



November Events

at the

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library

30th Anniversary Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the festive daytime family-friendly celebration and/or the evening event for adults. Kudos to the planning committee, dedicated volunteers, and library staff whose efforts made both events so successful! Besides enjoying the many activities and delicious food, attendees got a preview of our new maker space and were among the first to see the pristine new carpet in the Community Room, funded by Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library (SRFOL) and City matching funds.

Music Program

“The Pleasure of Your Company” concert series, sponsored by SRFOL, presents the Redwood Piano Trio on Sunday, November 19, at 2:30 pm. Comprised of violinist Lauren Basney, cellist Peter Ko, and pianist Dr. Byron Chow, the trio will perform works by Bach, Tchaikovsky, and Shostakovich. The Redwood Trio aims to bring a fresh perspective to the concert stage in performing both traditional repertoire and lesser-known works for the combination of piano, violin, and cello. Join us for an afternoon of beautiful chamber music performed in the intimate setting of the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library Center’s Community Room. There is no charge for the concert, although donations are appreciated. Contact music@srfol.org for information about sponsorship opportunities.

Grace’s Book Nook

Shop at Grace’s Book Nook, open Monday through Saturday during library hours, for great bargains on gently used books for readers of all ages and tastes, as well as CDs, DVDs, magazines, greeting cards, and duck food. The inventory is updated almost daily, so stop by often. Twilight bargain hours featuring buy-one/get-one specials are back on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 5:30 – 7:30 pm! This month’s 2nd Saturday pop-up book sale is on November 11, 10 am–2 pm. All proceeds benefit our library. Your tax-deductible donations of gently used books and media are always welcome. Interested in volunteering? Email booknook@srfol.org.

Programs for Children

- Cultural Art Lesson, Rangoli: Thursday, November 2, 4 pm. All ages. Families will make their own unique designs in our interpretation of Rangoli, traditional Indian sand painting often associated with Diwali, the Indian festival of light. Rangoli is traditional Indian sand painting design often seen during Diwali, the Indian festival of light. Our interpretation of this beautiful art form uses sandpaper and chalk for families to make their own unique designs. Sponsored by SRFOL.
- Storytime: Every Wednesday, 10 am in the Community Room. Storytime regularly incorporates books, songs, fingerplay, rhymes, and more. Geared toward preschoolers 2-5, but babies and toddlers may enjoy Storytime as well!

- Storytime with Miss Valerie: 1st and 3rd Thursdays (November 2 and 16), 10 am, in the Children’s Storywell. Appropriate for toddlers and preschoolers.
- Craft programs with ToshWerks: Wednesdays, November 8 and 22, 4 pm. The project for November 8th will be an embroidery hoop dream catcher, and the November 22nd project will be a mini-pumpkin succulent. Ages 8+. All supplies are provided; registration is required: <https://sandiego.librarymarket.com>. Sponsored by SRFOL.
- Mini-Movers and Music: Mondays, November 13 and 27, 11:30 am; ages 0–5. This is the perfect class for all those mini-movers out there! Filled with creative movement, lots of fun, music, and dance games, this energetic and expressive class will have your child learning age-appropriate dance moves, motor skills and rhythm. A new theme each week guarantees fun and excitement all session long! Sponsored by SRFOL.
- Pajama Signing Storytime: Tuesday, November 14, 6 pm. A cozy and fun event for families with young children combining the joy of bedtime stories with the added bonus of Baby Sign Language (ASL). Presented by Jennifer Duncan of Signs at Play. Participants are encouraged to wear their pajamas and bring a stuffed animal for snuggles as they listen to a children’s book being read and signed. Sponsored by SRFOL.
- Art Class with Art Smarts: Thursday, November 16, 4 pm. Fun, exciting one-hour art class for ages 5 – 17. Supplies provided, but limited; first come, first served. Project TBA. Sponsored by SRFOL.
- Robotics: Saturday, November 18, 1 pm. Exciting, hands-on robotics program for ages 5-16. In collaboration with FIRST Robotics. Registration is required: <https://sandiego.librarymarket.com>.
- Chess Club: Saturday, November 25; 11 am–1 pm. A free chess club, providing boards, pieces, and one of our great instructors to help you play chess! Parents must be present with students at all times and are encouraged to play along as well.
- Radio telemetry: Tuesday, November 28, 4 pm. Ages 9-15. Explore the questions, “Where do animals move, and why?” Participants will track animals using a radio receiver and transmitter, collect data, and map their findings. In collaboration with EkoLogik.
- *Kamishibai* StoryBox Theatre: Tuesday, November 28, 6 pm. Presented by Write Out Loud San Diego, “StoryBox” is the American name given to the Japanese storytelling tradition called *kamishibai*. StoryBox combines dramatic storytelling with a wooden theatre to showcase illustrations in an engaging family-friendly storytime experience for all ages!
- Comic Art Workshop: Thursday, November 30, 4 pm. Learn to unlock the awesome secrets of making your own comics, and how to improve your drawing skills, whether you prefer manga, Dog Man, or Spider Man!
- The In-N-Out “Cover to Cover” reading program ends on November 18. Children 4–12 receive an award for a free hamburger or cheeseburger for every 5 books or 300 minutes read, up to 3 awards!

- Girls Who Code: Mondays, 6–7 pm. Learn from fun and simple online coding tutorials, build community through interactive activities, and learn about inspiring role models. You then work in teams to design and build a Girls Who Code project that solves real world problems you care about through code! Girls in grades 3 – 12 are welcome.
- Do Your Homework @ the Library, Monday – Thursday, 3–6 pm. Tutor-led homework help for students in grades K – 8. Having trouble with that homework? Need a little help? Our friendly Homework Coaches will provide assistance and guide you through your school assignments. You will have access to learning materials, computers, online research tools, and other digital resources available at the library.

Programs for Adults

- Critical Documents: Your signature Here: Monday, November 6, 4 pm. What critical documents should we all have on file as we age? In this course, we will discuss five critical documents everyone will want to consider having completed and on file in case of an unexpected event or emergency. Over the years, we have worked with clients, both with and without these critical documents. Those who have their critical documents in order have a far smoother road ahead of them. No more procrastinating—let’s get started today!
- Fun and Games for Seniors, Tuesdays, 12:30–3 pm; Thursdays, 10 am–12 pm. Come join other seniors for this fun and healthy activity. A variety of tabletop games are offered, including Scrabble, Mahjong, and card games. Sponsored by Scripps Ranch 50 Plus.
- Aging Successfully lecture: Friday, November 17, 11 am–12:30 pm. Topic TBA. In collaboration with Scripps Ranch 50 Plus.
- Major Wine Regions of the Pacific Northwest: Tuesday, November 14, 4–5 pm. Today’s Pacific Northwest wine regions are marked by the fingerprints of Ice Age floods that literally laid the groundwork for all who enjoy the bounty of Oregon Pinot Noir. But did you know the same phenomenon also rocked Washington State to world-class Syrah and Merlot? In this class, you’ll also discover Northwest whites worth knowing, surprising sparklers and hidden pockets growing Spanish and Rhône wine varieties. Through fascinating stories of nature and the Northwest’s amazing pioneers, you’ll learn about Oregon’s Pinot Noir excellence along with the red and white grapes that star in Washington wine, from its mountains, deserts, and coastal islands. Plus, Idaho gets respect as one of the country’s most exciting emerging wine regions.
- Garden Share: Saturday November 18, 11 am–1 pm, Library Courtyard. You’re invited to bring anything garden-related (home-grown produce, plants, seedlings, seeds, and even tools) to share, and to take home something you really want. This is a great opportunity to network with other local gardeners—from novices to veterans. Be sure to bring a bag to take home your finds. In collaboration with Sustainable Scripps Ranch.
- Knitting group: Tuesdays, 12:30–2:30 pm. Learn the art of knitting. Open to all ages and skill levels. Bring a pair of needles and we’ll help get you going; yarn available if needed. See how much fun knitting can be!

Mindful Meditation

De-stress with Mindful Meditation through the Healthy Adventures Foundation, on Mondays at 1 pm. Take advantage of this opportunity to unwind as you participate in meditative breathing, guided imagery, and muscle contraction-relaxation exercises, which can help lower blood pressure, heart rate, and stress. Participants will learn how to use these techniques in their everyday lives. Sponsored by SRFOL.

Book Discussion Group

In-person, outdoor meeting on Wednesday, November 15, 6:30 pm, to discuss *Drive Your Plow over the Bones of the Dead* by Olga Tokarcz. Email srfol@yahoo.com for the address.

Holiday Closures

The library will be closed on Friday, November 10, for Veterans' Day (Note: the library will be open on Saturday, November 11, for the usual hours) and will be closed on Thursday, November 23, and Friday, November 24, for Thanksgiving.

Social Media

- Facebook: @ScrippsMiramarRanchLibrary, @SDPLVirtualHub, @GracesBookNook
- Instagram: @srfolibrary, @sdpubliclibrary, @sdplteens

For details and updated information about programs and library happenings, check:

- SRFOL website [<https://www.srfol.org/>], or
- Library's Facebook page [<https://www.facebook.com/ScrippsMiramarRanchLibrary>].