



# LIBRARY

## Summer Reading Festival: Paws to Read from June 14 August 23

Celebrate reading all summer long with the 2014 Summer Reading Festival. People of all ages are encouraged to read for fun and prizes and to enjoy the exciting programs and entertainment being held in libraries throughout the summer. Reading records are available for all ages at both SRL and DSL and online at [ccclib.org/summer](http://ccclib.org/summer).

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### STORYTIMES

**Summer Session: June 7-July 31**

**Lapsit (Ages 6 months–2 ½ years)**

Mondays at 10:15am at DSL

Tuesdays at 11:15am at SRL

**Toddler Time (Ages 2 ½-3 ½ years)**

Mondays at 11:15am at DSL

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15am at SRL

**Preschool Time (Ages 3 ½ 5 years)**

Thursdays at 11:15am at SRL

Thursdays at 1:15pm at DSL

**Family Storytime (All ages)**

1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 6:30pm at DSL (June 17, July 1 & 15, Aug. 5 & 19)

1st Saturdays at 11:15am at SRL (June 7, July 5, Aug. 2, Sep. 6)

### Busy Bee Dogs

Tuesday, June 10 at 4pm, SRL

Saturday, June 14 at 11:30am, DSL

Join in the fun of watching these former shelter dogs perform their marvelous tricks just for you!

### Summer Movie Matinees

Wednesdays, June 18 August 13, 3:00pm, SRL

Thursdays, June 19 August 14, 3:00pm, DSL

Call for movie title and rating information.

SRL=San Ramon Library

DSL=Dougherty Station Library

## Summer Reading Decorating Party

Wednesday, June 18, 2:00pm, DSL

Monday, June 23, 4:00pm, SRL

Create the decorations for Summer Reading 2014, "Paws to Read."

## Summer Sing-Along with the Overdues

Thursday, July 31, 7pm, SRL

Join the Overdues for an exciting line-up of animal songs!

## Summer Reading Carnival

Saturday, June 28, 11am to 1pm, DSL

Games, prizes, and surprises - all for fun at the Summer Reading Carnival!

## International Storytelling Festival

Mondays, July 14, 21 & 28, 6:30pm, SRL

The following storytellers are scheduled to perform this year:

July 14 - Daniel Barash- Spin Me a Shadow, Tell Me a Tale

July 21 - Kirk Waller- Quack, Gabble, Squawk and Other Animal Tails

July 28 - Masankho Banda - African Tales

## The Wild World of Frogs!

Saturday, July 19, 11:00am, SRL

Reps from "Save the Frogs" teach us about frogs and their ecosystems, the amazing process of metamorphosis, and how some frogs use poison for protection.

## The Lindsay Museum presents Paws and Claws

Saturday, July 26, 11:00am, DSL

Saturday, August 9, 11:00am, SRL

Continuing the theme of Paws to Read the Lindsay Museum presents a program about animals with paws and claws.

## Cupcake Bingo

Saturday, July 12, 11:15am, SRL

Wednesday July 23, 2pm, DSL

Win everyone's favorite treats - cupcakes!

## Pajama Math Celebrates our Fabulous Furry Friends!

Friday, August 1, 6:00pm, SRL

Wear your jammies and come for stories, games & fun activities exploring basic mathematical concepts. Most appropriate for families with children ages 3 & up.

## The Bubble Lady

Saturday, August 9, 2pm, DSL

The Bubble Lady will charm you with her fantastic program of bubbles in amazing shapes and sizes.

## Grand Prize Bingo

Saturday, August 9, 2:00pm, SRL

Saturday, August 23, 11:15am, DSL

Win chances in a drawing for some amazing Grand Prizes.

## Movies on the Lawn

(behind the Community Center)

Friday, August 8, 8:30pm, DSL

Family friendly film is *Kung Fu Panda*

Friday, August 15, 8:30pm, DSL

Family friendly film is *The Lego Movie*



## ADULTS

**Ina Coolbrith Circle Presents:  
"Open Mike" and Readings by  
Poet Camille Norton**

Saturday, May 17, 2:00-4:00 pm, SRL

Bring a poem to read during open mike! Then Camille Norton, an award winning author and professor, will read selections from her works. She is the author of *Corruption*, a National Poetry Series winner published by Harper Perennial in 2005. Her poem, "The Prison Diary of Bartlett Yancey Malone," appears in *The Best American Poetry 2010*. Refreshments to follow.

**Speak Up! English Language  
Conversation Group for Adults**

Mondays, 6:45-7:45pm, SRL and DSL

Practice and improve your English in an informal, small group setting. Biweekly one-hour sessions are held at either the Dougherty Station Library (starting June 2) or the San Ramon Library (starting June 9) (No sessions during the month of August or Sept. 1). Registration is not needed; just drop in, and bring pen and paper to take notes. For library location on specific dates check the Events Calendar at [cclib.org](http://cclib.org), or call the Library at 925-973-2850 or 973-3380.

**Composting Made Easy**

Thursday, June 19, 6:30pm, SRL

Are you interested in turning your garden waste and kitchen scraps into a rich soil conditioner and fertilizer for your garden? Contra Costa Master Gardener Arti Kirch will teach you how to start a compost pile, add the best ingredients, nurture its decomposition and produce rich humus for your plants. She will cover how composting works, compost containers, what and what not to compost, techniques to encourage decomposition and where and when to use your compost.

**Wildlife Conservation in  
Zimbabwe through Science,  
Education, and the Arts**

Wednesday, July 2, 7:00pm, SRL

Wendy Blakeley, conservationist, teacher and performing artist, will share fascinating photos and stories from her 20+ years of experience inspiring the youth of Zimbabwe to preserve their national wildlife habitat.

**One Enchanted Evening:  
Brenda Lin, Vocalist**

Wednesday, July 9, 6:30pm, SRL

Brenda Lin, will captivate you with her beautiful voice and repertoire of standards, jazz, show tunes, classic rock, R&B, country, and *bossa nova*.

**Starting a Winter Vegetable  
Garden**

Thursday, August 7, 6:30pm, SRL

It's that time again! Time to start planning and planting your winter garden while the ground is still warm. Contra Costa Master Gardener Janet Miller returns to talk about how growing vegetables in the winter has its advantages over summer vegetables, and what allowances to make for shorter days and less intense sunlight. She will cover starting from seed vs. seedlings, and which crops to plant now through fall.



## SENIORS

**Page Turners Senior Book Group**

3rd Tuesdays, 1:30pm

**Alcosta Senior and Community Center**

Co-sponsored by the San Ramon Library and the Alcosta Senior and Community Center. Drop in and join us at any time!

**June 17: *The Swerve: How the World Became Modern*, by Stephen Greenblatt**

**July 15: *The History of Love*, by Nicole Krauss**

**August 19: *The Days of Anna Madrigal (Tales of the City)*, by Armistead Maupin**

**September 16: *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?*, by Maria Semple**