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THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE NEWPORT BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION



Joel Sartore, award-winning photographer, speaker, author, conservationist, the 2018 National Geographic Explorer of the Year and featured Witte Lecture speaker.



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More than one million people used the Newport Beach Public Library in 2018, proving just how relevant libraries remain today. Like a physical internet in the middle of our community, libraries educate, inspire, and inform. Come and explore, both in person and online, all that the Newport Beach Public Library has to offer.

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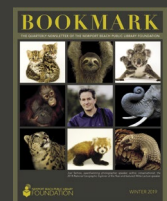
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On the Cover:
National Geographic Explorer of
the Year and Witte Lectures speaker,
Joel Sartore.



Welcome, Johanna

Newly appointed Foundation board member, Johanna Kim, views public libraries as a crucial component of continuing education, beneficial to every stage of life. As a girl, one of Johanna's fondest childhood memories was her weekly visit to the public library. As a mother, she ensured that her children benefited from frequent trips to the Newport Beach Public Library, and they have become avid readers as a result. And as an attorney, Johanna appreciates the vast resources a library offers her, or anyone who walks through the doors. Johanna's favorite book is *Sherlock Holmes* and her favorite places to read include airplanes and in bed. She believes that libraries are an invaluable resource for lifelong learning. In addition to a co-working space, she sees the library of the future as a place to bring people of all ages together, important as she says, because "people crave face-to-face communication." As a Newport Beach Public Library Foundation Board member, Johanna Kim is excited to be a part of a team that aims to foster ongoing education and at the same time, bring the community together.

Medicine in Our Backyard

Join us for the continuation of this popular series featuring internationally known UC Irvine Health physicians who will discuss research and cutting edge technology in their various fields of expertise.

January 28, 2019

Speaker: Howard Federoff, MD

Title: *Biomarkers and Drug Repositioning for Neurodegenerative Diseases*

February 25, 2019

Speaker(s): Kenneth Chang, MD and Brian Smith, MD

Title: *Chronic Heartburn? Painful GERD? Get relief from UCI Health experts*

March 25, 2019

Speaker: Marcela Dominguez, MD

Title: *Bioidentical Hormonal Restoration*

DETAILS:

- 6:30pm doors open
- 7:00 - 8:00pm lecture, Q&A
- 949.717.3818
- Newport Beach Central Library
- No charge to attend

For more information check out our website at nbplfoundation.org



Special Thanks to Our Sponsors: Polly and Mike Smith, UCI Health

It's Your Estate Financial Workshop



Mondays, April 1 - May 20, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

This annual eight-week series of workshops provides attendees with education and practical solutions to financial and estate planning issues, so they can be in charge of their estates during their lifetimes and beyond.

These free workshops are presented as a community service—for education only. Nothing will be sold, and professional advisors will not be given attendees' contact information.

Series moderator is Peter Kote, award-winning founder of Professional Fiduciary Services, which provides trustee, executor services and charitable counseling for individuals and organizations. He will lead these workshops with the assistance of other financial experts.

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Men and women, equality and optimism; the civic role of poetry and what binds us together as Americans; the political picture of Orange County and the nation; and the story of Photo Ark, the groundbreaking effort to document species before they disappear. These are the fascinating conversations set for the 22nd season of the Witte Lectures, kicking off on January 25 and running through April 13. Join us!

Hanna Rosin

Men vs Women: What the future holds

January 25 & January 26, 2019

The #MeToo climate has ignited a stunning year of revelation and change. Author Hanna Rosin has researched and lectured on this unfolding topic of the male/female dynamic in the workplace and world at large. Written with deft humor and insightfulness, her book *The End of Men and the Rise of Women* became a national bestseller that addresses this sensitive issue. Rosin is a regular contributor to *The Atlantic* and *Slate* where she has authored notable articles including *The Overprotected Kid*, *The Case Against Breastfeeding* and *The Silicon Valley Suicides*. Rosin is also the co-host of the acclaimed NPR show, *Invisibilia*, a program about the invisible forces that shape human behavior. Be sure to join us for Hanna Rosin's researched view on a most contemporary topic: how men and women are going to work and live side by side in these hypersensitive times.



Richard Blanco

*The Civic Role of Poetry:
For and Of the People*

February 8 & 9, 2019



As presidential inaugural poet for Barack Obama, Richard Blanco has crisscrossed the nation inviting communities to connect to the heart of human experience and our common identity as a country. Join Richard as he shares his stories and experiences as a civic-minded poet through poems from his latest collection *Boundaries*, and his forthcoming book, *How to Love a Country*. Both publications investigate the complex sociopolitical issues that shadow America,

while also remembering to celebrate our ideals and hopes. He will also share occasional poems he has written for the Boston Marathon bombings, the U.S. Embassy reopening in Cuba, the Pulse Nightclub shooting, Freedom To Marry poem, and other projects aimed at fostering the role of advocacy that poetry can (ought to) play in the public realm with respect to our nationhood and matters that affect us collectively, including gender, sexuality, class, immigration, and race.



Amy Walter

The Objective Political Picture: Orange County, California and the Nation

March 8 & 9, 2019

Amy Walter is the national editor of *The Cook Political Report* where she provides non-partisan analysis of issues, trends and events that shape the political environment. She also appears on *PBS NewsHour* weekly and hosts the WNYC radio show *The Takeaway*. Over the past 19 years, Walter has built a reputation as an accurate, objective, and insightful political analyst with unparalleled access to campaign insiders and decision-makers. Known as one of the best political journalists covering Washington, she is the former political director of ABC News. She is also a regular panelist on NBC's *Meet the Press*, Fox News' *Special Report with Bret Baier* and CBS's *Face the Nation*. According

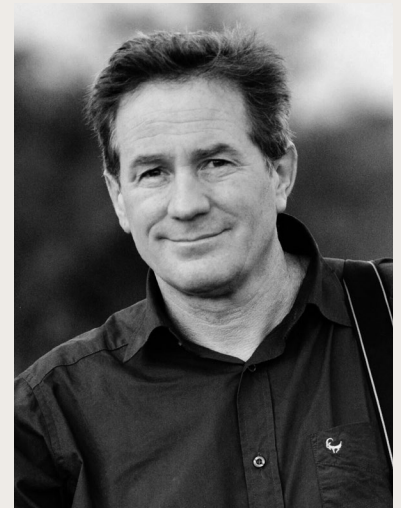
to Charlie Cook of *The Cook Political Report*, Amy's "work is trusted and respected by Democrats and Republicans alike. She knows how to get beyond bluster and spin to unearth – and explain – what really matters."

Joel Sartore

Photo Ark: The Groundbreaking Effort to Document Species Before They Disappear

April 12 & 13, 2019

Joel Sartore is an award-winning photographer, speaker, author, conservationist, the 2018 National Geographic Explorer of the Year, and a regular contributor to *National Geographic Magazine*. Sartore specializes in documenting endangered species and landscapes around the world. He is the founder of the Photo Ark, a 25-year documentary project to save species and habitats. "It is folly to think that we can destroy one species and ecosystem after another and not affect humanity," he says. "When we save species, we're actually saving ourselves." Sartore and the Photo Ark are the subjects of the television series *RARE*, in which he documents some of the most endangered creatures left on Earth. In addition to *National Geographic Magazine*, Joel contributes to *Audubon*, *Geo*, *The New York Times*, and *Smithsonian*. He has authored several books, including *Photo Ark: A World Worth Saving*, and *RARE: Portraits of America's Endangered Species*.



FRIDAY EVENING LECTURES

Lecture & Community Conversation, Dinner & Wine

NBPLF Member: \$58*

Non-Member: \$63*

7:00pm Lecture and Q&A

8:30pm Light supper & wine
Book sales & signing

*Prices include ticketing fee

SATURDAY AFTERNOON LECTURES

Lecture & Coffee, Cookies & Conversation

NBPLF Member: \$38*

Non-Member: \$43*

2:00pm Lecture and Q&A

3:30pm Coffee & dessert
Book sales & signing

This series is made possible by our generous sponsors. Benefits of sponsorship may include complimentary tickets, admission to private VIP receptions, signed books, priority seating and invitations to lunch with speakers, and vary depending on level of support. To become a sponsor, please call the Library Foundation Executive Director at 949.717.3890. To join the Foundation go to www.NBPLFoundation.org

The 2018/19 season of Library Live kicked off with Dr. Serge Dedina, ocean conservationist, author and Southern California beach town mayor. Dr. Dedina spoke about the importance of protecting our coastal and marine ecosystems in a hopeful and engaging talk.



Serge Dedina, PhD

Serge Dedina's book, "Surfing the Border - Adventures on the Edge of the Ocean"



Meeting and greeting – post-lecture conservation conversation



Cathy Voreyer, Sam Tang and Tammy Tang



Michelle Giron, Vice-Chair of the Surfrider Foundation, Newport Beach Chapter

Our second Library Live speaker was Jonathan Bloom, journalist and author of *American Wasteland: How America Throws Away Nearly Half of Its Food (and What We Can Do About It)*. Mr. Bloom spoke about America's tremendous food waste, along with solutions we could all use.



Jonathan Bloom



Carmen Guo and Dr. Tom Weinberg Staple



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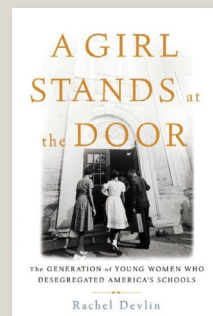
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Rachel Devlin

Thursday, February 28 @ 7pm

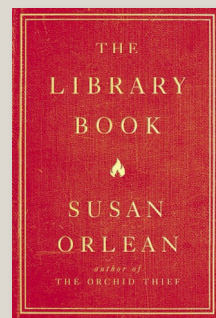
In the years before the Supreme Court struck down school segregation with its 1954 *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, the struggle to desegregate America's schools was a grassroots movement, and young women were on the front lines. As early as the 1940's, parents and young girls were filing desegregation lawsuits. Author Rachel Devlin's research transforms our understanding of one of the twentieth century's most important civil rights battles, set in motion by undaunted students. After years spent researching these remarkable women, she brings to us their powerful stories of leadership, bravery and a steely resolve to gain civil rights. Devlin reminds us of the courage and sacrifice they endured and how relevant their struggle remains today.



Susan Orlean

Thursday, March 21 @ 7:00pm

In April 1986, The Los Angeles Public Library caught fire. It was the biggest library fire in American history and most people didn't even know the blaze occurred, with the news of the library's losses eclipsed by the Chernobyl nuclear plant meltdown. Orlean is one of our finest storytellers and her account has been called "a true love letter to one of our most prized institutions." *The Library Book* is a reminder of the importance of libraries, spotlighting the vital role they continue to play in our culture.



Tickets for Jonathan Bloom and Susan Orlean: \$21.00 member/\$27.00 Non-Member*
Serge Dedina and Rachel Devlin are free. ***prices include ticketing fee**

DETAILS

Reservations required;
Limited seating
Held at Central Library

SCHEDULE

6:30pm	Doors open
7:00-8:30pm	Program
8:30-9:00pm	Book sales & signing

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Janet Hadley

Newport Beach Public Library Foundation board member, Janet Hadley, sees libraries as “the new neighborhood, a limitless school without walls, a gathering place for civic participation and a wealth of cutting edge information and technology.” Read on for more about Janet’s favorite books, reading places, and what she sees as the library of the future.

- 1) **Your all time favorite book?** Impossible question! Recently, *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese, *Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup* by John Carreyrou, almost any autobiography or biography. I love learning the details and complexities of real lives. There are always so many surprises. For example, until he engaged Ulysses S. Grant to lead the Union Army, President Lincoln, desperate because of his ineffective generals, tried to learn how war should be conducted. He checked out war strategy books from the Library of Congress. After Grant came on board he returned them and left the war in Grant’s capable hands.
- 2) **Books on your nightstand?** *The Principles of Uncertainty* by Maira Kalman, *Long Ago in France* by M.F.K. Fisher, *The Radium Girls* by Kate Moore, *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi, *Good and Mad: The Revolutionary Power of Women’s Anger* by Rebecca Traister, and *Kingdom of the Blind* by Louise Penny.
- 3) **Favorite place to read?** I will read anywhere anytime.... But, in the sunlight on my chaise overlooking the Back Bay in Newport Beach or the Westport River in Massachusetts.
- 4) **Hardback, paperback, or e-book?** All formats work for me: iPhone, hardback, paperback, Kindle, newspaper or listening to Audible.
- 5) **Favorite author?** Edith Wharton for immersing me in her vivid portrayal of the Gilded Age and it’s societal constraints. Also, anyone introspective enough to write an autobiography.
- 6) **Your heroes?** Eleanor Roosevelt – lone, courageous, undaunted, determined, ever evolving.
- 7) **Favorite place in Orange County?** Stand up paddling on the Back Bay ... or at Gulf Stream with friends.
- 8) **Favorite place in the world?** Wherever I am with dear friends, outdoors, active and enjoying our environs.
- 9) **Your thoughts on the most important offerings of libraries today?** An open door. All are welcome. A helpful staff, a cornucopia of resources, unlimited information, technology and community events can all be found. It is better than a lamp and a genie!
- 10) **What do you see as the library of the future?** As a child, I remember so many social institutions that supported communities: church, school, scouting organizations, and neighborhoods as well as libraries. In many ways, the library of the future may be the last institution remaining. It persists in being one place in the community that has not become tainted by scandal or demographic and societal changes. Libraries are built to last: it is the new neighborhood, a limitless school without walls, a gathering place for civic participation and a wealth of cutting edge information and technology.

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The Newport Beach Public Library Foundation funds valuable library resources, programs and services, and engages the community through the creation and sponsorships of diverse literary, cultural, and intellectual programs.

We are a membership-driven organization. Fulfilling our mission is possible because of the individuals and corporations below.

Thank you!

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- Lunch with Newport Beach Public Library Director

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*Please e-mail kupshaw@newportbeachca.gov to request tickets; subject to availability.

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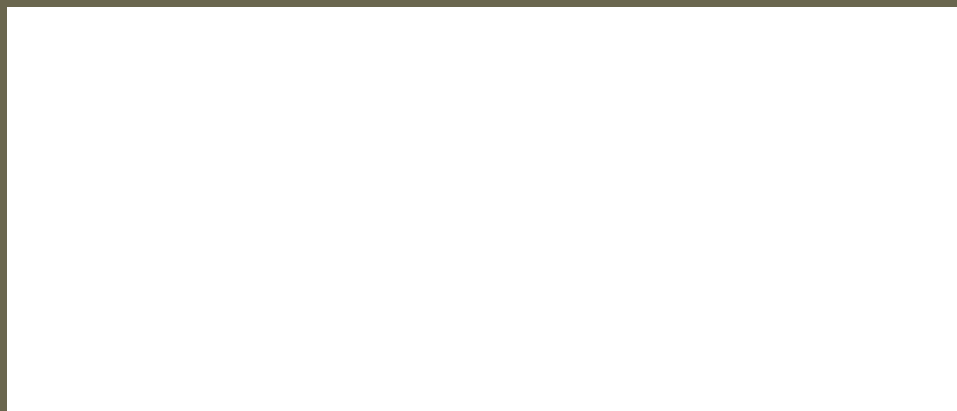
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