

NEWSLETTER



Foundation
FOR SAN MATEO
COUNTY LIBRARIES

March 2022

Dear *{{First Name}}*,

On Sunday, March 6, San Mateo County Libraries are [extending hours open to the public](#). This is exciting to library staff and community members alike. Also this month, the Libraries are hosting two author talks. [Alka Joshi](#), author of the Henna Artist has a new book, the Secret Daughter of Jaipur and she will share her insights on writing on March 8. [Bryant Terry](#), award winning chef and author will join us to discuss his new book Black Food on March 15. You can purchase either book to support the Foundation and receive a signed bookplate from the author.

April 3-9th is National Library week and this year, April 6 is Library Giving Day. To celebrate, we are hosting a Virtual Trivia Night. For \$25, you can join in by yourself or create a team and test your knowledge. [Register today](#).

Virtual Trivia Night

APRIL 6, 2022



Create your team and join us online for a night of fun.



Celebrate National Library Week and Library Giving Day with a fun night of four rounds of trivia online. Join by yourself or create a team. *Teams can be up to 6 people. Each participant is \$25. Please include team name at time of registration.*

Host a small group at your home or create your team from multiple homes from across the Bay Area and beyond. If you register for the entire team, please provide email addresses so the Foundation can send additional information to your teammates before the event.

If you would like to be placed into a team, please write "Team SMCL" into the team name.

There will be prizes! The four rounds include general knowledge, music, and more. Test your skills and have a great time supporting the Foundation.

[Register Here](#)

Foundation donates \$25,000 to San Mateo County Libraries to support Raising A Reader

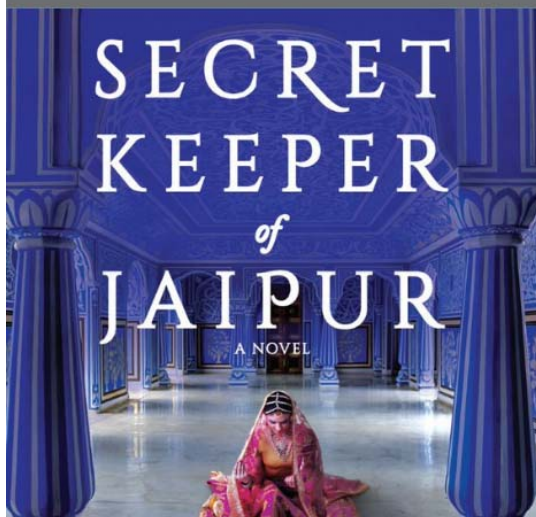


Thanks to your amazing support over the last year, we have been able to raise over \$100,000 to support Raising A Reader and Big Lift Inspiring Summers. We made our first donation of \$25,000 for Raising A Reader earlier this year and plan to make an additional one later this spring for Big Lift Inspiring Summers. Learn more about these programs at investinsmcl.org/youthfamily2021.

Meet the Authors: Alka Joshi and Bryant Terry

March 8, 2022

March 14, 2022



Alka Joshi



Bryant Terry

In March, San Mateo County Libraries will host two authors that will be sure to delight. Alka Joshi, author of the Secret Keeper of Jaipur and Bryant Terry, author of Black Food.

Along with attending these wonderful events, you have the opportunity to purchase books for either author while supporting the Foundation. They will come with signed bookplates from the authors.

[Learn more about Alka Joshi's event on March 8](#)

[Learn more about Bryant Terry's event on March 14](#)

Board Updates: Welcome Umair, thank you Marjorie & Maribel



Muhammad Umair (goes by Umair or Moe) joined our board in late 2021 and runs a small consulting company 'Roshe Technologies' to help businesses keep their projects in line through business analysis and project management methodologies. He has been an avid reader ever since he fell in love with his first read 'Firdausi's Shahnama' (highly recommended). He aims to ensure that everyone has access to quality library services. Welcome Umair.

Thank you Marjorie and Maribel for your service to the Foundation. Marjorie was a founding board member and vice chair of the board since 2018. She helped grow the board and the organization over the years. Maribel joined us in 2019 and provided support in our impact and governance committees in her time with us. Thank you for your service and we look forward to your ongoing contributions as a library supporter.

Library News



Intro to Jam: Have you always wanted to make your own jam, jellies, or preserves, but felt intimidated? Learn how to safely and successfully create a variety of homemade fruit spreads from a simple freezer jam



Adult Knitting Circle: We're inviting all knitters and crocheters, aspiring or experts, to join the Knitting and Crochet Circle! The group meets every second and fourth Friday of the



All Access Comics: In partnership with the Peninsula Library System, San Mateo County Libraries' OverDrive collection now includes All Access Comics. All Access Comics provides access to 3,693 simultaneous-use graphic novels from

to shelf-stable canned goods.

[Learn more >>](#)

month at the [Foster City Library](#), from 10 am - 12 pm. Bring your current project to unwind and socialize!

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DarkHorse, Image, IDW, Disney and Marvel. There are no holds or wait times for these titles.

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Quote of the Month:

“I am donating in honor of the SMCL library staff to celebrate SMCL going back to being open seven days a week with extended hours.” -

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Check out San Mateo County Libraries in the news!

[San Mateo County Libraries to expand hours starting March 6](#) - Climate Online, March 2022
[New Pacifica library manager brings native understanding to job](#) - Pacifica Tribune, February 2022

[San Mateo County Libraries awarded 5-star Library honor](#) -Library Journal, December 2021
[California Libraries now offering free online job classes](#) - San Francisco Chronicle, November 2021

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