

# LOS ALTOS LIBRARY AND WOODLAND BRANCH

February 2020

## HIGHLIGHTS

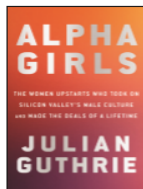


### Silicon Valley Reads 2020 Special Event



**Julian Guthrie**  
bestselling author and  
“mesmerizing storyteller”

**Friday, Feb 28, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Los Altos Library**



The author of *Alpha Girls: The Women Upstarts Who Took On Silicon Valley's Male Culture and Made the Deals of A Lifetime* in conversation with serial entrepreneur Abe Kleinfeld discussing women in the high-stakes, male-dominated world of technology start-ups. Audience Q&A follows.



Learn about more events at Los Altos Library in February and March focused on the Silicon Valley 2020 theme “Women Making It Happen” at [SiliconValleyReads.org](https://SiliconValleyReads.org).

Silicon Valley Reads 2020 kicked off on January 23 featuring a special event with Julian Guthrie and the Alpha Girls. Los Altos Library will also be hosting Julian Guthrie and Abe Kleinfeld for a program on February 28 at 7:30 pm in the Orchard Room. The program will include a discussion of the women in the high-stakes, male dominated world of technology start-ups. Audience Q&A follows.



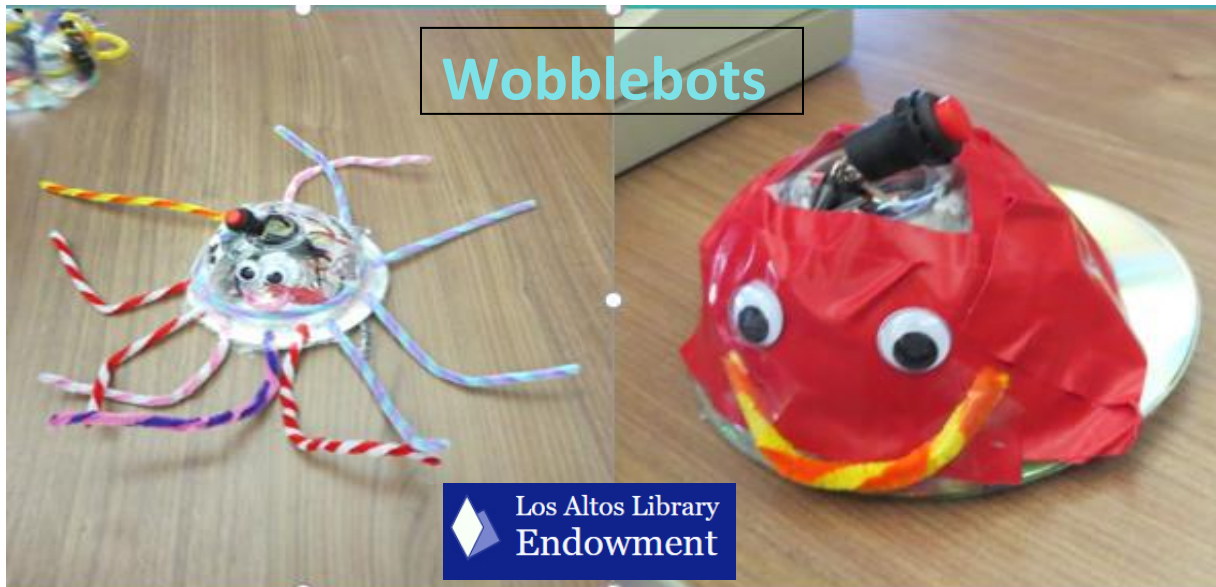
Beginning January 8, the GGB visits the Los Altos Senior Center every Wednesday afternoon. This provides seniors the opportunity to check out and return library materials during their visit to the senior center. Participants also enjoy socializing with library staff and suggesting materials for the GGB to bring on their return visits.



Los Altos and Woodland hosted a special international board game day in celebration of the strength and diversity in our community. The entire family was invited to play familiar childhood games or learn new games from around the world. Featured in this photo are a father and son playing Chinese Chess.



The Library2Library Bike Tour at Woodland was a success with over 25 participants stopping at Woodland to tour the library and enjoy refreshments. Other stops included Mountain View Library, Cupertino Library, and Bascom Branch.

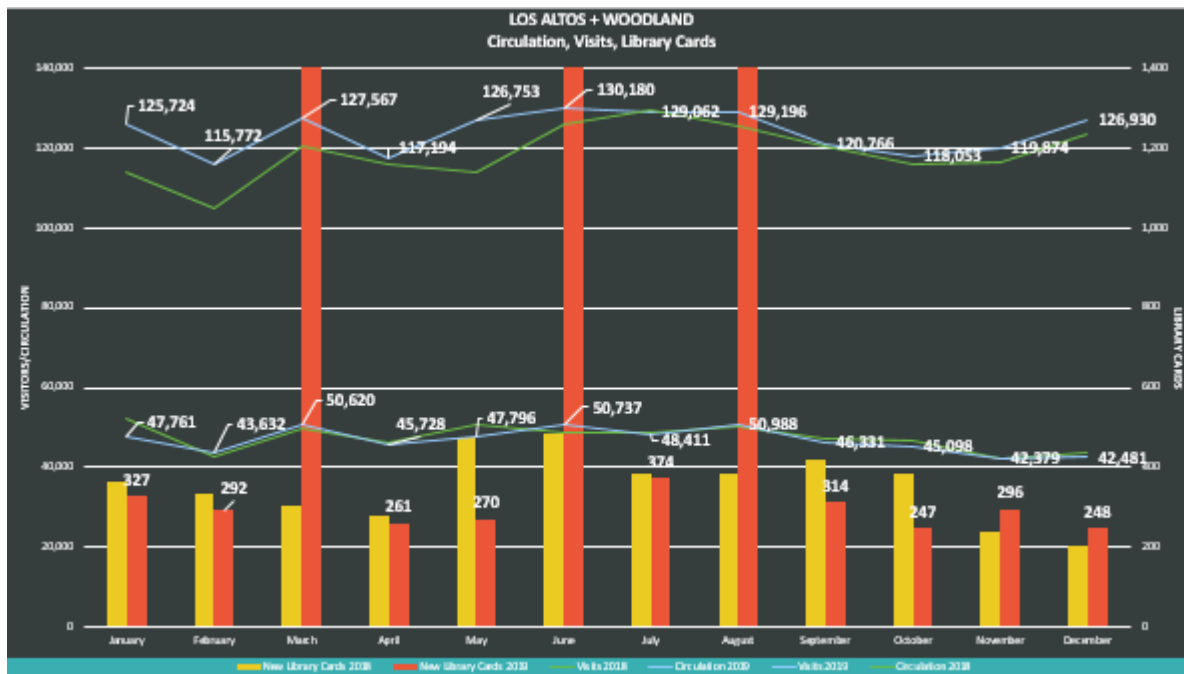


As part of our STEAM programming, children in 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade enjoyed making Wobblebots. This project taught children how to use basic circuitry and a hobby motor to make a Wobblebot with a push button switch. Special thanks to LALE for their funding and support.

## STATISTICS: CIRCULATION, VISITS, NEW LIBRARY BORROWERS

LA + WO	Circulation 2018	Circulation 2019	Visits 2018	Visits 2019	New Library Cards 2018	New Library Cards 2019
January	114,068	125,724	52,046	47,761	365	327
February	104,755	115,772	42,743	43,632	336	292
March	120,392	127,567	49,931	50,620	305	4,410*
April	115,967	117,194	46,408	45,728	277	261
May	114,076	126,753	50,557	47,796	476	270
June	126,180	130,180	48,888	50,737	487	2,682*
July	129,484	129,062	48,616	48,411	385	374
August	125,531	129,196	50,238	50,988	383	2,476*
September	120,266	120,766	47,035	46,331	420	314
October	116,133	118,053	46,655	45,098	383	247
November	116,193	119,874	42,157	42,379	238	296
December	123,678	126,930	43,739	42,481	205	248

\* Includes Student Library eCards



In December, the combined circulation for Los Altos Library and the Woodland Branch was up, with 7,056 fewer items circulated than November 2019, a 5.6% increase. This also includes a 2.6% increase compared to December 2018. There were 324 additional visits than last December, an increase of 0.8%. 43 additional library cards were issued than in December 2018.

## STATISTICS: PROGRAMS, OUTREACH, VOLUNTEER HOURS

Los Altos + Woodland Programs, Outreach and Volunteers					
2019	Programs	Attendance	Outreach	Interactions	Volunteer Hours
January	78	3,501	3	75	601
February	79	3,037	4	124	975
March	87	3,493	4	84	798
April	78	3,250	2	1,014	1,670
May	86	3,327	61	1,891	2,193
June	77	3,475	3	609	1,694
July	86	3,426	3	127	1,676
August	62	3,099	5	372	2,069
September	72	2,826	3	147	1,594
October	89	3,570	5	522	1,573
November	91	3,035	3	72	2,115
December	81	2,984	2	37	1,576

In December, the Los Altos Library and Woodland Branch presented a combined total of 81 programs for children, teens and adults with almost 3000 attendees. We went out on 2 outreach events with the GoGo Biblio and interacted with over 37 individuals. Our dedicated volunteers donated over 1500 hours of their time to the library.

### Instant Free eCard now available through our website



Bookmobile	Gilroy	Morgan Hill
Campbell	Los Altos	Saratoga
Cupertino	Milpitas	Woodland

The Library eCard gives you access to our entire online library, available 24/7, including eBooks, audiobooks, downloadable movies, music, magazines, newspapers, international content, online learning, research and more. Completing this form now will provide you with free, instant access to a vast digital collection. There are never any late fees or due dates to remember.

**Library eCards are available to those residing in the Santa Clara County Library District.** Full-Membership Cards, which can be provided to you, free, when you visit a library, are available to residents of the United States. Full-Membership Cards provide access to both physical and digital collections.

<https://scclld.org/card-application/>

As part of our new website, we now offer patrons the opportunity to get an instant free card. The URL takes patrons to a short form to fill out that will grant them instant access to the library's online resources, available 24/7. Patrons can then come into the library to turn their eCard into a full service card if they want to check out physical items from the library. This is a great resource for those who do not have a SCCLD card and may be too busy to visit the library.

# Los Altos & Woodland Library February 2020 Events

Los Altos Library

13 S. San Antonio Rd.  
Los Altos, CA 94022

(650) 948-7683

Monday-Thursday 10-9

Friday-Sunday 10-7

[www.sccl.org/losaltos](http://www.sccl.org/losaltos)



Woodland Branch Library

1975 Grant Road  
Los Altos, CA 94024

(650) 969-6030

Monday-Wednesday 11-8

Thursday-Saturday 11-5

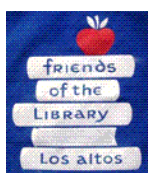
Sunday 11-5

[www.sccl.org/woodland](http://www.sccl.org/woodland)

*All programs are free and open to the public.*

*Programs marked with a (F) are kindly sponsored by The Friends of the Los Altos Libraries.*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 3D Printing Classes 11:00am	3 Laughter Yoga 10:30am (F) Great Decisions 1:30pm Knit & Crochet 4pm Guided Meditation 6pm Bobbin Wranglers 7pm	4 Glorious Blooms 7:00pm	5 Whodunit? Book Club 10:15am  Teen Video Gaming* 3:00pm (F)	6 Tech Help Thursdays 1:00pm  Library Commission 6:30pm	7 ESL Conversation Club 1:00pm	8
9 3D Printing Classes 11:00am	10 Android Basics (seniors) 10:30am Great Decisions 1:30pm Guided Meditation 6pm Smartphone Video 6:30 Film: Bombshell 7pm	11 Quilt Museum Exhibit 1:30pm Woodland Book Club+ 2:00pm (F) Film: Tomorrow 6:45pm	12 Grant Park Book Club** 1:00pm Teen Video Gaming* 3:00pm (F) Master Gardeners 7pm Writing Group 7pm	13 Senior Book Club 1:00pm (F) Tech Help Thursdays 1:00pm Library Commission 6:30pm	14 ESL Conversation Club 1:00pm	15 Bay Area Games Day 10:00am
16 3D Printing Classes 11:00am	17 <b>CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY</b>	18  Great Books Club 7:00pm	19 Teen Video Gaming* 3:00pm (F)  Adult/Teen Craft 6:30pm	20 Tech Help Thursdays 1:00pm  Author: Elaine Elinson 7:00pm	21 Icelandic Adventure 10:15am ESL Conversation Club 1:00pm	22 Robot Invasion+ ALL DAY (at Woodland)
23	24 Now Read This! 12:00pm Great Decisions 1:30pm Guided Meditation 6:00pm	25 Adult Book Discussion 7:00pm	26 Teen Video Gaming* 3:00pm (F)	27 Tech Help Thursdays 1:00pm	28 ESL Conversation Club 1:00pm  Julian Guthrie 7:30pm	29 Robot Invasion+ ALL DAY  Library Heist Escape Room 7:30pm



*All programs are held in the Orchard Room, unless noted.*

*\*This program is held in the Teen Room.*

*\*\*This program is held in the Grant Park Senior Center.*

*+This program is held in the Woodland Branch Library.*



# Los Altos & Woodland Library February 2020 Adult/Teen Events

**3D Printing Classes - Sundays, February 2, 9, 16 at 11:00 a.m.** We will be hosting three classes on 3D printing in partnership with students from Los Altos High School. Limited to 12 seats, and must be 11 years or older, have a WiFi-capable laptop, and able to attend all three classes. Sign up online!

**Adult/Teen Craft: Bird Feeders - Wednesday, February 19 at 6:30 p.m.** February is National Bird Feeding Month! Come make your own DIY bird feeder to celebrate. All supplies are provided, and no registration is required. To receive email craft updates, email [dsimpson@sccl.org](mailto:dsimpson@sccl.org).

**Android Basics for Seniors - Monday, February 10 at 10:30am** Want to better understand your Android smartphone? Master the basics and get the most out of your phone. No skill level required, bring your own smartphone. Registration is required.

**Author: Elaine Elinson - Thursday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m.** Elaine Elinson, author of *Wherever There's A Fight* and *Poets Shaped Civil Liberties in California*, will talk about how freedom and equality have grown in California from the gold rush to the current post 9-11 era.

**Bay Area Games Day - Saturday, February 15 at 10:00 a.m. (to 11pm)** Come learn how to play a new board game, or bring an old favorite! Bay Area Games Day is a full day of convention-style open gaming that has been happening at the library since 1998.

**Film: Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story - Monday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m.** This documentary presents the life of Austrian actress Hedy Lamarr, one of Hollywood's top leading ladies in the 1940s, who was also a talented inventor. Film is 88 minutes long.

**Film: Tomorrow - Tuesday, February 11 at 6:45 p.m.** A GreenTown Community Forum. *Tomorrow* is not just a film, it is the beginning of a movement seeking to encourage local communities around the world to change the way they live for the sake of our planet.

**Forgotten Women of Science: A San Jose Quilt Museum Exhibit - Tuesday, February 11 at 1:30 p.m.** Artist Pantea Karimi will discuss her exhibit at the San Jose Quilt Museum, featuring lesser-acknowledged female scientists from ancient times to the 19th century.

**Glorious Blooms Around the World - Tuesday, February 4 at 7:00 p.m.** Join wildlife photographer Joan Sparks on her adventure photographing extraordinary blooms. Information about the flowers will be shared, as well as maps of their locations around the world.

**Great Decisions - Mondays, February 3, 10, 24 at 1:30 p.m.** Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs, covering the most critical global issues facing America today. For more information and weekly topics, see website. Visit [www.fpa.org/great\\_decisions](http://www.fpa.org/great_decisions) for materials.

**Guided Meditation - Mondays, February 3, 10, 24 at 6:00 p.m.** Manisha will take you through an easy 30-minute guided meditation session based on easy to practice techniques, which will inspire you to meditate regularly and ultimately experience its many benefits.

**Icelandic Adventure with John Gayler - Friday, February 21 at 10:15 a.m.** Iceland is a tiny country the size of New York state, but with vast geographical variety. Travel photographer John Gayler will examine the logistics of planning a self-guided trip to this beautiful land.

**Julian Guthrie w/ Abe Kleinfeld - Friday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.** - Author Julian Guthrie will discuss *Alpha Girls* with Abe Kleinfeld, president & CEO of GridGain and a serial entrepreneur who has worked with, and supported, women in companies throughout his 40-year career in technology. Presented with the Los Altos Library Endowment.

**Laughter Yoga - Monday, February 3 at 10:30 a.m.** Join Chris Selberg, Certified Laughter Yoga Leader, and laugh for the health of it at this monthly event. No experience or special clothing necessary, just a willingness to laugh and have fun!

**Library Heist Escape Room - Saturday, February 29 at 7:30 p.m.** A priceless gem is being put on display in the library - and you, a down-on-your-luck thief, are going to steal it! Registration required (see link on our website), and this program may not be suitable for children under 13.

**Master Gardeners - Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m.** Springtime will be here soon and it can be overwhelming about prioritizing what to do in your garden. We'll share with you ideas on preparing soils, sowing seeds, getting transplants, fertilizing plants, pest controls, and more.

**Robot Invasion 3.0! - Saturdays, February 22 & 29 (All day) -** Dash is a mobile robot and Dot is a stationary sensor robot. Define the stimuli that trigger their actions, play games, and drive Dash around! Supports critical thinking, robotics, and coding. Recommended for ages 8+ (incl teens).

**Tech Help Thursdays - Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.** Get one-on-one tech help with your device on Thursdays, at 1,2,3 or 4 pm. Assistance does not have to be library-related, but staff cannot help with anything involving sensitive information. Call or see librarian for appointments.

**Teen Tech Program: Smartphone Video - Monday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.** Unlock the power of your smartphone to take short videos. Learn how to shoot, edit, clean up audio, and take your videos to the next level. Bring your own smartphone or tablet.

**Writing Group - Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m.** A casual writing space where you can get motivated in a community of other writers; not a formal class. Bring your preferred method of writing; scratch paper and supplies for any special activities will be provided. Held in small conference room.

**For information on our other events, including book clubs and other ongoing programs, visit [www.scclid.org/events](http://www.scclid.org/events)**
















# Los Altos Library Children's Events



## February 2020



### Event Details

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Los Altos Library</b> 13 S. San Antonio Rd. Los Altos, CA 94022 www.sccl.org/losaltos 650-948-7683</p>			<p><b>CHECK ADDITIONAL FLYERS FOR MORE INFORMATION</b></p>	<p>*Sponsored by the Friends of the Los Altos Libraries</p> 		<p>1 <b>Children's Puppet Show in Celebration of Chinese New Year*</b> 2:00 pm</p> 
2	3	<p>4 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Celebrity Storytime with Council Member Courtenay Corrigan*</b> 11:00 am</p>	<p>5 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Preschool Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Baby Sign Language*</b> 1:00 pm</p>	<p>6 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Celebrity Storytime with Council Member Lynette Lee Eng*</b> 11:00 am</p> 	7	8
9	10	<p>11 <b>Asheba Family Concert</b> 10:15 am 11:00 am <b>This program will replace our regular toddler and preschool storytimes for this date only.</b></p> 	<p>12 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Preschool Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 1:00 pm <b>Make Valentine Cards for Children Ages 3 and Up*</b> 3:30 pm</p> 	<p>13 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Mandarin-English Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Family Games and Lego Building Afternoon*</b> 4:00 pm</p> 	14	15
16	<p>17 <b>Holiday-Library Closed</b> <b>X</b></p>	<p>18 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Celebrity Storytime with Supervisor Joe Simitian*</b> 11:00 am <b>Book Bugs Club* (2nd--3rd graders)</b> <b>Registration Required</b> 4:00 pm</p>  	<p>19 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Preschool Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Baby Sign Language*</b> 1:00 pm <b>Family Game, Lego Building* and Big Blue Blocks Afternoon!</b> 3:00 pm</p> 	<p>20 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Mandarin-English Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Cool Kids Read Book Club* (4th-6th graders)</b> <b>Registration Required</b> 4:00 pm</p> 	<p>21 <b>Family Movie*</b> 3:30 pm</p> 	<p>22 <b>Inclusive Sensory Storytime*</b> <b>Registration Required</b> 11:00 am <b>Reading Buddies</b> 2:30 pm</p>  
<p>23 <b>International Board Game Day*</b> 11:00 am</p> 	24	<p>25 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Preschool Storytime*</b> 11:00 am</p>	<p>26 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Preschool Storytime*</b> 11:00 am <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 1:00 pm <b>Make Your Own Emoji Pillow! (3rd to 8th graders)*</b> <b>Registration Required</b> 4:00 pm</p> 	<p>27 <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:15 am <b>Mandarin-English Storytime*</b> 11:00 am</p>	28	29

**Children's Puppet Show in Celebration of Chinese New Year!**  
Saturday 2/1  
2:00 pm Orchard Room  
Children of all ages and their families and caregivers are invited to celebrate Chinese New Year with a wonderful puppet show presented by The Puppet Company, "Mae Lin and the Magic Brush".

**Celebrity Storytime with Council Member Courtenay Corrigan**  
Tuesday, 2/4  
11:00 am Orchard Room

**Celebrity Storytime with Council Member Lynette Lee Eng**  
Thursday, 2/6  
11:00 am Orchard Room

**Celebrity Storytime with Council Member Joe Simitian**  
Tuesday, 2/18  
11:00 am Orchard Room

**Make Your Valentine Cards for Children Ages 3 and up**  
Wednesday 2/12  
3:30 pm Orchard Room  
Children ages 3 and up and their families and caregivers are invited to make Valentine cards for someone special. With hearts, doilies, ribbons, and more, you can make the Valentines of your dreams. Just drop in and have fun!

**Family Movie**  
Friday, 2/21  
3:30 pm Orchard Room  
Families are invited to watch an entertaining movie together.  
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**Make Your Own Emoji Pillow!**  
Wednesday, 2/26  
4:00 pm Orchard Room  
Children in 3rd to 8th grades are invited to make their own Emoji pillows. Happy, sad, silly, sleepy, crying, laughing or however you feel! Sew your favorite emoji into your very own pillow out of fabric and fluff! All materials will be provided.  
**Registration Required.**