



MECHANICS'
INSTITUTE
Since 1854

Non-Profit Member-Supported Library, Chess Club, and Cultural Organization



Hi Tina, Member Benefits include complimentary or reduced pricing at all events. Support Mechanics' Institute — **DONATE**, **JOIN** or **RENEW** today.



This Week



Thursday, April 18 | 6:00 pm

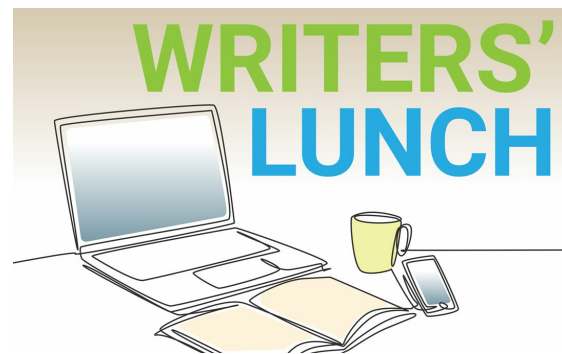
[Earth Day Panel: Innovators Creating Sustainable Communities](#)

with Quinlin Messenger, Kirstin Weeks, Dustin Mulvaney, and Karen Topakian

ONSITE | Environmental activists and innovators will discuss alternative energy, design concepts and production, & resources for diverse communities.

[Learn More & Register](#)

Members | Free
Non-Members | \$10



Friday, April 19 | 12:00 pm

[Writers' Lunch: Ecological Awareness in Writing](#)

moderated by Sheryl J. Bize-Boutte

ZOOM | Join Mechanics' Institute for a discussion on the topic "Ecological Awareness in Writing" with [Viola Buitoni](#), [Kevin Hobbs](#), and [Obi Kaufmann](#).

This special session of Writers' Lunch celebrates the intersection of National Garden Month (April) and Earth Day (April 22).

[Learn More & Register](#)

All are welcome | Free Admission

For Members



Saturday, April 20 | 11:00 am

Tech Support Hour

ONSITE | Get tech support from our Community Tech Network Volunteers!

Current DROP-IN Hours:

- Every Monday (with Alexander) from 1:30 pm-2:30 pm
- Third Saturdays (with Anna) from 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Members Only | Free Admission



Saturday, April 27 | 10:30 am

New Member Orientation

ONSITE | Mechanics' Institute, 57 Post St
Learn more about your membership benefits for the Library, Chess Room, and beyond.

RSVP to membership@milibrary.org referencing **NEW MEMBER** in the subject line or phone 415-393-0105.

Members Only | Free Admission

Of Interest



Saturday, April 20 | 10:00 am

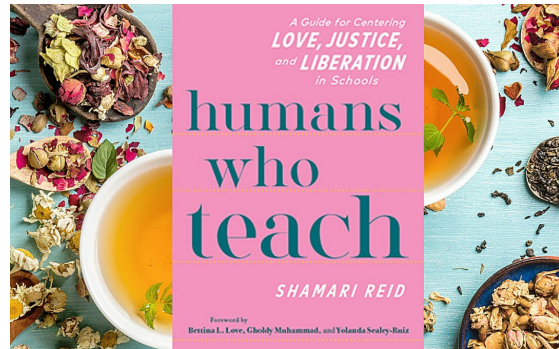
Family Story Hour in the Library

in the 2nd Floor Library

ONSITE | Gather 'round as a family to hear stories and make crafts nestled in the Library of the Mechanics' Institute! We'll read 2-3 stories appropriate for children age 8 and younger plus make a fun craft to take home.

[Learn More & Register](#)

All are welcome | Free Admission



Saturday, April 20 | 1:00 pm

Humans Who Teach

with Shamari Reid, professor and author

ZOOM | *Humans Who Teach* invites readers to explore the complicated humanity of those who teach, with a focus on how we have been socialized to accept the status quo, our very real fears in disrupting the status quo, and how we can rely on our human capacity to love to engage in teaching for social justice even in the presence of fear.

[Learn More & Register](#)

Members | Free

CinemaLit



CinemaLit in April: International Coming of Age Films

Fridays, April 19, and 26
6:00 pm (cafe opens at 5:30 pm)

ONSITE | CinemaLit is going international this month, with four films from four countries exploring coming of age and its universality. Join us for [Girlhood \(2014\)](#) from France and [The Way He Looks \(2014\)](#) from Brazil.

[Learn more & Register](#)

Members: Free

Non-Members: \$10

For More Upcoming Events, Click [HERE](#).

Wednesday, April 24 | 6:15 pm | ONSITE | [Storytelling Showcase with Corey Rosen: Story Slam!](#)

Monday, April 29 | 12:00 pm | ONSITE | [Monday Noontime History Series: Poems of Chinese Exclusion](#)

Monday, April 29 | 6:00 pm | ZOOM | [No Poetry No Peace™: A Reading and Celebration of Human Poetic Expression](#), hosted by Sheryl J. Bize Boutte.

Wednesdays, May 8-June 26 | 6:00 pm | ONSITE | [Weaving Community Through Storytelling Workshop with Kate Farrell](#)

Library



"The most important asset of any library goes home at night - the library staff."
-Timothy Healy

At Mechanics' Institute we recognize and give thanks to our dedicated Library Team during [National Library Week](#) and everyday.

For Members

Join a NEW Poetry Writers
Group for Members Only

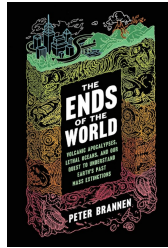


Embark on your literary adventure by joining a Writers' Group at Mechanics' Institute — where your passion for writing comes to life in an inspiring and welcoming community!

[Learn more](#)

New to Our Collection

[*The Ends of the World: Volcanic Apocalypses, Lethal Oceans, and our Quest to*](#)

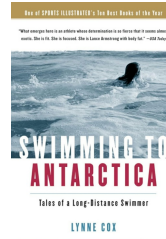


[*Understand Earth's Past Mass Extinctions*](#)

by Peter Brannen

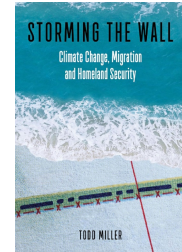
[*Swimming to Antarctica: Tales of a Long-Distance Swimmer*](#)

by Lynne Cox



[*Storming the Wall: Climate Change, Migration, and Homeland Security*](#)

by Todd Miller



Chess

[View Calendar for Chess Events, Tournaments, and Classes](#)

Sundays, Ongoing | Zoom | 10:00 am | Zoom | [Free Women's, Girls', and Gender Expansive Individuals Class](#)

Saturday, April 20 | 10:00 am | [Scholastic Swiss Tournament](#)

Saturday, April 20 | 3:00 pm | [Monthly Quads Tournament](#)

Tuesday, April 23 | 7:00 pm | [Spring Splash Blitz](#)

Saturday-Sunday, April 27-28 | 10:00 am and 2:00 pm | [23rd William Addison Memorial Tournament \(FIDE-rated\)](#)

Chess in the Community

Mechanics' Institute is bringing chess to the community across San Francisco. Come out and join us throughout every week:

[Mechanics Monument Plaza](#)

Thursdays | 12:00–1:00 pm

[UN Plaza](#)

Sundays | 11:00 am–2:00 pm

Materials provided or feel free to bring your own board. All are welcome! Please note: Chess engagement outdoors is weather permitting.



Learn more at www.milibrary.org.

Support Mechanics' Institute — [DONATE](#), [JOIN](#), or [RENEW](#) today.

Follow us on social media.

Join the conversation and be part of our community today!



Mechanics' Institute respects your privacy and does not share contact information.

Mechanics' Institute | 57 Post Street, San Francisco, CA 94104

[Unsubscribe tahn@milibrary.org](mailto:tahn@milibrary.org)

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by membership@milibrary.org powered by



Try email marketing for free today!