



HONORING THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

All our branches will be closed
Monday, January 20 , 2025



January is **Positive Parenting Awareness Month** at the library!

¡Enero es el Mes de la Crianza Positiva en la biblioteca!



Join the '**Laid Back Book Club**' and other events at participating libraries.
Participa en "**Leyendo con Mamá o Papá**" y otros eventos en las bibliotecas participantes.

Boulder Creek, Capitola, Downtown, Scotts Valley, Live Oak



VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

The Magic of Found Family: In Conversation with Author TJ Klune

Wednesday, January 15th

11:00am-12:00pm @ Online

Notes on Modern Irrationality with Bestselling Author Amanda Montell

Thursday, January 23

11:00am-12:00pm @ Online

An Inside Look at Working with a Literary Agent: A Conversation with Seth Fishman

Tuesday, January 28

10:00am-11:00am @ Online



**SCAN QR CODE TO VIEW AND REGISTER
FOR UPCOMING VIRTUAL TALKS**

SCPL Virtual Author Talks are made possible
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SANTA CRUZ
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

January

Programs & Events



831-427-7713
santacruzpl.org



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

Programs for Adults



Tai Chi in the Library

Thursdays - 10:00am-11:00am @ Aptos Library



Mah Jongg Club

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



Conversations in Español

1st and 3rd Thursday - 6:00pm-7:30pm @ Garfield Park Library
2nd and 4th Thursday - 4:30pm-6:00pm @ Garfield Park Library



Scrabble

Fridays - 1:00pm-2:30pm @ La Selva Beach Library



Community Crafters

Saturdays - 10:00am-1:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library



Are You Game?

1st and 3rd Saturday - 12:00pm-5:00pm @ Capitola Library
2nd Saturday - 12:00pm-5:00pm @ Felton Library



Dungeons and Dragons for Adults

1st and 3rd Saturday - 12:00pm-5:00pm @ Capitola Library



Soul Collage

Saturday, Jan 4th - 12:00pm-3:00pm @ Felton Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



ThinkPads4All Laptop Repair Workshop

Saturday, Jan 4th - 1:00pm-3:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Death Cafe

Saturday, Jan 4th - 1:30pm-3:00pm @ Downtown Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)

Programs for Adults



Loneliness and Social Isolation: Strategies for Understanding, Coping and Healing in a Disconnected World

Saturday, Jan 4th - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Aptos Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Bridge Club

Mondays - 10:30am-12:00pm @ Aptos Library
Fridays (no program 1st Fri) - 10:30am-12:00pm @ La Selva Beach Library



Quilting with Friends

1st and 3rd Monday - 11:00am-3:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library



In-person Tech Help

Mondays - 1:00pm-3:00pm @ Aptos Library
Wednesdays - 10:00am-12:00pm @ Capitola Library
Thursdays - 10:00am-12:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library
Fridays - 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Felton Library
Sundays - 1:00pm-3:00pm @ Downtown Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Backgammon

Tuesdays - 10:30am-12:00pm @ Aptos Library



New Parents' Support Group

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



English Language Learners: Conversation Club

Tuesdays - 1:00pm-2:30pm @ Live Oak Annex
Saturdays - 10:00am-12:00pm @ Capitola Library



Health and Lifestyle Solutions Book Club

Thursday, Jan 9th - 11:00am-1:00pm @ Scotts Valley Library

Programs for Adults



Santa Cruz Host Homes Shared Housing
Thursday, Jan 9th - 6:30pm-7:30pm @ Capitola Library



Stress and Digestion: How stress wrecks digestion and what you can do about it!
Friday, Jan 10 - 2:00pm-3:00pm @ Aptos Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



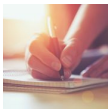
Zentangle Art
Saturday, Jan 11th - 10:00am-11:30am @ Capitola Library



Estate Planning Basics for You & Your Family
Saturday, Jan 11th - 2:00pm-3:00pm @ Aptos Library



Meditation for Stress Relief
Saturday, Jan 11th - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Aptos Library



Aptos Writer's Workshop
2nd and 4th Monday - 12:30pm-3:00pm @ Aptos Library



Loops at the Library - Knit/Crochet
Monday, Jan 13th - 12:00pm-1:30pm @ Garfield Park Library



Virtual Writers' Open Mic Night
Wednesday, Jan 15th - 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Online
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The Life Literacies Center provides transformative and equitable programs and services to library users via community partners, volunteers, and library staff. Check out the services being offered.



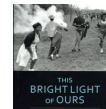
Programs for Adults



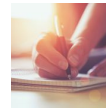
What To Do When Your Child Has a Hard Time Separating From You
Friday, Jan 17th - 12:30pm-2:00pm @ Capitola Library



Munching with Mozart
Friday, Jan 17th - 12:10pm-12:50pm @ Downtown Library



This Bright Light of Ours: Stories from the Voting Rights Fight with Maria Gitin
Friday, Jan 17th - 3:30pm-4:30pm @ Capitola Library



Community Poetry Circle
Saturday, Jan 18th - 1:00pm-3:00pm @ Felton Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Trivia Night at Boulder Creek Pizza & Pub
Tuesday, Jan 21st - 6:30pm-8:00pm @ Boulder Creek Pizza & Pub



The Case of the Missing Maid: Rob Osler with Nina Simon
Wednesday, Jan 22nd - 6:30pm-7:30pm @ Downtown Library



Westside Author Talk with Stephany Buswell
Thursday, Jan 23rd - 6:15pm-7:15pm @ Garfield Park Library



Experience Dyslexia - A Dyslexia Simulation
Thursday, Jan 23rd - 6:30pm-8:30pm @ Capitola Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Positive Parenting Series with Triple P and First5
Friday, Jan 24th - 3:00pm-4:30pm @ Felton Library



Chinese Calligraphy for the Lunar New Year
Saturday, Jan 25th - 10:30am-12:30pm @ Capitola Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)

Programs for Adults



Elbina Batala Rafizadeh: Keepers of the Maligong Rice Terraces
Saturday, Jan 25th - 2:00pm-3:30pm @ Capitola Library



Writer's Working Group
Saturday, Jan 25th - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Capitola Library



What Got You Here WILL Get You There: Approaching the Job Market after 60
Jan 28th and 30th, and Feb 4th and 6th - 12:00pm-5:00pm @ Capitola Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



The Art of Listening
Tuesday, Jan 28th - 4:30pm-5:30pm @ Felton Library



Neighbors for Neighbors
Tuesday, Jan 28th - 6:00pm-8:00pm @ Capitola Library
(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



CreateAbility Hour
Friday, Jan 31st - 11:00am-12:00pm @ Felton Library



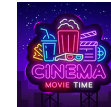
Want to join a book group? Check out the many book groups happening at our branches!



Programs for All Ages



Knitting at the Library
Mondays - 12:30pm-2:00pm @ Felton Library
Fridays - 11:00am-1:00pm @ Live Oak Library



Family Movie Matinee
Wednesday, Jan 15th - 3:00pm-6:00pm @ Felton Library



Programs for Teens



Aptos Youth Chess Club

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



Game Zone

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



SAGA for Teens

Wednesday, Jan 8th - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Felton Library



Afterschool STEAM: Minecraft

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

2nd and 4th Tuesday - 4:00pm-5:30pm @ Downtown Library



Advisory Council of Teens

Saturday, Jan 11th - 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Felton Library



Lego Fun Day

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



Programs for Kids

Tales to Tails

Mondays - 3:30pm-4:30pm @ Garfield Park Library

2nd and 4th Tuesday - 4:30pm-6:00pm @ Downtown Library

3rd Tuesday - 3:00pm-4:00pm @ Felton Library

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

1st Wednesday - 3:30pm-4:30pm @ La Selva Beach Library

Wednesday, Dec 4th and 11th - 2:00pm-3:00pm @ Branciforte Library

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

2nd Saturday - 3:30pm-4:30pm @ Capitola Library

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Make and Explore

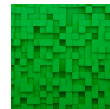
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Wednesdays - 3:00pm-4:30pm @ Garfield Park Library

- 1:30pm-2:30pm @ Boulder Creek Library

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

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



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2nd and 4th Tuesday - 4:00pm-5:30pm @ Downtown Library



Lego Engineering Challenge

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



Pokemon

Thursdays - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Live Oak Annex



Lego Fun Day

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

Programs for Kids



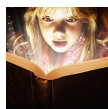
Discovery Zone Playgroup

Fridays - 10:30am-12:00pm @ Boulder Creek Library



Chess Club with Gjon

Saturdays (no program 1st Sat) - 2:00pm-3:30pm @ Downtown Library



R.E.A.D.: Read Every Amazing Detail

Tuesdays - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Garfield Park and Live Oak Libraries

Wednesdays - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Boulder Creek, Branciforte, Capitola, and La Selva Beach Libraries

Thursdays - 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Aptos and Felton Libraries, and Live Oak Annex

(please register by calling 831-427-7713)



Dancing Tales

Tuesday, Jan 28th - 10:15am-11:00am @ Capitola Library

(please register online or by calling 831-427-7713)



Check out our schedule of weekly storytimes!



*Dates and times are subject to change. Check our online calendar for up to date information.

Staff Picks

Scan the QR code to see a list of Staffs' favorite reads from 2024!

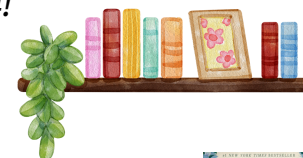


SCPL's Most Read Books of 2024

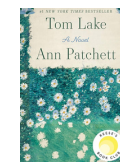
What were you reading this year? These are the most checked out books from 2024!



The Women
by Kristin Hannah



Tom Lake
by Ann Patchett



Iron flame
by Rebecca Yarros

The Covenant of Water
by Abraham Verghese



The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store
by James McBride

Fourth wing
by Rebecca Yarros

