

FRIENDS OF THE ENCINO-TARZANA LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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<http://www.ETLibraryFriends.org>

***Dear non-computer users:** Please go to the Library, sit down at a Library computer, and read this Newsletter--enjoying our links for more information. Ask for help at the Library's Information Desk.*

FANTASTIC B-I-G USED BOOK SALE

Friday & Saturday – JUNE 10 and 11 – 9:30 – 5:00

Thousands of items – most for 50¢ to \$1.00 – many “like new”

Info and to volunteer: Contact Margaret Talvin - mtalvin@mac.com

If you can't come to our Sale, stop by the Library and shop in our **Bookstore (open daily)** – same prices as our Book Sale but varying inventory.

**THANK YOU to our Book Sale Managers: Norma Lamken, Margaret Talvin;
And to ALL of our dedicated and wonderful volunteers -- adults and teens.**

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 2015

by Adele Druck

In 2015 Encino-Tarzana Branch continued to be one of the busiest of the 72 branches in the city - consistently ranking among the top three in circulation.

Friends' support of this Branch Library in 2015 included:

- * We funded books, supplies, and equipment beyond what is provided by the City Budget
- * We funded Adult, Children's, and Teen's programs including paying for performers at Summer Reading Club events
- * We purchased a rug for story time and provided puppets for the puppet stage which was provided by the Library
- * We funded Hot-Off-The-Press books at the maximum level of 25 new books per month
- * We continue to pay for a movie license
- * We provide funding for the very popular Yoga classes

All of this is possible largely due to our very successful Book Sales and the incredible crew led by Norma Lamken and Margaret Talvin. We continue to earn near record-breaking amounts. Every Tuesday and Friday the sorting crew arrives to find a huge stack of donated books which they sort into boxes by subject ready to be set up at the next book sale; they also restock the Bookstore and rotate and refresh the inventory. *[continues >]*

Our annual Membership Drive headed up by Membership Chair Jenny Lapidus also contributes significantly to our income and our ability to serve the Library and the community.

Our website continues to be a marvel with information updated almost daily by Webmaster Judy Russell and Publications Chair Barbara Leff. Barbara also writes our bi-annual informative Newsletter.

I look forward to continuing to serve the Library and the Community in 2016.

USED BOOK SALES

By Norma Lamken, 2nd Vice-President and Book Sale Co-Chair

Book sale proceeds have been generally going up since 2009.

Are there patterns that determine what makes a book sale successful? We've been keeping records from 2009 to our current 2016. Why is one book sale more successful than another? Maybe the August sales are more successful, or maybe it's the number of boxes of books that we have to put into the sale. And it might be interesting to note if we get more donations during March than in June.

Unfortunately, we've come to the conclusion that there really isn't a pattern on any of the above. So much for record keeping! It doesn't seem to matter if we have a lot of books or a few books, although we've learned that we need between 150 to 300 boxes of books for a good sale. Less than that and the sale looks sparse. More than that and we don't have space to put all of the boxes out. Other things obviously come into play – things that are hard to quantify: The quality of the books that come in for a particular sale or how motivated the buyers are. And then there are the attractive signs pointing out where to find the various genre.

Sometimes we are overwhelmed with a windfall, a really large donation of books of one particular genre, so many that they need a special table to display. Advertised, these books bring people in. We've received huge donations of cookbooks, LP records, and more recently, books for collectors – Easton Press, Folio Society, etc. We have received and featured smaller but significant donations of books on the Early West, Haiku, and Native Americans. We are most grateful for all of the donations.

It's always a challenge to sort through, organize, and display all of these books to best effect. It's gratifying to watch people who immediately go to the featured genre – and then shop for other books.

We have a wonderful cadre of dedicated volunteers who enjoy working together and seeing the benefits. We thank them for all of the time, effort, and caring they give to the Friends.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

By Carol Fox, Book Club Chair

Our Page Turners' Book Club continues to thrive and our members enjoy the conversation and challenge of reading new and interesting books. Members have been meeting monthly, on the 2nd Monday, 3:00-5:00 pm, in the Library Meeting Room.

So far, in 2016, Book Club members have enjoyed reading and discussing these books: Alice Hoffman - *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*; Camron Wright - *The Rent Collector*; Kristin Hannah - *The Nightingale*; and Isabel Allende - *The Japanese Lover*. Page Turner's will take a break in June and return on July 11 to discuss *The Man Who Loved Children* by Christina Stead.

For all readings since 2006, see <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/3bookclub.php>

WORKSHOP: COLORING FOR ADULTS

By Monica Moran, Instructor

Our new Library program, "Coloring for Adults," is already enjoyed by many.

"Coloring for Adults" is a fun and relaxing workshop. It is also a wonderfully easy way to tap into your innate creativity as you choose colors to complete free coloring pages.

This workshop is presented by a Friends' volunteer, Monica Moran aka The Creative Beast. Monica is a mixed media artist, seamstress, and book artist who enjoys volunteering with FOL. She also helps with our FOL book sales – sorting and selling.

Monica is a firm believer in the positive benefits of all forms of creativity. She is excited to be offering this workshop for our Library and is looking forward to helping more adults discover the benefits of creativity through the simple medium of coloring.

This workshop is offered FREE to all, with coloring pages and coloring pencils available for creative play, thanks to the support of the Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Library.

Articles on the benefits of coloring for adults are also provided, as well as a resource list for those who want to explore coloring on their own, including information about various brands of coloring pencils and coloring markers, and websites to find free coloring pages.

This workshop is held on the first Monday of each month, from 6pm to 7pm. The next workshops are scheduled on Mondays, June 6 and August 1, (no July workshop because Library is closed on Monday, July 4). You will find more dates for future workshops posted on the Friends website, as well as Monica's website "[The Creative Beast.](http://thecreativebeast.blogspot.com)" <<http://thecreativebeast.blogspot.com>>

You can also contact the Library directly for information and dates by calling (818) 343-1983.

HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS BOOKS

HOTP are located on the "NEW BOOKS" shelves, next to the Information Desk. HOTP may be borrowed for seven days and must be returned to this Library. HOTP cannot be reserved or renewed. (However, you may reserve titles through the Library's larger collection and "Hold" system.)

The expensive subscription to HOTP Books of 25 books a month is a gift from Friends of Encino-Tarzana Library. Selection and acquisition of books is explained on our webpage. Librarians notify the Friends when HOTP Books are received and placed on shelves; we immediately date and list them on our website.

As examples: Here are some of the HOTP books received so far in May 2016:

Julian Barnes - *The Noise of Time*
Louise Erdrich - *LaRose*
Jennifer Haigh - *Heat & Light*
Linda Howard - *Troublemaker*
Kelley Armstrong - *City of the Lost*
Chris Cleave - *Everyone Brave Is Forgiven*
Laura Lippman - *Wilde Lake*
Ace Atkins - *Robert B. Parker's Slow Burn*
Don DeLillo - *Zero K*
Jude Deveraux & Emily Rankin - *The Girl From Summer Hill* (Summer Hill series)
David Lagercrantz - *Fall of Man in Wilmslow: The Death and Life of Alan Turing*
James Patterson & Maxine Paetro - *15th Affair* - (Women's Murder Club series)

[For more HOTP, see our website: <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/2hotoffthepress.php>]

FRIENDS RECOMMEND

At the end of each Board and annual meeting, we share information on some of our readings and viewings. Here are a few of our recent recommendations:

Peter Slevin - *Michelle Obama: A Life*
Kristin Hannah - *The Nightingale*
Joyce Antler - *You Never Call! You Never Write! A History of the Jewish Mother*

For complete list of Friends Recommend and LAPL READS (librarian recommendations, hot titles, book lists, etc.), see: <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/3recommend.php>

LIBRARY REPORT FOR ENCINO-TARZANA BRANCH **By David Hagopian, LAPL Senior Librarian and Branch Manager** **April 28, 2016.**

Spring and summer are busy times at the Library. As the school year ends, we see more and more students in the branch. There are children, with their parents and caretakers, often studying with tutors; and middle school, high school, and college students writing end of the term reports and studying for exams. From a Library staff perspective, this is the time of year that we are wrapping up our materials purchasing for this fiscal year and budget planning for the next. One aspect of current budget planning that is encouraging is that we are seeing more money coming to the Los Angeles Public Library as a result of Measure L and the strengthening of the local economy. Additionally, we receive very generous funding from the Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Library, which greatly supplements our City budget.

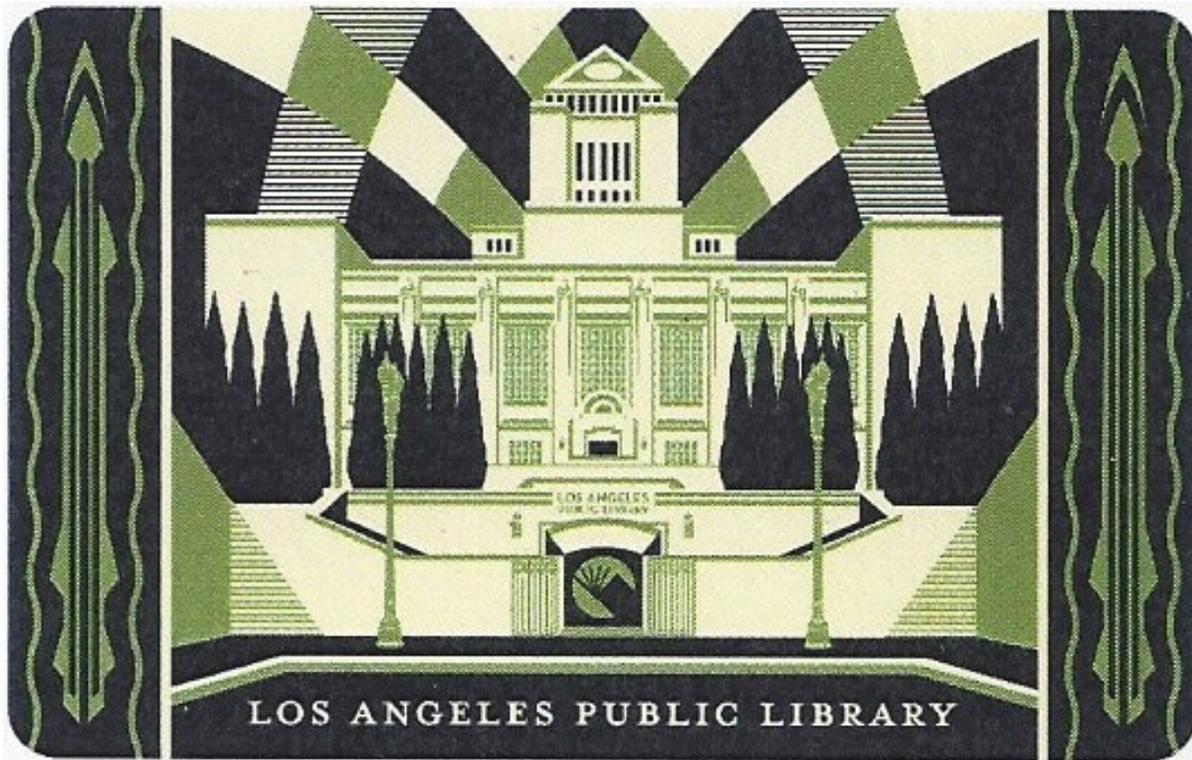
Summer Reading Club is just around the corner, and this year's theme is "Read for the Win." We encourage all of our young patrons to sign up and enjoy not only the small prizes they earn for reading, but the reading itself. It is a program that is designed solely for the purpose of fun. This year, for the first time ever, the Library is introducing a **Summer Reading Club for Adults**. The roll-out won't be as big as for children and teens, and the club won't be active at all branches, but throughout the system we will be encouraging adults to sign up, receive a small gift for their effort, and either read along with their children, or read books that they enjoy. All those interested can get information about the Adult Summer Reading Club at their local branch, or on the [Los Angeles Public Library Website](#) as summer nears.

But before Summer Reading Club kicks off, the Library celebrates Asian-American Pacific Islander Heritage Month in May, and LGBT Heritage Month in June. For Asian-American Pacific Islander Month, the Encino-Tarzana Branch presents *Hula 'Ohana*, on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 6:00 pm. This celebration and performance of Hawaiian dance and culture appears for the second time at our branch and is again made possible by the generous support of the Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Branch Library. Programs for LGBT Heritage Month in June include a dramatic reading by local actor Arnie Weiss and a screening of an LGBTQIA-interest film. Watch both the branch calendar (available in the Library and on the [Friends of the Library website](#)) and [Library online calendar](#) for information as June approaches. Another event that is always popular is the Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Branch Library B-I-G Two Day Book Sale on Friday, June 10 and Saturday, June 11, doors opening at 9:30 am. All of our Encino-Tarzana Branch Library events can be found on our [Library webpage](#).

[For past reports of David Hagopian, see: <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/2librarian.php>]

**MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI AND ARTIST SHEPARD FAIREY
UNVEIL L.A.'s FIRST ARTIST-DESIGNED LIBRARY CARD**
By Peter Persic, LAPL Public Relations and Marketing Director

LOS ANGELES (April 19, 2016) – Mayor Eric Garcetti, artist Shepard Fairey, City Librarian John F. Szabo, and L.A. Cultural Affairs General Manager Danielle Brazell were joined by students from the Downtown Magnets High School for the unveiling of L.A.'s first limited-edition, artist-designed library card today at the Central Library. The card launch concludes the library's celebration of National Library Week. [Editor's note: To view their reaction to new art work, go to: <http://www.lapl.org/sites/default/files/press/2016/pdfs/rel-fairey-art-card-4-18-16-final.pdf>]



Designed by artists Shepard Fairey and Cleon Peterson, the new library card is now available at all 73 locations of the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL). The design features an illustration of the historic Central Library, which is celebrating it in 2016.

"Our city is the creative capital of the world -- and this collaboration between the Los Angeles Public Library and Shepard Fairey is a great expression of how art can enliven our civic institutions," said Mayor Eric Garcetti. "It is a beautiful design that will raise awareness about the wealth of resources that our libraries offer, free of charge, to Angelenos of all ages and in every community."

Fairey is renowned for his iconic "HOPE" portrait of Barack Obama and OBEY GIANT art campaign. His works are in the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), Victoria & Albert Museum and the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery, among other institutions.

"We are thrilled to have L.A.'s own Shepard Fairey and Cleon Peterson reimagine our library card," said City Librarian John Szabo, "and increase awareness of the only card that lets you access more than six million books and other items in the library's collection, as well as download e-books and music, stream movies, get online homework help, earn a high school diploma, and much, much more—and all for free." *[continues >]*

The L.A.-based artist, a long-time supporter and advocate for the Los Angeles Public Library, stated, "My wife Amanda and I believe in the value of libraries to provide resources for the public, especially those who can't afford decent computers or an extensive book collection. When I was younger, I did most of my research for art and design at the library. The L.A. Public Library system also has great tutoring and summer reading programs that are free to the public, and a needed supplement to our underfunded school system."

Fairey and Peterson's library card design is based on an illustration created to promote the Library Foundation of Los Angeles's Young Literati Annual Toast fundraiser. Fairey and his wife Amanda also have supported the library and foundation in many other ways: Shepard has participated as a celebrity reader and even deejayed at Young Literati events, and Amanda is a member of the foundation board and chair of Young Literati.

A 2015 recipient of the nation's highest honor for library service—the National Medal from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Los Angeles Public Library serves the largest and most diverse urban population of any library in the nation. Its Central Library, 72 branch libraries, collection of more than 6 million books, state-of-the-art technology accessible at www.lapl.org, and more than 18,000 public programs a year provide everyone with free and easy access to information and the opportunity for life-long learning.

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**From Jenny Lapidus, Membership Chair: THANK YOU to all of our members who have already renewed their Friends' memberships for 2016.**

**To those who have not yet renewed...**

**please Renew**

**Your Membership today**

**Please complete and send in your Membership Application form on our website:**

**<http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/3membershipform.php>**

**We are proud to be providing new book titles, programming, and supplies.**

**We will continue doing our part to help the Encino-Tarzana Branch.**

**We hope you will renew today.**

**Thanks for your continued support!**

Please contact Adele Druck with your questions at 818.345.8923

or email: [president@ETLibraryFriends.org](mailto:president@ETLibraryFriends.org)



Programs, activities & events for all ages & interests

# May 2016

*All Library events are free and open to the public.*

| Event title                                        | Date/time         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Coloring for Adults (adults)                       | Mo. 5/2 at 6pm    | Unwind, de-stress and have fun at our coloring for adults class. Coloring supplies provided. Funded by the Friends of the Library.                                                                |
| Book Lover's Book Club                             | Tu. 5/3 at 5:30pm | The selection for this month is <i>Infamy</i> by Richard Reeves.                                                                                                                                  |
| Story time (children)                              | We. 5/4 at 10am   | Children & their families are invited to an hour of stories and creativity.                                                                                                                       |
| Page Turners' Book Club                            | Mo. 5/9 at 3pm    | The reading selection for this month is <i>The Japanese Lover</i> by Isabel Allende.                                                                                                              |
| Story time (children)                              | We. 5/11 at 10am  | Children & their families are invited to an hour of stories and creativity.                                                                                                                       |
| Persian film screening                             | We. 5/11 at 3pm   | Please contact the branch for information.                                                                                                                                                        |
| Teen Council meeting                               | Th. 5/12 at 4pm   | Help plan library events and make suggestions for library books. Community service hours possible. Contact the teen librarian for details.                                                        |
| Coloring for Children & Families                   | Tu. 5/17 at 4pm   | An hour of creative coloring time for children and their families.                                                                                                                                |
| Story time (children)                              | We. 5/18 at 10am  | Children & their families are invited to an hour of stories and creativity.                                                                                                                       |
| Friends of the Library Open Board Meeting (adults) | We. 5/18 at 1pm   | All are welcome. Friends group business and library events and news are discussed. Please call the branch to confirm.                                                                             |
| Candy Sushi program for Teens                      | Th. 5/19 at 4pm   | Create sweet, sugary sushi out of candy. Supplies provided. TEENS ONLY!                                                                                                                           |
| Story time (children)                              | We. 5/25 at 10am  | Children & their families are invited to an hour of stories and creativity.                                                                                                                       |
| Hula 'Ohana                                        | We. 5/25 at 6pm   | Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month program. A program about the history and art of hula, including a live performance. Sponsored by the Friends of the Encino-Tarzana Branch Library. |
| Red Cross Blood Drive                              | Th. 5/26 at 10am  | Opportunity to donate blood.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Last Saturday of the Month Poetry (teens, adults)  | Sa. 5/28 at 2pm   | Open mic poetry. All are invited to participate. Read a classic poem or your own composition. Each reader will have six minutes.                                                                  |
| <b>LIBRARY CLOSED—<br/>Memorial Day</b>            | Mo. 5/30 ALL DAY  | Memorial Day honors all Americans who died while in the military service.                                                                                                                         |

#### STAR Volunteer hours

Grandma Terry Mo. 3pm-5pm; Jeannie Tu. 3pm-5pm; Grandma Adele Th. 2pm-4pm; Grandma Maddy Fr. 3pm-5pm.  
Please call the branch to confirm.

Writers born in May: Joseph Heller (1, 1923); Leo Lionni (5, 1910); Robert Browning (7, 1812); Thomas Pynchon (8, 1937); Eleanor Estes (9, 1906); Christopher Paul Curtis (10, 1953); Frank L. Baum (15, 1856); Margaret Rey (16, 1906); Nora Ephron (19, 1941); Scott O'Dell (23, 1898) T.H. White (29, 1906)

**For ADA accommodations please call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event.**

Encino-Tarzana Branch Library / 18231 Ventura Blvd / (818) 343-1983  
MW 10-8pm / TTh 12:00-8pm / FSa 9:30-5:30pm / Closed Sunday

[www.lapl.org](http://www.lapl.org)

For a preview of calendars-in-progress for June, July, and August 2016,  
see: <http://www.etlibraryfriends.org/4events.php>

## **ARTICLES WORTH READING AND THINKING ABOUT**

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