 p.m.

Email lpasternack@sccl.org to join the club and find out this month's selection.

Family Storytime: Colors & Flags

Sunday, July 14, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a storytime with the theme Colors & Flags. Dress for the weather!

Family Storytime: Camping

Sunday, July 28, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Backyard Patio

Join us in the backyard of the library for stories, songs, fingerplays as we enjoy a camping-themed storytime. Dress for the weather!

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**Virtual Author Talk: Kate DiCamillo**

Tuesday, July 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will be sharing the stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, the original [Mercy Watson](#), and the follow up series, [Tales from Deckawoo Drive](#).

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Max Brallier

Tuesday, July 16, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

We're talking with New York Times bestselling author Max Brallier about [The Last Kids on Earth](#), both the book series and the Netflix animated series.

Virtual Author Talk: Jordan Morris

Wednesday, July 17, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion with graphic novel author Jordan Morris about his experience writing and publishing graphic novels, comic books, podcasts, and major television networks.

Virtual Author Talk: Elizabeth Acevedo

Tuesday, July 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

In this exciting online conversation and Q&A, Elizabeth Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning [The Poet X](#), which serves as a backdrop to this amazing chat.

Virtual Author Talk: Dan Santat

Tuesday, July 30, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Dan Santat's award winning book, [A First Time for Everything](#), is a graphic memoir based on his own awkward middle school years and the trip to Europe that changed his life.

Art Talk: Legion of Honor Turns 100

Tuesday, July 30, 7 – 8 p.m.

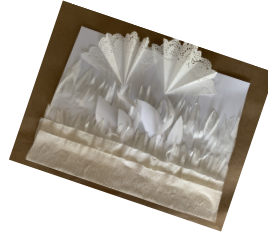
The Legion of Honor is home to one of the world's outstanding collections of Rodin sculpture and European Art. This talk tells the fascinating story of how the museum was modeled after the Legion of Honor in Paris and would come to be built on a hill with a breathtaking view of the San Francisco Bay.

July 2024

Morgan Hill Librarian Report

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

Summer Art Camp: Over the course of 4 afternoons 310 children and families attended; creating monochromatic relief sculptures, paper glass, weaving, and rock painting.



Teen Paint Class : This step by step workshop introduced teens to the basics of acrylic painting while encouraging individual expression through art.



Reading Buddies: This popular reading program has returned to Morgan Hill. In June 22 students practiced their reading skills and read aloud one on one with our furry friends!



Lunch at the Library: With 794 meals served in June, this year our program combines serving meals to children with healthy, educational programming. In June we featured several farm to table events where kids had the opportunity to learn about farming and sample local produce.



JULY PROGRAMS

Family Fun Night: NASA
Tuesday 7/9 6:30pm

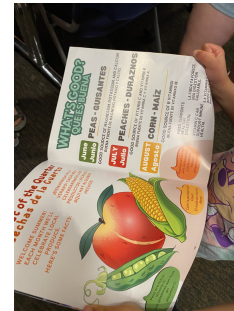
Smartphone Photography for Teens
Friday 7/12 4:00pm

Helpful Bugs with Beetlelady
Tuesday, 7/16, 1:00pm

STEM Camp 7/16 - 7/19
3:30-5pm 6/23, 3:30pm

Soul 4Kidz Concert
Saturday 7/20, 10:30-11:30

Sip & Savor Mocktails
Tuesday 7/23 6pm



STORYWALK: Visit Community Park and enjoy our StoryWalk presentation of Cat's Colors by Airlie Anderson. Follow cat's adventures as they find colors in nature. Our story begins at the entrance to Magical Bridge Playground.

Brought to you by the City of Morgan Hill, Rotary Club of Morgan Hill, and Santa Clara County Library district.



16,177

Visitors

May Statistics

305

New Library
Cards

68

Programs &
Outreach

60,149

Circulation

2,809

Attendees

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission Public Services Director Report

Announcements

- Curren South Valley Civic Theater Show at the Community Playhouse:
Kinky Boots June 21-July 20
- Upcoming Community and Cultural Center Art Exhibit:
Morgan Hill Photography Club - www.morganhillphotographyclub.org
- Friday Night Music Series underway at the Community and Cultural Center
Every Friday Evening through August 16th

July 2024

Every Monday, July 1st – 29th:

- Community Supper at St. Catherine Parish Center
 - Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
 - Where: St. Catherine of Alexandria
(17400 Peak Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Tuesday, July 2nd – 30th:

- Community Table at Advent Lutheran Church
 - Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Wednesday and Thursday, July 3rd and 4th:

- Morgan Hill Freedom Fest
 - Youth Patriotic Sing
 - Time: 5 - 6 PM
 - Where: Downtown Amphitheater - 17000 Monterey Rd.
 - Family Music Fest
 - Time: 6 - 10 PM
 - Where: Monterey Rd. between Main and Dunne Ave.
 - Freedom Run
 - Time: 7:45 AM/8:10 AM
 - Where: SW corner of Peak and Main

- Parade
 - Time: 10 AM
 - Where: Downtown Morgan Hill; northbound Monterey Rd.
- Car Show
 - Time: 12 - 2 PM
 - Where: Downtown Morgan Hill; southbound Monterey Rd.
- Freedom Fest Gates
 - Time: Open at 3 PM
 - Where: Morgan Hill Outdoor Sports Center (parking \$15, entrance free)
- Fireworks on the Green
 - Time: Starts at 9:30PM
 - Where: Morgan Hill Outdoor Sports Center

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, July 3rd – 31st:

- Drive Through Grocery Box: Advent Lutheran Church
 - Time: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

1st Wednesday of every Month, July 3rd:

- MH Photography Club Monthly Meeting
 - Time: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
 - Where: Centennial Recreation Center's Multipurpose Room
(171 West Edmundson Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Thursday, July 4th – 25th:

- Community Suppers at Community Christian Church
 - Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(305 West Main Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Friday, July 5th – 26th:

- Community Suppers at Grace Hill Church
 - Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

- Where: Grace Hill Church
(16970 DeWitt Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Saturday, July 6th – 27th:

- Morgan Hill Farmers Market
 - Time: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 - Where: Train Station parking lot
(3rd Street and Depot Street in Downtown Morgan Hill)

Thursday, July 11th:

- Last Day to View Public Art Exhibit at CCC
 - Time: Weekdays 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Weekends 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - Where: Morgan Hill Community Cultural Center
17000 Monterey Rd Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Every 2nd Saturday of the Month, July 13th:

- Morgan Hill Historical Society Downtown Walking Tour
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Noon)
 - Where: Park at Community Garage (Enter on 4th Street)
Meet at 50 E. 3rd street (Garage Exit)

August 2024

Every Thursday, August 1st – 29th:

- Community Suppers at Community Christian Church
 - Time: 5:15 PM – 7:15 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(305 West Main Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Friday, August 2nd – 30th:

- Community Suppers at Grace Hill Church
 - Time: All Day
 - Where: Grace Hill Church
(16970 DeWitt Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Saturday, August 3rd – 31st:

- Morgan Hill Farmers Market
 - Time: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 - Where: Train Station parking lot
(3rd Street and Depot Street in Downtown Morgan Hill)

Saturday, August 3rd:

- Morgan Hill Children's Business Fair
 - Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 - Where: Community & Cultural Center's Outdoor Amphitheater
(17000 Monterey St., Morgan Hill)

Sunday, August 4th:

- South Valley Science and Engineering Fair
 - Time: 3:30 PM – 7:30 PM
 - Where: Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center
(17000 Monterey St., Morgan Hill)

Every Monday, August 5th – 26th:

- Community Supper at St. Catherine Parish Center
 - Time: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
 - Where: St. Catherine of Alexandria
(17400 Peak Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Tuesday, August 6th – 27th:

- Community Table at Advent Lutheran Church
 - Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Tuesday, August 6th:

- National Night Out
 - Time: 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
 - Where: Civic Center Plaza between City Hall and the Council Chamber Building

1st Wednesday of every Month, August 7th:

- MH Photography Club Monthly Meeting
 - Time: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
 - Where: Centennial Recreation Center's Multipurpose Room
(171 West Edmundson Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, August 7th-28th:

- Drive Through Grocery Box: Advent Luther Church
 - Time: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every 2nd Saturday of the Month, August 10th:

- Morgan Hill Historical Society Downtown Walking Tour
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Noon)
 - Where: Park at Community Garage (Enter on 4th Street)
Meet at 50 E. 3rd street (Garage Exit)
- Sidewalk Saturdays
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 - Where: East 3rd Street in Downtown Morgan Hill

Saturday, August 31st:

- Starry Nights: Open Space Authority & the San Jose Astronomical Association
 - Time: 8:30 PM – 10:30 PM
 - Where: 4289 Casa Loma Rd Morgan Hill CA
Advanced registration is required



MEETING MINUTES

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission

Amanda Santiago - Chair
Cindy Blanton - Vice Chair
Robyn Carrillo - Commissioner
Suman Ganapathy - Commissioner
Patrice Lyn - Commissioner
Jake Thompson - Commissioner
Tanaya Rose - Commissioner

Tuesday, June 4, 2024 5:30 PM

**Council Chamber
17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037**

PUBLIC ART MASTER PLAN WORKSHOP - 5:30PM

START OF REGULAR MEETING - 6:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

5:30pm for workshop.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

All present.

DECLARATION OF POSTING AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

This opportunity for public comment is for items that are not on the agenda. If you would like to make comments on an item that is on the agenda, please wait until we get

to that item to offer your comments. Members of the public are entitled to address the Commission concerning any item within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes. Except for certain specific exceptions, the Commission is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Public comment is intended for comments. Questions posed during public comment are not generally answered. If you have questions, please send them to the City Clerk at LCACpubliccomment@morganhill.ca.gov to receive a response. (See additional noticing at the end of this agenda)

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Ganapathy, Second Thompson, Adopted 7-0

REPORTS

1. **County Librarian Report – Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian**

Recommendation:
Receive report.

Report provided by Marlene Iwamoto, Deputy County Librarian.

2. **Morgan Hill Library Report - Heather Geddes, Community Librarian**

Recommendation:
Receive report.

Report provided.

3. **Friends of the Morgan Hill Library Report – Vicky Reader, Friends President**

Recommendation:
Receive report.

No report.

4. **Morgan Hill Historical Society Report - Roger Knopf, Board President**

Recommendation:
Receive report.

Report provided.

5. **City of Morgan Hill Update - Chris Ghione, Public Services Director**

Recommendation:
Receive report.

Report provided.

BUSINESS

1. **Accept May 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Recommendation:

Accept May 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Accept corrected minutes. Motion Blanton, Second Lyn, Accepted 7-0.

2. Public Art Fund Project Discussion

Recommendation:

1. Receive update on funds available for public art project; and
2. Discuss potential public art projects.

Update provided by Edith Ramirez, Assistant City Manager.

3. Work Plan Updates and Development

Recommendation:

1. Provide updates on Work Plan Items; and
2. Discuss development of FY 24/25 Work Plan.

Commissioners discussed updates to the FY 24/2 Work Plan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

8:07pm

LIBRARY, CULTURE, AND ARTS COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 2, 2024

PREPARED BY:

Chris Ghione, Public Services Director

APPROVED BY: Chris Ghione

DEVELOPMENT/DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC ART MASTER PLAN VISION, MISSION AND CORE VALUES

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Discuss structure of Public Art Master Plan;
2. Discuss components to be included in the Master Plan; and
3. Discuss Mission and Vision for Master Plan

REPORT NARRATIVE:

The Commission is embarking on the development of a Public Art Master Plan. While resources are limited to support this effort, City staff will be committed to assisting the Commission on the effort. Commissioner Santiago has outlined several components in Attachment 1 in this item. In addition to the components outlined by Commissioner Santiago, the Commission may want to consider the following other components:

- Development of Core Values and Priorities to Support Development of Mission/Vision
- SWOT Analysis Exercise to support development of Goals
- Development of Goals
- Development of Strategies and Actions
- Public Input Opportunity Outside the Standard Commission Meetings

The Commission may further want to provide consensus on the format of the report prior to moving forward and jumping into all the components of developing the plan.

Commissioner Santiago provided some examples of Art Master Plans that may serve as a guide to the development of Morgan Hill's Plan. These plans and a few others are linked below for Commission Review.

- [City of Dublin Public Art Master Plan](#)
- [City of Napa Public Art Master Plan](#)
- [San Luis Obispo Public Art Master Plan](#)
- [Los Altos Public Art Master Plan](#)

Additionally, the City of Morgan Hill's General Plan has some specific Policies and Actions related to arts and culture. You can find those in the [City's General Plan](#) Under Goal HC-4 beginning on Page HC-15.

Morgan Hill City Art Master Plan –

Mission Statement

<https://www.morganhill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/44877/Sustainable-Morgan-Hill-2024-2025---FINAL?bidId=>

Task 1(All): Please read and think of a pitch or catchy phrase that resolves these goals into a couple short sentences

Definitions/ Requirements for Permanent and Temporary Public Art - Supporting Documents

https://www.morganhill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5186/Approved-LCAC-Policy-_Citys-Permanent-Art-Collect?bidId=

<https://www.morganhill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/10425/Public-Art-Proposal--Submission-Guidelines>

https://www.morganhill.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5185/Approved-LCAC-Policy-_Temporary-Art-Exhibits-at-C?bidId=

Task 2(All): Please read and think about whether any of these terms need to be updated and resubmitted.

What we have – (Does this include Murals and Public Art Installments that are privately funded by restaurants and businesses, if not can we create a listing of ‘bonus art’ in our town that might not be maintained by the city, but still contributes to the total art ‘picture’ available to the public?)

<https://www.morganhill.ca.gov/1570/Public-Art-Inventory>

Task 3(All): Let’s all familiarize ourselves with the city art collection. What areas have the most art, What areas are we strong in, what themes or concepts would we like to see more development of? How could this be applied to the mission statement, and Sustainable Morgan Hill 2024?

Who are our local human assets? Do we have a current and accessible artists registry of our local artists who can be invited to submit for public art installments? What are their areas of skill, experience, availability and

compensation rates? We will also need to create a listing that includes professional muralists, sculptors and other installation artists from the surrounding art communities. Are there any associations or organizations that could put us in touch with vetted professional muralists?

Task 4(All): Identify location and format of existing Morgan Hill Artists Registry; differentiate list with active or inactive and create a mailer/ e-mail asking for updated statuses.

What properties are available for potential art installations and murals? What is the ownership status of properties, public vs private? Who are the owners of these properties, individual vs managed assets? Are owners or their agents willing to allow art installments and murals, are they willing to contribute financially or in other ways towards these installments?

What are the specific needs of these properties? Eg. Will the project require traffic management, scaffolding, substrates, permitting, or other assistance to create safe access? We have a variety of options for applying art to a location, wraps, installations etc. Think outside of the box!

Task 5(Currently All, but Mandi would like to volunteer for creating tracking sheets for these) Create a log including all of this information and begin contacting owners and management groups with a proposed art interest survey – perhaps we can get high tech and do a survey monkey.

Funding –

It appears that we are inclined to hold onto the money currently in the fund for public art in the interest of finding a way to replenish it before spending it. We can explore options like grants, in spite of being intermittent sources of funding and successful attainment of these grants has been unreliable in the past (seek out people who have skill or experience in grant writing – SVCcreates, Zoolabs), Create an Art Society in Morgan Hill under a similar premise to FoTMHL, FOSMAS, Morgan Hill Education Foundation, Freedom Fest Support, Etc. Continue supporting the city in seeking a fee from developers to fund public art in Morgan Hill or make an in kind contribution to creating accessible public art in Morgan Hill through the installation of Public Art in their project.

Library, Culture & Arts Commission
FY 2024-2025 Work Plan
DRAFT

Overall Mission: To assist the City Council in accomplishing its goals by fostering an environment conducive to and supportive of the arts, culture, and life-long learning in Morgan Hill, working with existing community groups to promote resources, and facilitate partnerships.

Project Area	City Council Goal Supported	Staff Resources Required	Specific Task / Commissioners Assigned
Project Area 1 Community Outreach	Supporting our Youth, Seniors, and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness Community Outreach, Engagement, and Messaging	PS Director (minimal) CS Supervisor (moderate)	(1.a) Participate with other groups to support community outreach and support arts and culture in the community (including Valle del Sur, El Toro Arts, SV Creates, Poppy Jasper International Film Festival, Morgan Hill Diwali Festival, Coyote Creek Music Festival, SJMA Let's Look at Art, Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana, Juneteenth, Caribbean Meet and Greet, South Valley Civic Theater) (All) (1.b) Explore development of a calendar relating to library, culture and arts activities/events and/or development of a publication plan for upcoming events (Lyn) (1.c) Support arts programming in conjunction at the Morgan Hill Magical Bridge Playground (Santiago) (1.d) Use social media for promotion of Commission initiatives (Ganapathy) (1.e) Develop outreach program to the Latinx community through art programming (Santiago/Lyn) (1.f) Continue open art studio program (physical) (Blanton/Ganapathy) (1.g) Explore opportunities for youth engagement in arts (Ganapathy) (1.h) Continue the "Morgan Hill Stands United Against Hate" campaign (All)
Project Area 2 Art and Culture Events	Supporting our Youth, Seniors, and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness	PS Director (minimal) CS Coordinator (minimal) CS Supervisor (minimal)	(2.a) Facilitate the Art a la Carte event (Lyn/Blanton are the leads/all members will support)

Project Area	City Council Goal Supported	Staff Resources Required	Specific Task / Commissioners Assigned
Project Area 3 Permanent and Proposed Public Art	Supporting our Youth, Seniors, and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness	PS Director (moderate) Maintenance Manager (minimal)	(3.a) Complete an Art Master Plan (Santiago/Ganapathy are Leads, All Support) (3.b) Review art inventory and complete updates to historical items list (Lyn/Ganapathy) (3.c) Update online map of existing public art (XXXXXXX) (3.d) Develop and recommend a plan for the use of Public Arts Funds (All) (3.e) Explore public art related to a homelessness outreach mural (Santiago) (3.f) Creating an artist registry (Lyn) (3.g) Partner with artist to complete a community mural (Santiago/Blanton/Ganapathy) (3.h) Create digital artwork brochure (XXXXX) (3.i) Continue implementation of the utility box art program (Artists - Ganapathy/Blanton)/(Sponsors - Lyn) (3.j) Form subcommittees as needed to support specific art requests that come forward (All)
Project Area 4 Library Outreach and Support	Supporting our Youth, Seniors, and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness	Library Staff (minimal)	(4.a) Support Library outreach and advocacy as needed (All) (4.b) Participate in annual Library Commissioners Forum (All) (4.c) Support Children's art show at the Library (Chabra/Lyn)
Project Area 5 Support of Historical Resources	Preserving our Community History	PS Director (minimal)	(5.a) Support outreach and advocacy for the Historical Society as needed (XXXXXXX) (5.b) Update City Historical Artifact Inventory in coordination with item 3.b. (Lyn/Ganapathy)

Staff Resources Required:

0-30 hours: Minimal; 31-60 hours: Moderate; 60+ hours: Significant

Future Potential Items (Parking Lot)

- 1) Explore adoption of Land Acknowledgement Statement
- 2) Explore other opportunities for Library art contests in other media (examples: poetry, photography, literature).
- 3) Create a Morgan Hill coloring book in partnership with local artists
- 4) Implement second annual International Celebration utilizing entertainment and food from various cultures
- 5) Explore opportunities for the Commission to support the Morgan Hill Historical Society partnership, including supporting the Black History Project

