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2014 ONE BOOK, ONE SAN DIEGO SELECTION ANNOUNCED
Community Reading Program to Feature “Monstress” by Lysley Tenorio

San Diego, CA – KPBS, San Diego Public Library and the San Diego County Library are pleased to announce the 2014 *One Book, One San Diego* selection: *Monstress: Short Stories* by San Diego-native, Lysley Tenorio.

More than 800 nominations were submitted by San Diego County residents, representing 350 different titles. Of these, the *One Book* Advisory Committee narrowed down the lengthy list over a period of weeks, researching and reading dozens of selections. Ultimately, the committee chose a book of quirky short stories set amongst Filipino-American communities in California and the Philippines.

“I’m honored that *Monstress* has been selected for the *One Book, One San Diego* program, and I’m excited to discuss my book with readers from my hometown,” said Lysley Tenorio. “I can’t imagine growing up without the library, especially the San Diego Public Library’s Mira Mesa Branch, where I learned to love books and the joy that comes from browsing the shelves in search of a great read,” Tenorio said.

Monstress will kick off in early October with a series of headlining events featuring the author. This will be followed by over 60 community events and discussions to be held throughout the fall. An event schedule will be available by late summer.

[One Book, One San Diego](#) community partners will host a variety of activities including panel discussions, film screening and book talks based on issues and themes in the book. Event sites will include San Diego Public Library’s Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common and all 35 branches, 34 San Diego County Library branches, the Escondido Public Library, Oceanside Public Library, Chula Vista Public Library, San Diego State University, University of San Diego, Point Loma Nazarene University, and San Diego City College. Additional schools and local organizations will also participate in the program.

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This is the 8th year of *One Book, One San Diego*, a community reading program that aims to bring San Diego County residents together through reading and discussing one book. The program also selects both a children's and middle-grade companion book to complement the adult selection. Those titles will be announced in June, and programming around those books will occur alongside adult programming in the fall.

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