

The Buzz Around the Y.A.R.D.

FEBRUARY

All events are for teens in grades 7-12 and will take place in the Carnegie Building.
Library events are not sponsored by or affiliated with the Upland Unified School District.

Table Top Tuesday

Tuesday, February 2nd
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Get ready to play both classic board games and indie card games at our brand new Table-Top Tuesday event. Learn how to play games like The Resistance, Splendor, Ultimate Werewolf, and so much more!

After School Movie

Thursday, February 18th
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Come to the Library to watch a movie for a relaxing afternoon. This month's feature will be Jurassic World. Tasty refreshments will be provided, including popcorn!



Thursday, February 4th & 25th
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Get ready to smash your opponents on our Nintendo Wii-U. Some of our games include Super Smash Bros., Mario Kart, and Just Dance. If you're not into video games, we also have tabletop games for you to try, including our new fan favorite, Exploding Kittens.

Upland Public Library Teen Lab

Deadline to apply for Spring admission: February 12th

The Spring application period for Teen L.A.B. is closing soon! Teen L.A.B. (Library Advisory Board) is a group dedicated to helping make decisions about teen programs, volunteering at the library, and helping out the community. Participants have an opportunity to earn volunteer hours, gain leadership skills, and earn letters of recommendation for college. If you'd like to apply, please pick up an application at the Library or download it from our website at the following URL:

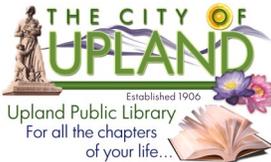
http://www.uplandpl.lib.ca.us/#Teen_Programs

DIY!



Thursday, February 11th
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Stop by and make a friendship bracelet. Keep it for yourself, give it to a friend, give it to that special someone, or use it to friendzone. The choice is yours. We have all colors to choose from. It's quick, it's easy. And, oh yeah, fun!




All teen programs are hosted by the Upland Public Library and sponsored by the Friends of the Library volunteer group.

Valentine's Murder Mystery

Friday, February 12th
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



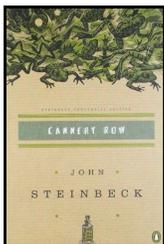
All is fair in love and war at this murder mystery dinner. Bring your friends, eat food, and enjoy the theatrics. Solve the mystery as fast as you can while the dinner guests start to disappear.

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Upland Public Library Hours

Monday & Thursday:	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday:	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday & Sunday:	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday:	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Book of the Month



Cannery Row by John Steinbeck

I'd never met Charles—and I don't know if I'll ever see him again—but something about "Cannery Row" by John Steinbeck compelled him to recommend it to me. He spoke quite loudly about the novel, raved about it almost; he voiced his opinions like he didn't know we were in a library, or how loud he was talking, or who was around to hear. His suggestion was genuine, to say the least. And reading it certainly lived up to the anticipation. The book is strange, yet hearty. It's about the way of life in a town dubbed *Cannery Row*. This city is drab, but alive because of the inhabitants: Mack, Doc, Lee, Dora, and many more. There is a particular focus on the meanderings of Mack and "the boys." Mack and his crew are a group vagabonds whose actions get them in all sorts of trouble. Although, his group of ruffians are the crux of Cannery Row. They keep things interesting and interesting; and when they hurt, the town hurts, and, surprisingly, for those of us reading, we begin to hurt too, as the plot thickens, turns, and taunts us. The town is layered with the history, lives, and aspirations of all its inhabitants. Steinbeck slowly weaves an understanding community and multiplicity of life in the town. A panoramic of the town is taken, an image composed of the labor, and the dreams, and the blood of its people. Like a finished painting, Steinbeck frames it with the *tin and iron and rust and splintered wood* of Monterey. He hangs it upon a wall, so impossibly perfect, by a string of his tactful prose. And here it waits for our double-take, our scour, and, when we do finally look upon it, we wonder why we didn't look sooner. This is a book for the artist, the stranger, the entrepreneur, the lover, and the dreamer. Thank you for the suggestion, Charles. — Gabe

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Did you know?



BiblioBoard

The Upland Public Library subscribes to BiblioBoard, a mobile digital library with a ton of books, comics, and primary resource materials that are great for pleasure reading and for school projects! There's plenty to read for fun on BiblioBoard, especially a nice collection of Dark Horse Comics, but we're especially excited about the content that can help you out for school projects. What's really special about BiblioBoard is that the company has a tool that allows us to gather articles, books, photos, etc. into one curated collection of material that is easy to find. For example, we are well aware here at the Library that UHS Freshman have a summer assignment topic that is usually related to the French Revolution, so we've gathered a bunch of digital content about the French Revolution into a single collection to make the research a little bit easier for you. What's even better is that we've pinned the French Revolution collection the front page of our BiblioBoard website so when you log-in, it will be one of the first things you see! Pretty great, right? To get started using BiblioBoard, all you need is your library card and this link to our BiblioBoard page:

<https://library.biblioboard.com/#home>

Questions? Ask me: Stefanie Ulate (909) 931-4328

Reader Submissions

Ice

By Nicolas Rodriguez, UHS Senior

Frosty breath and frozen toes
Round and round the wind blows
Wondrous highs and wondrous lows
Enters a man with endless woes
A heavy sigh he carelessly throws
Ready to die
While the sky gently snows
Upon the ice
There he sits
Finally alive
Torn to bits
A gentle heart
No one to miss
A starless sky
Finding bliss

Get your creative writing published with us!

Submit your work to:

teens@uplandlibrary.org

*If more than 200 words, we'll publish an excerpt of what you submitted.