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**SAN DIEGO AUTHOR PAMELIA BARRATT READS FROM *BLOOD: THE COLOR OF CRANBERRIES* AT THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
*Debut Novel Inaugurates New Presentation Series Featuring San Diego's Own Authors*

**SAN DIEGO** – The City of San Diego Public Library announces an author talk featuring local writer Pamela Barratt. *Blood: the Color of Cranberries* engages readers in a twisting interplay between upper class Chicago mentality and personalities forged by working-the-land in both a Wisconsin farming community and a nearby Ojibwe reservation. The secrets that these characters maintain delay the unraveling of a mysterious “accident” for forty years. The event will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, in the Central Library’s Wangenheim Room, located on the third floor at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego.

*Blood: the Color of Cranberries* introduces the hardships of early cranberry cultivation; when the harvest was a community activity and before the use of chemical herbicides. Through the story, we learn how pine logging affected the Ojibwe Nation and the environment of the upper Midwest, exposing readers to the history, serenity, and wildness of this glacier-scraped region. Copies of *Blood: the Color of Cranberries* will be available for purchase at the event.

Pamela Barratt grew up in Chicago and spent summers on her father’s cranberry bog in northern Wisconsin. She’s a graduate of Smith College and Georgetown University, and has taught high school chemistry in Washington, D.C. She earned a masters degree in Latin American Studies and, with her husband, went on to start a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in Bolivia that helps the indigenous Aymara. Recently, she has worked as a journalist in San Diego.

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library’s Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library’s catalog online at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org).

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