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Celebrate San Diego Pride at the Library

IN-PERSON PROGRAMMING INCLUDES POP-UP STORYTIMES AND LIMITED-EDITION PRIDE LIBRARY CARD

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library (SDPL) is celebrating Pride in person this year. With 26 <u>locations</u> open for in-person services, SDPL is welcoming patrons back to the library with a series of Pride-themed storytimes. The four family-friendly programs will focus on messages of inclusion and diversity.

- Pride Storytime with Sienna: Tuesday, July 6, 11 a.m. at College-Rolando Library
- Pride Storytime with Beans: Saturday, July 10, 11 a.m. at Kensington-Normal Heights Library
- Pride Storytime with Raquel Ita & Barbie Q: Saturday, July 10, 11 a.m. at Logan Heights Library
- Pride Storytime with Friidae: Saturday, July 17, 11 a.m. at City Heights/Weingart Library

"The San Diego Public Library is a welcoming and inclusive space," said Library Director Misty Jones. "After more than a year of being apart, we're so happy to host these in-person programs that celebrate the diversity and individuality of San Diego's LGBTQIA+ community."

Pride-themed storytimes, book discussions, make-at-home art projects and crafts will also be featured on the SDPL Pride <u>Facebook page</u>.

As part of the Pride celebration, SDPL has chosen the winner of this year's Pride library card design contest. More than 50 designs were submitted and the winning entry came from Clara, who submitted in the teen category. Her card design features rainbows in the colors of several different LGBTQ Pride flags along with the words "you are loved." Clara says she designed the card to let people know they are included, regardless of who they love or how they identify. The Pride library card design contest is a partnership between SDPL and San Diego Pride. It will be available starting July 16 at all SDPL locations offering in-person services.

Visit the SDPL Pride 2021 <u>page</u> for a full list of SDPL Pride programs, book recommendations and LGBTQIA+ resources.

About the San Diego Public Library

With a vision of being the place for opportunity, discovery and inspiration, the San Diego Public Library is a hub for knowledge and lifelong learning. As the largest library system in the region, it serves a population of more than 1.4 million people. Learn about events at the San Diego Central Library @ Joan Λ Irwin Jacobs Common and 35

community branch libraries, find links to programs and resources or search for materials in the online catalog at www.sandiegolibrary.org.