



## This month at the Library...



### We're temporarily closed, but our Pop-Up opens September 16!

Did you hear the Downtown Library closed (temporarily) on September 2nd? The Downtown Library's last open day before our renovation was September 1st. We will be closed for repairs, but we will be opening a pop-up location at **1009 4th Street** on September 16th! In addition, Pickleweed and Northgate will have expanded hours! Click the link below to see the expanded hours at all three locations.

**What about your holds?** If you didn't pick up your holds before September 1st, they will be available at our pop-up location beginning September 16th. Any hold arriving during the two-week closure will be moved to our pop-up library and will be available for pick-up on opening day.

**Do you have items to return?** The due date on your checked out items has been extended, giving you time to drop them off at our pop-up location once we open on September 16th. If you want to return them before then, you can drop them off at any MARINet library, including Pickleweed and Northgate. Click the link below for information about our member libraries.

**For more information** about parking, services, and hours, please click the links below. Our FAQ responds to our most asked questions. We look forward to seeing you at 1009 4th Street and invite you to check out the cool mural on the facade, which is a replica of a mural created by students from Bahia Vista School.

**¿Te has enterado de que la Biblioteca del Centro cerró (temporalmente) el 2 de septiembre?** El último día de apertura de la Biblioteca del Centro fue el 1 de septiembre; estaremos cerrados para realizar una obra de reparaciones necesarias, pero se abrirá una ubicación temporal en 1009 de la 4ta Calle, el 16 de septiembre. Además, Pickleweed y Northgate tendrán un horario ampliado. Haga clic en el enlace de abajo para ver la ampliación de las horas en las tres sucursales.

**¿Y tus reservas?** Si no recogió sus reservas antes del 1 de septiembre, estarán disponibles en nuestra ubicación temporal a partir del 16 de septiembre. Las reservas que lleguen durante las dos semanas de cierre serán trasladadas a nuestra biblioteca temporal y estarán disponibles el día de apertura.

**¿Tiene artículos que devolver?** La fecha de vencimiento de sus artículos prestados se ha ampliado, de modo que tendrá tiempo de devolverlos en nuestra biblioteca temporal cuando abramos el 16 de septiembre. Si desea devolverlos antes de esa fecha, puede dejarlos en cualquier biblioteca de MARINet, incluyendo Pickleweed y Northgate. Haga clic en el siguiente enlace para obtener información sobre las bibliotecas pertenecientes a MARINet.

**Para más información** sobre aparcamiento, servicios y horarios, haga clic en los enlaces siguientes. Nuestro FAQ responde a las preguntas más frecuentes. Esperamos verlos en el 1009 de la 4ta Calle y le invitamos a ver el mural en la fachada, que es una réplica de un mural creado por estudiantes de la escuela Bahia Vista.



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### e-Resources: Enjoy books, movies, music, and more while we are closed!

Click the link below to learn about our various electronic resources. These resources are accessible from anywhere with your library card. While most resources are available to all MARINet patrons, some are limited to patrons whose home library is San Rafael. If you need help with your library card number, please contact us.

[E-RESOURCES](#)



### First Wednesday Art Talk

#### American Beauty: The Osher Collection of American Art

**Wednesday, September 4**  
**1:00pm-2:00pm**  
**San Rafael City Hall Council Chambers**  
**1400 5th Avenue**

The 19th and 20th centuries were an exceptionally dynamic time in American culture. Anchored by Impressionist and Realist artworks, this exhibition spans the years 1848 to 1960 and presents a variety of artistic responses to this complex period.

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### Celebrating Hispanic Heritage

Hispanic History Month, observed from September 15 to October 15, is a celebration of the rich cultural heritage and significant contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans. This month-long observance honors the diverse backgrounds of people from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. The starting date, September 15, marks the anniversary of independence for several Latin American countries, including Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Throughout this period, Americans recognize the achievements and influence of Hispanic individuals in various fields such as art, politics, science, and more, while also reflecting on the ongoing journey towards greater inclusion and understanding.

Our MARINet libraries have developed booklists celebrating Hispanic Heritage, click the link below to see the lists!

[HISPANIC HERITAGE BOOKLISTS](#)



### Books Beyond Borders

Like reading? Like learning about life in other places and times? We've got just the club for you! Join us for our Books Beyond Borders book club in which we'll travel through time and place to better understand our present world. Each month, read the selected book (limited free copies available; otherwise check yours out at the library) and then we'll meet to discuss it, sample some related food and maybe music, and do a fun related craft or writing activity. Occasional special guests will include the book's author or a visitor from the culture or time we've read about.

**For 5th-8th graders**  
**First Wednesday at 4pm**  
**To sign up, please email Lea at lea.aschkenas@cityofsanrafael.org or call 415-485-3336.**

Sept 4: *Mexikid*, by Pedro Martín (Mexico)  
Oct 2: *Safiyah's War*, by Hiba Noor Khan (France)  
Nov 6: *My Brigadista Year*, by Katherine Paterson (Cuba)  
Dec 4: *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba (Malawi)

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### Biking Adventure / Aventura en Bicicleta

**Sábado, 7 de septiembre**  
**10:00am-1:00pm**  
**Pickleweed Library**

**Edades 8+**  
Se requiere inscripción y permiso de los padres; llame o visite la Biblioteca Pickleweed  
Aprende sobre seguridad al andar en bicicleta y luego participa en un paseo local supervisado. Nos reunimos en el parque de Pickleweed con bicicletas, cascos y botellas de agua, así como el transporte a paseos en otra ubicación. Presentado en colaboración con Trips for Kids. Cupo limitado, comuníquese con la Biblioteca Pickleweed para obtener más información. Este programa se ofrece gracias al apoyo de Friends of the Library.

**Saturday, September 7**  
**10:00am-1:00pm**  
**Pickleweed Library**

**For Ages 8+**  
Registration and parent permission required; call or visit Pickleweed Library.  
Preference given to children who live in the Canal and are new to biking!

Learn about bike safety and then participate in a supervised local ride. We meet at Pickleweed Park with bikes, helmets, and water bottles provided, as well as transportation to off-site rides. Presented in partnership with Trips for Kids. This program is brought to you thanks to the support of The Friends of the Library.

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### Tam Van Stories and Nature Activities!

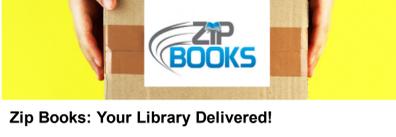
**Sábado, 21 de septiembre**  
**10:30am-12:30pm**  
**Pickleweed Library**

¡Cuentos y Aventuras en la Naturaleza para toda la Familia! Te invitamos a ti y a tu familia a unirse a nosotros en el parque frente a la Biblioteca Pickleweed y centro comunitario. Tendremos hora de cuentos y actividades de naturaleza y arte.

**Saturday, September 21**  
**10:30am-12:30pm**  
**Pickleweed Library**

Stories and Nature Activities for the Whole Family! We invite you and your family to join us at the park in front of the Pickleweed Library and Community Center! We'll have storytime and nature and art activities.

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### Zip Books: Your Library Delivered!

Can't find that one special book in our catalog? Maybe it's written in a language that other than English or Spanish, a missing entry in a series, or a niche topic of interest, or a technical book for a hobby. Your library is so much bigger with our Zip Books program!

The Zip Books program is a way for patrons to request books that are not available in our MARINet or Link+ catalogs. The item is free to you and shipped directly to you using Amazon. Click the link for more information!

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### Monthly Programs for All Ages

Check out our events calendar to learn more about all of our monthly offerings. From Zen Tangle and Storytime to ESL, Conversation Club and Your Library 24/7, there is something for everyone!

[EVENTS](#)

*Special thanks to the Friends of the San Rafael Public Library for supporting summer programming at all San Rafael Public Libraries!*