

"Tender" Watch Party and Q&A  
With Director Daryl B. Jones  
Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 PM

Dear Community,

Independent films tell some of the most powerful stories in art and media. They often build empathy and shed light on people who are marginalized. Local filmmaker Daryl B. Jones' short film "Tender" does exactly that, capturing the beauty of San Francisco's Tenderloin neighborhood while following three Black trans women struggling to live amidst gentrification and rising rent.

For those looking to amplify the stories and voices of Black and African American people, especially during [Black History Month](#), don't miss our [Tender Watch Party and Q&A With Director Daryl B. Jones](#) on Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7:00 PM. "Tender" is a recipient of nine official selections from film festivals around the world, including San Francisco's Black Film Festival.

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### 慶祝農曆新年 / Celebrate the Lunar New Year

新年快樂！來參加兩項家庭友好的在線活動，慶祝十二生肖的第二個動物牛年。兒童讀物作家 Oliver Chin 今天在下午5:00與我們一起閱讀來讓我們進一步了解他的書 *The Year of the Ox* (牛年)。請繼續關注2月17日(星期三)上午10:30特殊的 [Lunar New Year Storytime Craft and Parade](#) (農曆新年故事時間手工藝和遊行)，我們將閱讀雙語故事並手工製作自己的龍。

Happy Lunar New Year! Come celebrate the Year of the Ox, the second animal of the Chinese zodiac, with two family-friendly virtual events. Learn more about *The Year of the Ox* from children's book author Oliver Chin when he reads his book with us [today at 5:00 PM](#). Stay tuned for a special [Lunar New Year Storytime Craft and Parade](#) on Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 10:30 AM as we read bilingual stories and make our own dragon craft together.

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### Looking for a Valentine's Day Gift?

There's nothing better than a homemade gift, so let's DIY this year's Valentine's Day card for that special person! Join a [virtual cardmaking workshop](#) on Friday, Feb. 12 at 4:00 PM to learn how you can make a unique 3D card for any occasion using common household materials.

[Register](#) in advance and review the list of supplies to gather before the event so you're ready to let your creativity flow. Looking for a read full of passion? Check out our [adult romance eBook](#) and [young adult romance](#) reading lists.

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### Understanding the Work of the Supreme Court

Recent events have catapulted the Supreme Court to the forefront of national politics, highlighting the Court's unique role in deciding cases that impact all of us. Join attorney [Barbara Creed](#) on [Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 3:00 PM](#) as she delves into three cases on the current Supreme Court docket: human trafficking, restitution of Nazi art plunder, and warrantless searches. In this interactive discussion, we'll vote on how we feel the Court should decide each case. After the Court has issued its rulings, Barbara will compare the Court's decision to our own.

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### Power Through Art With Kehinde Wiley

Kehinde Wiley is a world-renowned contemporary artist with an unmatched ability to paint hyperrealism portraits. His breathtakingly colorful paintings always portray persons with black or brown skin in a proud and heroic posture. Explore our [blog](#) to learn more about his incredible body of work. The [blog](#) includes books about Wiley available through [Curbside Services](#), a documentary you can stream from home, and a coloring page activity to inspire your own creative side.

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# Explore More

Explore, learn, and connect at our [virtual library programs](#)! You might also be interested in these exciting, upcoming events.

#### High Low Movie Club

Thursday, Feb. 11 • 8:00 PM

Join the first meeting of the High Low Movie Club as we bring movie lovers together for the best and worst in film. Tonight, we're watching the cult classic "Birdemic."

#### Zoom Chat - What We're Keeping From COVID

Friday, Feb. 12 • 10:00 AM

Looking for a way to meet new people and connect with your community? During this friendly Zoom chat, we will share our positive experiences during the pandemic.

#### Interactive Storytime With Adrienne

Friday, Feb. 12 • 10:30 AM

Do you and your little one love songs, stories, and music? Join us for an interactive all-ages storytime!

#### The Winning Resume

Tuesday, Feb. 16 • 9:00 AM

Learn more about the vital steps you can take to make your resume top notch at our next [career development event](#).

#### Interactive Storytime With Nicole

Tuesday, Feb. 16 • 3:30 PM

Sing and dance along with Miss Nicole for Family Storytime. Hear your favorite songs and stories from the comfort of your own home.

#### 聖馬刁縣圖書館中文讀書會 | Chinese Book Club

Wednesday, Feb. 17 • 4:00 PM

歡迎參加我們的網上中文讀書會。第四次讀書會，我們會一起討論亞莫爾·托歐斯的《莫斯科紳士》。Join our virtual monthly Chinese Book Club on Zoom. This time, we will be reading *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles.

#### Revelations: Art From the African American South

Wednesday, Feb. 17 • 7:00 PM

Explore the [Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco's](#) expanded collection of African American art while understanding the creativity and art that can be borne of oppression.

[Explore All Events](#)

# Community Picks

Our Community Picks' titles are available digitally through [online resources](#) or in print through [Curbside Services](#).



Children's Fiction: [A Parade of Elephants](#) by Kevin Henkes

A fun, interactive book to get young readers moving. March with the elephants as they parade up, down, and around and around!

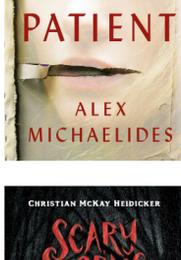
*Alice, Portola Valley and Woodside Libraries*



Young Adult Graphic Novel: [What If We Were...](#) by Axelle Lenoir

Two best friends rewrite the universe on a daily basis through their imaginations and silliness behind the game of imagination, as well as the underlying plot in this slice-of-life comic! Available as an eBook through [Hoopla](#).

*Jenna, Foster City Library*



Adult Fiction: [The Silent Patient](#) by Alex Michaelides

Alicia is admitted into a psychiatric hospital after being accused of killing her husband and refusing to speak. The story is narrated by psychotherapist Theo Faber, who becomes infatuated with Alicia's case, convinced that he can get her to speak again. This thriller is such a page-turner that I finished the book in two days.

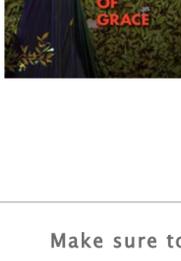
*Elena, Brisbane Library*



Children's Fiction: [Scary Stories for Young Foxes](#) by Christian McKay Heidicker

This 2020 Newbery Award Honor book is a creepy good story, told from the perspective of young fox kits as they fight to survive an unforgiving wilderness. Not for the faint-hearted and for children in grades 3-6.

*Angela, Pacifica Libraries*



Movie Streaming: [Kehinde Wiley: An Economy of Grace](#)

This documentary follows the creative process of artist Kehinde Wiley's highly anticipated "An Economy of Grace" exhibition, a series of painted portraits celebrating Black women. From the specific poses that he chooses for his models to the couture dresses that he had made by acclaimed fashion designer Riccardo Tisci, Wiley puts his all into creating a beautifully powerful experience. Available on [Kanopy](#).

*Kenny, East Palo Alto Library*

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