



# FRIENDS OF THE FOSTER CITY LIBRARY

## NOVEMBER 2024

### Message from the Board

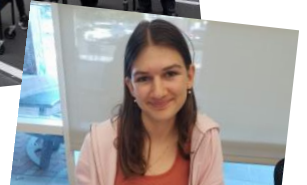
Hello Friends!

And just like that, we find ourselves in the depths of Autumn and towards the succession of year-end holidays. What a year 2024 has been!

With the support of FoFCL, the library has provided an engaging roster of impactful programming for the community, providing diverse cultural and educational activities and content for all ages. We still have lots to look forward to as well- [Day of the Dead Ofrenda Workshop](#) on Oct 29; [Hallow-Teen Hangout](#) on Oct 30; [The Fall Book Sale](#) (presented by FoFCL) on Nov 2; [basket weaving](#) on Nov 12; [Indian classical dance show](#) on Nov 17; and a musical performance by news anchor [Dan Ashley](#). Be sure to check the [SMCL site](#) often for the full and current list of events.

Friends, thank you as always for your ongoing support to FoFCL, as it directly contributes to programming and activities such as these (and beyond!). As we close the last quarter of the year, please remember FoFCL as the holiday giving season approaches.

Have a wonderful autumn and a lovely holiday season!  
Friends of the Foster City Library

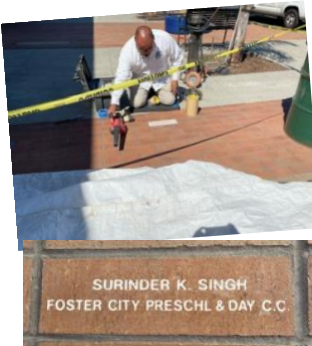


#### Upcoming 2024 Foster City Library Closures:

Veterans Day: Sunday, November 10-Monday, November 11 (closed)  
Thanksgiving: Wednesday, November 27 (early closure at 5 pm);  
Thursday, November 28-Friday, November 29 (closed)  
Christmas: Tuesday, December 24 (early closure at 5 pm);  
Wednesday, December 25 (closed)  
New Years Eve: Tuesday, December 31 (early closure at 5 pm)

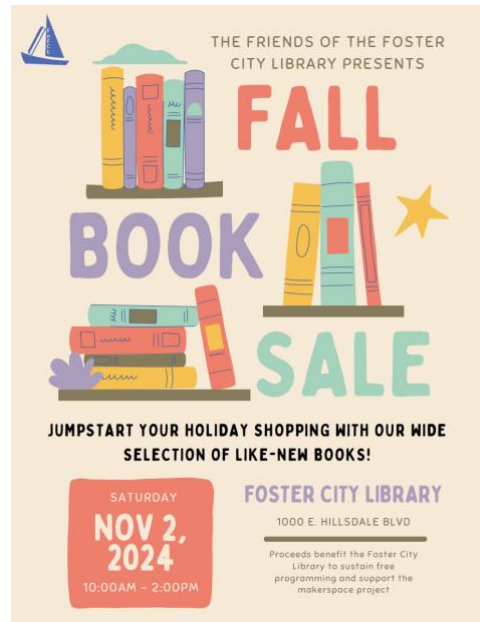
#### Holiday Gift Idea: Bricks & Tiles!

Bricks and tiles make a wonderful gift- for both living and in memoriam! Our engraver would like to come out again in March if we secure enough orders. FoFCL has a **goal of selling SEVEN bricks or tiles by mid-January**- will you help us reach our goal? Any holiday purchases will include a special email and/or postcard to the recipient (before Christmas if ordered by December 10) letting them know a brick or tile has been purchased in their honor and will be engraved in March. Email [FoFCLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FoFCLibrary@gmail.com) or go to this site <https://omella.com/76pu6> to order.



## Upcoming Library Events

### IN PERSON EVENTS @ FOSTER CITY LIBRARY

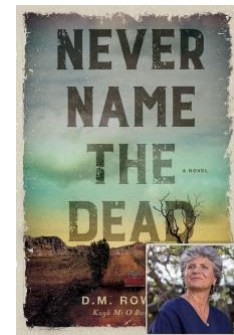


### AUTHOR TALK IN BELMONT

**Saturday, November 16, 2024  
2-3 PM at BELMONT LIBRARY**

In-Person Event

*The first 50 people in attendance will receive a free copy of the book!*



**Meet D.M. Rowell, Author of  
Silent Are the Dead**

In [Never Name the Dead](#), Mae, a high-powered professional in Silicon Valley, had left the name "Mud" and her Kiowa roots behind a decade ago. After returning home to discover a tribe in disarray and her grandfather missing, Mud had to search for answers, plunging into a web of theft, betrayal, and murder. In *Silent Are the Dead*, Mud Sawpole is back on tribal land and uncovers an illegal fracking operation that threatens the Kiowa's ancestral homeland. When a local businessman involved in artifact thefts is murdered, and a respected tribe elder faces accusation of the crime, Mud searches deep within herself to find answers—and a murderer.

[D. M. Rowell](#) (Koyh Mi O Boy Dah), like her protagonist, Mud, comes from a long line of Kiowa (kai uh wuh) storytellers within a Plains Indian culture that treasures oral traditions.

#### Other upcoming events:

**Nov 3 (Sun), 11 am - 3 pm**

[STS CPR, AED & First-Aid Class](#)  
(registration required)

**Nov 12 (Tues), 10:30 am - 12 pm**

[Beginner's Basket Weaving](#)  
(registration required)

**Nov 16 (Sat), 1:30 - 3 pm**

[Sashiko Mending](#)  
(registration required)

**Nov 17 (Sun), 11 am - 12 pm**

[Indian Classical Dance Show](#)

**Nov 20 (Wed), 1 - 2 pm**

[Musical Performance: Dan Ashley,  
News Anchor and Rock Star](#)

**Dec 1 (Sun), 11 am - 12:30 pm**

[Decorating Holiday Ornaments](#)  
(registration required)

For a full list of events at the library, check out the [Events page](#) on the SMCL website (<https://smcl.org>).

## 2025 Friends Bookmark Design Contest

*Honoring National Library Week, April 6-12, 2025*

Sponsored by the Friends of the Foster City Library  
Designs accepted December 1, 2024 - January 11, 2025



Submit your [online entry](#).

### FoFCL Officers and Board Members

**Sandra Lew**, President  
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**Susan Hall**, Secretary & Youth Board Advisor  
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**Lou Kim**, Bricks/Tiles, Newsletter, & Website  
**Grace Kwon**, Marketing & Communications & Website  
**Jeanie Kwong**, Membership & Book Shop Liaison  
**Katie Yue**, Youth Committee Board Representative  
**Sivan Sarig**, Youth Committee Board Representative

### Library Staff

**Stephanie Saba**, Library Branch Manager  
**Vacant**, Senior Librarian  
**Michelle Wong**, Community Librarian  
**Jenna Varden**, Teen Services Librarian  
**Anjali Bhat**, Youth Services Librarian  
**Evie Diaz**, Community Technology Specialist  
**Kate Drabek**, Senior Library Assistant  
**Dek Samson**, Library Assistant  
**Diego Agurto**, Library Assistant  
**Neuf Narisaranukul**, Library Assistant  
**Polina Rebenok**, Library Assistant

## Teens Helping One Another and Their Community!



The Youth Committee's official year began July 1 and in August saw one of their most successful activities for Foster City teens since the committee formed in 2021: tote bag painting. Under the leadership of co-chairs Katie and Sivan, the committee has made plans for a variety of activities for the coming year: a repeat of last year's Hallow-teen afternoon that will have teens decorating jars with an alternative activity of tote bag painting and origami. Some other events in the works: a holiday card making day, an investment presentation by a Foster City high school student in conjunction with the library's staff, another book swap in the spring, henna painting in the spring, as well as more arts and crafts projects.

The Foster City Library Youth Committee brings together Foster City teens who attend local and nearby middle and high schools. Together, they come up with creative ideas to connect youth with one another and foster a sense of community. Committee members also help the Friends of the Foster City Library with their events and fundraising efforts such as the Book Shop sale. Last fall's toy drive successfully collected a significant number of new toys that were distributed by the Foster City fire department, and their summer Life Moves drive to collect clothing and toiletries raised carloads of donations and helped local people transitioning from homelessness to shelters and apartments. Through their work and in collaboration with the library staff, this enthusiastic group of teens is making a positive impact on Foster City!



## Membership & Donations

Many thanks to these new/renewing members and donors as of July 2024! If there is an error, email [fofclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:fofclibrary@gmail.com).

Ellen Baker	Jacquelyn Gentry &	Marion Lowrance	Sharon Schwartz
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Maureen & Stephen Buchner	Susan Hall	James Main	Ann Terwilliger
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Gretta Csatho	Barbara Ann Kilpatrick	Patricia Obuchowski	Maureen & Robert Wolfe
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Barbara & Benjamin Davies	Grace Kwon	Andrea & Stephen Pearlman	Anna & Wayne Yamaguchi
Eileen & Robert Davis	Jeanie Kwong	Peter Pershing	Barbara Young
Monika DeMartini	Samuel Lew	Andrew & Barbara Rosenberg	Vincent Yuen
Alicia & Walter Eades, M.D.	Susan Lindstrom	Patricia Schall	

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## Age Category (select one)

- Preschool - Kindergarten       Grades 3-4       Grades 7-8       Adult (18+)
- Grades 1-2       Grades 5-6       Grades 9-12

*All information must be clear and legible. Please include an email address that is actively monitored as we will notify winners via email. Illegible submissions and nonresponsiveness to emails will result in disqualification.*

### Please print legibly

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone Number		
Email Address (required for notification)		

### For students:

Age	Grade Level
School	
I love the Library because _____	

Create your design in this box. We'll cut around the outer line.  
Anything outside the box will be lost.



I affirm that this is original work by the submitter and that I agree to abide by the rules and terms of the contest as outlined on the reverse of this form. (Guardian signature required for entrants 16 years old or younger).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



## Bookmark Design Contest Calendar

- Dec 1, 2024 - Jan 11, 2025 - Accepting bookmark submissions in-person at the library or online at <https://bit.ly/25fcbookmark> or by scanning the QR code.
- Jan 11, 2025, 5:00 PM PT - Bookmark design submissions due. Entries received after 5:00 pm are not eligible.
- Jan 21-31, 2025 - Jurying by contest panel and age group winners notified via email.
- Mar 22, 2025, 10:15 AM - Winner presentation ceremony at the library.

## Bookmark Design Contest Rules

1. Contestants must live, work, or attend school in Foster City.
2. Each age group category will have one winner who will be notified via email. Categories are Preschool - Kindergarten • Grades 1-2 • Grades 3-4 • Grades 5-6 • Grades 7-8 • Grades 9-12 • Adult (18+).
3. Limit one entry per submitter.
4. Bookmark design must be original work. Nothing previously published will be accepted. Popular figures (ex. Marvel, Disney, etc.) cannot be considered due to copyright restrictions.
5. Books, libraries and/or reading should be included in the design.
6. Bookmarks may be created in color or black-and-white. Acceptable media includes flat 2-dimensional graphics and collage on paper or paperboard • Colored pencil • Marker • Crayon • Gouache • Tempera • Oil • Acrylic • Fingerpaint • Chalk • Watercolor • Pen-and-ink.
  - a. No photography or digital imagery.
  - b. Glitter and reflectives do not reproduce well and are discouraged.
7. Entries are valid only when accompanied by this completed and signed registration form.
  - a. All contact information on the registration form must be clear and legible. Please include a personal email that is actively monitored as we will notify winners via email. If a winning participant does not respond within 7 days to our communication, their win will be voided and the judging panel will select another winner.
8. Completed entry forms may be returned in-person at the Foster City library or online at <https://bit.ly/25fcbookmark>. Completed entry forms may be returned until 5:00 pm PT on January 11, 2025.
9. Bookmark designs will be accepted December 1, 2024 – January 11, 2025. Entries will not be returned after judging.
10. Parents or guardians of entrants under 16 years old must sign the completed form.
11. Judging panel will include Friends of the Foster City Library board members and Library staff. Submissions will be judged on originality, theme and creativity. The panel's decisions are final.
12. Winning entries will be printed and available at the Foster City library.

Deliver submissions in-person at the Foster City library or online.

All designs become the property of the Foster City Library and cannot be returned.

Questions? [focllibrary@gmail.com](mailto:focllibrary@gmail.com)



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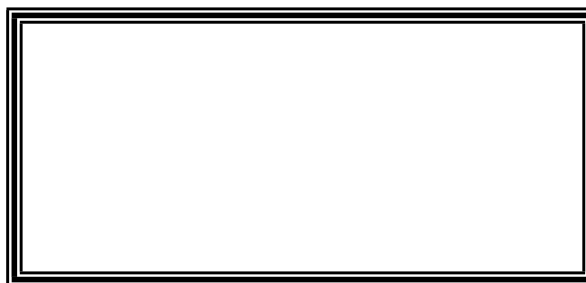
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**Friends of the Foster City Library  
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c/o Membership**

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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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