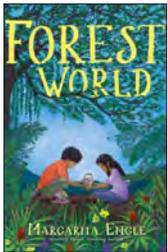




APRIL IS NATIONAL POETRY MONTH!

Try something a little different during National Poetry Month, like one of these novels written in verse.

Forest World by Margarita Engle



Sent to Cuba to visit the father he barely knows, Edver is surprised to meet a half-sister, Luza, whose plan to lure their cryptozoologist mother into coming there too, turns dangerous.

Life Boat 12 by Susan Hood



In 1940, a group of British children, their escorts, and sailors struggle to survive in a lifeboat when the ship taking them to safety in Canada is torpedoed.

Swing by Kwame Alexander



Noah and his best friend Walt want to become cool, make the baseball team, and win over Sam, the girl Noah has loved for years. When Noah finds old love letters, Walt hatches a plan to woo Sam. But as Noah's love life and Walt's baseball career begin, the letters alter everything.

Moonrise by Sarah Crossan



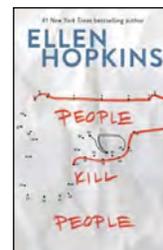
With little money or support, seventeen-year-old Joe Moon, travels to Texas to help the older brother, Ed, through Ed's last few weeks before being executed for murder.

Blood Paint Water by Joy McCullough



In Renaissance Italy, Artemisia Gentileschi endures the subjugation of women that is devastating in a system built to take advantage of her. However, she is buoyed by her deceased mother's stories of strong women of the Bible.

People Kill People by Ellen Hopkins



Six people have the incentive to pick up a gun, to fire it. One tense week brings all six people into close contact in a town wrought with political and personal tensions. Someone will fire. And someone will die. But who?



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ATASCADERO LIBRARY:

- EARTH DAY CRAFTS, THU, APR 18, 3:30 | Age 10-17
- HOW TO HENNA FOR TEENS, SAT, MAY 11, 2:00 | Age 10-17

CAMBRIA LIBRARY:

- WHAT IS 100? PHOTO CONTEST, FRI, FEB 1– SAT, APR 27
- INTRO TO HENNA WORKSHOP, SAT, APR 13, 2:30
- NEEDLE FELTING, THU, APR 18, 3:30 | Age 13 – Adult

OCEANO LIBRARY:

- SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS, THU, APR 11, 3:30 — Sponsored by Altrusa International of San Luis Obispo County, Inc.
- MESSY ART, THU, MAY 9, 4:00

ARROYO GRANDE LIBRARY:

- HENNA WORKSHOP, SAT, APR 20, 2:00 | Age 10+
- ESSENTIAL OILS WORKSHOP, SAT, MAY 11, 2:00 | Age 15+

NIPOMO LIBRARY:

- SCRIBBLER ROBOT WORKSHOP, SAT, APR 13, 2:00 | Age 8-14
- SPRING BREAK AT THE LIBRARY, TUES - FRI, APR 23 - 26, 2:00 - 4:00 | Age 8 - 18
- GEMSTONE NECKLACE WORKSHOP, SAT, APR 27, 2:00
- TEEN PAINTING WORKSHOP, SAT, MAY 18, 2:00 | Age 10-17

SHELL BEACH LIBRARY:

- GEMSTONE NECKLACE WORKSHOP, WED, MAY 8, 4:00 | Age 13+

CAYUCOS LIBRARY:

- KIDS ACTIVITY (art, science, fun!), 2nd WED, 2:00, APR 10, MAY 8

LOS OSOS LIBRARY:

- ALTERED BOOK CRAFT, SAT, APR 13, 12:00 | Age 9-16

MORRO BAY LIBRARY:

- ALTERED BOOK CRAFT, SAT, MAY 4, 12:00 | Age 9-16

SAN LUIS OBISPO LIBRARY:

- TEEN CRAFT, THU, MAR 7, APR 11, 4:00-5:00
- TEEN MOVIES, LAST THU OF THE MONTH, APR 25, 3:30
- SPRING BREAK @ THE LIBRARY, MON, APR 1-5, 3:00

UNBEATABLE, UNPREDICTABLE, & UNDEAD

The Past and Other Things That Should Stay Buried by Shaun David Hutchinson

Dino doesn't mind spending time with the dead. His parents own a funeral home, and death is literally the family business. He's just not used to the dead talking back, until Dino's ex-best friend July dies suddenly—and then comes back to life. As they attempt to figure out what's happening, they must also confront why and how their friendship ended so badly, and what they have left to understand about themselves, each other, and all those grand mysteries of life.



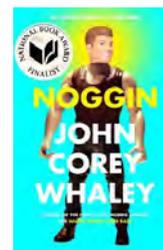
Undead Girl Gang by Lily Anderson

Meet teenage Wiccan Mila Flores, who truly could not care less what you think about her Doc Martens, her attitude, or her weight because she knows that, no matter what, her BFF Riley is right by her side. So when Riley and two other girls die under suspicious circumstances, Mila refuses to believe everyone's explanation that her BFF was involved in a suicide pact so she does the unthinkable to uncover the truth: she brings the girls back to life. With only seven days until the spell wears off and the girls return to their graves, Mila must wrangle the distracted group of undead teens and work fast to discover their murderer before the killer strikes again.



Noggin by John Corey Whaley

The in between part is still a little fuzzy, but Travis can tell you that, at some point or another, his head got chopped off and shoved into a freezer in Denver, Colorado. Five years later, it was reattached to some other guy's body, and well, here he is. Despite all logic, he's still sixteen, but everything and everyone around him has changed. That includes his bedroom, his parents, his best friend, and his girlfriend. Or maybe she's not his girlfriend anymore? That's a bit fuzzy too. Looks like if the new Travis and the old Travis are ever going to find a way to exist together, there are going to be a few more scars.



Ghostgirl by Tonya Hurley

After dying, high school senior Charlotte Usher is as invisible to nearly everyone as she always felt, but despite what she learns in a sort of alternative high school for dead teens, she clings to life while seeking a way to go to the Fall Ball with the boy of her dreams.

