

# NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 7-13, 2024

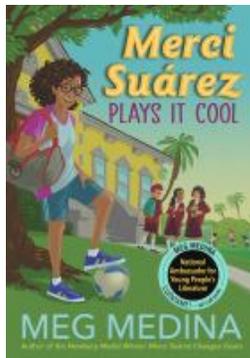
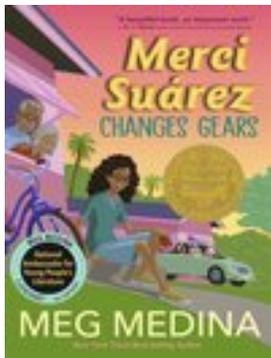
“Libraries connect our communities and enrich our lives in ways we may not realize, and one of my greatest pleasures is discovering the unexpected and beautiful things libraries offer. Join me in celebrating the gift of libraries everywhere and the adventures and opportunities they unlock for us every day. *Ready, Set, Library!*”

**Meg Medina**  
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK HONORARY CHAIR



Join us in celebrating National Library Week.

In our increasing digital world, libraries remain as central hubs in our communities. Beyond books, libraries provide a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most. We are proud to offer story times, author talks, workshops, events, book clubs, and other programs where our community can connect and build relationships that will last a lifetime. We are proud of our commitment to inclusivity and support and invite you to visit our ten open branches at the heart of Santa Cruz Public Libraries, where everyone belongs. Meg Medina will serve as 2024 Honorary Chair. We have many of Meg's books in our collection. Check them out!



## ALL BRANCHES CLOSED CIERRE DE BIBLIOTECAS

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25TH**

All library branches will be closed for Staff In-Service day. Regular hours resume on Friday, April 26th 2024.

**JUEVES, 25 DE ABRIL**

Todas las bibliotecas públicas de Santa Cruz estarán cerradas por el día de servicio interno del personal. El horario regular se reanuda el viernes, 26 de abril, 2024.

### INAUGURAL SANTA CRUZ COUNTY YOUTH POET LAUREATE 2024-2025 CELEBRATION



Kuumbwa Jazz Center  
Wednesday, April 10, 2024  
6:00 PM



### April is National Poetry Month

This month we honor the role that poets play in our culture and underline the importance of poetry to increase empathy and create understanding by enabling us to get new perspectives on the human experience. We are excited to be partners in the inaugural Santa Cruz County Youth Poet Laureate 2024-25 Celebration. This is a joyful opportunity to appreciate our county's youth and let their unique voices shine. The program will include readings by the five finalists and an announcement of the inaugural youth poet laureate.

#### For More Information

To find out more about the Youth Poet Laureate program, or to reserve your seat visit the link: [www.santacruzpl.org/pages/sc-county-youth-poet-laureate](http://www.santacruzpl.org/pages/sc-county-youth-poet-laureate) or scan the QR Code

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# April

## Programs & Events

### Kids, Teens, and all ages



831-427-7713

[santacruzpl.org](http://santacruzpl.org)



This is an overview of everything happening at SCPL this month. Visit us online for a full list of programs & events.

# Programs for Kids

## Aptos Youth Chess Club

Tuesdays

3:30pm-4:30pm @ Aptos Library

## Make and Explore

Tuesdays (no program 4/2)

3:00pm-4:30pm @ Scotts Valley Library

Wednesdays

3:00pm-4:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library

2:30pm-4:00pm @ Garfield Park Library

Thursdays (no program (4/25)

3:00pm-4:30pm @ Branciforte Library

3:00pm-5:00pm @ Felton Library

Fridays

3:00pm-4:30pm @ Live Oak Library

## Game Zone

Wednesdays

1:00pm-3:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library

## Afterschool STEAM: Minecraft

Wednesdays

3:30pm-5:30pm @ Aptos Library

## Tales to Tails

1st and 3rd Wednesday

3:30pm-4:30pm @ Aptos Library

1st Wednesday

3:30pm-4:30pm @ La Selva Beach Library

2nd and 4th Tuesday

4:30pm-6:00pm @ Downtown Library

4th Wednesday

3:00pm-4:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library

(please register by calling 831-427-7713)

## Lego Engineering Challenge

Wednesdays

4:00pm-5:30pm @ Downtown Library

## Afterschool STEAM: Lego's Not-So Simple Machines

Thursdays (no program 4/25)

3:30pm-5:30pm @ La Selva Beach Library

## Discovery Zone Playgroup

Fridays

10:00am-12:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library

# Programs for Kids

## Lego Fun Day

Fridays

3:00pm-4:30pm @ Felton Library

## R.E.A.D.: Reach Every Amazing Detail

3:00pm-5:00pm (no program 4/2-4/4, & 4/25)

Tuesdays @ Garfield Park, Live Oak, and Scotts Valley Libraries

Wednesdays @ Branciforte, Capitola, and La Selva Beach Libraries

Thursdays @ Aptos, Downtown, and Felton Libraries

(please register by calling 831-427-7713)

## Special ASL Storytimes

Tuesday, April 9th

4:00pm-5:00pm @ Felton Library

Tuesday, April 16th

11:00am-11:45am @ Scotts Valley Library

Tuesday, April 23rd

11:00am-12:00pm @ Live Oak Library

## Chess Club with Gjon

Saturdays (no program 1st Sat)

2:00pm-3:30pm @ Downtown Library

## Jr. Rangers

Thursday, April 18th

3:30pm-5:00pm @ Garfield Park Library

# Programs for All Ages

## Knitting at the Library

Mondays

12:30pm-2:00pm @ Felton Library

Fridays

11:00am-1:00pm @ Live Oak Library

## SciFi Flicks

Monday, April 1st

6:00pm-8:00pm @ Aptos Library

## Family Movie Matinee

Wednesday, April 17th

3:00pm-6:00pm @ Felton Library

## Pixar Pictures

Friday, April 19th

3:30pm-6:00pm @ Garfield Park Library

# Programs for Teens

## Aptos Youth Chess Club

Tuesdays

3:30pm-4:30pm @ Aptos Library

## Afterschool STEAM: Minecraft

Wednesdays

3:30pm-5:30pm @ Aptos Library

## Game Zone

Wednesdays

1:00pm-3:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library

## Afterschool STEAM: Lego's Not-So Simple Machines

Thursdays (no program 4/25)

3:30pm-5:30pm @ La Selva Beach Library

## Creative Art Workshops

Thursday, April 4th & 18th

4:00pm-6:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library

## Mah Jongg Club

Thursdays (no program 4/25)

2:00pm-4:00pm @ Aptos Library

## Lego Fun Day

Fridays

3:00pm-4:30pm @ Felton Library

## Advisory Council of Teens

11:00am-1:00pm

Sunday, April 7th @ Aptos Library

2:00pm-4:00pm

Saturday, April 20th @ Felton Library

Sunday, April 21st @ Downtown Library

## Inaugural Santa Cruz County Youth Poet Laureate Celebration

Wednesday, April 10th

6:00pm-8:00pm @ Kuumbwa Jazz Center

## SAGA for Teens

Wednesday, April 24th

3:00pm-5:00pm @ Felton Library