

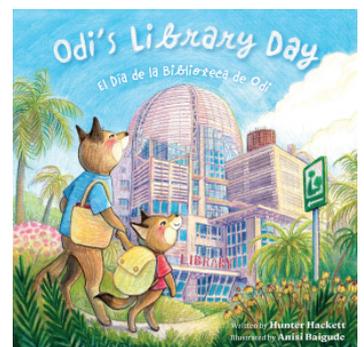
June 11: Library Shop Opens for In-Person Shopping



Monday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m., the Shop will open for full in-person shopping, no restrictions. Just wear a mask WE can't wait to see YOU again! Over the last year, the Library Shop popped-up curbside at 24 Library branches, dropped bags off at your doorsteps while discovering all the back streets of San Diego, and visited the post office so many times that the storage closet full of bubble wrap is now depleted. The Shop is finally ready to try something totally simple: opening the Library Shop proper and inviting you to stop in! Beginning Friday, June 11.

>Browse Our Inventory

***Odi's Library Day* – A Children's book, is now available**



Did you know the San Diego Public Library has written and published its own children's book? Written by **Hunter Hackett** and illustrated by SDPL's own **Anisi Baigude**, a Library Assistant at the North Clairemont Branch, ***Odi's Library Day*** is a bilingual board book for young readers to build a lifelong

connection to libraries and books. In the story, ODI (Opportunity, Discovery, Inspiration) the Coyote visits the Central Library for the first time with their parent for a series of literary adventures. During Odi's visit they receive their first library card, attend a story time where they learn all about kites, discover the Innovation Lab and create their own kite, and finally, Odi is seen flying their kite with their story time friends with the iconic Coronado bridge in the background. Copies are available for sale at the Library's Library Shop. Please visit libraryshopsd.org/odi All proceeds support the San Diego Public Library. You may also borrow the book from your branch library.



Books Like Us: Winter Reading Challenge Now Playing on YouTube

Thank you to everyone who submitted Books Like Us videos in support of the Library's Winter Reading Program and told us about the first time you "saw" yourself in a book. The full playlist is now available on the San Diego Public Library Foundation's YouTube channel. Check out the videos to learn more about your fellow San Diegans' reading experiences. Watch [Here](#)

Blind Date with a Book: A Virtual Dating Game



Dating in a pandemic is hard, but reading has never been easier! So great news broken hearts: our virtual dating game edition of Blind Date With A Book is returning for a second round! Willing to open your heart to a FREE book? Sign Up to

become a contestant now and you'll have the choice of a blind date with one of three books hand-picked by booksellers and librarians. To determine which one is compatible you'll get to ask three questions and no matter how your date ends, you won't get stiffed with the check because the book you select will be delivered to your door free of charge to keep forever without the fear of commitment or the expense of a wedding! Willing to open your heart to a FREE book? Visit Virtual Dating Game to become a contestant now! Not ready to make the leap or already in a long-term relationship with a book? You can still be part of the audience as we share some of our favorite books at this free and open to the public virtual event!

The Library Shop is a non-profit book & gift store located in the courtyard of the Downtown Central Library sponsored by the FSDPL and the SDPL Foundation. As the plans for Downtown Central Library were being developed, space was set aside for a Library Gift/Book Shop to be located on site. It features a wide selection of well-curated books, gifts, cards, jewelry, and more. Proceeds support all 36 San Diego Public Libraries. Life-members of the Friends of the Library receive 10% off all purchases. The Library Shop also sponsors monthly special events for youth and adults. To find out more about the Library Shop, their hours of operation, monthly special events, speakers, books and materials, go to [Library Shop](#) or call the Library Shop at 619-236-5802.

