

The Culver City Friends of the Library invite you to join us in a special One Book, One City program to celebrate the upcoming Golden Anniversary of the Culver City Julian Dixon Library. For this occasion, we have selected the book, *On Gold Mountain* by Lisa See for a community reading experience. We are delighted to remind you that Lisa See will be at the library in person on Saturday, April 4 at 6:30 pm for an after-hours discussion of her book. A reception will follow the presentation.

If you are part of a book group, or just part of the community, we hope that you will take this opportunity to read this saga of Lisa See's family history as they moved from China to the United States. Extra copies of the book will be available for check-out at the library. The library's No Page Unturned Book Club will be reading the book for their March selection, and they will hold a discussion in the community room at the library on Wednesday, March 25 at 6:45 pm. In addition, Lisa See has also written several mystery novels, and the Mystery Book Club will discuss one of these, *Flower Net* at their meeting on Thursday, March 12 at 6:45 pm. The Spanish book club will discuss the Spanish version of Ms. See's book, *Dreams of Joy (Suenos de felicidad)* on Wednesday, March 18 at 6:45 pm. All are invited to join any of the book club discussions.

To complement the reading of *On Gold Mountain*, many programs have been planned to take place at the library during the months of February, March and April. For adults, there will be a number of programs: **Chinese Brush Painting** on March 5 at 6 pm; a **Gong-Fu Tea Demonstration** will take place on Wednesday, March 18 at 6 pm; the Chinese classic film, "The King of Masks", will be screened on Saturday, March 21 at 1 pm; and a Saturday afternoon program about **Street foods of Hong Kong** will take place at 2 pm on Saturday, March 28.

In addition, there are several tours available of Chinatown in downtown Los Angeles. One outstanding docent-lead tour is available from the Chinese Historical Society. Information can be found at: <https://chssc.org/chinatown-heritage-center/tours-of-new-chinatown/>. Tours can also be arranged through the LA Conservancy (<https://www.laconservancy.org/>). A self-guided walking tour is available at <https://www.angelswalkla.org/walks/Chinatown/>. There are also a number of stanchions posted throughout Chinatown indicating places of historic interest, with the text written by Lisa See.

Programs geared to younger library users are also available during these months. On Thursday, March 5, the Kids' Club will be **making Chinese lanterns** at 3:45 pm. On Wednesday, March 11, there will be **Gold Metal stamping** for teens at 3 pm. On Tuesday, March 17, a program for teens about **70s** music will be held, commemorating the opening of the library in 1971. Also for teens, the following day, Wednesday March 18, there will be a program on **Chinese Porcelain** at 3:30 pm. The Kids' Club will be making **3D Stained Glass Kites** on March 19 at 3:45 p.m. The Kids' Club program on Thursday, March 26

will make **Chinese Dragons and Lotus Tiles** at 3:45 pm. A special **Friends story time** will be held on Wednesday, March 25 at 7 pm to specifically celebrate libraries.

On **April 1**, we will be holding a day-long celebration of the library and its impending Golden Anniversary. There will be a morning story time, a movie screening, and a special visit from the Make Mobile with unique activities for kids. The opportunity to share your personal memories and appreciation for the library will be available all day. Join us for a special reception at 5 pm.

For more information, check the Friends of the Library website at <http://ccfol.org> or the Culver City Friends of the Library Facebook page. You can email us with questions at info@ccfol.org.