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April 2009

what's happening here
Newsletter of the Berkeley Public Library



Join us for a Reception!

Tuesday, April 14, 2009, 5 - 6pm
3rd floor Community Meeting Room
Berkeley Public Central Library
2090 Kittredge Street (at Shattuck Avenue)

Berkeley Public Library and the Berkeley Public Library Board of Library Trustees welcomes **Winston Burton** as the newest member of the Board of Library Trustees and wishes Trustee **Ying Lee** a fond farewell after four years of devoted service on the Board of Library Trustees. For more information, call 510-981-6195.

For accessibility info, call 510-981-6107, TTY 510-528-1240, www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org.

Teen Book Club will take place at Central Library on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

First meeting: April 16th at 3:30 - 4:30pm in the 4th floor Story Room.

Discuss recent favorite books and enjoy light snacks. For more information, call Joy at 981-6147 or e-mail bppteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library.

Programs listed in the newsletter are supported by the **Friends of the Berkeley Public Library**.

To join the **Friends** and/or to volunteer, go to http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about_the_library/support_the_library.php.

Salsa Dance Lesson in

Central Library 2nd floor Historic Lobby
Sunday, April 26, 2009, 3:30 – 5pm

Celebrate **Bay Area National Dance** week with a Salsa lesson in the Library, taught by professional Danceasy instructor Gale Robinson. Join us in the Historic Lobby on the 2nd floor and we'll salsa in the stacks.

2nd floor Historic Lobby, Central Library
2090 Kittredge Street, Berkeley, CA 94704

For questions regarding this program, call 510-981-6241. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Berkeley Public Library.

Free Vision Screenings

In the Library Plaza @ Central Library

Saturday, April 11, 1 - 4pm

Come to Library Plaza in front of Berkeley Public Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street (at Shattuck Avenue in downtown Berkeley) for a free vision screening from Unite For Sight. Unite for Sight is a global nonprofit empowering communities to improve eye health and eliminate preventable blindness. Their members are trained to provide community-based free vision screenings which help detect early signs of blindness, & connect community members with resources so that they can receive a free and complete eye exam through professional organizations such as American Academy of Ophthalmology (EyeCare America) and American Optometric Association (VisionUSA). Come out for a free preliminary eye chart exam, learn more about your eyes, and find out about free health care programs available for you. **For more information, call 714-933-8279.**

Wild Animals @ Central Library

Friday, April 10, 2009, 11 – 11:45am

Ages: 5 and up

Meet the intriguing animals that live in California, one of the most environmentally diverse areas in the nation. Learn about the secret lives of the ecologically important animals that live around us. Presented by **Wildlife Associates of Half Moon Bay**.

Jazz-Poetry Program at Berkeley Public Library
 Berkeley Public Library presents "Piano, Poetry, Jazz and Lyrics", featuring poet **Raymond Nat Turner** and pianist **Tammy Lynne Hall**. This program celebrates April, which is both National Poetry Month and Jazz Appreciation Month. The jazz poetry event takes place at the **Central Library, 2090 Kittredge (at Shattuck) on Saturday April 25, at 3:00pm in the 3rd floor Community Meeting Room.**

Tammy Lynne Hall is a versatile pianist equally at home with jazz, funk, gospel, Brazilian and classical music. Raymond Nat Turner is the founder and co-leader of the groundbreaking jazz-poetry ensemble **UpSurge!** Together they blend jazz and blues with performance poetry to create a sound all their own. The *East Bay Express* praises **UpSurge!** for their "...electrifying, cutting-edge jazz-poetry." This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library. For further information, call 510-981-6241.

For accessibility information, call **(510) 981-6107, TTY (510) 548-1240, berkeleypubliclibrary.org.**

Honoring César's Legacy

Through Service to the Community

*Celebrate the 2009 Chávez Commemorative Period
 Berkeley Celebrates "Sí, se puede"*

Poster, Book, and Photo Exhibit

March 31 - April 13, 2009

- One Flat Display Case -- Berkeley Public Central Library – 2nd floor Historic Lobby
- Exhibit Cases Facing on Kittredge Street 2090 Kittredge Street (at Shattuck) – Downtown Berkeley

For more info on the 2009 Chávez Commemorative Period go to ecologycenter.org/chavez/

Teen Comic Drawing Club @ West Branch

Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2009, 4 - 5:30pm.

WHEN

1125 University Ave., Berkeley, CA 94702

WHERE

Teen comic drawing club, for more information call 510-981-6270

NOTE

A graphic novel discussion group for teens

When: Thursday, April 2, 16, and 30 2009, 4 - 5pm

Where: South Branch Library

[1901 Russell Street, Berkeley, CA 94703](http://1901RussellStreet,Berkeley,CA94703)

A graphic novel discussion group for teens.

All teens are welcome, and snacks will be provided.

Contact Jack Baur to get your books:

jbaur@ci.berkeley.ca.us -- or call 510-981-6287.

Celebrate El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day) at West Branch with PeeWee Mariachi

When: Thursday, April 30, 2009, 6 – 7:30pm

Where: West Branch Library

[1125 University Ave., Berkeley, CA 94702](http://1125UniversityAve.,Berkeley,CA94702)

Join **PeeWee Mariachi** for a fun evening of festivities to celebrate **El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day)**.

For more information, call: 510-981-6270.

28th Annual Quilt Show



Berkeley Public Library proudly presents our 28th Annual Quilt Show. New this year are the show's location and our theme. Quilts will be displayed at the Central Library, and all are miniature. Within this theme, there will be much variation: antique, contemporary, landscape, portrait, patchwork and more. The show runs from April 28 through May 11. To submit a quilt for the Quilt Show, please call 981-6241 (Art & Music) to sign up. We still have spots open for postcard quilts (4" x 6" or 3" x 5"). We will accept quilts at the Art and Music desk on the 5th floor of the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge (at Shattuck), downtown Berkeley.

Dates and times for collection of quilts:

Wednesday, April 15, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Thursday, April 16, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 18, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. **and** 3 - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 21, 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22, 2 to 5 p.m.

Thursday, April 23, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Questions?

Please call 981-6241, the Art & Music department.

To request a sign language interpreter, real-time materials in large print or Braille, or other accommodations for any Berkeley Public Library public program, call 510-981-6107 or 510-548-1240 (TTY) 5 days before the program. Please refrain from wearing scented products to public meetings.