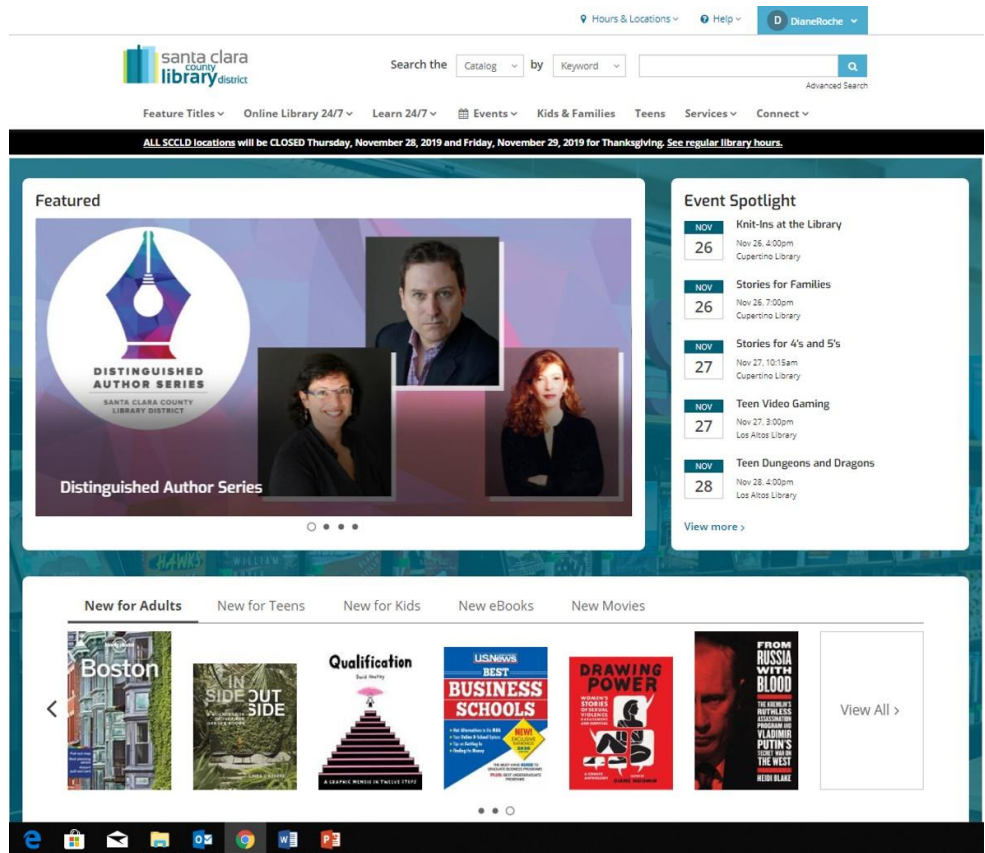


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Get a Sneak Peek at the Brand New Library Website

SCCLD will be launching a brand new, completely redesigned website on January 6, 2020. As a Library Commissioner, we invite you to be one of the first to [preview the new site](#) before our full public launch.

Discover upcoming library events, learn about exciting library services, browse new books and movies for all ages, enjoy booklists and blog posts, and take the latest poll (then see how others voted). Main areas of the website include:



- **Feature Titles:** Discover great books, music, and movies based on your interests.
- **[Online Library 24/7:](#)** Access eBooks & Audiobooks, eMagazines & News, eMovies & Music, and Online Research Services.
- **Learn 24/7:** Get help with your studies from a free tutor (in-person and online) as well as online classes and tutorials on a vast number of subjects (hobbies, scholarly, and professional).
- **[Events:](#)** Fill your calendar with our libraries' exciting free programs for all ages.
- **[Kids & Families:](#)** One-stop shopping for your family library needs including books, online services, events, early learning services, homework help, online tutors, and more.

- [Teens](#): Offers a variety of materials, services and activities for ages 13-18, including homework help, book recommendations, contests, polls, college and career, and more.
- [Services](#): Access your library account information, computer services, book-a-meeting-room, passport services, and resources on a variety of subjects: adult literacy, smart investing, English as a Second Language, genealogy, and more.
- [Connect](#): Contact us, make a suggestion, check out our newsroom and blog posts, volunteer, apply for a job, or following us on social media.

Want a brief tour of the homepage? Watch this [video showing highlights](#) from the homepage.

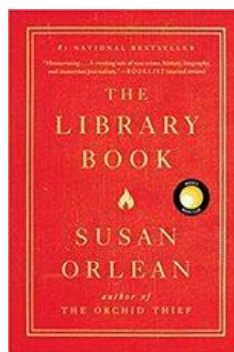
Our web team has worked hard to deliver an improved online user experience. We're still adding more information and content before the official public launch on January 6, 2020, but we hope that you enjoy this sneak peek of our new website. We welcome your feedback at webmaster@sccl.org.

Distinguished Author: Susan Orlean

Don't miss our final Distinguished Author event featuring Susan Orlean.

Journalist and best-selling author SUSAN ORLEAN has an eye for the moving, the hilarious, and the surprising. *The Library Book* explores the history, power, and future of libraries, while delving into the mysterious fire that nearly destroyed the Los Angeles Public Library in 1986. An ever-engaging and unforgettable speaker, Orlean delivers lectures all over the country.

FINAL EVENT:
SUSAN ORLEAN: *The Library Book*
Campbell Heritage Theater
December 11 @ 7:30pm



Discover & Go offers free passes for local events

Did you know that your Library card also allows you to take advantage of local museum passes? [Discover & Go](#) is a virtual museum pass program for Santa Clara County Library District cardholders that offers library users the ability to reserve admission passes to more than 50 museums and cultural attractions throughout the greater Bay Area.



In addition to the Tech Museum, California Academy of Sciences, Children's Discovery Museum, Asian Art Museum and more, recently added are discounted tickets to Cirque du Soleil San Francisco- AMALUNA: Drift away to a mysterious island where a thrilling adventure of love, energetic sound, and acrobatic splendor unfolds. See Cirque du Soleil AMALUNA Under the Big Top at Oracle Park in San Francisco, November 3-January 12.

Holiday Food Drive

The holidays are nearly upon us, a time for family, friends and giving thanks. SCCLD continues our Holiday Food Drive through Jan 10, 2020 at all locations including the Services and Support Center. All food donations go to Second Harvest of Silicon Valley, whose mission is to provide meals to those in our communities who are food insecure. Last year, we collected 6,705 pounds of food items, enough to provide 5,588 nutritious meals.



Please bring non-perishable canned and boxed items you can spare to any one of our libraries, including the Bookmobile, to help those less fortunate enjoy the holiday season. A list of the most needed items is available at <http://bit.ly/2JmWltH/>. With of our libraries now open 7 days per week, together, we can make someone else's holidays brighter.

Santa Clara County Library District FY2018-19 Year End Service Report

The service report provides the highlights from the previous year showcasing our continued mission to promote knowledge, ideas and cultural enrichment. SEE ATTACHED