

JOIN THE SAN LEANDRO PUBLIC LIBRARY IN

The Big Read

Sun, Stone and Shadows



Main Library

300 Estudillo Avenue
San Leandro, California

510.577.3471

Adult and Family Celebrations

All events are FREE unless otherwise indicated. Refreshments served.

Join a Sun, Stone and Shadows Book Discussion Group!

March through May

Book Clubs will be formed throughout the City of San Leandro to discuss the anthology's extraordinary collection of Mexican short stories. A limited number of free copies of the novel, available both in English and Spanish, will be distributed so be sure to sign up at the Kick-off event! See below for details.

Coffee with Alcalde Cassidy and City Manager Zapata

Saturday, March 3 • 1:00pm

Mayor Stephen Cassidy welcomes dialogue with San Leandro's Spanish-speaking community, allowing the opportunity for residents and business owners to voice concerns and raise questions related to City programs and services. San Leandro's new City Manager, Chris Zapata will be introduced at this meeting as well. Spanish translator available.

Big Read Kickoff: Sun, Stone and Shadows

Saturday, March 3 • 2:00pm

Join us in kicking off our Big Read Program with a cooking demonstration of Mexican cuisine. A reading from author Rosario Castellanos' *The Cooking Lesson* will be highlighted. Lastly, join a Sun, Stone and Shadows Big Read Book Club and get your free copy of this anthology while supplies last! Copies available in either English or Spanish.

Reading of *The Switchman*

Saturday, March 10 • 11:00am - 2:00pm

Reading begins at • 11:00am

Old San Leandro Historic Railway Depot
1302 Orchard Ave., Thrasher Park

The San Leandro Historical Railway Society will partner with the Library in a reading of Juan Jose Arreola's *The Switchman* at the San Leandro Railway Depot. Attendees will then be given a tour of this historic 1898 rail passenger depot, which includes over 4,000 feet of model railroad tracks!

Screening of *Nora's Will*

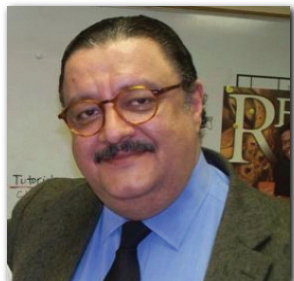
Friday, March 16 • 7:00pm - 9:00pm

A truly unique tale of lost faith and eternal love from one of Mexico's most talented new filmmakers, writer/director Mariana Chenillo. It was named Mexico's Best Picture of the Year, taking home seven Ariel Awards. Seating available on first come, first served basis. *Film is shown in Spanish with English subtitles. Not rated. Parental guidance is suggested.*

Sun, Stone and Shadows • Literary Gathering

Friday, March 23 • 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Free admission with ticket registration (dinner included)



Join us for a Literary Gathering with Mexican writer Jorge F. Hernández, editor of our Big Read selection and the author of the well-acclaimed novel *Empress of Lavapies*. He will address the selection of stories in *Sun, Stone and Shadows*; from themes that are real and unreal, faithfully rendered and fantastic, to urban reflections of everyday life. Pick up free tickets starting at 12 noon on February 23rd at the Main Library's Information Desk. Tickets available on a first come, first served basis.

Biblioteca Para la Gente and Jorge Hernández

Saturday, March 24 • 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Attendees will enjoy a panel discussion coordinated by the Library and Biblioteca Para la Gente, an affiliate of the American Library Association REFORMA which is comprised of librarians dedicated to the development of library services and programs that meet the needs of the Latino community. Guest speaker Jorge F. Hernández, famous Mexican author will lead the panel discussion.

Bi-lingual Concert with Jose-Luis Orozco

Wednesday, March 28 • 7:00pm

Join us for a fun-filled concert with bi-lingual educator, children's author and recording artist Jose-Luis Orozco. His exciting music will make your kids sing, dance, clap and wave their diez deditos!



Mexican Museum in San Francisco

Balmy Ally Murals (Mission District) & Mexican Museum (Ft. Mason)

Saturday, March 31 • 10:00am - 4:30pm • Meet at Main Library
\$30 per person • Includes transportation, tour and lunch

Join us for a fascinating walking tour of the murals in San Francisco's Mission District, followed by lunch and a visit to the Mexican Museum, located at Fort Mason. The museum has a permanent collection of over 12,000 objects, representative of Mexican and the Mexican-American cultures. Lunch at a San Francisco Mexican restaurant will be included. Tickets (limit 2 per person) go on sale at 12:00pm on February 27 at the Main Library's Information Desk.

Celebrate Día • Celebremos Día

Saturday, April 28, 11:00am - 2:00pm

Enjoy El Día de los Niños, El Día de los Libros (Children's Day/Book Day) at the library with fun-filled activities that celebrate reading! We'll have stories, crafts and special performances from clown/magician Chiquy Boom and author/illustrator Maya Christina Gonzalez in honor of children and books.



Grand Finale Fiesta!

Saturday, May 12 • 2:00pm

The grand finale of the San Leandro's Public Library's Big Read Program will be a Fiesta! Event will include music, cultural performances and delicious Mexican cuisine. *This event is for Sun, Stone and Shadows group discussion members only.*

Teen Celebrations

The Amazing Race: Viva Mexico!

Grades 6 to 12 • Friday, March 30, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Form teams to compete in Amazing Race-style challenges based on Mexican culture and "Sun, Stone, and Shadows: 20 Great Mexican Short Stories." Prizes awarded! Mexican food served. Visit the Children's Desk at the Main Library to register beginning Tuesday, February 21.

Chocolate, Chocolate, Chocolate!

Grades 6 to 12 • Tuesday, April 24, 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Play our chocolate trivia game and learn how chocolate is made. Plus enjoy free tastings of this delicious treat that is native to Mexico. Visit the Children's Desk at the Main Library to register beginning Monday, March 19.



Manor Branch

1241 Manor Boulevard
San Leandro, California

510.577.7971

Big Read Kickoff

Wednesday, March 21 • 6:30pm - 8:00pm

The 2012 Big Read at the San Leandro Public Library is *Sun, Stone and Shadows: 20 Great Mexican Short Stories*. Join us for the kickoff of the Big Read program at the Manor Branch with an evening of Mexican music, dance, and storytelling with Duo Cascada de Flores. Tickets are required and available at Manor Branch Information Desk beginning March 7. You may also pick up a free copy (while supplies last) of *Sun, Stone and Shadows: 20 Great Mexican Short Stories* (in English or Spanish) and register for a book discussion event.

Chocolate, Chocolate, Chocolate!

Grades 6 to 12 • Tuesday, May 1, 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Play our chocolate trivia game and learn how chocolate is made. Plus enjoy free tastings of this delicious treat that is native to Mexico. Register at the Manor Branch Information Desk beginning Tuesday, April 17.