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**August 2009**

*what's happening here*  
Newsletter of the Berkeley Public Library

### ***Tango No. 9 concert at Central Library***

Dance to the music of Tango No. 9 in the Historic Reading Room of the Central Library on Saturday evening, August 29 at 8pm. Tango No. 9 is a Bay Area quartet that plays the fiery music of Argentine tango, both traditional and cutting edge, in original, unique arrangements. The quartet is Catharine Clune on violin, Isabel Douglass on accordion, Greg Stephens on trombone and Joshua Raoul Brody on piano. Since 1998, the group has delved deeply into the world of tango, playing countless concerts and milongas, collaborating with dancers, and releasing three critically acclaimed albums. As part of the Downtown Berkeley Music Festival, the library invites you to listen and dance to this passionate music. For more information, call 510-981-6241 or visit [www.downtownberkeleymusicfest.org](http://www.downtownberkeleymusicfest.org).



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### ***Carole Terwilliger Meyers*** ***on Bay Area Travel @North Branch***

When **Thursday, August 6, 2009, 7 – 8pm**

Where [1170 The Alameda, Berkeley, CA 94707-2502](http://1170 The Alameda, Berkeley, CA 94707-2502)

Note One of the bay area's most popular travel writers, Carole Terwilliger Meyers will be discussing and showing slides about some of her favorite travel destinations.

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### ***New Evening Beginning Computer Class in August***

The Berkeley Public Library will be offering a free beginner's computer class at Central Library in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Electronic Classroom during August on Monday evenings from August 3<sup>rd</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>, 6:00PM to 6:50PM. The class is on a drop-in basis, self-paced, and relaxed atmosphere. All beginners are welcome. Thursday morning 10:00PM class continues as usual. Please contact the Reference Desk for further information: 510-981-6148.

### ***Teen Summer Reading***

There's still time to register, read, and win prizes in the teen summer reading program, which runs through Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Teens ages 13-18 may sign up at any Berkeley Public Library location. Those who write book reviews receive a free book and a \$5 coupon for Pegasus Books, while supplies last. Each completed review also counts as an entry in the summer raffle. Raffle prizes include a \$50 Visa gift card, gift certificates to Comic Relief, and flash drives.

For more info, visit [berkeleypubliclibrary.org/teens](http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/teens)

### ***Bizarre Shorts***

Enjoy an evening of eclectic performances at the Bizarre Shorts Showcase performed by Berkeley Public Library's Teen PlayReaders. The show begins on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at Willard Middle School's Metal Shop Theater at 2425 Stuart Street. Features include pieces by Edward Albee, Oscar Wilde, David Ives, and much more. See the work of talented teens - actors, writers, and directors.

### ***Jewelry-Making Workshops for Teens***

Make your own beaded necklace and earrings. This free class includes all the supplies you'll need. Registration required.

- Saturday, August 1, 2009 at 3:00-4:30 pm at the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street. To sign up, call 981-6147 or e-mail [bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us).
- Friday, August 14, 2009 at 3:00-4:30 pm at the South Library, 1901 Russell Street. To sign up, call 981-6260 or e-mail [bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us).
- Saturday, August 15, 2009 at 2:00-3:30 pm at the Claremont Library, 2940 Benvenue Avenue. To sign up, call 981-6280 or e-mail [bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us).

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**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 or public programs.**

***Small Business Counseling @Central Library***

When: Mondays, Aug. 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2009, 4 – 5pm

Where: Central Berkeley Public Library  
[2090 Kittredge St., Berkeley, CA 94704](http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org)

The Central Library in cooperation with SCORE - Counselors to America's Small Business - now offers free one-on-one small-business counseling. You'll find business resources to help you and your business succeed.

Call the library at 981-6148 to schedule your private appointment. No same day appointments will be made. SCORE appointments are available Monday evenings between the hours of 4 and 8pm at the Central Library.

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***Artist's Talk with Photographer Nancy Duranteau @Central Library***

**When** Saturday, August 8, 2009, 2 – 3:30pm

**Where** [Central Library](#)  
[3rd Floor Community Meeting Room](#)

Nancy Duranteau, photographer and life coach, will speak about her unique approach to life coaching and the use of documentary photography in her work. This Artist's Talk Summary is presented in conjunction with the photography exhibition, *Isaura: A Life in Focus*, on display in the Central Library Catalog Lobby from August 3rd - September 30th.

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***Housing Counselors from the Berkeley Rent Board @Central Library***

Saturday, August 8, 2009, 11:00am – 12:00pm

Central Library, 2090 Kittredge at Shattuck,  
2nd Floor - Berkeley History Room

Housing Counselors from the Berkeley Rent Board will offer free, one-on-one counseling sessions on the second Saturday of each month from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Counselors will assist both tenants and landlords by answering questions and making referrals on housing related topics-- including security deposits, rent control, evictions, unpaid rent and other difficult issues. For more information please contact Nick Traylor at the Berkeley Rent Board, (510) 981-4901.

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***Poet/Librarians Read***  
***at Berkeley Public Central Library:***  
**Marc Elihu Hofstadter, former Librarian,**  
**San Francisco Municipal Railway**  
**&**  
**Alan Bern, Community Relations Librarian,**  
**Berkeley Public Library**

Join local poets **Marc Elihu Hofstadter, former Librarian at the San Francisco Municipal Railway, and Berkeley Public Library's Community Relations Librarian Alan Bern** for a poetry reading sponsored by Berkeley Public Library and the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library. This free program will be held in the **3<sup>rd</sup> floor Community Meeting Room at Central Library, downtown Berkeley, Sat., Aug. 22, 2009, at 3 pm.**

Mark Elihu Hofstadter will read poems from his newly released book, *Luck*, and other poems. Alan Bern will preview a Performance to Celebrate Cragmont Park in Berkeley (Celebration to be held at Cragmont Park, 960 Regal Road, October 4, 2:30pm). Both authors' books are available in the Berkeley Public Library's collection.

For questions and accessibility info, 510-981-6107.

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***Celebrate Peace Day with Origami Cranes @ BPL***

On August 6, the 64th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, Berkeley Public Library will celebrate Peace Day along with others from around the world who will stop to remember the bombing & do what they can to see that it never happens again.

Since 1995, the Library has marked Peace Day with a reading of Eleanor Coerr's *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*. This year's program will be held from 3 to 5:30 p.m. in the 4th floor story room of the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street, Berkeley.

Coerr's critically acclaimed children's book tells the story of Sadako Sasaki, a Hiroshima resident who was 2 years old when the bomb fell. Sadako died ten years later, at age 12, from leukemia caused by radiation from the bomb.

Before she died, Sadako tried to fold 1,000 paper cranes, as legend has it that doing so will make your wish come true. Sadako folded 644 cranes before her death.

As a tradition, people around the world fold cranes and send them to the statue of Sadako in Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park.

On the event day, members of Berkeley Public Library's teen and adult Playreaders groups will read aloud the story, accompanied by original music composed by Shirley Kazuyo Muramoto and Brian Mitsuhiro Wong. After the presentation, audience members are invited to join in folding paper cranes. Plenty of help will be available for those who have never folded a crane before. Questions? 981-6236.

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Programs listed in the newsletter are supported by the **Friends of the Berkeley Public Library**. To join the **Friends** and/or to volunteer, call **510-841-5604** go to [http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about\\_the\\_library/support\\_the\\_library.php](http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about_the_library/support_the_library.php).