



Regular Meeting Agenda

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission

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Tuesday, November 5, 2024 6:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

RECOGNITION - POPPY JASPER FILM FESTIVAL

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. **Approve October 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes**
Recommendation:
Accept October 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes.
2. **Discussion on Virtual Art Presentations and Creative Youth Awards**
Recommendation:
Discuss Potential Virtual Arts Presentations and Creative Youth Awards
Program.
3. **Discussion on Use of Art Funds for Events and Activities**
Recommendation:
Discuss Commission use of Art Funds held with the Community Foundation for
events and activities outside of Art a la Carte.

4. Review of Art Review and Approval Process

Recommendation:

Review Policies on Public Art.

5. Review Commission Work Plan

Recommendation:

Provide updates on Work Plan Items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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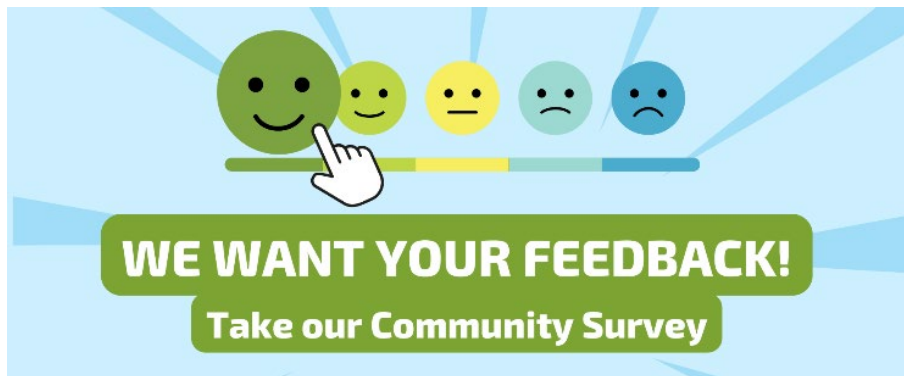
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November 2024
Library Monthly Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



Helping SCCLD Climb to Greater Heights

Santa Clara County Library District is seeking feedback from the community on their experiences with our collections, programs, services, and facilities to help inform and prioritize our future offerings. From October 28 through

November 24, community members are invited to take the online survey, and asked to rate library services, rank priorities, and tell us what would bring them into the library if they are not currently a library patron.

This survey consists of two dozen questions and takes less than 10 minutes to complete. The Community Survey is available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Traditional Chinese. All residents, not only library patrons, are encouraged to participate.

The survey can be found at scclld.org/communitysurvey/.

Vote at the Library

Election Day (Tuesday, November 5) is almost here and our libraries are once again ready to help voters cast their ballots. Drop off your completed and signed ballots at a box next to our libraries

(for the Campbell Express, it's by the Campbell Community Center pool). Or, if you prefer to vote in person, drop by one of our five locations that are hosting [Vote Centers](#): Cupertino, Gilroy, Milpitas, Morgan Hill and Saratoga Libraries. If you have not yet registered to vote, you still can if you do so in person at a Vote Center or the [Registrar of Voters office](#) using a [provisional ballot](#).

11-Day Vote Center Locations		4-Day Vote Center Locations	
October 26, 2024 - November 4, 2024 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.		November 2, 2024 - November 4, 2024 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	
1	Cupertino Library - Community Rooms 201A & 201B 10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014	1	Gilroy Library - Meeting Room 350 W 6th St, Gilroy, CA 95020
2	Milpitas Library - Auditorium 160 N Main St, Milpitas, CA 95035	2	Morgan Hill Library - Program Room 107 660 W Main Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037
3	Saratoga Library - Community Room 13650 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga, CA 95070	All Centers Open from 7AM to 8PM on November 5	



Silicon Valley Reads Theme Announced

[Silicon Valley Reads](#) takes on AI with its 2025 theme, “***Empowering Humanity: Technology for a Better World.***” This annual countywide reading events kicks off January 30, 2025 and will explore themes around new tech and its potential to help make a more just and equitable society. Leading figures in the Artificial Intelligence (AI) movement will share insights into the

latest advancements and applications. The ethical implications of AI and other emerging technologies will also be explored in depth.

The featured books for adults are [The Worlds I See: Curiosity, Exploration, and Discovery at the Dawn of AI](#) by “the Godmother of AI” Dr. Fei-Fei Li; [The Mountain in the Sea](#), a captivating sci-fi tale involving a highly intelligent octopus species by Ray Nayler; and [Loneliness & Company](#) by Charlee Dyroff, a look at human connection in a near-future New York City.

Young readers can embark on their technological journeys with books like [Someday, Maybe](#) by Diana Murray for early learners, [ARTificial Intelligence](#) by David Biedrzycki for lower elementary students, and the beloved book (recently adapted to film) [The Wild Robot](#) by Peter Brown for upper elementary students. Local author Lindsay Lackey’s [Farther Than the Moon](#) is the recommended book for teens, and the compelling graphic novel, [The Infinity Particle](#) by Wendy Xu is best suited for high students and young adults.

Hundreds of events will be held at SCCLD libraries, other local library systems and locations across the county during February and March. Look for those in our monthly calendar as well as on our [online event calendar](#). The full calendar of events will be available in January at siliconvalleyreads.org/.

Time to Give Thanks

This is the time of year for appreciation! We here at the Library are most thankful for the continued support of our patrons, city partners, library support groups, and our community members.

Keep an eye out for our Thanksgiving blog on our website, along with [new booklists](#) to help celebrate the season. We have several [cookbooks](#) with recipes that will help you with your Thanksgiving meal planning. Our [collection](#) also includes titles about decorating and the history of the holiday.

Happy Thanksgiving!





Celebrating America's First Peoples

[Native American Heritage Month](#) recognizes the history and cultures of the Native peoples of the United States, including their many contributions to American life. It is also a time to [raise awareness](#) about the unique challenges that Native Americans have faced both historically and in the present, as well as the successes of today's tribal citizens.

Join the library this November to enjoy free programs and activities including virtual and in-person author talks, related book clubs, movie showings and a [Contemporary Indigenous Voices Short screening and presentation](#). Families can also enjoy an outing at [Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park](#) with the Gilroy Library, and for more experienced hikers, a [guided hike following in Ohlone footsteps](#). Find our [full calendar online](#). Please note, some programs require advanced registration.

Honoring our Armed Forces

There are over [18 million veterans](#) of the U.S. Armed Forces nationwide, nearly 9% of them living here in California. Two-thirds of veterans have served post-Vietnam, with the large majority having taken part in Gulf War era deployments. Visit [Department of Veteran Affairs](#) for more info.



Each year, we celebrate Veteran's Day on November 11, the anniversary of the end of the "[War to End All Wars](#)." We honor the service of our family, friends, and neighbors who had or are currently serving in a military branch.

The Library offers a number of resources for veterans and their families, from [smart investing tips](#), to our [Veterans Resources](#) page, which includes [Brainfuse's VetNow resource](#). The platform offers live assistance with a variety of services including navigating eligible VA benefits, tutors that provide job coaching, and skill building lessons with practice tests to master high school equivalency, college entrance exams, career prep, GRE, ESL, and more.

Please note that SCCLD Libraries and Bookmobile Service will be unavailable on Monday, November 11 for Veterans Day, as well as on Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Our [Online Library](#) is open 24/7.

Changes Coming to a Popular Resource

We want to let patrons know of an upcoming change coming to the popular language learning resource, [Rosetta Stone](#).

Starting this month, the vendor will migrate its platform, which means user progress and accounts will be reset. If users want to continue using this free resource, they need to record their last activity before the migration begins and keep track of any progress until the migration is complete.

After the migration is complete, please register for a new Rosetta Stone account. Please visit this [blog](#) for instructions on how to identify a user's last activity, and how to bring an account up to date after the migration.

If you have never tried Rosetta Stone, this is a great online resource for language learning in up to 30 different languages! It's also FREE with your [SCCLD library card](#).



November Virtual Author Talks

We have an exciting lineup of virtual author events in November.

Navajo Ranger [Stanley Milford Jr.](#) is joining us online on Thursday, November 7 at 4 p.m. to chat about his memoir [The Paranormal Ranger](#), which includes investigations into bizarre cases of the paranormal and the unexplained in Navajoland. Please [register](#).

Tune in on Thursday, November 14 at 1 p.m. for a special conversation with *New York Times* bestselling author [Javier Zamora](#) who will share his riveting tale of survival and perseverance as told in his award-winning memoir [Solito](#). Zamora's adventure is a 3,000-mile journey from El Salvador, through Guatemala and Mexico, and across the U.S. border at the age of 9. Please register for the [English program](#). There will also be a [Spanish language program](#) on November 9 at 11 a.m.

You're invited to join us as [Mona Susan Power](#) chats about her newest novel, [A Council of Dolls](#) on Wednesday, November 20 at 4 p.m. This conversation highlights how her work explores Native Rights and Native American culture, in particular using an important symbol that anchors comfort and companionship in Native life: dolls. *A Council of Dolls* is the story of three women, told in part through the stories of the dolls they carried. Please [register](#) for this program.

Milford and Power's programs are taking place during SCCLD's celebration of Native American Heritage Month.

Patrons Get a Kick Out of BayFC cards

SCCLD patrons picked up the new Bay FC design library cards by the thousands during Library Card Sign Up Month in September. The successful partnership with the new professional women's soccer team helped boost the number of new library accounts.

Members of the BayFC team participated in a [special storytime](#) at Milpitas Library, read a story, and gave a soccer demonstration to the families in attendance. Congratulations to Bay FC on their tied record for the most wins by an expansion team. They are scheduled to play their last game on Saturday, November 2, with a shot at making the playoffs. Our libraries still have a limited supply of the collector edition cards.



SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT NOVEMBER 2024 EVENTS

****All SCCLD libraries will be closed and services unavailable on Monday, November 11 for Veterans Day and November 28 & 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday****

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, & 19, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M-50

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. Registration is required.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall (11/20 will be in the Roosevelt Room/Room Q-80)

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

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue

General Election Voting

Friday, November 1 – Monday, November 4, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Tuesday, November 5, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m., Room 201

Cupertino Library is a voting site for the early and Election Day voting.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, November 1, 8, 15, & 22, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to drop in and socialize while starting new projects or finishing old ones. Participants need to bring their own needles and/or crochet hooks and yarn. No personal instruction will be provided.

中/英文雙語說故事時間/Mandarin-English Bilingual Family Storytime

Fridays, November 1 & 15, 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, 祿母一同前來參加。

Family Storytime

Saturday, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 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, November 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

Join us for babywearing dance.

Baby Sign and Sing

Sunday, November 3, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

This program is for infants and prewalking babies under 12 months. Adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate with their babies.

Homework Help

*Mondays & Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Children's Room
Small Study Room*

Students in grades K-5 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

Let's Make Mini Ofrendas (Grades 5 – 8)

Monday, November 4, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

An ofrenda is a way to remember family members, friends, pets, and others who have passed away. We will decorate a wooden box with paint, paper mache and other materials. All materials will be provided. Please register.

Reading Buddies

Monday, November 4, and Thursday, November 7, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101

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. This is for students who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade.

ESL Conversation Club

*Tuesdays, November 5 & 19, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A (Nov. 5 will be held in the
Cupertino Community Hall)*

Improve your English listening and speaking skills, and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Register online.

Toddler Storytime (ages 1-2)

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

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

Bedtime Storytime

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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.

Storytime for Babies (ages 0-1)

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 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.

Reading Buddies

Thursday, November 7, 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. This is for students who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade.

Art Therapy for Tweens (Kids 10+)

Friday, November 8, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

We will explore different techniques and art materials each month. Materials will be provided, while supplies last.

AI Bridge for Teens (2-part workshop)

Saturdays, November 9 & 16, 2 – 6 p.m., Room 201

The goal is to bridge the gap between AI and other disciplines by guiding attendees through the fundamentals of AI as well as the basics of large language models like ChatGPT. Participants must attend both sessions. All attendees should bring a fully charged laptop and have a Google account. Register online.

Film Screening and Presentation

Saturday, November 9, 3 – 4:15 p.m.

Photographer and documentarian Kirti Bassendine presents *Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range*. This special event is in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Sunday, November 10, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*Across Many Mountains: A Tibetan Family's Epic Journey from Oppression to Freedom*](#) by Yangzom Brauen.

LEGO Club (Grades K-8)

Tuesday, November 12, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Meeting Room

Children are invited to build and create using LEGOs. Please leave your own LEGOs at home.

Chinese Book Discussion

Thursday, November 14, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

We will discuss [*Ye wan de xue dou shi hei de*](#) (*At Night All Blood Is Black*) by David Diop. This discussion will be in Mandarin.

LGBTQ+ Listening Forum

Thursday, November 14, 6 – 8 p.m., Room 201

This program will address county programs and initiatives relevant to the LGBTQ+ experience. Please register.

The Path to Fulfillment: Harnessing Mindfulness and Compassion

Saturday, November 16, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201

Led by Nilushka Melnickis, this talk delves into the transformative power of mindfulness and compassion and their profound impact on our core emotions. Please register.

Sunday Line Dance Program

Sunday, November 17, 2 – 3:15 p.m., Room 201

Get started with step-by-step instruction of dance movements. The featured dance in November is the cha-cha. This is for beginners to improve levels. No registration required.

Empower Empathy Parenting Workshop

Sunday, November 17, 2 – 4 p.m., Room 101

This interactive workshop incorporates the board game Empower Empathy as well as offering a hands-on and practical learning experience for parenting. Please register.

Book Discussion for Adults

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

We will be discussing [*The Last Animal*](#) by Ramona Ausubel.

Zero Food Waste

Wednesday, November 20, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201

Manage food waste and ensure sustainable cooking practices at home.

Dinovember Origami (Grades K+)

Thursday, November 21, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room 101

Learn to fold 3 kinds of dinosaurs. Folding paper will be provided. Supplies are limited.

Paying for College with Scholarships: Finding Scholarships that Fit

Saturday, November 23, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Room 201A

This workshop will teach a 3-step process for online searches and a better sense of how public institutions, private donors, and large organizations advertise scholarship opportunities. Register online.

Zuni Water Jar Drawing (ages 6+)

Monday, November 25, 4 – 4:45 p.m.

Learn about the ancient Zuni tribe from Northwestern New Mexico and create your own Zuni water jar drawing. Space is limited.

Children's Bingo

Tuesday, November 26, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Community Room

School-aged children are invited to try their luck at BINGO.

Family Game Day

Wednesday, November 27, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Enjoy all of your favorite board games including Monopoly, Scrabble, puzzles, card games, and more. Also try our Library Mini Golf and try your hand putting your way through the stacks.

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street**Book Discussion**

Friday, November 1, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will be discussing [The Measure](#) by Nikki Erlick.

Safe Space Meet-Up for LGBTQ+ Youth

Fridays, November 1 & 15, 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.

Homework & Reading Help

Mondays – Friday, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m., Children's Area

Students in grades K-8 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided. Some tutors are bilingual and speak Spanish and Vietnamese.

Bilingual Storytime: English & Spanish / Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe: Ingles y Español

Saturdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 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.

Master Gardeners: Winter Fruit Tree Care

Saturday, November 2, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Quiet Study B

Learn how to keep fruit trees healthy in the winter. This includes pest control and basic principles of pruning.

The King's Problem: A Diwali Puppet Show

Sunday, November 3, 1:15 – 2 p.m.

The King's Problem is based on the tales of The Panchatantra, a book of fairy tales from India. This show features classical and Bollywood music from India.

Cinema Sunday/Domingo de Cinema

Sunday, November 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1:30 – 4 p.m., The Nest/el Nido

Join us at the Gilroy Library for family movies. Únase a nosotros para películas familiares.

Create N Play/Crear Y Jugar

Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25, 6:15 – 7 p.m., Children's Area

Each session is different; we will feature a variety of art materials, crafts, or even a touch of engineering and science. Join us to explore new mediums, solve creative challenges, and have fun while learning! Cada sesión es diferente; presentaremos una variedad de materiales de arte, manualidades, e incluso un toque de ingeniería y ciencia. ¡Únete a nosotros para explorar nuevos medios, resolver desafíos creativos y divertirse mientras aprendes!

Pajama Storytime

Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25, 7 – 7:30 p.m., the Nest

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

Zumba

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 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.

Music Lab! / ¡Laboratorio de Música! (Grades 3 – 5)

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 6 – 7 p.m., The Nest/El Nido

Participants will create three unique musical instruments—a percussive, a string, and a wind instrument. We'll explore the world of sound and music through fun demonstrations that cover vibrations, pitch, amplitude, and waves. Los participantes crearán tres instrumentos musicales únicos, un instrumento de percusión, un instrumento de cuerda y un instrumento de viento.

¡Exploraremos el fascinante mundo del sonido y la música a través de demostraciones divertidas que cubren vibraciones, tono, amplitud y ondas!

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

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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.

Family Storytime

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 – 11 a.m., First Floor Children's Area

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

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

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

Pastel & Charcoal Drawing

Thursday, November 7, 3 – 5 p.m., Community Room

All teen and adult artists welcome. All supplies will be provided. Register to save your spot, walk-ins welcome as space allows.

LEGO Club

Friday, November 8, 3 – 4:30 p.m., the Nest

We provide LEGOs, children build fun creations that will be displayed in the library.

Nosotros proporcionamos los LEGOs, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas! Estas serán exhibidas en la biblioteca.

Emergency Preparedness Workshop/Taller de Preparación para Emergencias

Saturday, November 9, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Quiet Study B

Saturday, November 16, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Quiet Study B (program in Spanish)

Learn about house fire and wildfire safety, home safety, family emergency planning and emergency alert systems. Attendees will receive a free go-bag with emergency items, while supplies last. Register online.

Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, November 9, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

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

Film Screening and Presentation

Tuesday, November 12, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Community Room

Photographer and documentarian Kirti Bassendine presents *Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range*. This special event is in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Gilroy Library at Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park

Saturday, November 16, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Chitactac-Adams Heritage Park

This is a special place to discover the traditions of the Indigenous people who resided along the Uvas Creek for thousands of years. Families will explore plants, wildlife, and what life was like through activity stations. Registration is required.

Healthier Sweet Treats

Tuesday, November 19, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Join us for a demonstration and sampling of some healthier sweet treat candy-style options. Please register for this program. Note: the recipes and samples will contain nuts.

Coffee!

Saturday, November 23, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for a demonstration and sampling of different coffee creations. These coffees will contain for caffeine, some may call for instant coffee, and may consider milk. Please consider your own health restrictions before registering. Registration is required.

Fall Craft-a-thon

Monday -- Wednesday, November 25 -- 27, Children's Desk

Choose a number of fun crafts to enjoy during the holiday week. This includes scarecrows, wreaths, flowers, and more. Elija entre una variedad de manualidades divertidas para disfrutar durante la semana festiva. Le proporcionaremos materiales para que haga decoraciones de otoño como espantapájaros, coronas, flores y más.

Reading Buddies / Compañeros de lectura

Monday, November 25, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., the Nest

Children PreK-6th grade 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.

¡Ven a practicar tus habilidades de lectura y lee en voz alta uno a uno con un amigo peludo! Pasa por el Escritorio de Niños cada mes para registrarte para una sesión de lectura de 15 minutos. Para niños desde Prekínder hasta 6to grado.

Book Discussion

Tuesday, November 26, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B

We will be discussing [*The Seed Keeper*](#) by Diane Wilson.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road**Baby Sign and Stay & Play**

Saturday, November 2, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies ages 0-12 months 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.

The King's Problem: A Diwali Puppet Show

Saturday, November 2, 4 – 4:45 p.m.

The King's Problem is based on the tales of The Panchatantra, a book of fairy tales from India. This show features classical and Bollywood music from India.

Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25, 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 / Hora de cuentos bilingüe para familias

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 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.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, November 6, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will discuss [*The Good Daughter*](#) by Karin Slaughter.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays & Thursdays, November 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, & 27, 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, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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. Please bring a blanket to lay your babies on when they are not cuddling in your lap.

Poetry Open Mic

Wednesday, November 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Pod D

Share poetry, hear poetry. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

World Affairs

Wednesday, November 6, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

World Affairs will discuss a different global issue each month. Doors open at 6:30.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 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, November 7, 14, & 21, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Children 3-5 and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, movement and more! The Oct. 31 storytime will be Halloween-themed so wear your costume! There will be a parade following storytime where you can trick or treat at service desks!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 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.

From the Sun to Europa

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

We will discuss two NASA missions exploring our Solar System: the Parker Solar Stroke circling the sun and the Europa Clipper, tasked with determining whether Jupiter's Europa moon could support life.

Eating Disorders and Body Positivity

Friday, November 8, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to recognize the symptoms, how social media impacts body image, and ways to battle these challenges.

Bug Bot Races (Grades K+)

Saturday, November 9, 2 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

We will make cardboard mazes for little robot bugs. This program is self-directed so kids are encouraged to bring their adult caregiver. Supplies are limited.

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, November 10, 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!

舒缓肩颈背痛 健康讲座/Relieve Shoulder, Neck and Back Pain

Tuesday, November 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

讲座内容包括：颈部疼痛、不良姿势、前倾头部和驼背的可能原因，如何在繁忙工作中放松颈部和背部。请您提前登记以获得活动提醒，当然，无预约都欢迎！Come learn about possible causes of neck pain, poor posture, forward head, and hunchback. Register for an event reminder.

STEM Book Club and Activity with Keira Chang

Wednesday, November 13, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Join author Keira Chang for a book club featuring her book, *How Do Ouchies Heal?* Please register and pick up a copy of the book at the children's reference desk.

Paint Party for Adults and Teens

Wednesday, November 13, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Paint with artist Paul Loughridge. All materials will be provided, and seating will be offered on a first come, first served basis. No registration necessary.

Preschool Storytime with Keira Chang

Thursday, November 14, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Join author Keira Chang for a storytime featuring her book, *How Do Rainbows Work?*

A Tale of Two Bridges and Round Earth

Thursday, November 14, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Find out how an unusual photograph through a telescope of two San Francisco bridges clearly shows the curvature of the Earth. Measurements from this photo, bridge dimensions, and a few calculations can result in a surprisingly accurate radius of the Earth!

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Friday, November 15, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for a watercolor workshop. All supplies will be provided. Content will be the same for both sessions. Seating is first come, first served.

Writer's Workshop with Author Keira Chang (Grades 6+)

Friday, November 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Keira will discuss her inspiration to become a young author and share tips and tricks she has learned along the way. Please register.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, November 16, 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.

3D Printing & CAD for Teens

Sundays, November 17 & 24, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Student-led organizations 3D Collectives and FRC Team 649 are hosting two beginner workshops on 3D printing and CAD. By registering, you agree to attend both workshops. Participants must bring their own computers and install the required software before the workshops.

Sunday CrafterNoon (all ages)

Sunday, November 17, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

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

Happier Aging

Monday, November 18, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Our workshop will share local resources including senior transportation and home safety tips. Please register.

Film Screening and Presentation

Monday, November 18, 7 – 8:15 p.m.

Photographer and documentarian Kirti Bassendine presents *Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California's South Coast Range*. This special event is in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Bilingual Mandarin/English Storytime

Tuesday, November 19, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.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

Book Bugs Club (Grades 2 – 3)

Tuesday, November 19, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*The Mystery of the Gold Coin*](#) by Harper Paris. We will talk about the book and make a fun craft. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

Pain Management: Upper Back and Neck

Tuesday, November 19, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn the possible causes of neck pain, poor posture, forward head and hunchback. Register for an event reminder.

Page Turners Book Club (Grades 4 – 5)

Wednesday, November 20, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*The Fourteenth Goldfish*](#) by Jennifer Holm. We will talk about the book and do a fun activity. Please pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Desk at Los Altos or Woodland Library.

Art Class for Adults and Teens

Wednesday, November 20, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for an art class led by Drawn2Art studio. Seating will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. All materials will be provided.

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, November 25, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*The Light Pirate*](#) by Lily Brooks-Dalton.

To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6 – 8)

Tuesday, November 26, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [Hope Was Here](#) by Joan Bauer. We will talk about the book and do a fun activity.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street**Knit & Crochet Circle**

Fridays, November 1, 8, 15, & 22, 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. Limited instruction available in Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati, but please note this is not a class. No registration required. Materials not provided.

Family Board Game (Ages 6+)

Fridays, November 1 & 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Learn about different types of games during this family event.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

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

LEGO Club (Grades K-8)

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

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build. This is a drop-in program. Space is limited. Younger siblings and parents are asked to wait outside.

Homework Help

Mondays – Thursdays, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided. Homework Help is not available on November 11, and 25 – 28.

Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Pre-walkers

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 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.

Children's Book Character Election Voting

Tuesday, November 5, 3 – 5 p.m., Activity Room

Stop by the Children's Activity Room to vote and choose the winner of our book character election. You can also vote at the Children's Reference Desk from Nov. 2 – 5.

Bilingual English/Mandarin Storytime/中英雙語故事時間

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 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

Fun with Art Presented by First5 Santa Clara County (Ages 3 – 5)

Wednesday, November 6, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

Come make some art with us and learn about the resources provided at the resource center.

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 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.

Bilingual Cantonese Family Storytime/粵語雙語故事時間

Wednesday, November 6, 5 – 5:30 p.m., Activity Room

Children's librarians Maggie and Emilie will read storybooks and lead children with songs and fingerplays in English and Cantonese. 每月第一個周三下午5點 兒童圖書館員 Maggie 和 Emilie 將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書，唱兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加。

Toddler Storytime: 1s and 2s Together

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Activity Room

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

Preschool Storytime: 3s & 4s Budding Bookworms

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Activity Room

This storytime, aimed at 3 – 5 year olds, features longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays.

Board Game Day

Saturday, November 9, 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.

College Essay Meetup

Saturday, November 9, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Program Room

Join other students as you prepare for college applications. This will be a dedicated time and space to focus on college essays before the due date. Drop in as needed.

Paying for College with Scholarships: Finding Scholarships that Fit

Saturday, November 9, 2 – 3 p.m., Program Room (formerly the Computer Training Room)

This workshop will teach a 3-step process for online searches and a better sense of how public institutions, private donors, and large organizations advertise scholarship opportunities.

Register online.

Little Learners STEAM (ages 3-5)

Tuesday, November 12, 3:30 – 4:30 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, November 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [*Neverwhere*](#) by Neil Gaiman.

Special Performance: Puppet Art Theater

Wednesday, November 13, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

Puppet Art Theater presents Goldilocks and the Three Sharks.

Qi Gong Meditation & Exercise Classes

Fridays, November 15 & 22, 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.

Tiny Dungeon (ages 13+)

Saturday, November 16, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Program Room

Play a simplified version of Dungeons & Dragons with easy to remember rules. We'll be playing a librarian-led one shot. All players of all experience levels are welcome. Please register.

Writing Family History with AI

Saturday, November 16, 3 – 5 p.m., Auditorium

Learn storytelling fundamentals from traditional tales to AI-generated narratives. Discover how AI can enhance your writing process and create captivating stories.

ICAN Read!

Wednesday, November 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

Join us for children's stories in Vietnamese and English that nurture imagination, and inspire a love for learning! Furthermore, children will be able to showcase and practice their creative abilities with a variety of crafts activities. Chương trình ICAN Read! mở ra một thế giới đầy màu sắc cùng nhiều câu truyện khơi dậy niềm yêu thích đọc sách ở trẻ. Ngoài ra, các bé có cơ hội thể hiện khả năng sáng tạo của mình thông qua các hoạt động thủ công.

Crafts Around the World

Wednesday, November 20, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

We will make paper wau bulan, a traditional Malaysian kite. Registration required. All materials will be provided.

Tween Time (Grades 4 – 8)

Friday, November 22, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

We will use Sharpies to make attractive designs on coasters to bring home. Please register at the Children’s Help Desk. All materials will be provided.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, November 23, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

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

Ghibli Family Movie Marathon

Monday, November 25 -- Wednesday, November 27, 2 – 4 p.m., Activity Room

Celebrate the magic of Studio Ghibli by watching some of the studio’s most beloved animated movies like *Ponyo*, *My Neighbor Totoro*, and *Kiki’s Delivery Service*.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue**Tiny Tot Jamboree**

Fridays, November 1, 8, 15, & 22, 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, November 1, 8, 15, & 22, 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!

Kids Keva Club (ages 5+)

Friday, November 1, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

Create structures, sculptures, and ball-runs out of wooden planks. Practice your artistic and architectural skills without tools, glue, nails or tape.

Bilingual Storytime for All Ages

Saturdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 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 e inglés).

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 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 básico.

The King's Problem: A Diwali Puppet Show

Sunday, November 3, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

The King's Problem is based on the tales of The Panchatantra, a book of fairy tales from India. This show features classical and Bollywood music from India.

Homework Help

Mondays, November 4 & 18, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays, November 5, 12, & 19, 4 – 5:45 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

Star Party: Jupiter & Saturn

Monday, November 4, 8 – 9 p.m., Parking Lot

Join the San Jose Astronomical Association and see Jupiter and other deep space objects through telescopes. Please register.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, November 5, 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.

LEGO Club

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build anything they can imagine. LEGOs are available for ages 2+. No registration required.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, November 6, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, we will discuss [*A Mind Spread Out on the Ground*](#) by Alicia Elliott.

Toddler Storytime

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 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

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 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.

Drop-in Libby, eBook and eAudiobook Help

Thursday, November 7, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Information Desk

Drop in to receive help with using the Libby app. You will need to bring your smartphone and kindle or tablet. No registration needed.

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

Fridays, November 8 & 22, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

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

Beekeeping Basics

Sunday, November 10, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Program Room

The Gilroy Beekeepers Association will cover the essentials of becoming a backyard beekeeper and offer participants a chance to explore the unique flavors of local honey.

Family Fun Night

Tuesday, November 12, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

Families with school-aged children will play and build with Keva Planks.

Morgan Hill Movie Night

Saturday, November 16, 2 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, join us for a screening of *Killers of the Flower Moon* (2023; Rated R).

Bollybe: Bollywood Dance Workshop for Teens & Adults

Monday, November 18, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

Groove to energetic Bollywood beats and explore a bit of South Asian culture and heritage. No previous experience required. Participants should bring water, wear comfortable clothing and wear sneakers.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, November 19, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

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

Flowers & Herbs for Late Fall and Winter

Tuesday, November 19, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children’s Program Room

Find out how easy it is to have fresh culinary herbs and colorful flowers during the cold months.

DIY Beeswax Candles for Adults

Tuesday, November 19, 7 – 8:45 p.m., Program Room

Each participant will be able to create and take home two beeswax candles. Supplies are limited, crafts are available on a first come, first serve basis. No registration needed.

Kids Art Club

Wednesday, November 20, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children’s Activity Room

Join us for an afternoon of creativity as we make a pop art collage. This is a drop-in program.

Zumba

Monday, November 25, 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.

Film Screening and Presentation

Tuesday, November 26, 6 – 7:15 p.m.

Photographer and documentarian Kirti Bassendine presents *Contemporary Indigenous Voices of California’s South Coast Range*. This program is in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Lens of Imagination Art Exhibit**

Through November 30, Group Study Room

Enjoy this art created by students in grades 5 – 12.

General Election Voting

Friday – Monday, November 1 – 4, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Tuesday, November 5, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Saratoga Library is a voting site for the early and Election Day voting.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Fridays, November 1, 8, 15, & 22, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, November 2, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Mystery Book Club

Monday, November 4, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [*Mother-Daughter Murder Night*](#) by Nina Simon. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, November 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We will be discussing [Frankenstein](#) by Mary Shelley. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, November 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple or Orchard Room

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

Drop In Tech Help

Thursdays, November 7 & 14, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak or Maple Room

Our volunteer can provide one-on-one help with using laptops, tablets, or cell phones. Help is on a first-come, first served basis.

Computer Aided Design (CAD) Workshop for Grades 4 – 7

Saturday and Sunday, November 9 & 10, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

Learn to ideate and design 3D objects with TinkerCAD and take home 3D printed models. All participants must be able to attend both sessions. Registration is required. Each child will need to have an active email account.

The King's Problem: A Diwali Puppet Show

Saturday, November 9, 11 – 11:45 a.m.

The King's Problem is based on the tales of The Panchatantra, a book of fairy tales from India. This show features classical and Bollywood music from India.

Diya Painting for Diwali

Saturday, November 9, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Decorate your own diya. No registration required.

Henna Art for Diwali

Saturday, November 9, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Beautify your hand with a simple design. First come, first served, while supplies last.

Indian Classical Dance

Saturday, November 9, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Enjoy a performance of Odissi and Kuchipudi dance styles.

Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele

Tuesdays, November 12 & 19, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Bring your instrument and meet people who are also working on their musical journey.

Saratoga Garden Club

Tuesday, November 12, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

This club is a space where people can share their gardening stories, discuss current gardening literature, host plant swaps/trades, and learn tips and tricks of gardening.

Mandarin Storytime

Thursday, November 14, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy fun stories, action rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Mandarin and English.

Teen Fall Coffeehouse

Friday, November 15, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Join us for Saratoga's talent show without judgement. Teen audiences just stop by for free snacks and an amazing show.

Chamber Music Concert

Saturday, November 16, 2 – 3 p.m.

Enjoy a delightful chamber music concert presented by dedicated volunteer musicians from the Los Gatos Chamber Music Society.

Kids STEM (Grades 2 – 7)

Saturday, November 16, 2 – 3 p.m.

Explore exciting experiments like a bubbling volcano, colorful fireworks in a jar, and super-stretchy slime. First come, first served.

Family Bingo

Sunday, November 17, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Community Room

Bring the whole family for bingo. Play and possibly win prizes.

Making 3D Paper Characters

Sunday, November 17, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Learn how to make your own 3D figures of animated movie and video game characters using paper, scissors, crayons and tape. Please register.

Dino Fossils (Grades K-5)

Tuesday, November 19, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Calling all paleontologists! Uncover and identify a fossil within a "dino egg." Space is limited, no registration necessary. One egg per child, while supplies last.

Travel Program: Guatemala

Tuesday, November 19, 7:15 – 8 p.m.

Experience Antigua's lavish Easter processions, explore Lake Atitlán's Mayan villages by boat, and travel to the jungle to visit Tikal.

LEGOs

Wednesday, November 20, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Kids 5+ are invited to join us for an hour of fun. Kids younger than 5 can enjoy Duplos.

Digital Literacy Class

Thursday, November 21, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Maple Room

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

Teatime Book Chatter

Thursday, November 21, 1 – 2 p.m.

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, we will be reading [*This Tender Land*](#) by William Kent Krueger. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up a copy of the book.

Guided Hike: Following in Ohlone Footsteps

Friday, November 22, 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Mount Umunhum

Join us for a moderately-paced hike (600' of climbing, approximately 3.5 miles) along the partially shaded Mount Umunhum Trail. Learn how native peoples who lived here for thousands of years cared for the land before the arrival of Europeans. Registration is necessary. Please plan to bring plenty of water, a snack or lunch, comfortable hiking shoes and hiking poles (optional).

Indian Classical Dance

Saturday, November 23, 1:15 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

Enjoy Kuchipudi and Kathak dance performances.

Paying for College with Scholarships: Finding Scholarships that Fit

Sunday, November 24, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

This workshop will teach a 3-step process for online searches and a better sense of how public institutions, private donors, and large organizations advertise scholarship opportunities. Register online.

Spanish Storytime

Wednesday, November 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy fun stories, action rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Spanish and English.

Teen Movie Afternoon

Saturday, November 30, 2 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Enjoy a screening of *Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire* (Rated PG-13). Snacks will be provided.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road

Family Storytime: Dinosaurs

Sunday, November 3, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Patio

Join us for a dinosaur-themed storytime filled with stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. Dress for the weather!

Monday Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

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

Homework Help

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, & 19, 4:30 – 6 p.m., Children’s Area

Students in grades K-6 who need homework help are encouraged to stop by for free tutoring. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

Family Storytime: Thankful

Sunday, November 17, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Patio

Join us for a thankful-themed storytime filled with stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. Dress for the weather!

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)

Paying for College with Scholarships: The Complex Landscape of Scholarships

Monday, November 4, 6 – 7 p.m.

College scholarships exist for everyone, regardless of academic merit or personal background. We will demystify the complex networks and application processes related to scholarships and introduce an approach towards navigating merit and community-based scholarships.

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Stanley Milford Jr.

Thursday, November 7, 4 – 5 p.m.

Navajo Ranger Stanley Milford, Jr. will discuss his memoir, [*The Paranormal Ranger*](#), which recounts bizarre cases of the paranormal and unexplained in Navajoland.

Virtual Author Talk: Javier Zamora

Saturday, November 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Español)

Thursday, November 14 at 1 – 2 p.m. (English)

Bestselling author Javier Zamora will share his riveting tale of survival and perseverance as told in his award-winning memoir, [Solito](#). Sintonice una conversación especial con el exitoso autor del New York Times, Javier Zamora, quien compartirá su fascinante historia de supervivencia y perseverancia, tal como se cuenta en su premiado libro de memorias [Solito](#).

Scam Alert: Detecting Fraud

Tuesday, November 12, 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Presented by the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation, you'll learn about different types of scams, how they work, the red flags and warning signs, and how to safeguard yourself and community from these threats.

Medicare 101

Monday, November 18, 7 – 8 p.m.

Learn about the basic of Medicare and how to get started.

Virtual Author Talk: Mona Susan Power

Wednesday, November 20, 4 – 5 p.m.

Mona Susan Power will talk about her novel, [A Council of Dolls](#), which explores Native Rights and Native American culture, in particular using an important symbol that anchors comfort and companionship in Native life: dolls.

November 2024

Morgan Hill Librarian Report

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

Inside the Admissions Committee: This virtual program, attended by 72 patrons, aimed to help teens understand the college admissions rubric and how they can create successful applications.

Friends of the Library 50th Birthday: Our Friends celebrated their anniversary with events throughout the day on 10/26. This included a carnival with games and crafts for children, a Latin music concert with Ibiza Vibe, book giveaways, live animal presentations, and Zumba.

Sugar Skull Decorating: 53 children and parents joined us to celebrate Dia de los Muertos by decorating sugar skulls in advance of November 1st.

Teal Pumpkin Painting: Supporting allergy awareness during the Halloween season, 120 patrons decorated teal pumpkins and learned about allergen friendly treats

NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

Beekeeping Basics

Sunday, 11/10 1:30pm

Flowers & Herbs for Late Fall & Winter

Tuesday 11/19 6:30pm

DIY Beeswax Candles for Adults

Tuesday 11/19 7pm

Kids Art Club: Pop Art Collage

Wednesday 11//20 3:30pm

Contemporary Indigenous Voices: Film Screening & Presentation

Tuesday 11/26 6:00pm



Amate Art 10/16/24



September Statistics

Monthly Circulation
60,228

New Cards: 451

Visitors: 16,291

14.4%  from Sept. 2023

Programs & Outreach: 67

Participants: 2,250

Circulation & Visitor Trends



	Ebook Borrowing	Visitors	Physical Book Borrowing
July 2018-19	25,612	263,996	379,103
July 2020 - 21	65,866	46,393	183,098
July 2021 - 22	60,517	117,325	374,300
July 23 - 24	79,639	192,288	410,986
% growth since pandemic	68% more ebooks circulating	28% less visitors	8% more books circulating

Most popular posts of the year

MONDAY 6/10
Hot Dog with Onion-Ketchup
Chicken Tarta Sandwich

TUESDAY 6/11
Chicken Salad with Mashed Potatoes
Chicken Salad Sandwich
Yogurt, String Cheese, & Granola

WEDNESDAY 6/12
Chicken Teriyaki Noodles
Turkey and Cheese Sub Sandwich
Egg Salad Sandwich

THURSDAY 6/13
Beef, Bean, & Cheese Burrito
Mexican Chicken Salad
Cheese Pizza Mix

FRIDAY 6/14
Pepperoni Pizza

KIDS 0-18: Join us for lunch at the library!...
Mon Jun 10, 8:00am
7K 89 19 25

Your Video
Sat Sep 28, 8:00am
4.1K 113 12 0

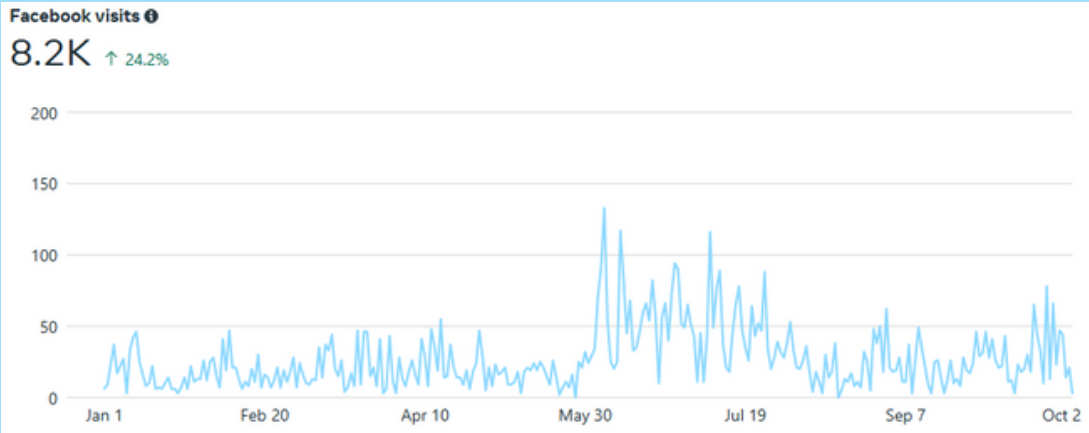
Morgan Hill Library
f Morgan Hill Library i @morganhill_library

Facebook followers
f 3.4K

Instagram followers
i 1.6K

Social Media Trends

Facebook Visits are up 24% in 2024



Together for **50** years



1974

October: The Friends of the Morgan Hill Library or **FMHL is founded.**

1975

FMHL **becomes a nonprofit** and makes its first purchase: two turntables and headphones so **patrons could listen to records while in the library.**

1976

June: The **first book sale** is held and **raises \$481.**

1980

FMHL buys the **library's first answering machine** announcing upcoming programs and hours of operation.

1985

FMHL **buys software** for the library's Apple IIe. **Patrons now have access to their first computer.**

Together for 50 years



1992

When **state budget cuts** led to reduced hours, staff layoffs, and slashed programs, **FMHL stepped in** to support the library.

1993

Twice-monthly book sales begin, raising **\$12,000** that year.

1994

FMHL helps pass the **Library Parcel Tax**. **Library services** are restored.

2005

FMHL helps extend the Library Parcel Tax and pushes for a **new library** after **10 years of discussions**.

2006

Groundbreaking for new 28,000 sq ft library takes place. FMHL **raises \$230,000** for art & furnishings.

Together for 50 years



2007

July 21: The new library's grand opening celebration draws **4,500 visitors**. **3,800 items** are checked out.

2013

FMHL helps **extend the Library Parcel Tax** for 20 more years.

2020

The **COVID-19 pandemic** created lasting challenges, but with community support, we started rebounding in 2022. Now, we ***need your help to fully restore momentum.***

2021

FMHL supports the **expansion of the Children's Activity Room.**

2024
Oct 26

The FRIENDS **celebrates 50 years** of service, giving **\$23,000 to the Morgan Hill Library**, year-to-date.

**With your support,
more is on the way!**

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission Public Services Director Report

Announcements

- ***Public Art Ordinance Tentatively Scheduled for City Council Review at the November 20th City Council Meeting***
- ***Updates on Maintenance***
 - ***Encompass Sculpture at CCC – Contract being finalized for re-painting the sculpture per artist specifications***
 - ***Third Street Wood Benches – City Maintenance Staff has scheduled rehabilitation in the next three months***
 - ***City has completed major repairs to the Tarantula Sculpture over the last 4 months. Most lights have been replaced but the City will continue with lighting.***
- ***Current Artist Exhibit at the Community and Cultural Center is by Cindy Blanton***
- ***South Valley Civic Theater performance at the Community Playhouse is will be Pippen starting November 16***

November 2024

Every Friday, November 1st – 29th:

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

Every Saturday, November 2nd – 30th:

- [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, November 2nd

- [Starry Nights: Open Space Authority & the San Jose Astronomical Association \(SJAA\)](#)

- Time: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Where: 4289 Casa Loma Rd, Morgan Hill, CA
(Rancho Canada del Oro Open Space Preserve)

Every Monday, November 4th – 25th:

- [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, November 5th – 26th:

- [Community Table at Advent Lutheran Church](#)

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

1st Wednesday of every month, November 6th:

- [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 Wednesday, November 6th – 27th:

- [Community Suppers at United Methodist Church](#)

- Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Where: United Methodist Church
(17175 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Thursday, November 7th – 28th:

- 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 2nd Saturday of the Month, November 9th:

- 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, November 9th:

- Composting Basics @ MH Community & Cultural Center
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Noon)
 - Pre-registration required
 - Where: Community Cultural Center
(17000 Monterey Rd., Morgan Hill, CA, 95037)

Friday, November 15th - Sunday, November 17th:

- MH Historical Society Holiday Boutique
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
 - Where: Villa Mira Monte History Park
(17860 Monterey Rd., Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Sunday, November 17th:

- Morgan Hill Stands United Against Hate
 - Community Walk 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

- The walk starts and ends at the BBQ area in Community Park, 171 W. Edmundson Ave.
- [Register in advance to participate.](#)

Saturday, November 30th

- Starry Nights: Open Space Authority & the San Jose Astronomical Association (SJAA)
 - Time: 6:45 PM – 8:45 PM
 - Where: 4289 Casa Loma Rd, Morgan Hill, CA
(Rancho Canada del Oro Open Space Preserve)

December 2024

Every Monday, December 2nd – 30th:

- 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, December 3rd – 31st:

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

Every Wednesday, December 4th – 25th:

- Community Suppers at United Methodist Church
 - Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
 - Where: United Methodist Church
(17175 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

1st Wednesday of every month, December 4th:

- 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)

Thursday, December 5th:

- Living Above the Influence Hosts Teen Series "Chill Out"
 - Time: 5:45 PM – 7:30 PM
 - Where: Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center
(17000 Monterey St, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Thursday, December 5th – 26th:

- 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, December 6th – 27th:

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

Saturday, December 7th:

- South Bay Singers Concert: That Christmas Morning Feeling
 - Time: 3:00 PM
 - Where: Advent Lutheran Church
(16870 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)
- Kiwanis Holiday Parade in Downtown Morgan Hill
 - Time: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
 - Where: Downtown Morgan Hill, Monterey Rd. from Main St. to 5th Street

Saturday, December 7th – Sunday, December 8th:

- MH Historical Society Hosts Holiday Tea
 - Time: 12:00 PM (Noon) – 2:30 PM
 - Where: Villa Mira Monte
(17860 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every Saturday, December 7th – 28th:

- 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, December 12th:

- Living Above the Influence Hosts Teen Series "Chill Out"
 - Time: 5:45 PM – 7:30 PM
 - Where: Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center
(17000 Monterey St, Morgan Hill, CA 95037)

Every 2nd Saturday of the Month, December 14th:

- 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, December 14th:

- South Valley Symphony Presents Holiday Gifts, Masterpieces and Memories
 - Time: 3:00 PM
 - Where: Gavilan College Theater, Gilroy

Friday, December 20th:

- CURA Contemporary Children's Movie Night
 - Time: 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
 - Where: Cura Contemporary in the Edes Building
(17395 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill CA, 95037)
 - Must register in advance



MEETING MINUTES

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission

Cindy Blanton - *Chair*
Mark Fiorenza - *Commissioner*
Robyn Carrillo - *Commissioner*
Suman Ganapathy - *Commissioner*
Patrice Lyn - *Commissioner*
Tanaya Rose - *Commissioner*
Amanda Santiago - *Commissioner*

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 6:00 PM

Council Chamber
17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

CALL TO ORDER

6:02pm

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Ganapathy absent.

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)

None.

Chair Blanton announced the Commission received a commendation from the County Board of Supervisors for their work on the Morgan Hill Open Studios event.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Lyn, second Carrillo, adopted 6-0.

REPORTS

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

Recommendation:

Recieve report.

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

Recommendation:

Recieve report.

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

Recommendation:

Recieve report.

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

Recommendation:

Recieve report.

No report, Chris Ghione provided a brief update statement recieved from the Historical Society President.

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

Recommendation:

Recieve report.

BUSINESS

1. **Accept September 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Recommendation:

Accept September 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Motion Rose, second Carrillo, accepted 6-0.

2. Review Library Programs and Events Policy

Recommendation:

Review and provide feedback to Library Staff on the Library Programs and Events Policy.

Received updated policy draft.

3. Upcoming Public Art Conversation

Recommendation:

Receive Update.

Update provided by Edith Ramirez, Assistant City Manager.

4. Selection of Vice Chair

Recommendation:

Select Vice Chair.

Motion to appoint Commissioner Carrillo as Vice Chair.

Motion Lyn, second Santiago, approved 6-0.

5. Discuss Public Art Master Plan Update

Recommendation:

Discuss and review commissioner work on the Public Art Master Plan.

Discussed Master Plan Update.

6. Work Plan Updates.

Recommendation:

Provide Work Plan Updates.

Provided updates.

Motion to amend Work Plan for Council Approval adding item 2.b "Explore virtual or other events that advance diversity and inclusiveness."

Motion Carrillo, second Lyn, approved 6-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

Art Inventory Update

ADJOURNMENT

8:07pm

LIBRARY, CULTURE, AND ARTS COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 5, 2024

PREPARED BY:

Chris Ghione, Public Services Director

APPROVED BY: Chris Ghione

REVIEW OF ART REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Review Policies on Public Art.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

The purpose of this item is to review the Commission's Policies on proposed and funded Public Art. The Commission currently advises and recommends proposed art to the City Council for approval. The links below are to the formal Public Art Policies. These are formal policies approved by the Council and may only be changed by the City Council.

- [Arts and Culture in Morgan Hill \(PDF\)](#)
- [Funding of Community Culture and Arts Projects \(PDF\)](#)
- [Temporary Art Exhibits At City Facilities \(PDF\)](#)
- [City's Permanent Art Collections \(PDF\)](#)
- [Community Partnerships \(PDF\)](#)

In addition to the Council policies, the Commission also has developed procedures. The procedures are for the Commission's own use and developed by the Commission. They do not provide direction for City staff directly and may be updated by the LCAC at any time without Council approval.

- [Guidelines for Permanent Art Proposal Submission \(PDF\)](#)
- [Guidelines for Maintaining Public Art \(PDF\)](#)

The Commission currently only evaluates and makes recommendations on approval by the Council for art to be owned and funded by the City. For private art, private businesses/property owners may consult the commission, but the Commission's review is only advisory to the private business/property owner.

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, Kwanzaa, 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/Rose/Carrillo) (1.c) Support arts programming in conjunction at the Morgan Hill Magical Bridge Playground (All) (1.d) Use social media for promotion of Commission initiatives (Ganapathy/Carrillo) (1.e) Develop outreach program to the Latinx community through art programming (Santiago/Lyn/Carrillo) (1.f) Continue open art studio program (physical) (Blanton/Ganapathy) (1.g) Explore opportunities for youth engagement in arts through tabling at events with youth (Ganapathy/Rose) (1.h) Continue the "Morgan Hill Stands United Against Hate" campaign (Ganapathy/Santiago/Blanton)
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 is the lead/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/Rose/Carrillo) (3.c) Update public art webpage (Rose) (3.d) Develop and recommend a plan for the use of Public Arts Funds (All) (3.e) Creating an artist registry (Lyn/Santiago) (3.f) Explore creation of digital artwork brochure (Carrillo) (3.g) Continue implementation of the utility box art program (Ganapathy/Blanton/Lyn) (3.h) 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 (Blanton/Carrillo) (4.d) Support Adaptive programming (Rose/Carrillo) (4.e) Support Storywalk (All)
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 (Santiago) (5.b) Update City Historical Artifact Inventory in coordination with item 3.b. (Lyn/Ganapathy/Rose) (5.c) Explore adoption of Land Acknowledgement Statement for the Commission (All)

Staff Resources Required:

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

Future Potential Items (Parking Lot)

- 1) Explore other opportunities for Library art contests in other media (examples: poetry, photography, literature).
- 2) Create a Morgan Hill coloring book in partnership with local artists
- 3) Implement second annual International Celebration utilizing entertainment and food from various cultures
- 4) Explore opportunities for the Commission to support the Morgan Hill Historical Society partnership, including supporting the Black History Project
- 5) Explore public art related to a homelessness outreach mural (Santiago)
- 6) Partner with artist to complete a community mural (Santiago/Blanton/Ganapathy)