## **REPORT ON PREVIOUS MONTH'S PROGRAMS:**

Title	Date	Attendance
Hercules Insider's Club	1/24/2019	21
Coloring Club!	1/26/2019	10
Chinese New Year Storytime	1/29/2019	66
Toddler and Preschool Storytime	1/10/2019	62
Toddler and Preschool Storytime	1/17/2019	41
Toddler and Preschool Storytime	1/24/2019	72
Builders Club	1/8/2019	7
Family Storytime	1/8/2019	32
Family Storytime	1/15/2019	31
Family Storytime	1/22/2019	43
Musical Mandarin Storytime	1/31/2019	101
Uke & Me @the Library	1/28/2019	18
Baby Lapsit Storytime - Ages 0-24		
Months	1/10/2019	40
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Months	1/24/2019	48
Baby Lapsit Storytime - Ages 0-24		
Months	1/31/2019	54
Chess Club	1/15/2019	10
Computer Basic	1/9/2019	4
Computer Basic	1/16/2019	5
Computer Basic	1/23/2019	6
Computer Basic	1/30/2019	7
ESL Conversation Group	1/7/2019	6
ESL Conversation Group	1/14/2019	7
ESL Conversation Group	1/28/2019	8
Genealogy Workshop	1/14/2019	8
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. A		
Celebration of His Life and Legacy	1/19/2019	248
Hercules Library Knitting Group	1/5/2019	9

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Hercules Library Knitting Group	1/12/2019	8
Hercules Library Knitting Group	1/19/2019	7
Hercules Library Knitting Group	1/26/2019	8
Hercules Library Great Books		
Discussion Group	1/28/2019	4
Drop-In Homework Help	1/9/2019	9
Drop-In Homework Help	1/16/2019	5
Drop-In Homework Help	1/23/2019	7
Drop-In Homework Help	1/30/2019	8
Meditation	1/3/2019	10
Meditation	1/10/2019	11
Meditation	1/17/2019	10
Meditation	1/24/2019	12
Meditation	1/31/2019	11
Monthly PACT meeting	1/3/2019	20
Class Visit	1/30/2019	38
Total Programs: 42	1,1	75

# **UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:**

Title	Date	Time	Description
United Way Tax Assistance - Saturdays	2/2/2019	11AM-	Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Bay Area
	2/9/2019	12:30PM	tax preparation assistance to low-
	2/20/2019		moderate-income individuals,
	2/27/2019	1:30PM-	families and seniors. Our
		3:00PM	volunteers are here to assist you
			in filing your taxes. See staff for
			details.
English Conversation Group	2/4/2019	3:00PM	Join us as we improve our
	2/11/2019		conversational English through
	2/18/2019		reading and discussion!
	2/25/2019		
United Way Tax Assistance - Tuesdays	2/5/2019	6:30-8PM	Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Bay Area
	2/12/2019		tax preparation assistance to low-
	2/19/2019		moderate-income individuals,
	2/26/2019		families and seniors. Our
			volunteers are here to assist you
			in filing your taxes. See staff for
			details.
Builders Club	2/5/2019	3:30PM-	Kids, let your imaginations take
		5:00PM	over as you build with LEGOs.
			Creations will be displayed in the
			library. No registration is
			required. We ask that caregivers

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			please keep an eye on little ones for choking hazards.
Chinese New Year Storytime*	2/5/2019	6:00PM	Celebrate Chinese New Year with Go Mandarin! Our storyteller will entertain with stories and activities about Chinese New Year and present a special shadow puppet show.
Computer Basics	2/6/2019 2/13/2019 2/20/2019 2/27/2019	10:00AM- 11:30AM	Come to the Hercules Library for help with basic computer skills. The first hour will be skills taught in a group setting, followed by an opportunity to practice skills and get additional help from our instructor.  No registration required
Drop in Homework Help	2/6/2019 2/13/2019 2/20/2019 2/27/2019	3:00PM- 5:00PM	Teen volunteers help kids in grades K-5 with their homework!
Soul Food Cooking Class with Chef David Smith*	2/11/2019	6:00PM- 7:20PM	Join us for a night of cooking with family with Chef David Smith of Kid Creole Soul Food Restaurant in Oakland. He'll teach us to combine fresh, delicious ingredients which can connect us with African American culture and feed our souls! All ingredients and cooking utensils will be provided and we'll sample our own cooking at the close of class!  Registration required. Ages 5-adult. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by
Yee's Martial Arts Lion Dance*	2/12/2019	6:00PM	welcome back Yee's Martial Arts! Watch them perform their annual Chinese New Year Lion Dance & Kung Fu demonstrations.

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Valentine's Day Celebration*	2/13/2019	3:00PM	Please come join us as we celebrate Valentine's Day! We will have cupcake decorating, a chance to enter a drawing for some cool prizes, fun crafts, and picture taking. No registration required.
The Artist in Society Viewing*	2/19/2019	6:00PM	Please join us as local award winning filmmaker Eva A. Ma shows her film "The Artist in Society" which is about a local, East Bay artist named Hershell West who has been president of the board of directors of both the Richmond Art Center and ProArts in Oakland.
Hercules Library Coloring Club*	2/23/2019	11:00PM- 1:00PM	Kids and Adults! Join us for Coloring Club on the last Saturday of every month and color something beautiful! Kids and Adults meet from 11 to noon and adults have the chance to relax and color from noon to 1 pm! We'll supply the coloring books and pages, colored pencils and crayons! See you there!
Uke and Me @the Library*	2/25/2019	6:30PM- 7:30PM	Slow down and enjoy the sounds of the islands as you learn to make beautiful music at the library. With monthly teacher-led ukulele classes you will be a master in no time. Bring your own ukulele or use one provided by the library. A limited number of instruments will be available to take home, registration required to reserve a provided ukulele. Please visit, register online or call (510) 245-2420 to register.
Hercules Library Great Books Discussion Group*	2/25/2019	7:00PM- 8:00PM	Join us each month as we discuss classic works of fiction. This month we will be discussing "Go Tell it on the Mountain" by James Balwin

Kidsworks: African Dancing, Drumming & Traditions Workshop*	2/26/2019	6:30PM	Join Kidworks on a "hands-on" tour through the continent of Africalearn to speak Swahili, dress in a boo-boo, play games from the Congo, beat the Djembe drum, do the Ku-Ku dance, compete in a Limbo contest and re-enact an African Wedding Ceremony. This educational and fun program is loaded with audience participation, and includes authentic fabrics and instruments. Recommended for children ages 3-12 / 45 min in length
Hercules insider's Club	2/28/2019	10:00AM	This monthly program is geared towards adults with Developmental Disabilities. This month we welcome Cascada de Flores who will perform a special musical program for our Insiders. No registration required. Call the Hercules Library at 510-245-2420 for more information. This month we will be making holiday decorations.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **New York Times Online for Public Libraries – Now Available!**

Through a subscription made possible by the California State Library, we now offer access to The New York Times Digital Edition. Patrons must create a personalized account for access. Off-site access is availabe through 24-hour passes. To continue using the site after this time period, people will be asked to log in again. You will only be asked to create a user account the first time you access this provider's content.

### Full-Color Edition of the East Bay Times is now available online

Library cardholders now have access to the full-color daily image edition of the East Bay Times from 12/18/18-forward! This edition includes everything from the paper including advertising.

#### Read to 2020

### A Year of Reading Challenges

Are you up to the challenge?

Pick a challenge and read a book, eBook or listen to an audiobook.

Track your monthly reading progress at ccclib.org

## February: And the Award Goes to...

Read an award winning book

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- Read a book made into a movie
- Read a best-selling title

## Win an Autographed Children's Book!

The library will hold a drawing each week to win an autographed children's book. Patron's must check out at least five books with the February theme to be entered (autographed books supplied curtesy of the Friends of the Hercules Library).

United Way VITA FSA Tax Assistance at the Library. For low to moderate income return. Must be simple W-2 only return, self prepared using Taxslayer software. Certified volunteers available to assist and check returns before they are sent. See library staff for more details.

All Contra Costa County Libraries will be closed on Monday February 18<sup>th</sup> for Presidents' Day

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