

# FRIENDS OF THE FOSTER CITY LIBRARY

MAY 2021



## 100,000 CURBSIDE APPOINTMENTS!

We are celebrating more than 100,000 appointments at SMC Libraries during Curbside Services!

Thank you for always making our day brighter and bringing us so much joy!

You can get personalized recommendations from our staff by calling us at 1-833-YES-SMCL or visiting our walk-up desks during Curbside Services!



## Message from the Board

Dear Friends,

It has been solidly over a year since the WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic. Since then, we've experienced many things--elections, natural disasters, Black Lives Matter and Stop Asian Hate social justice movements, vaccine rollouts and the individual and collective psychological and practical impact on navigating daily life during a health crisis.

During that time, we've also built stronger bonds with our friends and family, taken up new hobbies, learned all about sourdough starter, improved multi-tasking skills, cleaned out the hallway closet and finally made a dent in our perennial reading lists.

Now, Spring is here with its renewal and blooming vitality. For the library, this means maintaining and increasing services as possible (following county health guidelines), including continued curbside service, extended wifi accessibility in the library parking lot, and availability of magazines through OverDrive. Most excitingly, the Foster City Library is physically open for limited in-library Express Services! This includes computer and printing access, browsing and checking out items, picking up holds, and wifi access on limited days. More info is available at <https://smcl.org/>.

We wish you a fantastic and safe Spring season. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Foster City Library. Please continue being wonderful humans, friends, neighbors and local/global community members who respect, love and support one another.

Friends of the Foster City Library

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## Upcoming Library Events

All Library Events Are Now [Virtual!](#)

### Learn to Make Boba With the Boba Guys

May 14, Friday 4pm to 5pm

Boba has taken the world by storm! From their humble beginnings as a pop-up boba shop to a brand known for its organic and hand-crafted ingredients, Boba Guys co-founders Andrew Chau and Bin Chen will bring the wonderful world of boba into your home!

Join us as Bin and Andrew discuss [The Boba Book](#), the Boba Guys story, and delve into a live demonstration of their boba and milk tea method. There will be Q&A with the audience at the end.

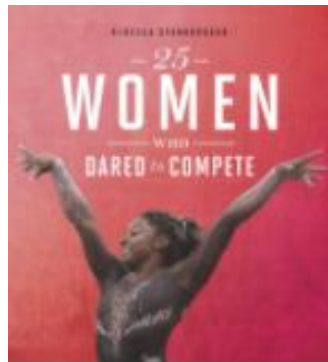
### OverDrive

Overdrive now has magazines! Grab your favorite magazine subscription like New York Times and Rolling Stone and read on your favorite e-reader!

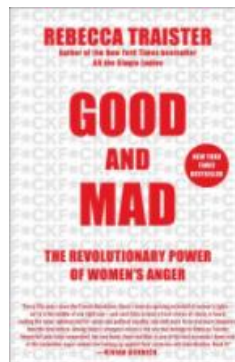
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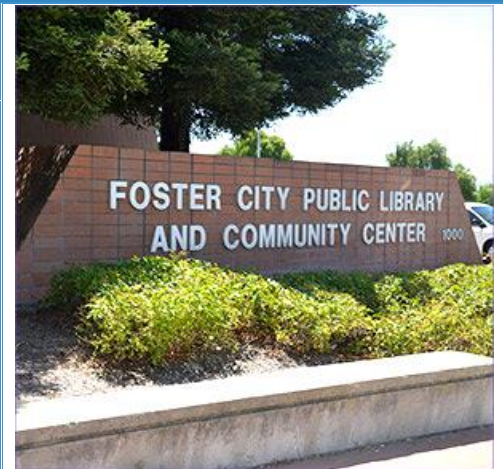
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### CURBSIDE PICKUP

Library buildings are closed, but we are open for Curbside Pickup by appointment only. Find out more information by going to: [SMCL.ORG/CURBSIDE](http://SMCL.ORG/CURBSIDE)

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE BOOKS OR FOOD DONATIONS OUTSIDE LIBRARY DOORS.**

Leave donations at: Samaritan House at Old County Road and 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue

## Equity Author Talk: Rucker C. Johnson

Join us on Tuesday, May 18th at 6:00PM for a conversation with acclaimed economist and author Rucker C. Johnson on his book, *Children of the Dream: Why School Integration Works*.

Rucker C. Johnson is the Chancellor's Professor of Public Policy in the Goldman School of Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley, and faculty research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research.

As a labor economist who specializes in the economics of education, Johnson's work considers the role of poverty and inequality in affecting life chances. Johnson's research has appeared in leading academic journals, featured in mainstream media outlets, and he has been invited to give policy briefings at the White House and on Capitol Hill. This virtual talk will be followed by an interview and Q&A from the audience.

Right click [here](#) and open link in a new tab to register.



## On-going Library Events

***All Library Events Are Now [Virtual!](#)***

**Citizenship Learning Circles**  
Mondays 3pm to 4pm

**English Conversation Clubs**  
Tuesday at 5 pm  
Thursdays at 1:30 pm

**Gentle Yoga**  
Thursdays 11:30am to 12:30pm

## Membership

Many thanks to these new/renewing members and donors as of April 3, 2021. If there is an error in your name, please send an email to [FOFC.Library@gmail.com](mailto:FOFC.Library@gmail.com) with the correction.

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**(or drop off at the front desk of the Library)**  
*All contributions are tax deductible.*

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**Membership Dues**

\_\_\_\_ New      \_\_\_\_ Renewal

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\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$25)

\_\_\_\_ Senior (\$20)

\_\_\_\_ Family (\$40)

\_\_\_\_ Patron (\$75)

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