



National Endowments for the Arts

The Big Read, Tampa

The Joy Luck Club

May 2010

The Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative (HCPLC) will launch its second The Big Read, Tampa initiative highlighting the novel, *The Joy Luck Club*, by Amy Tan. The Big Read, launched nationally in 2006 by the National Endowments for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest, encourages literary reading by encouraging communities to read a common title. During the month of May (Asian American Month), HCPLC joins community partners in celebrating our selected read, *The Joy Luck Club*, through diverse programs throughout Hillsborough County.

For more information about The Big Read, please call Darlene Harris at (813) 272-5018 or visit hcplc.org.

Schedule of Events

- Sat., May 01, 2010
4:00 p.m. **The Big Read, Tampa – *The Joy Luck Club* kick-off at John F. Germany Library**
Sample all the programs that will highlight our selected read. Emcee for program, Elizabeth Dinh, News Reporter for Action News. Also, brief appearance by *The Joy Luck Club* author Amy Tan.
Location: **John F. Germany Library**, 900 North Ashley Dr., Tampa,
- May 01- 31, 2010
Library hours **Exhibit: Chinese History and Culture**
Spades, Knives & Cash: The History of Chinese Coinage
Learn about the history of money in China and how money settled on a single form- the classic pan liang.
Sponsored by: Friends of the John F. Germany Public Library
Location: **John F. Germany Public Library**, 900 North Ashley Dr., Tampa
- Art Exhibit: Chinese History and Culture**
Art exhibit and display by the Chen Dynasty – a Family of Artists
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Sun., May 02, 2010
1:00 p.m. ***The Joy Luck Club*, author Amy Tan @ your library**
The Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative welcomes *The Joy Luck Club* author Amy Tan. Emcee for program, Elizabeth Dinh, News Reporter for Action News. Tan will discuss the threads of her book and how it relates to all.
Location: **The David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts**, 1010 N. W. C. MacInnes Place, Tampa.
- Tues., May 04, 2010
2:30 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Barnes & Noble Booksellers**- 28152 Paseo Dr. - Wiregrass
- Sat., May 08, 2010 **Book Discussion**

- 10:30 a.m. Location: **Seminole Heights** – 4711 Central Ave., Tampa
- Sat., May 08, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Chen Dynasty – A Family of Artists**
Demonstration of calligraphy, embroidery and watercolor.
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library** – 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Sat., May 08, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Mother/ Daughter Ceremony Tea @ your library**
Learn the ritual of the Chinese tea culture and ceremony. Registration is limited to 30 and begins 30 minutes before the program.
Presented by: Kaleisia Tea Lounge
Location: **Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library**, 2902 W. Bearss Ave., Tampa
- Mon., May 10, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **New Tampa Regional Library**, 10001 Cross Creek Blvd., Tampa
- Mon., May 10, 2010
7:30 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Barnes & Noble Booksellers – Brandon**, 122 Brandon Town Center Dr., Brandon
- Tues., May 11, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Book Discussion – Bonesetter’s Daughter by Amy Tan**
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 W. McLendon St., Plant City
- Tues., May 11, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book to Film**
View the film based on the novel, *The Joy Luck Club*. (139 minutes)
Followed by Book to Film discussion at 3:30 p.m.
Location: **Lutz Branch Library**, 101 Lutz-Lake Fern Rd., Lutz
- Tues., May 11, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Bloomingtondale Regional Library**, 1906 Bloomingtondale Ave., Valrico
- Tues., May 11, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Travel Treasures: China**
No luggage necessary, journey through all the dynasties and the great wall.
Presented by: American Automobile Association
Location: **Upper Tampa Bay Regional Library**, 11211 Countryway Blvd., Tampa
- Wed., May 12, 2010
1:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **North Tampa**, 8916 North Boulevard, Tampa
- Wed., May 12, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Riverview Library**, 10509 Riverview Dr., Riverview
- Wed., May 12, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book to Film**
Location: **Ruskin Library**, One Dickman Dr., S.E., Ruskin
- Wed., May 12, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Feng Shui**
Learn how to add positive energy to your home or office through Chinese interior design.
Presented by: New Feng Shui Designs, Diane Ross
Location: **Town ’N Country Regional Library**, 7606 Paula Dr., Tampa
- Thurs., May 13, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Tai Chi Demonstration**
Learn about this alternative form of exercise and its health benefits..
Presented by Taoist Tai Chi Society™
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Fri., May 14, 2010 **Book Discussion**

- 10:30 a.m. Location: **College Hill Branch Library**, 2607 E. Dr. MLK Jr., Blvd., Tampa
- Sat. May 15, 2010
10:00 a.m. **Kites**
Learn the history of kites. Crafts on how to make a kite.
Location: **Tampa Museum of the Arts**, 800 North Ashley Dr. Tampa
- Sat., May 15, 2010
10:00 a.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Temple Terrace Branch Library**, 202 Bullard Pkwy, Temple Terrace
- Sat., May 15, 2010
10:30 a.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Brandon Regional Library**, 619 Vonderburg Dr., Brandon
- Sat., May 15, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Origami for Kids**
Location: **North Tampa Library**, 8916 North Boulevard, Tampa
- Sat., May 15, 2010
10:30 a.m. **Sagwa the Chinese Cat (Family)**
Listen to Amy Tan's *Sagwa the Chinese Cat* followed by a computer lab interactive parent / child activity.
Sponsored by: WEDU
Location: **SouthShore Regional Library**, 15816 Beth Shields Way, Ruskin
- Sat., May 15, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Barnes & Noble Booksellers**- 213 N. Dale Mabry, S. Tampa
- Sat., May 15, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Tai Chi @ your library**
Learn about this alternative form of exercise and its health benefits.
Presented by: Martial Arts Center
Location: **Seffner Mango Branch Library**, 410 N. Kingsway Rd., Seffner
- Sat., May 15, 2010
1:30 p.m. **Book to Film**
Location: **Brandon Regional Library**, 619 Vonderburg Dr., Brandon
- Sat., May 15, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Sagwa, The Chinese Cat (Family)**
Listen to Amy Tan's *Sagwa the Chinese Cat* followed by a computer lab interactive parent / child activity.
Location: **John F. Germany Public Library**, 900 N. Ashley Dr., Tampa
- Sun., May 16, 2010
1:00 p.m. **Book to Film**
View the film based on the novel, *The Joy Luck Club*. (139 minutes)
Followed by Book to Film discussion at 3:00p.m.
Location: **John F. Germany Public Library**, 900 N. Ashley Dr., Tampa
- Sun., May 16, 2010
1:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library**, 2902 W. Bearss Ave., Tampa
- Mon., May 17, 2010
1:00 p.m. **Book to Film**
View the film based on the novel, *The Joy Luck Club*. (139 minutes)
Followed by Book to Film discussion at 3:00p.m.
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Tues., May 18, 2010
4:30 p.m. **Book to Film**
View the film based on the novel, *The Joy Luck Club*. (139 minutes)
Followed by Book to Film discussion at 6:00p.m.
Location: **78th Street Community**, 7325 Palm River Rd., Tampa

- Wed., May 19, 2010
3:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Town 'N Country Regional Library**, 7606 Paula Dr., Tampa
- Wed., May 19, 2010
3:00 p.m. **Origami for Everyone**
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Wed., May 19, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Feng Shui**
Learn how to add positive energy to your home or office through Chinese interior design
Presented by: New Feng Shui Designs, Diane Ross
Location: **Jan Kaminis Platt Regional Library**, 3910 S. Manhattan Ave., Tampa
- Wed., May 19, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Researching Your Asian Roots**
Online resources to help discover family's history.
Location: **New Tampa Regional Library**, 10001 Cross Creek Blvd., Tampa
- Sat., May 22, 2010
1:00 p.m. **A Taste of China**
A cooking demonstration of the foods found in China.
Presented by: Eve Catering
Location: **Town 'N Country Regional Library**, 7606 Paula Dr., Tampa
- Sat., May 22, 2010
10:30 a.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Upper Tampa Bay Regional Library**, 11211 Countryway Blvd., Tampa
- Sun., May 23, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **John F. Germany Public Library**, 900 N. Ashley Dr., Tampa
- Tues., May 25
2:00 p.m. **Learn to Play Mah Jong**
Presented by Taoist Tai Chi Society™
Location: **Bruton Memorial Library**, 302 McLendon St., Plant City
- Wed., May 26, 2010
11:00 a.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Barnes & Noble Booksellers – Brandon**, 122 Brandon Town Center Dr.,
Brandon
- Wed., May 26, 2010
7:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **Jan K. Platt Regional Library**, 3910 S. Manhattan Ave., Tampa
- Thurs., May 27, 2010
2:00 p.m. **Book Discussion**
Location: **SouthShore Regional Library**, 15816 Beth Shields Way, Ruskin
- Sun., May 30, 2010
3:00 p.m. **Closing Ceremony**
Kimi Springsteen will emcee the special ceremony recognizing community partners and
celebrating *The Joy Luck Club*.
Location: **John F. Germany**, 900 North Ashley Dr., Tampa