



# Culver City Julian Dixon Library

## Newsletter March 2020

### ADULT PROGRAMMING

**Chinese Brush Painting.** Thursday, March 5 at 6 pm. The fluid motions of Chinese brush painting are rich in meaning and emphasize the beauty of nature. Margo Gravelle will help us explore this ancient art and guide us as we create our own masterpiece. Join us and capture the essence of your own creation. Space is limited, registration is required.

**Yoga Class.** Saturday, March 7 at 2:30 pm. Practice basic poses with yoga instructor Julia Tulsi Bagnoli. Adults with any level of experience are welcome in this class for beginners. All equipment is provided. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing.

**Saturday Movie! *It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood.*** Saturday, March 14 at 1 pm. Oscar winner Tom Hanks portrays Mister Rogers in *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*, a timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism which is based on the true story of the real-life friendship between Fred Rogers and magazine writer Tom Junod. After the apathetic Junod (played by Emmy winner Matthew Rhys) is assigned to profile Mr. Rogers, he overcomes his deep skepticism of the man and learns about empathy, kindness, and decency from America's most beloved neighbor. 2019. 109 mins.

**Gong-fu Tea Demonstration.** Wednesday, March 18 at 6 pm. Brewing tea has a long and varied history. Depending on the region, you may find differing methods, yielding contrasting results. Join us as Linda Louie of Bana Tea company discusses the origin of tea, the six categories of tea, and their processing. A Gong-Fu tea demonstration and tea tasting directly follow her lecture. Light beverages will be served, a list of ingredients will be available.

**Saturday Movie! *The King of Masks.*** Saturday, March 21 at 1 pm. Wang Bianlian is an aging street performer known as the "King of Masks" for his mastery of the ancient Chinese dramatic art where brightly colored masks are changed almost instantaneously. Without a family, Wang aches for a male descendant to teach his rare and dying trade. One night after a performance he is sold a young boy by a slave trader posing as the boy's parent. "Grandpa" finds new joy in life as he plans to teach "Doggie" (an affectionate term) his art. All is well until Doggie is found out to really be a girl. A Chinese classic. 1996. 101 mins.

**Street Foods of Hong Kong.** Saturday, March 28 at 2 pm. Part of traveling includes tasting a variety of cuisine. Join us as we venture into the bustling atmosphere of Hong Kong. Phoebe Chow will demonstrate two popular street foods found in the city. We will not only get to see and smell appetizing regional foods, but we will also have the opportunity to taste these delicious treats. Food will be served, a list of ingredients will be available.

**Knitting Club, with the Friends of the Library.** Mondays at 2:30 pm. Yarns, patterns, and good company provided! All knitters welcome. **Knitting Club will not be held on March 2 or 30.**

**Help Save Lives! Participate in our Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, March 13.** [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), then **Donate Blood** sponsor code: **JulianDixon**

### TEEN PROGRAMMING

**Teen Advisory Board.** Wednesday, March 5 at 3 pm. Have a say in what will happen in the library! Help plan programs and activities, recommend books, earn volunteer hours, have snacks, and get to know other teens. Ages 12 - 17.

**Teen Games.** Tuesday, March 10 at 3:30 pm. Play board games and solve puzzles with friends. Grades 6 - 12.

**Gold Metal Stamping for Teens.** Wednesday, March 11 at 3 pm. Learn to stamp jewelry. You will be able to make a pendant to take home. Supplies are limited; please sign up to guarantee your spot. Grades 6 - 12.

**Teen Creativity Party.** Tuesday, March 17 at 3:30 pm. For Teens Create Month, spark your creativity at this program of creative challenges and games. Grades 6 - 12.

**Teen Chinese Porcelain Traditions.** Wednesday, March 18 at 3 pm. Learn about painted Chinese porcelain and use Chinese designs as inspiration as you decorate a plastic plate to take home. Grades 6 - 12.

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

**Baby Storytime.** (ages 0 to 18 mos.) Mondays, January 27 - May 4 at 10:30 am. Baby Storytime is where memories are made. Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes, and develop early literacy skills. Limited to 20 babies. Tickets required; available 30 minutes before program.

**Toddler Storytime.** (ages 18 mos. to 3 yrs.) Mondays, January 27 - May 4 at 11:15 am. Enjoy stories, songs, movement, develop early literacy skills, and participate in school readiness activities. Limited to 30 children. Tickets required; available 30 minutes before program.

**Note: no Baby/Toddler Storytimes on March 2, 30.**

**Parent-Child Workshop.** (ages 0 to 3 yrs.) Tuesdays, March 3 - 31 at 7 pm. An opportunity for parents and caregivers and their children to play and learn together! We provide age appropriate toys as well as a resource specialist to offer helpful family advice on topics like early literacy, oral hygiene, child development, car seat safety, and more. Limit 20 children.

**Play & Explore.** (ages 0 to 3 yrs.) Wednesdays, January 29 - May 6 at 10:30 am. Play, learn, and explore! Help your child develop important social skills using age appropriate toys in our drop-in play date social hour. No registration required.

**Note: no Play & Explore on March 4.**

**Kids' Club\*** (intended for ages 5 to 11 yrs.) Thursdays at 3:45 pm.

**\*3/5 - Chinese Lanterns w/ Emmy Lam.** Learn about the ancient decorative art of Chinese lanterns from instructor Emmy Lam. Using colorful and festive materials, you will make your own hanging paper lantern to keep!

**\*3/12 - Chinese Dragon Puppets.** Join us to color and decorate your own cool legendary creature!

**\*3/19 - Make Your Own Mini Kite.** Did you know the Chinese invented the kite? Learn the science behind these flying objects and build a mini kite to amaze your friends!

**\*3/26 - Chinese Dragon and Lotus Tiles.** Come join us as Barnsdall Arts leads our group in making Chinese tiles. You can choose from either a dragon or lotus motif tile which you get to take home.

### BOOK CLUBS

**Mystery Book Club.** Thursday, March 12 at 6:45 pm. *Flower Net* by Lisa See.

**Spanish Book Club.** Wednesday, March 18 at 6:45 pm. *Sueños de Felicidad* de Lisa See.

**No Page Unturned Book Club.** Wednesday, March 25 at 6:45 pm. *On Gold Mountain* by Lisa See.

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**VOTE CENTER:** Our Meeting Room will be used for early presidential primary voting on March 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hours are from 8 am - 5 pm.

Tuesday, March 3 is Presidential Primary Election Day. Voting hours are from 7 am - 8 pm.