Silicon Valley Reads 2018

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SiliconValleyReads.org

Authors • Panels • Films • Art Exhibit • Discussions
Activities for children and teens
Free events for all ages throughout Santa Clara County

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FEBRUARY – MARCH

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DEAR COMMUNITY,

Each year the Silicon Valley Reads team works very hard to select books and a theme that will engage our community in a conversation about an issue relevant to our region. Our criteria are many and our standards are high. For 2018, we considered more than 60 books in a variety of themes before deciding upon our final selections.

Caregiving is a topic that touches us all at one time or another. It can be challenging . . . joyful . . . stressful . . . and critical to the well-being of ourselves, our families and our community. There is much to discuss and we hope that our selected books help you read, think and engage with others.

There are more than 100 events scheduled for all ages throughout Santa Clara County in February and March. All are free and we welcome you to participate in as many as you can.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement with Silicon Valley Reads. We look forward to seeing you at this year’s events.

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FEATURED SELECTIONS

Named a Best Book of 2017 by NPR, O-The Oprah Magazine, Vogue, San Francisco Chronicle, Esquire, Huffington Post, Entertainment Weekly, BuzzFeed, Booklist and others

Goodbye, Vitamin
A Novel
RACHEL KHONG

International bestseller
No honest and rewarding memoir of a couple’s compassion and love for each other.” (Kirkus Reviews)


COMPANION BOOKS FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

“A poignant tale of intergenerational connection, transition, and patience. The language and vivid illustrations... are infused with warmth and expression.” (Booklist)

My Lovely Wife in the Psych Ward
MARK LUKACH

Winner of the Joyce Frank Award. “Effectively portrays the frustrations of aging and memory loss through a mix of humor, sharp-eyed observations, and compassion.” (Publishers Weekly)


SILICON VALLEY READS 2018 KICK-OFF EVENT

Thursday, Feb 1, 7:30 p.m.
Visual & Performing Arts Center
De Anza College, Cupertino


Doors open at 6:45 p.m. No tickets or reservations required. First come, first seated. The adjacent Euphrat Museum of Art will be open from 6:50-7:30 p.m. and during book signing for free viewing of the exhibit “Showing Up with Care.” The campus bookstore will sell books before and after the program and the authors will sign books after the program.

Free parking in Lots A and B beginning at 5 p.m. See campus map at DeAnza.edu/ map. Information: SVReads@sdol.com

A video of this program will be posted in the Video Library of the website SiliconValleyReads.org later in February.

“SHOWING UP WITH CARE” ART EXHIBIT

Feb. 1-March 22
Euphrat Museum of Art, De Anza College, Cupertino

“Showing Up with Care” explores caregiving, healing and the power of expression. The artists draw from personal experience, advocate for caregiver rights, and look at how art can be a vehicle for healing and transformation. Works include documentary photography, augmented reality videos, large scale collaborative paintings, narrative quilts, ceramic and mixed media sculpture, an interactive mandala, and more.

Artists include Chris Buns, Annabel Clark, Brett Cook, Marion Coleman, Kate DeCicco, Marisa Jahn, Pantea Karimi, Kristin Lindehas Rivera, Diwa Malaya, Mark Messenger, Adam Perez, George Rivera, Cynthia Siegel and Tony Stroman. Special project with De Anza College art and sociology students.

On Saturday, March 3, the public is invited to a “Radical Self Care Mandalas” workshop. Make your own self care mandala incorporating personal and cultural symbols for health/well being and healing. Drop-in, free of charge with ongoing activities 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Euphrat Museum of Art on the De Anza College campus is open Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (closed Monday February 19 for Presidents Day), Saturday, March 3, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Thursday, March 5, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. for open mic night. Additional open hours by appointment. Information: 408-864-5404. There is no admission fee.
Mark and Giulia’s life together began as a storybook romance. They fell in love at 18, married at 24, and were living their dream life in San Francisco. When Giulia was 27, she suffered a terrifying and unexpected psychotic break that landed her in the psych ward for nearly a month. One day she was vibrant and well-adjusted – the next she was delusional and suicidal, convinced that her loved ones were not safe. A story of the fragility of the mind, and the tenacity of the human spirit, My Lovely Wife in the Psych Ward is above all, a love story that raises profound questions: How do we care for the people we love? What and who do we live for?

In conversation with Dr. Lucy Kalanithi

Mark discusses caregiving, coping and compassion with Dr. Lucy Kalanithi, a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Stanford School of Medicine and widow of Dr. Paul Kalanithi, author of the #1 New York Times-bestselling memoir When Breath Becomes Air. Co-sponsored by Friends of Milpitas Library.

Mon, Feb 12, 7 p.m., Milpitas Library

Using Technology, Innovations and Data To Create A New Future for Caregiving

More than 40 million Americans are caregivers to parents, partners, friends or children with disabilities – yet many feel alone. How can current systems and the community do a better job to support unpaid caregivers? This panel will discuss how groundbreaking research, modern technologies and the personal experiences of caregivers and those who support them might be combined to achieve transformative change in our communities.

In conversation with Jeff Bell

Mark discusses his book with Jeff Bell, host of the KCAT series “Community Storytelling” and Bay Area Radio Hall of Fame honoree. Audience Q&A follows. Co-sponsored by Friends of Los Gatos Library.

Sat, Feb 24, 1:30 p.m., Los Gatos Library

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

Presented in English and Mandarin, this program will describe lifestyle habits that can help maintain or potentially improve health. These habits may also help to keep the brain healthy as we age and possibly delay the onset of cognitive decline. Lifestyle habits associated with healthy aging include: cognitive activity, physical health and exercise, diet and nutrition, and social engagement. The interactive program will tell the difference between normal and abnormal memory loss, and strategies to recognize it. He will describe how people can use the principles of brain function to transform themselves into who they wish to be. Co-sponsored by Gavilan College.

Fri, Feb 9, 10:30 a.m., Saratoga Library

Maximize Your Memory

Presented in English and Mandarin, this program covers how memory works, the difference between normal and abnormal memory loss, tips for increasing your memory and three keys to maintaining brain health. Participants will also learn tips and strategies for improving memory. Co-sponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association.

Fri, March 16, 10:30 a.m., Saratoga Library

In conversation with Lissa Kreisler

Mark discusses his book with Lissa Kreisler, host of the KCAT series “Community Storytelling” and Bay Area Radio Hall of Fame honoree. Audience Q&A follows. Co-sponsored by Friends of Los Gatos Library.

Sat, Feb 24, 1:30 p.m., Los Gatos Library

The Brain and Transformation

Professor Nick Fortino, Ph.D. of Gavilan College will discuss the way the brain functions and how it can change. He will describe how people can use the principles of brain function to transform themselves into who they wish to be. Co-sponsored by Gavilan College.

Tue, Feb 6, 7 p.m., Gilroy Library

Maximizing Your Memory: Tips and Strategies

Are you concerned about your memory? This informative and interactive program will focus on how to tell the difference between normal age-related memory loss and dementia. Participants will also learn tips and strategies for improving memory. Co-sponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association.

Thu, March 8, 3 p.m., Gilroy Library
Creating Moments of Joy: The Untapped Potential of Caregiving

The greatest gift you can give someone is your time. As scarce a commodity as that may be for you, it is even more precious for an aging parent or loved one. Yet far too many people embrace their caregiver role too late, seeing it only in its most negative terms and missing out on what might become some of life’s most cherished memories. Start spending quality time now to experience the “Aha!” moment of what matters in life. Gerontologist Esther Koch will help you tap into your potential to create moments of joy as a caregiver.

Wed, Feb 21, 7 p.m., Los Altos Library
Fri, Feb 23, 10:30 a.m., Saratoga Library
Mon, March 12, 7 p.m., Gilroy Library
Thur, March 15, 7 p.m., Milpitas Library

Preserving Our Vision Over the Years

This program will discuss how aging and eye diseases can threaten vision, and what you can do to preserve your most precious sense. Dr. Martin Fishman, a Los Gatos ophthalmologist and Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at Stanford Medical Center, will discuss common eye diseases, preventative measures, therapies and the latest medical and surgical approaches to cataracts, glaucoma, macular degeneration and other eye conditions.

Wed, March 7, 10:30 a.m., Saratoga Library

Hospice 101

This program will provide information about the myths and facts of hospice care and its impact on both the patient and the family. Co-sponsored by Hospice of the Valley
Thur, March 8, 2 p.m., Campbell Library

Holistic Nutrition

Indian Business and Professional Women (IBPW) will host a talk on holistic nutrition, based on Rachel Khong’s novel "Goodbye, Vitamin." Lata Patel will address senior citizens on the topic of “Cooking, Care and Compassion.”

Tue, April 10, 12 noon, India Community Center

Mental Illness and Family Relationships

Based on Mark Lukach’s memoir My Lovely Wife in the Psych Ward, Indian Business and Professional Women (IBPW) will host a panel discussion to address the issues around mental illness and its effect on relationships. Psychiatric professionals on the panel will discuss how to cope by anchoring compassion, devotion and love.
Sun, April 15, 7-9 p.m., India Community Center

Self-Care for Caregivers

Becoming a caregiver is a life-changing experience, whether you are caring for a loved one or working in a healthcare profession. Compassion and mindfulness teacher Emily Hine, CEO of HineSight Consulting, will offer practical mindfulness strategies and compassion practices to reduce caregiver stress, depression and burnout. This engaging presentation will help you develop coping strategies to help you better care for yourself and others.

Tue, March 6, 7 p.m., Campbell Library
Mon, March 12, 7 p.m., Los Altos Library
Mon, March 19, 7 p.m., Saratoga Library

Mindfulness: Learning To Be Happy, Healthy and Stress Free – No Matter What

In this session on mindfulness and meditation, participants will be introduced to the benefits of yogic breathing exercises by experiencing guided relaxation through breathing, light yoga and stretching, and guided meditation. A discussion will follow on insights into the nature of the mind with a focus on compassion.

Mon, Feb 12, 7 p.m., Gilroy Library
Fri, March 9, 5:30 p.m., Los Altos Library

In 1885, the Agnews Residential Facility was established by the California State Legislature as a neuropsychiatric institution for the care and treatment of the mentally ill. It was considered a leader in adopting progressive treatments of mental illness and later became a resource for developmentally disabled. Join former Agnews Development Center staff member and current museum volunteer Kathleen Lee for a special walking tour of the Agnews Historic Cemetery & Museum in Santa Clara. Due to limited space, pre-registration is required at http://bit.ly/Agnews18.

Agnews Museum Tour: History of Caring and Compassion

Wed, March 7, 10 a.m.-12 noon
Agnews Historic Cemetery & Museum

CareMapping Workshop

In this two-hour interactive workshop, participants will learn about and draw their own “CareMap” – a diagram of their care ecosystem. The Atlas CareMap illustrates the caregiver’s own support system, highlights what is working well, and can reveal duplication or gaps in care and resources. The workshop was developed with funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the Santa Barbara Foundation and AARP and has been presented to hundreds of individuals over the past two years. Co-sponsored by the Seniors’ Agenda, Santa Clara County Department of Aging and Adult Services.

Mon, Feb 12, 4:30 p.m., Alum Rock Branch Library
Tue, Feb 15, 7 p.m., Morgan Hill Library
Thur, Feb 22, 2 p.m., Campbell Library
Fri, March 3, 10:30 a.m., Saratoga Library
Mon, March 5, 7 p.m., Gilroy Library
Mon, March 10, 7 p.m., Los Altos Library

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THE ALZHEIMER'S PROJECT: CAREGIVERS

Five portraits of caregiving for Alzheimer’s. Created by an award-winning HBO team, this multi-platform series takes a close look at groundbreaking discoveries made by the country’s leading scientists, as well as the effects of this debilitating and fatal disease on those with Alzheimer’s and their families.

**Mon., Feb. 5, 5:45 p.m.**, Rose Garden Branch Library
**Tue., Feb. 5, 4:30 p.m.**, Tully Community Branch Library
**Sat., Feb. 24, 2 p.m.**, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
**Sat., March 3, 1:30 p.m.**, Evergreen Branch Library
**Wed., March 7, 1 p.m.**, Almaden Branch Library
**Mon., March 12, 6 p.m.**, Alum Rock Branch Library
**Tue., March 13, 7 p.m.**, Saratoga Library

ALZHEIMER’S: A LOVE STORY

Those diagnosed with Alzheimer’s live an average of eight years after their symptoms first become noticeable. It has been 11 years for Greg, who now lives in a memory care facility. Every day, his husband Michael visits the love of his life and fights to preserve the memory of their 40 years together. This documentary has been screened at more than 50 film festivals internationally and won both audience and juried awards, including the Best Short Film and Best LGBT Film at the Cannes American Pavilion Emerging Filmmakers Showcase.

**Tue., March 13, 7 p.m.**, Campbell Library

THE SANDWICH GENERATION

In this emotionally charged account of family caregiving, filmmaker Julie Winokur and her husband, photojournalist Ed Kashi, expose their personal lives with caregiving, filmmaker Julie Winokur and her husband, her family and the ripple effects of her suicide and those she loved. It is being used in classrooms across the world to teach how mental illness and suicide impact families, reduce stigma, raise awareness, and educate policymakers and mental health professionals on the future.

**Tue., Feb. 13, 7 p.m.**, Campbell Library

CARING FOR MOM AND DAD

Who will take care of those who can no longer care for themselves? How will the nation adapt to ensure that adequate care can be provided for both the caregivers and for those being cared for? This PBS documentary seeks to answer these questions as it explores the emotional, health and financial challenges that many caregivers face every day, and offers solutions and tips to help others embarking on this new future.

**Thu., Feb. 21, 5:10 p.m.**, Educational Park Branch Library
**Wed., Feb. 28, 6:10 p.m.**, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
**Mon., March 5, 5:10 p.m.**, Alum Rock Branch Library
**Sat., March 10, 1:30 p.m.**, Milpitas Library
**Thu., March 22, 5:30 p.m.**, Evergreen Branch Library

ALIVE INSIDE: THE STORY OF MUSIC AND MEMORY

This film is a joyous cinematic exploration of the capacity of music to reawaken our souls and uncover the deepest parts of our humanity. Filmmaker Michael Rossato-Bennett chronicles the astonishing experiences of individuals around the country who have been revitalized through the simple experience of listening to music.

**Fri., Feb. 9, 2 p.m.**, Gilroy Library
**Tue., March 13, 7:30 p.m.**, Campbell Library

GRANDMOTHER TO GRANDMOTHER

This film introduces outstanding projects – one in the Bronx, one in Tanzania. The founders of these projects are finding simple and effective ways to support grandparents who are raising grandchildren. Children who were ‘at risk’ are now thriving. Grandmothers who felt hopeless are beginning to have hope.

**Wed., Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m.**, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
**Thu., Feb. 22, 5 p.m.**, Edenvale Branch Library
**Thu., March 1, 11:30 a.m.**, Gilroy Library
**Thu., March 1, 5:30 p.m.**, Evergreen Branch Library
**Tue., March 13, 7 p.m.**, Willow Glen Branch Library
**Sat., March 17, 3 p.m.**, Saratoga Library

BREATHING ROOM

This is the first documentary filmed in an Alzheimer’s unit told from the perspective of an Alzheimer’s patient. In Danville, Lee Gorewitz wanders on a personal odyssey of an Alzheimer’s patient. In Danville, Lee Gorewitz wanders on a personal odyssey of an Alzheimer’s patient. In Danville, Lee Gorewitz wanders on a personal odyssey.

**Thu., Feb. 13, 7:20 p.m.**, Saratoga Library
**Mon., March 12, 5:30 p.m.**, Alum Rock Branch Library

NINE TO NINETY

A story of a family at a crossroads, this PBS documentary is an intimate portrait of three generations coming together to face the questions and consequences of aging. The heart of the film is the love story of Phyllis and Joe Sabatini, who at ages 89 and 90 live in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, where they relish time with their family but do not want to be a burden on their children.

**Wed., Feb. 7, 7:30 p.m.**, West Valley Branch Library
**Sat, Feb. 17, 10:30 a.m.**, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
**Wed., Feb. 21, 1 p.m.**, Almaden Branch Library
**Mon., March 5, 5:30 p.m.**, Seven Trees Branch Library
**Mon, March 12, 5:30 p.m.,**, Alum Rock Branch Library

HERE ONE DAY: A FAMILY COPE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

When filmmaker Kathy Leichtr moved back into her childhood home after her mother’s suicide, she discovered a hidden box of audiotapes. Sixteen years passed before she had the courage to delve into this trove, unearthing details that her mother had recorded about every aspect of her life, from the joys and challenges of her marriage, to her son’s estrangement, to the highs and lows of living with bipolar disorder. This emotionally candid film is about a woman coping with mental illness, her relationships with her family and the ripple effects of her suicide and those she loved.

**Thu., Feb. 13, 7 p.m.**, Campbell Library
**Tue, March 6, 7 p.m.,**, Saratoga Library
**Sun, March 18, 2 p.m.,**, Milpitas Library
**Mon, March 19, 6 p.m.,**, Gilroy Library

YOU'RE LOOKING AT ME LIKE I LIVE HERE AND I DON'T

This is the first documentary filmed in an Alzheimer’s unit told from the perspective of an Alzheimer’s patient. In Danville, Lee Gorewitz wanders on a personal odyssey of an Alzheimer’s patient. From the moment she wakes up, Lee is on a quest -- for reminders of her past and her identity. A total immersion into the fragmented day-to-day experience of Alzheimer’s. “You're Looking At Me Like I Live Here and I Don't” is filled with charismatic vitality and penetrating ruminations that challenge our preconceptions of illness and aging.

**Tue., Feb. 20, 7 p.m., Saratoga Library

BEST BOY

Director Ira Wohl documents three years in the life of his cheerful, mentally handicapped 52-year-old cousin, Philly Wohl, whose elderly parents have recently started to prepare him for the day when they can no longer be his caretakers. Ira follows Philly as he travels from his apartment in Queens into Manhattan, where he takes classes to learn to care for himself. Slowly, Philly begins to learn the ways of the world and becomes more self-reliant and independent.

**Tue, Feb 13, 7 p.m., Saratoga Library

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ACTIVITIES FOR TEENS

Silicon Valley Reads 2018 Event Locations

"When a community reads together, it creates a place where more understanding and empathy are possible. It becomes a kinder place for people to live." — Meg Medina

Mindfulness for Teens

This one-hour fun, interactive session is conducted by instructors from the YES! For Schools program that has been taught to more than 13,000 students in the Bay Area. The session includes: tension releasing exercises, targeted breathing techniques to help reduce stress, full body relaxation and short guided meditation. Participants are requested to bring a yoga mat or a large towel.

Mon, Feb 5, 4 p.m., Milpitas Library
Tue, Feb 6, 4 p.m., Morgan Hill Library
Mon, March 5, 4 p.m., Gilroy Library
Tue, March 6, 5 p.m., Campbell Library
Fri, March 23, 7:30 p.m., Los Altos Library

Family Histories Teen Program

Teens will learn about family connections and basic family research in this introduction to unlocking family histories. Provided resources extend and improve family communication, take better care of themselves and get their “to do” lists under control. Participants will be able to apply the layouts, spreads, journaling tools and customizable bullet journal structure to their daily lives, creative endeavors and wellness practices.

Mon, Feb 26, 4 p.m., Milpitas Library
Sat, March 3, 10 a.m., Gilroy Library
Sat, March 10, 3 p.m., Morgan Hill Library
Tue, March 27, 4 p.m., Los Altos Library

Self-Compassion for Teens

Teens, discover a place to unwind and be yourself. As a teen in today’s fast-paced, technically saturated world, you probably experience stress, at least occasionally. And is it any wonder? You’re juggling schoolwork, friendships and other responsibilities. Sometimes you need a place to chill and be yourself. Dr. Amy Saltman author of A Quiet Place will help you find that place – a place of power and peace inside you. This short workshop will offer a way to deal with stress, and provide tips for being kind to yourself and others.

Tue, March 6, 7 p.m., Los Altos Library
Wed, March 14, 7 p.m., Cupertino Library

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

learning to Help Children's Activity

Following a reading aloud of Mango, Abuela and Me, children will create a chart showing how they can support and help their families. The activity will guide children to identify teachable skills for themselves and family members. This program will be offered in many San Jose Public Library branches in February and March. For dates and times, visit SiliconValleyReads.org.

Happy Birds

In this year’s selected picture book Mango, Abuela and Me, a parrot named Mango helps Mia and her grandmother get better acquainted. Meet smart and beautiful real parrots in a special program with Happy Birds.

Sat, Feb 17, 3 p.m., Saratoga Library
Wed, Feb 21, 3 p.m., Morgan Hill Library
Thu, Feb 22, 3 p.m., Milpitas Library
Wed, Feb 28, 5 p.m., Almaden Branch Library
Thu, March 15, 4:30 p.m., West Valley Branch Library
Wed, March 28, 4:30 p.m., Campbell Library

Wendelin Van Draanen

Tue, March 13, Cupertino Library
4 p.m. — Students in grades 4-7 are invited to meet Wendelin Van Draanen and discuss her book, The Secret Life of Lincoln Jones.

7 p.m. — Adults with an interest in children’s literature are invited to meet Wendelin Van Draanen and discuss her books. Registration required at either the Cupertino Adult or Children’s Reference Desk beginning Feb. 1.

Author Wendelin Van Draanen will visit local public schools in March to talk to students in grades 4-7 about her book and writing.
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The Muslims Next Door
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