



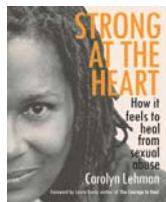
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what's happening here
 Newsletter of the Berkeley Public Library

**AUTHOR CAROLYN LEHMAN
 TO SPEAK AT BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
 ON HEALING FROM SEXUAL ABUSE:
 STRONG AT THE HEART:
 How It Feels to Heal from Sexual Abuse**

Saturday, October 13th, 1-3 p.m.
 Central Berkeley Public Library
 2090 Kittredge Street
 (at Shattuck in downtown Berkeley)
 3rd floor Community Meeting Room



Lehman's book features survivors' strengths and the capacity to recover from assault. Arturo Carrillo, whose story is told in the book, will talk about his experience growing up in the Latino community in the Bay Area and how he tried to cope with being molested as a ten-year-old boy and the ways he found to heal as a man.

BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY STAFF ART SHOW
 Come see what the talented employees of the Berkeley Public Library do when they're not at work! The Berkeley Public Library Staff Art Show will take place from October 2 through October 28, 2007 at the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street in downtown Berkeley. Original artwork will be on display in the Kittredge Street windows and on the first and second floors. The show includes painting, collage, ceramics, quilting, beading and other unique arts. Enjoy the creativity of the library staff on your next visit to the Central Berkeley Public Library. Central Library hours are Monday 12-8, Tuesday 10-8, Wednesday through Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 1-5. For more information, please call 510-981-6100 or visit www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org

Free Wi-Fi now @ Central!



Berkeley Public Library is happy to announce that free Wi-Fi access is now available for the public at the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge, on all five floors. Wi-Fi will be installed in all the Branches soon! Pick up a brochure on Wi-Fi Access at any Berkeley Public Library or see our [wireless](http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/wireless/) page for more info: <http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/wireless/>

Berkeley Public Library Offers Two Business Programs, presented by Cal State East Bay Small Business Development Center

Preparing a Successful Business Plan presented by Cal State East Bay Small Business Development Center. Central Library Community Meeting Room. Wednesday October 24, 2pm-5pm.

Banks, SBA Loans, and Start-Up Financing presented by Cal State East Bay Small Business Development Center. Central Library Community Meeting Room. Wednesday November 28, 2pm-5pm.

Advanced registration for the programs online: www.eastbaysbdc.org/berkeley/
 Call 510-981-6148 for more information.

**FREE NOONTIME CONCERTS
 in the Art & Music Room of the Central Library
 October 18th, 2007 12:15PM-1:00PM
 Baguette Quartet**

French café music will fill the Art and Music Floor at the Berkeley Public's Central Library on **Thursday, October 18, 2007** as the Baguette Quartet performs a **FREE** Noontime Concert. The Baguette Quartet plays music like the music that was heard in Paris between 1920 and 1940 on street corners, in cafés, and in popular dance halls. Led by accordionist Odile Lavault, the repertoire consists of valse musettes, tangos, fox trots and realistic songs.

This free concert is made possible by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library.

**Celebrate Banned Books Week
 @ Berkeley Public Library**

Celebrate Banned Books Week: Read Aloud from **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**. Berkeley Public Library's Children's Services invites you to help us celebrate your right to read freely by reading aloud one of the most challenged books of the last 10 years: J. K. Rowling's **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**. Join us outside the Central Library, 2090 Kittredge (at Shattuck) on Monday, October 1, from 3 - 6 p.m., as we read aloud from the first in the popular and critically acclaimed series.

Berkeley Public Library's Cinema Central

The City of Berkeley is participating in the National Endowment for the Arts program, The Big Read. Programming for Cinema Central relates to this month long series of events. Please see flyers about The Big Read for full programming information.

Friday, October 5 Hughes' Dream Harlem (2002)
Documentary of poet Langston Hughes' fusion of jazz, blues and common speech to celebrate the beauty of Black life.

Friday, October 12 Against the Odds (1993)
The struggle of Black visual artists in the 1920's and 1930's to show and sell their work, along with the Harmon Foundation's creation of an artistic home for Black visual artists, are the topics of this documentary.

Friday, October 19 Their Eyes Were Watching God (2005)

Based on the novel by Zora Neale Hurston. Originally broadcast as a television mini-series with Halle Berry.

Friday, October 26 Been Rich All My Life (2006)
Meet the Silver Belles, five tap dancers who performed in 1930's Harlem at the famed Apollo and Cotton Club. Together again, they're dancing to standing ovations and sharing stories of the Harlem Renaissance.

All showings are free and begin promptly at 3:30, in the Central Library Community Meeting Room (3rd floor), 2090 Kittredge Street. For more information, please call 510-981-6100.

Please arrive promptly. No food or beverages. Title substitutions may be unavoidable.

Not all films are appropriate for all audiences.

Wheelchair accessible. To request a sign language interpreter, real-time captioning, materials in large print or Braille, or other accommodations for this event, please call (510) 981-6107 (voice) or (510) 548-1240 (TTY); at least five working days will ensure availability. Please refrain from wearing scented products to public meetings. **Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library.**

Non Fiction Reading Circle At Claremont Branch

A new reading group is forming at the Claremont Branch Library. Starting December 13th the library will host a series of book discussions on non fiction titles. The group facilitator will be Thomas Lynch, an Elmwood resident, Claremont staff member, local actor, and experienced reading group leader.

The first book to be read will be Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring*. Subsequent titles will be selected by group participants. The program will be held through May 2008 on the second Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. In order to facilitate full participation and discussion, the group will be limited to fifteen people. If you are interested in joining us,

please call the Claremont Branch at 510-981-6280. Participants will be accepted on a "first come, first served" basis.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library.

Berkeley Public Library's West Branch

Closed for New Carpet, Paint,

and the Installation of a New Public Service Desk

Berkeley Public Library's West Branch closed beginning at 6:00 p.m. on September 8, 2007, to install a new carpet, receive an interior paint job, and have a new public service desk built. The Branch is tentatively planned to reopen on October 29, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. Please phone (510) 981-6100 with any questions or go to www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org

The Berkeley Public Library's Board of Library Trustees has authorized the closure and funding for this work. Special thanks to the generous fundraising of the **Berkeley Public Library Foundation** to pay for a new public service desk.

West Branch is also the home of Berkeley Public Library's Adult Literacy Program, Berkeley Reads -- http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/services_and_resources/literacy_program/index.php. **While West Branch Library is closed, Berkeley Reads literacy services will continue. During the closure, Berkeley Reads staff can be contacted at their regular phone number, (510) 981-6299.**

West Branch Library was built as a Carnegie library in 1923 and was extensively remodeled and expanded in 1974. This is the first time since then that they have closed for extensive deferred maintenance. **Berkeley Public Library** is grateful to the **Berkeley Public Library Foundation** for their part in making West Branch more user-friendly. The much worn carpets will be replaced, badly-needed new paint will be applied, and a much more inviting and practical public service desk will be built to welcome patrons back to West Branch. While not a renovation, this refreshment will improve staff work areas, brighten up the teen area, and create a more welcoming feeling for visitors of all ages. A party to celebrate is planned for soon after West Branch re-opens: the party will celebrate the improvements, the newly configured Teen Area, and the launching of the **Early Literacy for Families (ELF) California State Library Grant**. Parents, caregivers, and children will have access to interactive learning materials and toys, books designed for read-alouds, and much more.

Berkeley Public Library's North Branch Presents

A REVOLT AGAINST CONSUMERISM

Journalist Tim Holt, author of *Songs Of The Simple Life*, a collection of essays, and the novel *On Higher Ground*, will speak on the **Hillside Movement** at the North Berkeley Branch Library Wednesday, October 3 at 6 p.m. The library is at 1170 The Alameda at Hopkins. For more information, contact Berkeley Public Library's North Branch at (510) 981-6250.