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FOTL Events for Spring



Friday, March 24, Luncheon 12:00 P.M. Tickets \$25. Reservations Accepted February 17th.



Annabelle Gurwitch is an actress and author. Her books include the forthcoming comedic memoir, *Wherever You Go, There They Are*, *The New York Times* bestseller *I See You Made an Effort, You Say Tomato, I say Shut Up*, and *Fired*. She has had essays and satire in *The New Yorker*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Harpers Bazaar*, *Glamour* and other publications. Her acting credits include the shows *Seinfeld*, *Boston Legal*, and *Dexter*; she has also acted on stage in Los Angeles, Off-Broadway, and in performing arts centers around the country. For more information, go to www.annabelgurwitch.com.

Marla Jo Fisher was a workaholic newspaper reporter before she adopted two children out of foster care at age 46, picked up a scruffy dog along the way and somehow managed to keep them all alive, at least until today. She is a newspaper columnist for *The Orange County Register* and writes several columns including "Frumpy Middle-age Mom", "Deals Diva" and "Cheapo Travel". Her columns have

also appeared in newspapers and on websites nationwide, as well as on the AP wire. A 'Frumpy Mom' book is in the works. For more information, go to www.MarlaJoFisher.com.



Friday, April 21, Trip to Rancho Los Cerritos. Tickets \$58 Reservations Accepted Now.

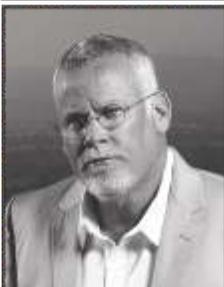
Long Beach was founded on the original 27,000 acre Rancho Los Cerritos in the 1880s. The historic adobe and landscaped grounds highlight the rich history of Spanish, Mexican and American California and the families who helped transform southern California from its ranching beginnings to a modern, urban society.

The bus will leave the Central Library at 10:30 A.M. A catered lunch will be followed by a docent-led tour of the historic house and lovely gardens. The bus should arrive back at the HB Central Library by 3:30 P.M. There are only 48 reservations available and all reservations must be in by April 14th so don't delay in sending in your check or making a reservation on the fotlhb.com website.

For more information visit the Rancho Los Cerritos website: www.rancholoscerritos.org.



Thursday, May 18, Presentation 7:00 P.M. Tickets \$15. Reservations Accepted March 24.



Michael Connelly, a former newspaper journalist, now is the best selling author of twenty-nine novels and one work of nonfiction. With over sixty million copies of his books sold worldwide and translated into thirty-nine foreign languages, he is one of the most successful writers working today. Two of his books have been turned into movies, *Blood Work* and *The Lincoln Lawyer*. His most recent #1 *The New York Times* bestsellers include *The Crossing*, *The Burning Room*, *The Gods of Guilt*, *The Black Box*, and *The Drop*. *The Wrong Side of Goodbye* is his latest novel featuring Harry Bosch, the LAPD homicide detective.

Born in Philadelphia, PA on July 21, 1956, Connelly then attended the University of Florida, where he majored in journalism, with a minor in creative writing. After graduation he became a newspaper writer, specializing in the crime beat, writing for newspapers in Daytona Beach and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, then *The Los Angeles Times*. He lives in California and Florida.

For more information go to www.michaelconnelly.com.

Please Note: Unless otherwise noted, reservations begin 5 weeks before the event.

Make your check out to "FOTL" and send it to: Huntington Beach Library, FOTL Programs, 7111 Talbert Ave., Huntington Beach, CA 92648; or stop by the FOTL Gift Shop (Central Library/Main Floor) to sign up.

Reservations can be made online at fotlhb.com/programs--special-events_1.html



STEPHANIE BEVERAGE
Library Director

Happy Spring time, everyone! The Library is buzzing with activity, as we move into 2017.

The Huntington Beach Library has added a number of new online features in 2017 – the Cloud Library for eBooks and eAudio, a new online Calendar for events and programs, and a new learning program called Lynda.com.

Thanks to the Friends of the Library, our new eBook vendor, the Cloud Library, has been up and running since January 1, 2017.

The Cloud Library is fast, easy and allows for sharing with other Cloud library members. The HB Library offers One-on-One appointments on the Cloud Library and all our digital tools every week – check our new online Calendar for open appointments and register online!

Want to learn something new? Maybe learn how to code or try your hand at graphic design? Try Lynda.com. Lynda.com offers over 5,000 learning videos on subjects ranging from how to use your iPhone to earning a project management certificate. These high quality instructional videos are available on the Library website.

Building improvements and projects continue this spring. Our Main Street Library is looking really good, while protecting its unique historic character. Thanks to the Friends, a successful sound abatement and remediation program has improved the Story Time room, and new furniture and historic pictures provide insight into the Huntington Beach of the 1950s.

If I haven't said it recently, then I will say it again - thank you all for your amazing support. The Friends make a difference at HBPL everyday!



TERRI O'CONNOR
FOTL President

Thank you to all FOTL members for your continued support. If you aren't yet a member please join us. Your membership dues will help to provide needed materials and programs. For the last 40 years, our membership drives and fund-raising events have helped the Library remain the cultural center of our community.

We are proud to announce that we have 12 new members since

our last newsletter. This brings our membership to more than 750. If you'd like to become a member and take advantage of our "Members Only" sales (50% off everything in Used Books), please talk to one of our cashiers or go online to become a member. And, as a member, you will be able to buy anything in our Used Books area for 50% off on April 14th. This is our way of thanking our members for supporting our fund-raising efforts for the library.

We have an exciting line-up of events for this spring that I know you will want to attend. In the next few months we will have a number of great programs including authors Annabelle Gurwitch, an actress and author, and Marla Jo Fisher, a columnist for the Orange County Register. These women will entertain and keep the attendees laughing during our luncheon event on March 24.

In addition, we will have a bus trip and tour of Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, a public museum in the City of Long Beach, on April 21st. The house is furnished in a Victorian fashion as it would have been in the 1870s. We'll be able to tour the formal Italian garden includes orange and cypress trees as well as a 3,000-volume California history research library. I encourage you to go online at www.fotlhb.com to register for these programs.

In other areas of the library, the Orange County California Genealogy Society (OCCGS) will be hosting its annual Genealogy Bash and Book Faire on March 4th. The keynote speaker will be CeCe Moore, well-known authority on DNA and family history research.

As Director Stephanie mentioned in her article, our Main Street Library Used Books area is up and running. We are extremely pleased to support this unique historical building by providing a sound abatement and remediation program in the Story Time room. We encourage you to stop by and see our new Used Books area as well as the historic pictures of Huntington Beach in the 1950s.

Online Research Databases

HB Library members have free access to a wealth of subscription databases containing a wide range of information from respected authors and journals.

Browse the following and all of the Library online databases by going to <http://hbpl.libguides.com/databases> or choosing "Research Databases" in the search bar from the library homepage (www.hbpl.org).



Artemis provides in-depth research in literature. Patrons can search for an author or work and receive a variety of literary criticism resources.



Credo is a collection of hundreds of reference books and handbooks including bilingual dictionaries, encyclopedias of plant pests, and books of famous artwork.



Hoopla is a one-stop source for a wealth of digital materials. It carries popular streaming music, ebooks, audiobooks, digital comics, movies, and more. .



Explora lets you search newspapers, such as the Orange County Register, magazines, and journal articles.

Online Research Databases, continued:



Consumer Reports lets you browse and search complete issues of Consumer Reports magazines and articles for reviews and recommendations before you make a purchase.



Lynda.com is an online learning platform that helps anyone learn business, technology, and creative skills.

Calendar of Events

Check the Library website www.hbpl.org and click on **Events Calendar** for up-to-date Information on all events, or call (714) 375-5107. All events take place at the Huntington Beach Central Library unless otherwise indicated.

Mindful Movements Exercise Classes - "Pi-yoga-lates" classes by Sue Paul in the Talbert Room. Standing and seated postures for a full body stretch. Mondays, 10:15 A.M - 11:45 A.M. For more information contact Sue Paul at (714) 658-0111.

Be sure to visit the Central Library's art exhibits. Different artists are showcased throughout the year.

MARCH

- March 7** 7:00 P.M. – Follow the Reader Discussion Group
Book selection: *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman
Central Library Conference Room
- March 14** 10:00 A.M. – FOTL Board of Directors Meeting
Central Library
- March 24** 12:00 Noon (Luncheon) – FOTL Author Event
Speakers: Authors Marla Jo Fisher and Annabelle Gurwitch
Central Library

APRIL

- April 4** 7:00 P.M. – Follow the Reader Discussion Group
Book selection: *Deep Down Dark* by Hector Tobar
Central Library Conference Room

- April 11** 10:00 A.M. – FOTL Board of Directors Meeting
Central Library
- April 21** 10:30 A.M – FOTL Field Trip to Rancho Los Cerritos
Bus leaves from the Central Library
- April 30** 12:00 Noon - Taste of Huntington Beach
Huntington Beach Sports Complex

MAY

- May 2** 7:00 P.M. Follow the Reader Book Discussion Group
Book selection: *The Language of Flowers* by Venessa Diffenbaugh
Central Library Conference Room
- May 9** 10:00 A.M. – FOTL Board of Directors Meeting
Central Library
- May 18** 7:00 P.M – FOTL Author Event
Speaker: Author Michael Connelly
Central Library

Library Closures

Monday, May 29 - Observation of Memorial Day

FOTL 2017 - 2018 Election



The new slate of nominees for the FOTL Board will be selected this spring. The board election will occur during the May Luncheon/General Meeting and the installation of officers will take place in June. There is currently an open opportunity for a board member to serve as Historian. If you are a creative person who would like to

maintain the FOTL scrapbooks, please contact Terri O'Connor at oconnorterri@gmail.com.

Huntington Beach Friends of the Library Executive Board Candidates 2017 - 2018

- President Dorothy Boesch
- 1st VP, Programs Kathy Patten
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- 2nd VP, Membership Dolores McGuire
- Assistant 2nd VP Sheila Plotkin
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- Recording Secretary Mary Spafford
- Correspondence Secretary KC Boelsems
- Treasurer Pat Hoffman



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**New
FOTL
Members!**

Jacqueline Brodt
Tara Chander
Anne Crabtree
Debbie F. Fisher
Laurie Frandsen
Howard Grant

Barbara Kossen
Eunice Larson
Patt Petersen
Joan Portugall
Stacy Rosato
Sandra Selby

Luncheon/Event Reservations Online

The new, easy way to reserve your seat for FOTL luncheons and events is to go to www.fotlhb.com and use the online reservation option. Similar to the online membership renewal website, the reservation system will walk you through the process of placing your reservation using easy on-screen instructions. You'll even be able to make reservations for multiple people in your group at the same time.

One of the biggest benefits to reserving your seat using the online reservation service is that you will be able to pay using your Mastercard or Visa credit card. The site uses the latest in security encryption so your personal and credit card information will be safe.

So if you want to save time (no check writing, envelope addressing, etc.) and money (no postage required), reserve your seat using FOTL's online reservation system.

Renew Your FOTL Membership Online

Did you know that you can now renew your FOTL membership online? Just go to www.fotlhb.com and click on the "FOTL Membership" button in the navigation bar on the left-side of the page. Next, click on "Renew Membership", choose your level of membership (Senior, Individual, etc.) and then follow the on-screen instructions. It's that easy!

One of the biggest benefits to online renewal is that you can now pay for your membership using your Mastercard or Visa credit card. And don't worry, your personal and credit card information is safe, the site uses the latest in security encryption.

So next time your membership is due for renewal, remember to save time and money (no postage required) by going to www.fotlhb.com. Let your friends and neighbors know that they can also take advantage of the online option to join the FOTL.

Give the Gift of Membership! Enroll a Family Member or Friend!

Friends Membership Form

*Contributions are tax deductible.
(Checks should be made out to FOTL.)*

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Date: _____

Yes, I would like to help the environment by receiving all FOTL correspondence by email.

New Member__ Renewal__

I would like to Volunteer

- Friends Gift Shop Used Book Sales
 Program Coordination Events Support
 Newsletter Production Other

Annual Membership Dues

- \$15 Senior (55+) \$25 Family
 \$15 Student \$30 Sustaining
 \$20 Individual \$50 Associate

Other Membership Options

- Lifetime \$150 Benefactor \$500

Mail to / or deposit membership form and payment at the Friends of the Library Gift Shop (Central Library, Main Floor)
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY, Huntington Beach Library, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Membership sign-ups and renewals are now available online at www.fotlhb.com/fotl-membership.html.

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Friends Gift Shop

Main Floor, Central Library

Spring SALE

Spring Decor and Gifts

Unique One-of-a-Kind Gifts
Stationary and Journals
Variety of Book Ends
Children's Books, Toys & Puppets
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These are available for purchase in the Library's Used Books Section

You can also buy used books from The Friends of the Library at Amazon.com

Go to www.fotlhb.com/online-used-books-sales.html

Don't Miss Out! Sign-up Now For Book Sales Alerts!

If you are currently only receiving FOTL information via the mail you are missing out on advanced notification of Used Book sales and events.

Flash sales and Buy One Get One events are only communicated via email, the FOTL Facebook page and the FOTL website (www.fotlhb.com).

To be notified of sales and Used Book Events, send an email to Webmaster@fotlhb.com

Email addresses are only used for FOTL communication and are not sold or rented to other organizations.

Get News Faster Go Green and Help More

Did you know that over 50% of a member's dues goes towards printing and mailing costs? And those costs keep going up. That means 50% less that can be used to fund important Library programs the FOTL supports.

To combat rising printing and mailing costs, and to minimize its environmental footprint, FOTL has implemented a paperless email option for those members who wish to receive all of their FOTL correspondence electronically.

Here are some of the benefits of "Going Green":

- More of your dues go towards FOTL supported Library projects.
- Less paper means fewer trees cut down and less trash in our landfills.
- Faster communications – no need to wait for FOTL to print or mail newsletters, announcements, etc.
- Used Book sales are only communicated via email! Don't miss the Buy One/Get One events!

To enroll, email your name and email address to webmaster@fotlhb.com.

Library News

The Cloud Library Arrives at HBPL



This year, the library is pleased to announce a new eBook service for HBPL patrons. The Cloud Library will make eBook and audiobook checkout easier for our patrons. It allows us to purchase eBooks and audiobooks from the major publishers and gives us access to shared titles, which will allow for shorter hold periods.

Cloud Library users can download five titles at a time as well as place five titles on hold. Items can be checked out for 21 days. Like all our electronic services, there are no late fees on these items. They will return automatically at the end of the lending period, or you can return them from your account in the app or on the website.

The Cloud Library has replaced Overdrive. The Cloud Library service offers simpler downloads and more opportunities to add great content. It supports most tablets and e-readers, but is not compatible with the Kindle Paperwhite, Voyage, and older Kindle readers. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Kindle Fire, Nook, Apple, and Android users are encouraged to download the Cloud Library app, sign up with their HBPL library card, and start reading in just a few minutes. Staff is available to assist users with the new service. Training sessions will be held for the platform, so be sure to watch the library calendar.

Patrons can find out more information on our Digital Collections page by going to "Books Computer Research" from the library's home page, or going directly to <http://hbpl.libguides.com/databases/digitalcollection>.

L.A. Opera Talks



The Central Library is pleased to present LA Opera Talks. Join us for fun, free, interactive presentations given by one of LA Opera's Community Educators. These presentations will cover three popular

operas that will be performed in the spring season at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in downtown Los Angeles. This is an opportunity to learn more about opera, ask questions of a professional in the field, and enhance your understanding of the arts in our community.

March 11, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.: The Tales of Hoffmann

Plot in brief: Urged on by his drinking buddies, Hoffmann recounts the stories of the fascinating women who captured his heart—wind-up doll Olympia, conniving Giulietta, fragile Antonia and elusive Stella. Hoffmann's doomed pursuit of romance, foiled by sinister figures of darkness at every turn, ultimately lead him to a poet's artistic salvation.

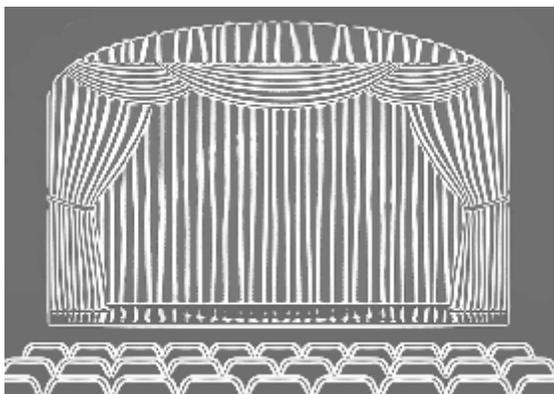
April 8, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.: Tosca

Plot in brief: A fiery prima donna is forced to play a role she never imagined when she becomes trapped between her allegiance to her rebel lover and the scheming of a treacherous police chief who will stop at nothing in his lust for her. The explosive triangle comes to a hair-raising conclusion in one of opera's bloodiest, most intense dramas.

Please contact Jessica at (714) 374-5333 with any questions. For more information about the LA Opera, please visit: www.laopera.org/.



JRW Group Entertainment's Galaxy of the Stars



Ticket Sales & Reservations:
Call June at (714) 475-9678

Spring 2017 Show Calendar

Wed., March 22

"One Voice" starring Las Vegas headliner Bethany Owen, The Woman of 1001 Voices & Faces. A one-woman variety show of singing, comedy, and voice impressions

Wed., April 12

"The Magic of Asia". The mysteries of the Orient from the Hollywood Magic Castle

Tues., May 9

"What a Difference A Day Makes", A one-woman show on the music, life and times of Dinah Washington starring Bobbi Lee Anderson

Shows are in the HB Central Library Theater

Tickets are value priced at \$25

Doors open at 12:30 P.M.

Shows begin at 1:30 P.M.





Children's Library News

SPRING 2017



The Jungle Book

Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Children's Library, the children's department will welcome Ballet Etudes in their production of "The Jungle Book", on Tuesday, February 28 and Wednesday, March 1 at 4:00 and 7:00 P.M. in the Library Theater. Based on the popular 1894 work by Rudyard Kipling, this ballet will tell the tale of the "man-cub" Mowgli, who was raised in the jungle by wolves. Tickets are on sale now for \$5 each; advanced purchase is highly recommended.

Special Children's Events



It's that time of year again, when children are out of school on Spring Break. Come to the Library for a presentation by the popular "Buster Balloon", on Tuesday, April 18 at 2:00 P.M. in the Tabby Theater. The Buster Balloon Show is a wild and wacky mix of side splitting comedy, mind boggling magic, and the most amazing twisted balloon creations you have ever seen! Tickets go on sale February 28 for \$4 each. Later that month, on April 29, there will be a special Spring Celebration in the Secret Garden behind the library from 10:00 A.M. to noon. Fun activities include a storytime with Miss Debra, a maypole dance, butterfly tent, and gardening crafts. This event is free of charge and welcome to children of all ages.

Spring Reading Raffle



Children ages 12 and under can sign up on Beanstack @hbpl.org for the spring reading raffle, where they can earn digital badges and virtual raffle tickets for every 10 books or 180 minutes they log online. Earn up to 8 tickets for a chance to win a turtle night-light or a stuffed toy! Complete the program and receive both a honey scented bookmark and sticker. For more information, please visit our website at www.hbpl.org, and click on "Register for our Spring Reading Raffle".

Spring Fever



Be sure to take a look at the children's display case during your next visit to the library. Miss Barbara always has an amazing collection of seasonal fun, including collectible children's book character figurines. Also, come see what prizes are up for grabs in the Spring Reading Raffle!

Visit www.hbpl.org



The Central Library offers a variety of programming and activities for children all year long. In addition to the regular storytimes and crafts, kids can visit the Children's Department for computer and internet access.

Please visit our website at www.hbpl.org for our monthly calendar by clicking on Kid Stuff, then Storytime & Events. There you can also find our catalog, research databases, AR bookfinder, and our free homework tutoring database "Brainfuse".

To view our Homework Club calendar, visit us at hbpl.libcal.com/calendar/classes.



2017 Taste of Huntington Beach

Noon to 4 P.M. on Sunday, April 30

Huntington Beach Sports Complex

This annual event raises money for the Children's Library of Huntington Beach while promoting the amazing variety of restaurants and catering companies in town.

One single ALL-INCLUSIVE price is your ticket to the 16th Annual Taste of Huntington Beach. Start the afternoon enjoying mouthwatering samples of culinary delights from 50 of your favorite local restaurants. Then pair these savory tastes with sips from our stellar lineup of wine and beer samples from 50 of California's premier wineries and breweries. Continue to "graze" the afternoon away, while visiting our terrific sponsors and vendors, enjoying live entertainment and bidding on fabulous silent auction items

All this – and more – on our unique outdoor hilltop setting makes for a perfect day for you and your friends! Don't forget our special VIP Ticket: It includes an exclusive 11 A.M. reception.

Tickets are on sale online at www.tastehb.com or at the Children's Desk of the HB Central Library.





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