

# CheckItOut!

Fall 2013

## Two New Museums Join Library's Free Pass Program



### Discover and Go

is turning into one of the Library's most popular online services. The San Jose Museum of Art and the Asian Art Museum are now part of the roster of over thirty Bay Area museums offering free and discounted passes to library card holders.

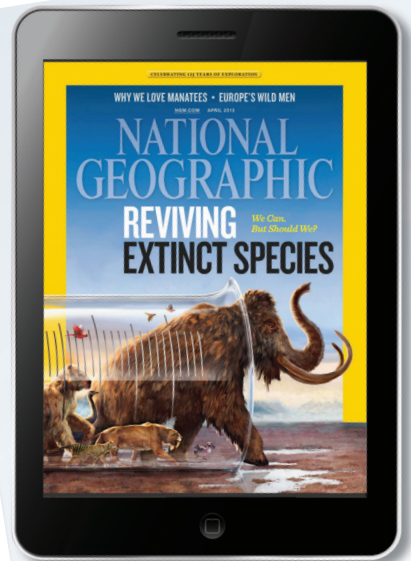
## Zinio

### *The World's Largest Newstand*

is one way to describe Zinio, an online service for Solano County Library card holders to read over 90 magazines, cover to cover, for free. "Other library databases are designed to help the user research a subject by searching for relevant articles in various magazines and journals. Zinio is more like the guilty pleasure of thumbing through a magazine while you're waiting for the dentist," said Lynne Williams, the Library's deputy director of support services. Zinio was awarded Best New Database in 2012 by Library Journal.

Magazines can be viewed on a computer, smart phone, and tablet and there is no limit to the number that can be checked out. "We've heard of people binging on TV series on DVDs. Binging on magazines may be the next big thing. There's no waiting and you can check them out for as long as you want," said Williams.

Zinio readers can choose to receive alerts that let them know when a new issue is "delivered." Navigation is easy,



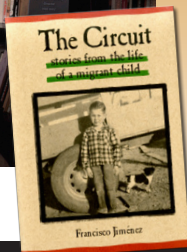
users can click links in the table of contents or browse the magazine one page at a time. "From Bird Watching to Family Handyman, from Forbes to Yoga, there's something for everyone in these 98 titles," said Williams.

*A full list of magazines is listed on page 2.*

### *Author of The Circuit Visits December 5*

Don't miss the culminating event of the Library's Book-To-Action program when **Francisco Jimenez**, visits the Fairfield Civic Center Library on Thursday, **December 5 at 6:30 p.m.** His book, *The*

*Circuit*, has won several national literary awards, and has been published in Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Italian and Spanish.



*The Circuit* is a memoir of short stories chronicling the life of young Francisco and his family as they travel and work through California's migrant camps. Despite constant moving and a succession of schools, Jimenez earned scholarships to attend Santa Clara University, where he is a professor today. "The library is privileged to have Dr. Jimenez come to visit. His life clearly tells the story of education as an equalizer," said Bonnie Katz, Solano County's director of library services.

# Get in Touch with Your Issues

American Craft  
AppleMagazine  
Astronomy  
Audubon Magazine  
Backpacker  
Bicycling  
BirdWatching  
Bloomberg  
Businessweek  
Car and Driver  
Clean Eating  
Columbia Journalism  
Review  
Cosmopolitan  
Cosmopolitan de  
Mexico  
Cosmopolitan en  
Espanol  
Country Living  
Discover  
Do It Yourself  
Dwell  
EARTH Magazine  
EatingWell  
Economist  
Elle  
ELLE DECOR  
ELLE Mexico

ESPN The Magazine  
Esquire  
Esquire - Mexico  
Every Day with  
Rachael Ray  
Family Circle  
Family Handyman  
Field & Stream  
Food Network  
Magazine  
Forbes  
Gluten-Free Living  
Good Housekeeping  
BuenHogar  
Guitar Player  
Harper's Bazaar  
House Beautiful  
Inked  
Kiplinger's Personal  
Finance  
Ladies Home Journal  
Macworld  
Marie Claire  
Martha Stewart Living  
Martha Stewart  
Weddings  
Maxim  
Men's Fitness

Men's Health  
Men's Journal  
mental\_floss  
MOTHER EARTH NEWS  
Mother Jones  
Motor Trend  
Nation  
National Geographic  
Interactive  
National Geographic  
Traveler Interactive  
New York Review  
of Books  
Newsweek  
O, The Oprah Magazine  
OK! Magazine  
Organic Gardening  
Outdoor Life  
Outdoor Photographer  
Outside  
Oxygen  
PC Magazine Digital  
Edition  
PCWorld  
Popular Mechanics  
Popular Photography  
Popular Science  
Prevention

Proceso  
Publishers Weekly  
Reader's Digest  
Redbook  
Road & Track  
Rolling Stone  
Rolling Stone - México  
Runner's World  
Running Times  
Savour  
Science  
Seventeen  
Seventeen - Mexico  
Shape  
SIERRA  
Smithsonian Magazine  
Sport Fishing  
Star Magazine  
Taste of Home  
Taste of Home Holiday  
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## Lending Laptops

Solano County Library users can now borrow laptops for free. The Library received 30 Google Chromebooks as part of a grant from the California State Library to help local libraries meet the demand for Internet access. They connect to the Internet through wifi and must be used in the library. "The devices are lightweight and their browsing is fast. They are perfect for people who are working together in one of our study rooms," said Lynne Williams, the Library's deputy director for support services.

Chromebooks are laptop computers that run completely in "the cloud," the practice of storing computer files on servers, accessed through the Internet. No personal information or preferences are stored on the device making it a good fit for a lending laptop.



## New Bookstore, Restrooms and Study Room Features of JFK Remodel

The John F. Kennedy Library reopened its second floor September 3, after spending six months in temporary quarters on the first floor. Before the remodel, the children's section was on the first floor and adult materials, customer service, computers and reference were on the second floor which made it more difficult for families to use the library together.

With the reconfigured space on the second floor, the library features a new story time room, an additional study room, new restrooms including two for families, and a book store that is operated by the Friends of the Library.

The \$500,000 consolidation project was funded through a combination of funds from Solano County Library's operating budget and Vallejo's Measure B sales tax funds. The City of Vallejo, which owns the building, will determine how the lower floor's space will be used now that the remodel is complete.





## Give the Gift of Reading

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### *In November, the Library Foundation*

will again be hosting its signature Authors Luncheon 2013. It is the thirteenth year of this remarkable gathering bringing authors, book lovers, readers, donors and library customers together for Solano County's largest literary event.

The Authors Luncheon will be held on Sunday, November 3, 2013 at the Clubhouse at Rancho Solano, 3250 Rancho Solano Parkway, Fairfield, featuring celebrity emcee and KRCA-TV Channel 3 News Anchor Edie Lambert.

The festivities begin at 10:30 a.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m. Lunch, including wine, is served at noon.

Six authors from different genres will share their stories of inspiration, writing and publishing to an audience of 400 guests. There will be author book signings before and after the luncheon and books will be available for purchase. A live auction featuring local celebrity auctioneer Joe Gates will offer vacation and golf packages, group "experiences" as well as jewelry, artwork and fine wines. A family 4-pack of Disneyland tickets is among the items this year. Three lucky participants will each have a chance to roll the dice and take home a new car in this year's "Driving Literacy" Grand Raffle.

The Solano County Library Foundation, founded in 1994, has raised over \$3 million dollars to fund the library and community-based literacy programs that cannot be funded with tax dollars. Core programs funded by the Foundation include Reach Out & Read, which has distributed more than 177,000 books to low income families since its inception),

Solano Kids Read, Adult and Family Literacy, and Live Homework Help.



### Fall Tutor Training Schedule Fairfield Civic Center Library

*(Choose One Orientation)*

Orientation	Wednesday, September 11	6 pm - 8 pm
	-OR-	
Orientation	Saturday, September 14	10 am - 12 noon
Getting Ready	Saturday, September 21	10 am - 3 pm
Follow-Up	Saturday, October 19	10 am - 3 pm

*If you cannot attend these training sessions please contact the literacy office for information about getting involved.*

**(707)784-1526 or 1 (800)450-7885**

### Solano County Library Foundation's

## *Authors Luncheon*

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### Did you know?

You can start using your library immediately, even without a library card. Register for an e-card and get 24/7 access to all the library's virtual services. You can learn a new language, get help from a tutor, find an ancestor or reserve a new book without coming into the library.

## SoFitCity Event to Benefit Library Foundation Again

Fitness challenges are hardly original, but a city versus city concept, just might be. Organizers of the SOFITCITY 5K/10K, have launched new challenges for an even bigger celebration at the annual county competition walk/run event held in Fairfield, CA on Saturday, September 28, 2013. Funds raised from registration benefit the Solano County Library Foundation and other area nonprofits that promote fit minds and fit bodies for a fitter community.



SOFITCITY welcomes rival cities to compete for the largest number of finishers to win. New this year is an Armed Services Challenge, Police versus Fire Department Challenge, a Mayor's Cup award and a costume contest. In addition to live music, 5K and 10K Finishers can look forward to finisher medals at the conclusion of the race. "What's great about this concept is that it's inclusive," says race director, Todd Rewick. "It's a party for folks who like live music and dancing, it's a kid's event for children fundraising for their schools, and

it's a championship event for runners here for the medal or seeking a title."

"SOFITCITY was so much fun last year," said Dilenna Harris, Kaiser Permanente Public Affairs Manager. "And we are proud to support the SOFITCITY mission to build a fitter Solano."

Library Foundation Executive Director, Michalle Shown-Rodriguez says "We are extremely pleased to again have the community's support through this terrific event. Gather your friends, family and neighbors and join us for a really fun day."

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**Fairfield  
Civic Center Library**  
1150 Kentucky Street  
Fairfield, CA 94533

Monday-Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: 1-5

**Fairfield  
Cordelia Library**  
5050 Business Center Dr.  
Fairfield, CA 94534

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: 1-5

**Suisun City Library**  
601 Pintail Drive  
Suisun City, CA 94585

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: Closed

**Rio Vista Library**  
44 S. 2nd Street  
Rio Vista, CA 94571

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: Closed

**Vallejo-John F.  
Kennedy Library**  
505 Santa Clara Street  
Vallejo, CA 94590

Monday & Wednesday: 10-9  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-6  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: 1-5

**Vallejo-  
Springstowne Library**  
1003 Oakwood Avenue  
Vallejo, CA 94591

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: Closed

**Vacaville  
Public Library-  
Cultural Center**  
1020 Ulatis Drive  
Vacaville, CA 95687

Monday-Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: 1-5

**Vacaville  
Public Library-  
Town Square**  
1 Town Square Place  
Vacaville, CA 95688

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9  
Friday & Saturday: 10-5  
Sunday: 1-5

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