

HOURS

The Library follows all state and local COVID-19 health guidelines. Library operations and services may be adjusted as a result. Follow us on Twitter @SantaMonicaLibr or check smpl.org for updates.

Main Library

601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday, June 4

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pico Branch Library

2201 Pico Blvd.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, June 4

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Montana Avenue Branch Library

1704 Montana Ave.

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Ocean Park Branch Library

2601 Main St.

Pre-authorization required. Sign up at smpl.org/SelfServiceHours

Wednesday & Friday

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Library is closed on Monday, June 20 in observance of Juneteenth.

Have questions or need help?

Library staff are available during open hours. Contact us at (310) 458-8600 or library@santamonica.gov

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

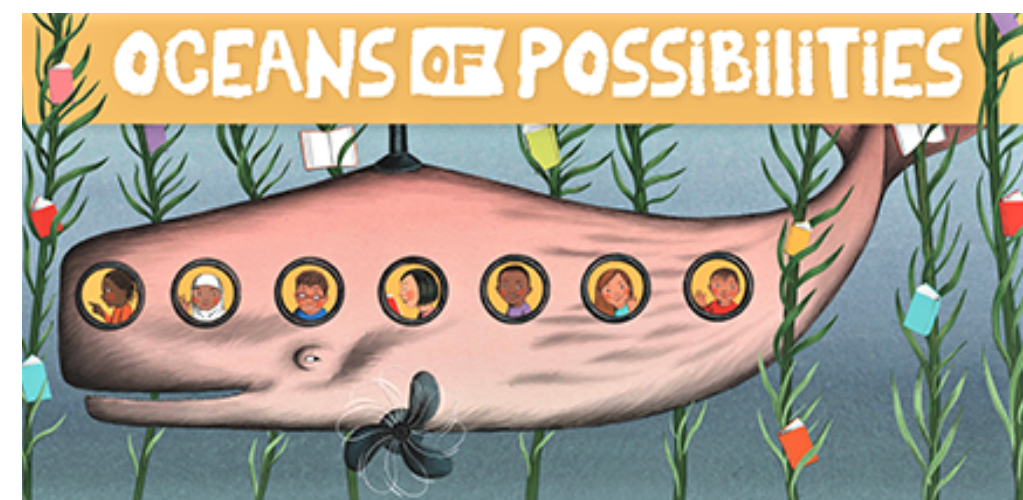
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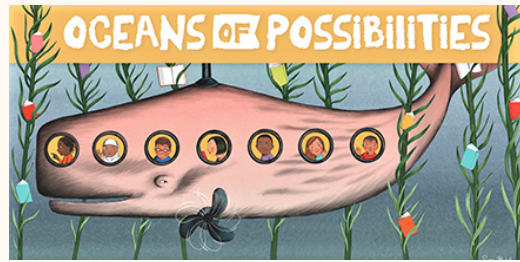
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Santa Monica Reads

JUNE 4 - AUGUST 6

Summer Reading





Summer Reading 2022 | June 4 - August 6

Track your reading activities throughout summer. Visit Main Library, Pico or Montana Branch Library to sign up and receive a reading log. Or register online at smpl.org/srp, starting June 4. Collect prizes after completing 5 & 10 hours for kids, 15 & 30 hours for teens.

Help us reach our community reading goal of 300,000 minutes!

KIDS ♦ TEENS ♦ FAMILIES

Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading Luau Saturday, June 4 / 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Main Library, North Courtyard

Join us as we say, *Aloha to summer!* Our kickoff event includes family activities, crafts and a hula performance. Preview summer reading prizes and sign up for the reading challenge! For families.

Summer Reading Program: Snoozer's Deep Sea Readers Mondays, June 6, 13, 20, 27 / 12:00 p.m.

Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime as Checkers and Snoozer take a deep dive into oceans of the world, all the while reviewing thrilling ocean-themed books and traveling to amazing places to learn even more! Pick up a new craft each week at Main Library, Pico Branch and Montana Branch. Access via YouTube:
youtube.com/user/SantaMonicaPL/playlists

Rainbow Family Storytime Tuesday, June 7 / 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. Main Library, Central Courtyard

Celebrate Pride Month with an inclusive storytime for LGBTQIA+ and ally families. For ages 3 & up. Space is limited.

Music Center On Tour presents: *Letters to Harriet Tubman* Tuesday, June 14 / 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Main Library, Central Courtyard

In celebration of Juneteenth, *Letters to Harriet Tubman* uses songs and stories of the Civil War era to tell the adventures of the heroic woman who fought slavery through the underground railroad. For families. Register:
bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

Drag Queen Storytime at the Beach House Friday, June 17 / 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway

Celebrate LGBTQIA+ Pride Month with Drag Queen Storytime! Pickle, our guest of honor, leads an interactive storytime designed to challenge gender stereotypes, encourage self-expression and promote diversity and inclusion. For more info on the Beach House's offerings, visit annenbergbeachhouse.com

Take & Make Kit: Self-Portrait Available beginning Tuesday, June 21

This kit includes supplies and instructions to explore what makes you unique by creating your own self portrait. Provided by the Cayton's Children Museum. Pick up at the Main Library Youth Services desk, Pico Branch, or Montana Branch. Available while supplies last. For ages 5 & up.

Make Your Own Summer Solstice Bookmark Tuesday, June 21 / 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Main Library, Central Courtyard

Learn about the Summer Solstice while making your own bookmark during the time surrounding solar noon on the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. For all ages. Adults are welcome to join in.

Let's Play Ukulele! with Heidi Swedberg Thursday, June 23 / 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Pico Branch Library, The Annex



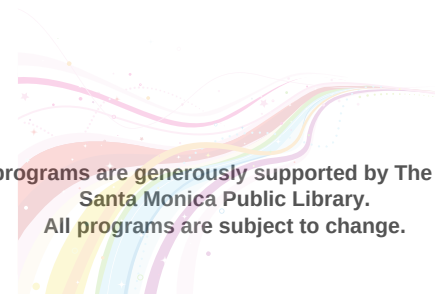
Wednesday, June 29 / 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Main Library, Central Courtyard

Learn ukulele basics through fun songs and games. Strum some simple chords and take home a book to guide your continued musical adventures. Bring your own instrument or borrow one of ours (limited - first come, first served). For ages 8 -12. Parents are welcome, too. Register for one or both programs: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

The Chameleons: *Mime Over Matter* Tuesday, June 28 / 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Pico Branch Library, The Annex

This performance is a riveting, fast-paced adventure that takes the audience straight into the heart and the art of mime. Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

Library programs are generously supported by The Friends of Santa Monica Public Library.
All programs are subject to change.



Music Center On Tour presents:
Craig Woodson's World Orchestra
Thursday, June 30 / 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Montana Branch Library, Community Room
Inspired by ideas from children around the world, Dr. Woodson has created more than 250 easy-to-make musical instruments that reflect the cultures of Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas. Explore the origins, science and playing techniques of twelve home-made musical instruments and get inspired to make your own! Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

ADULTS



Soundwaves Concert: The West Coast Chamber Jazz Trio Saturday, June 4 / 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Pico Branch Library, The Annex

Composer and percussionist Andrea Centazzo, a pioneer of European free improvisation and the Downtown scene, leads flutist Ellen Burr and bassist Jeff Schwartz in a set mixing cool jazz with experimental and contemporary elements.

Montana Avenue Branch Book Group Discussion *The Last Kings of Shanghai: The Rival Jewish Dynasties That Helped Create Modern China* by Jonathan Kaufman Wednesday, June 15 / 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. / Zoom

A multigenerational story of two rival dynasties that flourished in Shanghai and Hong Kong as twentieth-century China surged into the modern era. To register, email library@santamonica.gov



Juneteenth Movie Screening: *Summer of Soul* Thursday, June 16 / 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Pico Branch Library, The Annex

Celebrate Juneteenth with a screening and discussion of this Oscars-winning film (Best Documentary Feature, 2021) about the Harlem Cultural Festival in 1969.

Notable Fiction Book Discussion Group *The Promise* by Damon Galgut Saturday, June 18 / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. / Zoom This epic South African family saga, spanning four decades and written in gorgeous prose, won the 2021 Booker Prize. To register, email library@santamonica.gov

Main Library Book Discussion Group *I Contain Multitudes: The Microbes Within Us and a Grand View of Life* by Ed Yong Monday, June 20 / 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. / Zoom

The first book by the Pulitzer Prize-winning science journalist for *The Atlantic Monthly* discusses the relationship between animals and microbes. To register, email library@santamonica.gov

Mystery Book Group Discussion *The Last House Guest* by Megan Miranda Tuesday, June 21 / 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. / Zoom

A woman combs through her Maine community to uncover secrets and clear her name of suspicion when her best friend is found murdered. To register, email library@santamonica.gov

SANTA MONICA READS JUNE 4 - AUGUST 6



BOOK DISCUSSION THURSDAY, JUNE 30 6:00 TO 7:00 P.M. MAIN LIBRARY, CENTRAL COURTYARD

Join us for the 20th anniversary of Santa Monica Reads! This year we turn to Joan Didion's *Where I Was From*. In the 2003 book, the great California writer explores the state's romances with land and water, its unacknowledged debts to railroads, aerospace, and big government, the disjunction between its code of individualism and its fetish for prisons.

Free copies of *Where I Was From* will be available for those planning to participate in Santa Monica Reads at the Main Library, Pico Branch and Montana Avenue Branch beginning June 4 while supplies last.

In July and August, look for more Santa Monica Reads book discussions and special events, including panel talks with writers David Ulin, Laila Lalami and Steffie Nelson.

Pick up a Resource Guide and visit smpl.org/smr for more information.