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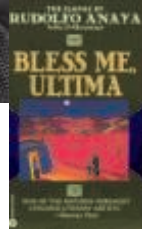
HAYWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY

EVENTS

FOR COMPLETE "BIG READ" EVENT INFO, VISIT www.haywardbigread.wordpress.com



Read With Us!
The Big Read 2010
Bless Me, Ultima
by Rudolfo Anaya



KEYNOTE EVENT:
Author Rudolfo Anaya
Live via videoconference
Tues., 4/27 at 6:00 p.m.
Cal State East Bay, Hayward



Opening Event:
The Big Read-a-thon

Wed., 3/31 from 9:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. &
Thu., 4/1 from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Hayward City Hall Rotunda

Experience the transformative power of one community reading together with a public reading and celebration of the modern classic *Bless Me, Ultima* by

Rudolfo Anaya. Hear local students, authors, educators, celebrities and friends share this story aloud. Or join in by reading a chapter out loud. Sponsored by Literacy Council and Friends of the Hayward Library.



**Fernando Hernandez
Demonstrates Bronze Casting**

Sat., 4/17 at 1:00 p.m. at Main Library
Fernando Hernandez was born in Mexico City, immigrated to California in 1986 and settled in Hayward. An educator and artist, he has exhibited surrealist mixed media sculptures throughout the Western states.



Shop Barnes & Noble—Support local schools!

Barnes & Noble is a proud sponsor of The Big Read, East Bay! When you shop at participating Barnes & Noble locations, or online at BN.com/bookfairs between March 31 and May 5, a portion of the sale proceeds will be donated to buy Big Read books for kids in local schools. Simply provide this Bookfair ID# at checkout (or bring this brochure with you).

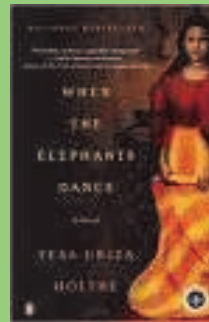
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Participating B&N locations: Fremont, Dublin, Emeryville, Walnut Creek, Eastridge San Jose, and online at BN.com/bookfairs

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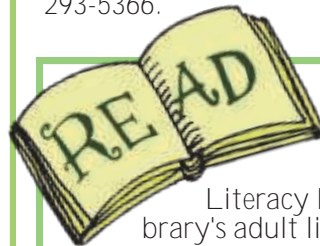
Meet Bestselling Author
Tess Uriza Holthe

Tue., April 6 @ 6 pm at Main
Filipino-American writer Tess Uriza Holthe, born and raised in San Francisco, is best known for her best-selling novel *When the Elephants Dance*, which shares similar themes with this month's NEA Big Read selection, *Bless Me, Ultima*. *When the Elephants Dance* explores the retelling of supernatural tales based on indigenous Filipino mythology and Spanish-influenced novels, told from the perspective of a family hiding in a cellar during the last weeks of the Japanese occupation in the Philippines during World War II. Join us for an evening with Tess Uriza Holthe, when she will tell us behind-the-scenes information about the writing of her novels and parallels between her work and the Big Read selection. Copies of her novels will be on sale at the event.



Author Reading &
Memoir Writing Workshop

Sat., April 17 at 1:00 p.m. at Weekes
Local author Rafaela Castro returns to Weekes Branch in celebration of The Big Read. Ms. Castro will read from her recent book *Provocaciones: Letters from the Prettiest Girl in Arvin*. She will also teach a workshop on memoir writing. No registration is required. For more information, call 510-293-5366.



Teach Someone to Read
Change a Life

Literacy Plus, Hayward Public Library's adult literacy program, will conduct a free training for new volunteer tutors. New tutor orientation classes will be held on April 12 and again on April 20. Tutor training begins on April 24, 2010. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old and willing to commit 2-4 hours per week for a minimum of six months. To learn more about volunteering, call Literacy Plus, (510) 881-7910.

Hayward Public Library
<http://library.hayward-ca.gov>

Main Library
835 C Street
510-293-8685

Weekes Library
27300 Patrick Ave.
510-782-2155

Hours
Mon.- Wed. 11 - 8
Thurs. - Sat. 10 - 5

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Mystery Novels by Women:

Desert Blood

Tues., April 6

6:30 at Main Library



Alicia Gaspar de **Alba's mystery**, *Desert Blood*, uses the horrifying series of actual murders of young women in the border town of Juarez, Mexico to tell a compelling story full of brutality, graphic violence and, ultimately, redemption. Featuring Ivon Villa, a **gay women's studies** professor who has come to her home town of El Paso to both finish her dissertation and to arrange an adoption for herself and her partner, the mystery begins with the murder of the young Juarez factor worker who has agreed to give her baby up for **adoption**. Then Ivon's young sister, Irene, goes missing after an evening in Juarez. Ivon must cope with pervasive prejudice against both gays and Hispanics, corrupt **cops**, **her cousin's** alcoholism, and, worst of all, her **mother's disapproval**, to solve the murder, save her sister, and **become an adopted baby's new** mother. For more information, contact heidi.ontiveros@hayward-ca.gov or call 510-881-7975.



Knitting Circle

Wed., April 14 & 28

6:45 at Main

Discover the joys of knitting by joining a new knitting circle at the Hayward Library. Experienced knitters Star and Zanaib will help novice knitters create a scarf for the first project. Future projects may include hats, gloves and sweaters, even socks! Meetings will be held the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at the Main Library at 6:45 p.m. Please bring size 10 or 10 1/2 knitting needles and the yarn of your choice. All levels of knitters welcome.

Mostly Literary Fiction:

Bless Me, Ultima

Mon., April 12

Two meetings: Noon at Peet's Coffee (B Street and Mission) & 6:30 at Main Library



We will be discussing the NEA Big Read selection, *Bless Me, Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya. Besides winning the Premio Quinto Sol national Chicano

literary award, this novel of a young boy in New Mexico in the 1940s has sold several hundred thousand copies in paperback since its 1973 debut. Choose from two different meeting times and locations — **noon at Peet's Coffee & Tea** or 6:30 p.m. at the Main Library.

Not able to attend meetings but want to discuss this book with others? Join GoodReads.com and participate in online discussions! For more information contact Sally.Thomas@hayward-ca.gov or call 510-881-7700.

Autobiography:

A Chicano in China

Wed., April 21

6:30 at Main Library



This month, in conjunction with the BIG READ, we will be reading Rudolfo Anaya's book *A Chicano in China*. Having grown up with an inherited fantasy

about Asia, Anaya headed to the Far East to find scenes and symbols familiar to a Chicano. Anaya offers us a cultural and spiritual autobiography in which he strives to make China meaningful by relating it to the world of a New Mexican Chicano. This journal is less about China itself than of the way Anaya views his experience. For more information contact abbe.kalos@hayward-ca.gov or call 510-881-7941.

Weekes Branch:

Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything

Sat., April 24

11:00 at Weekes Library



This month we will be discussing *Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* by Steven D. Levitt &

Stephen J. Dubner. In this book, Levitt argues that many apparent **mysteries of everyday life don't** need to be so mysterious: they could be illuminated and made even more fascinating by asking the right questions and drawing connections. For more information, contact melesha.owen@hayward-ca.gov or call 510-293-5239.

English Conversation Group

Mondays

April 5, 12, 19, and 26

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Main Library

New! English Conversation Group has moved to the Main Library. Come and practice speaking English with others who are learning. All levels are welcome. No registration is required. Contact Melesha.owen@hayward-ca.gov or 510-293-5239 for more information.



Get a Great Deal on Books!

Sat., April 10 & 24

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

C Street & Watkins



Friends of the Hayward Library book sales are held at the downtown Farmers Market on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. In case of rain, the sale will be in front of the Main Library.

Laughter Yoga

Sat., April 3 @ 3:00 at Main Library
A free Laughter Yoga workshop is presented monthly by Lydia Gonzales at the Hayward Public Library. Come and join in the laughter, the stress reduction and learning silliness is great for your health.



Breath Yoga

Sat., April 17 @ 3:00 at Main Library
Breath Yoga shows you how to breathe better thereby decreasing stress and increasing your energy levels. You will enjoy more in life. Enjoy the serenity and calm. Come and join this free workshop.

Lawyer in the Library

Sat., April 3 @ 12:00 - 2:00 pm at Main Library
Mon., April 5 @ 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. at Main Library
Mon., April 19 @ 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. at Weekes
Do you need free legal advice? Don't know where to begin? Get 15 minutes of free legal advice at the Hayward Public Library with a licensed attorney. Onsite registration required. Space is limited. Consultation is assigned by lottery. *Lawyer in the Library is sponsored by the Alameda County Bar Association.* Call (510)881-7980 for more information. Registration for the sessions begins 30 minutes before the first session.



JUST 4 TEENS



Bluford High Book Club

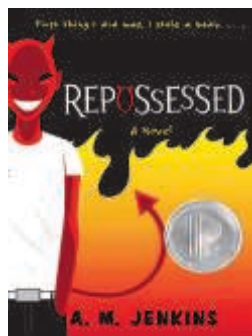
Thurs., April 1 @ 3:45 at Main
We're continuing with *Payback* by Paul Langan. You'll keep the books, so space is limited to 8. Grades 6 to 12 only. Register at **the children's desk or by calling 881-7945.** For more information ask for Shawna.

Teen Street Art Workshop with Sacred (Sean Chapin):

Saturday, April 10th @ 2:00PM at Weekes
From basic lettering to advanced techniques -- get empowered to take your art to the next level with local street art master Sacred. This program is free and art supplies will be provided. Open to grades 7-12. Please register by calling 510-293-5366, or email rob.spitzel@hayward-ca.gov.

Teen Reads Book Club

Tues., April 20
4 at Weekes
Read *Repossessed* by A.M. Jenkins and talk about it with other teens. A fallen angel, tired of being unappreciated while doing his pointless, demeaning job, leaves Hell, enters the body of a seventeen-year-old boy, and tries to experience the full range of **human feelings before being caught...** Open to grades 7-12. Copies of the book are available from the Weekes Branch



RRR: Magnet Bookmarks

Wed., April 28 at 1 @ Main
Reuse old magazines to make a magnet bookmark.

Button Making

Wed., April 14 at 1 at Main
Make a button. Wear your slogan on your sleeve. Literally.



Teen Eatz: Make Crepes!

Wed., April 21 at 3 @ Weekes
Join us for a culinary trip to France, and learn how to make both ham and cheese and chocolate crepes!



Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Want a say in how the library works for you?
Wed., April 7 @ 4 at Weekes
Wed., April 14 & 28 @ 4:30 at Main

Get Your Game On

Wed., April 14, 21, and 28 @ 1 at Main
Wed., April 14 & 28 @ 2 at Weekes



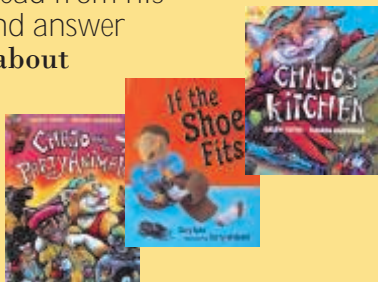
THE BIG READ EAST BAY

This year, the Big Read Junior features *Becoming Naomi Leon* by Pam Munoz Ryan. Eleven year old Naomi and her disabled brother, Owen, live with their tough, loving great-grandmother in a California trailer park. After seven years, their alcoholic mom and her slimy boyfriend return to take Naomi (not Owen) back for free babysitting and her welfare check. To avoid this fate, they search for their father in Mexico during Oaxaca's Christmas arts festival.



Award-winning children's author, Gary Soto

Sat., April 10 at 2 at Main
Even the youngest kids can celebrate the Big Read as Gary Soto will read from his picture books and answer kids' questions about growing up in California and becoming a writer.



Celebrate *Becoming Naomi Leon*

Sat., April 17 at 2:00 at Weekes
Join us for an afternoon of fun. Try your hand at soap carving and other Mexican crafts.



Snack Attack Book Club

Peanuts & Popcorn both meet
Fri., April 2, 16, 30 at 3:30 at Main

Kids in grades 3-5: Read *Becoming Naomi Leon* and join the Snack Attack Book Club for fun, friends and snacks.



Butterflies! Butterflies!

Sat., April 24 at 2:00 at Weekes
Make lovely butterflies out of tissue paper and coffee filters.



Cherry Blossom Time

Fri., April 16 at 3:30 at Weekes
Make a cherry blossom branch to celebrate spring.

Homework Support Center

Free drop-in homework help for kids in grades 4 - 12 at Main and Weekes.

Mon. - Wed. 3:30 - 5:30

Thur. 3:00 - 5

Need help when the library is closed?

Use your library card for free online homework help from Tutor.com.

Choose "Live Homework Help" from our webpage.

Volunteers needed!

Help kids succeed in school and earn community service. Call Lindsey at 881-7535.



STORY TIMES



Child-Caregiver Learn & Play Group

(ages birth-3) Registration required.

Thu. at 10:15 a.m. at Main

Thu. at 11:30 a.m. at Main

Fri. at 10:30 a.m. at Main

Mon. at 11:15 a.m. at Weekes

Mon. at 12:30 p.m. at Weekes

Mon. 6:00 p.m. at Weekes

Bedtime Stories (all ages)

Wed. at 6:30 p.m. at Main

Tues. at 6:30 p.m. at Weekes

Family Story Time (all ages)

Wed. at 3:30 p.m. at Main

Sat. at 11:30 a.m. at Main

Preschool Stories (ages 3-5)

Tue. at 11:30 a.m. at Main

Toddler Stories (ages 2-3)

Tue. at 11:30 a.m. at Weekes

Music and movement (birth—8)

Fri. at 10:30 a.m. at Weekes