



SANTIAGO
LIBRARY SYSTEM

**Santiago Library System
Reference and Local History Committee
Special Meeting Agenda and Minutes
September 12, 2023
10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Huntington Beach Central Library
7111 Talbert Avenue
Huntington Beach, CA 92648**

Call to Order

1. Call to Order Chair
2. Roll Call Secretary
3. Adoption of Agenda

This is the opportunity for Committee members to delete items from the Agenda, to continue items, to re-order items, and to make additions pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b).

4. Oral Communications

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the public may address the Santiago Library System Executive Council on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Executive Council. Presentations by the public are limited to 5 minutes per person. Members of the public are also permitted to address the Santiago Library System Executive Council on specific Agenda Items before and at the time that an Item is being considered by the Executive Council. Action may not be taken on items not on the Agenda except in emergencies or as otherwise authorized pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.2(b).

New Business

5. Agenda for Upcoming Year Committee

November 14: Local History: Location: Santa Ana Public Library

January 9: Collection Development: Anaheim Public Library

March 12: SRP: Fullerton Public Library

May 14 Programming & Outreach: Newport Beach

6. Group Project: **How to Train staff on Intellectual Process: Materials evaluation Process**
7. Round Table

Mission Viejo

- Summer Reading programs for Children, young adults, adults, and city staff were well attended this year, but we had virtually the same numbers as last year.
- Our long-time children's Paw Readathon program, featuring the service dog Roxy, has ended with Roxy's death. This prompted a change of format, where children would read to dogs (and other animals) in collaboration with our Animal Services Department across town.

- We are continuing with our story time programs for children, including monthly sensory story time.
- We have started a monthly Tween book club and also a Tween craft club to reach that age group between young children and young adults.
- Young adult programs on college readiness programs are very popular
- We had a very successful local author fair this summer and we have collected books written by these authors in a special area of the library. We are going to repeat this event at least annually.
- There will be an eclipse party on Saturday morning, October 14. A limited supply of eclipse glasses will be available.
- We continue to host our Writer's Present series, featuring Anita Abriel in June, and Melanie Benjamin this week. Other Adult and family-friendly events included a Psyche Asteroid program in July, a NASA space camp program in August (Nifty science grant), and the 6th annual Adult Spelling Bee this Friday.
- We have a new focus for our annual Winter Ball this year. In celebration of Jane Austen's Birthday, we have a costume design program, a letter writing program, a Jane Austen story time, all before the main event: a mid-December Jane Austen Ball.

Fullerton

- Reopening hunt library
- Hogwarts themed program, butter beer, trivia, hp experience vr
- 50th birthday celebration of local history room
- Hike California State Parks with TrailMaster John McKinney
- AI talk on October with speakers from Cal State Fullerton
- Reptile presentation in fall
- Integration with AI imaging into social media
- Live reptile talk in October
- Money allocation for conference center upgrade
- March 12 Fullerton sls- summer reading focus
- Materials evaluation process for banning
- AI and library integration
- senior programming
- Eclipse glasses
- Clear book banning policy, has objector read the book
- Request to purchase has to live in Fullerton
- Firefighter story time, bring truck
- VHS converter for local history
- Daddy/daughter tea
- Bike decorations for the Fourth of July
- Museum of objects, story about each object

Anaheim

- Zine Fest
- Anaheim Reads program
- Native American Theme programming

Buena Park

- Our Summer Reading Program was a success - Kick-off and Finale Petting Zoo Storytime were well attended
- Read to a Dog program was very popular during summer, we asked for a second dog
- Our building reopened after a month-long closure for HVAC improvements on 9/15
- Upcoming programs
- Children's:
 - Read to a BARK therapy dog
 - Preschool, Little Friends, and Family storytimes
 - Spanish/English Storytime for the month of October
- Loteria
- Alice in Wonderland themed scavenger hunt for Halloween
- Craft programs
- Adult Book Club
- Teen and Adult DIY Craft programs
- All ages: a couple different solar eclipse programs and presentations

OCPL

1. **Ronald Winston, author of *King of Diamonds, the Definitive Biography of an American Icon***

Thursday, September 21 at Villa Park Library

- RONALD WINSTON, the eldest son of Harry and Edna Winston will speak about his biography of his father Harry Winston, growing the Harry Winston company and brand.

2. **Library Card Sign-Up Month**

Family Events at six branches.

Patrons can meet the character Esteban the Green Crayon, attend a special storytime, get a library card, and enter an opportunity drawing.

- Tue | Sep 19 | 3-5pm
Stanton Library
- Wed | Sep 20 | 3-5pm
Foothill Ranch Library
- Thu | Sep 21 | 3-5pm
San Juan Capistrano Library
- Tue | Sep 26 | 3-5pm
Brea Library
- Wed | Sep 27 | 3-5pm
Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library

- Thu | Sep 28 | 3-5pm
Laguna Beach Library

3. OC READ's Fall Literacy Day

September 16, 10:00 AM

San Juan Capistrano Library

- **Meet Mouse author, Laura Numeroff and attend a Charlie Cart Chocolate Chip Cookie Demo**
A *New York Times* best-selling children's book author, **LAURA JOFFE NUMEROFF** is best known for the series based on her book *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. First printed in 1985, "Mouse" is now beyond its 60th printing.
Complimentary books available, while supplies last.
Early arrival is suggested.
[OC Read](#) is a division of OC Public Libraries.

4. Self-Care Saturday

Saturday, September 23, 10:00am

Tustin Library

- **Yoga & Stretch Class**
Yoga instructor, Joy Veluz.
Please bring your own yoga mat or towel.
- **Author Dr. Lauren Cook**
In Conversation with Marcie Booth
 - **DR. LAUREN COOK** is a licensed clinical psychologist, keynote speaker, and company consultant. She loves speaking around the country to help create more mentally healthy workplaces and schools.
Complimentary books available, while supplies last.
- **Tea Tasting Demonstration**
Presented by OCPL's Charlie Cart.

5. Teen Fest 2023

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

3:00 – 6:45 PM

Irvine Heritage Park Library

- The Art of Fashion Illustration - Drawing workshop presented by FIDM
- Anabelle Brown: Creative Cookie Crafter - Presentation & cookie decorating workshop.
- Author Talk Victoria Aveyard
 - Author talk with #1 New York Times bestselling and USA Today bestselling series.
 - First 50 teen attendees will receive a signed copy of *Realm Breaker*.

6. A Slice of Literary Orange

Author Janelle Brown

Thursday, October 5th at 6:30pm

Norma Herzog Community Center in Costa Mesa

- JANELLE BROWN is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the novels *I'll Be You, Pretty Things, Watch Me Disappear, All We Ever Wanted Was Everything, and This Is Where We Live*. Her books have been sold in two dozen countries around the world. *Pretty Things* - named a Best Book of 2020 by Amazon - and *I'll Be You* are both currently being adapted for television.
 - Complimentary books available, while supplies last.
 - No registration required. Early arrival suggested.

Newport

- Increased participation in Adult Summer Reading Program.
- A partnership with the Library Foundation will see 34 adult programs for the current fiscal year, the vast majority of them free of charge.
- We've had several rounds of hiring for Library Assistants, Clerks, and Pages. We are very close to being fully staffed.
- The Balboa Branch Library is in the footprint design portion of the remodel process. Groundbreaking is still at least a year off.
- Our Lecture Hall project had bids for construction come in higher than anticipated due to the increased cost of building materials. The City reopened the bids system in September and those bids will be discussed by the NB City Council and Library Foundation in October.

Orange

- Summer Reading Club
 - OPL's summer reading program went well, numbers were high this year. Most notable change was the increase in teen participation.
- Programming
 - The library recently wrapped up a summer series of author programs with our partner Book Carnival: Dave Lopez, a cozy author panel, and Craig Johnson.
 - Serialized Book Club: *The Count of Monte Cristo* begins on September 18. The first meeting will discuss the first third of the novel. Two more discussions in October and November will cover the rest of the book.
 - Healthy Aging Resource Fair occurs September 30. Guests will include a local dance group, ukulele singalong group, American Heart Association, YMCA, and more. Our blood pressure kits are also launching at this event.
 - Freedom to Read Book Club (for adults) occurs on October 2.
- Teaching Garden
 - Construction for the El Modena Library teaching garden begins this month, with a tentative grand opening of October 16. The area will include a sensory garden, new tables and seating, outdoor program supplies, and planter beds. Funding was made possible by the California State Library's sustainability grant.
 - Programming with the planter beds will begin in December with a winter garden planting party with the UCCE Master Gardeners.
- Local History
 - Recently a representative from the Northeast Document Conservation Center completed a walkthrough with library staff.

- Their final report will include action items plus recommendations for emergency preparedness.
- Per the NDCC's recommendation, OPL is ready to connect with other libraries/archives to create an emergency network for Orange County.

Yorba Linda

- Summer Reading, we had over 4,000 participants across all age groups, and over 700 adults signed up. We saw an increase in participants who completed the program in adult services.
- On Saturday, October 14 we are doing an Eclipse program for the partial eclipse. The program will be building wide in which we hand out eclipse glasses, as well as games and crafts.
- We are continuing with programs for our California State Parks Grant. Upcoming we have a metal embossing instruction class in which they will make garden signs. We also have partnered with Crystal Cove to offer a Crystal Cove 101 class. Finally, we will do a few more DIY classes for adults including DIY Garden Decorations.
- Beginning this month, we will be starting an ESL Conversation Club on Friday mornings once a month.

Santa Ana

- Contracting with Segestrom Center for the Arts to provide programming that focus on people with disabilities.
- Author Hour Series is booked for the remainder of 2023. Exploring new authors to visit in 2024.
- YA continues programming with robots
- SRP attendance for adults was about 350 people but only 180 completed the program.
- Celebrated the participants that completed the SRP program with a celebration at the end of program.

Placentia

- Summer Reading Celebration and Program were very successful. Children's, teens, and adults had more participants sign up and complete than in previous years.
- Read to the Dogs is going well and we have an upcoming Firefighter Storytime where we have partnered with the FD and they will be doing a demonstration.
- Memory Lab in History Room is going well.
- Redesigning our Hangar Makerspace, more craft friendly, crafts for all ages and we have removed our Glowforge from the space. Staff involved in this will be going to the OC Maker Faire.
- Hogwarts back to school passive program is going well.
- Literacy is booming with 8 classes every week.

- We are promoting voter registration on September 19.
- Looking forward to our upcoming bookmobile and outdoor space.

Huntington Beach

HBPL summer reading and programs

- HBPL Summer Reading went really well for all ages: 2254 children, 294 teens and 1099 adults participated
- Programs went well – a few particularly popular programs were the
 - o 4th of July Bike Decorating program at our Main St. Branch (199 participants decorated bikes, strollers, scooters, etc. in time for HB’s 4th of July Parade)
 - o Tiny Art Contest – we hosted nights for all age groups to come and make a tiny art piece and then held a Tiny Art Gala with awards
 - o Ice Cream Week – DIY ice cream making, ice cream crafts, storytimes, etc.
 - o Afternoon Tea Workshop – how to make tea sandwiches, etc.
 - o Book-a-Palooza – program with games, crafts and activities themed on popular children’s books characters
- Veterans Resource Center – Car Show was scheduled on the day of the hurricane/storm
- Parks Pass – backpacks went out this summer for patrons to borrow (themes like hiking with kids, birding 101, outdoors for everyone, outdoor adventure)
- Literacy held recognition events at both literacy sites, recognizing volunteers for years of service and recognizing adult learners for ALLI participation (Adult Learner Leadership Institute) and Writer 2 Writer
- H Item regarding books in in the HBPL collection has been a concern
- Waiting to hear if HBPL will be awarded funding through the State Infrastructure Grant

Adjournment

8. Review of Action Items
9. Adjournment

*****CERTIFICATION OF POSTING*****

I, Amy Crepeau, Chairperson for the Santiago Library System Reference and Local History Committee, hereby certify that the Agenda for the September 12, 2023, meeting of the Santiago Library System Reference and Local History Committee was posted on August 31, 2023.

Amy Crepeau, Chairperson