## **CUESTA COLLEGE 2012 BOOK OF THE YEAR**

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This year's Book of the Year will feature an exciting array of cultural activities, discussions, films and workshops around the theme of neighborhoods and what it means to be a community in the 21st century.

## FEBRUARY/MARCH



#### PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

#### Found in Passing **Through February 24**

Cal Poly's Robert E. Kennedy Library, second floor gallery Lensman Steven Boothe's iPhone cam does the talking as he explores area neighborhoods. What he finds may surprise you!



#### READING IN PUBLIC

#### **Art After Dark**

#### Friday, March 2, 7-8 pm

History Center of San Luis Obispo County, 696 Monterey St., San Luis Obispo Hear locals read stories and histories about their favorite neighborhoods present and past.



#### **TOUR**

#### Cohousing as a Lifestyle Saturday, March 17, 1-2:30 pm

Oak Creek Commons, 635 Nicklaus Drive, Paso Robles This 36-home North County subdivision offers an alternative take on community for families, couples and singles. Q&A follows tour. Limited parking; carpooling urged. RSVP: 546-3100, ext. 2287.



## DISCUSSION

### Shades of Green: Local Groups that Grow Our Neighborhood Saturday, March 24, 1-3 pm

San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, Oak Glen Pavilion Discover what Small Wilderness Area Preservation (SWAP), GleanSLO, Cuesta Student Grassroots Club, SLO Botanical Garden & Transition Towns do to improve the community. Refreshments & tours of botanical garden located across Highway 1 from Cuesta College. Free parking. Info: 541-1400.



#### Portrait of a Neighborhood: Mitchell Park, Now and Then Sunday, March 25, 3-4:30 pm

Meet at Mitchell Park, Osos & Santa Rosa streets, San Luis Obispo Join Linnaea Phillips, Dean Miller & Eric Meyer at the park bandstand for a guided walking tour of the neighborhood, exploring its early railroad roots to its current mixed-use character. Reception and Q&A follows at historic Avila House. Limited space. RSVP: 546-3100, ext. 2287.



#### **BOOK TALK**

## **Book of the Year author Peter Lovenheim**

#### Tuesday, March 27, 5-7 pm

Cuesta College Cultural and Performing Arts Center, SLO campus Join Peter Lovenheim for a discussion of his book In the Neighborhood: The Search for Community on an American Street, One Sleepover at a Time. Reception, book sale & book signing follow. Free parking for this event only in Lot 2.



Author of In the Neighborhood: The Search for Community on an American Street, One Sleepover at a Time will visit Cuesta College for a free reception, lecture and book signing on March 27.

# **Film Festival**

### The Gleaners & I (Les Glaneurs et La Glaneuse)



Tuesday, March 20, noon-1:15 pm • Cuesta Library, SLO campus, Rm 3219 Monday, March 26, 1-2:15 pm • North County campus, Rm N2401 This French documentary (with subtitles) explores the history of those who gather crops left over from harvest & their modern day counterparts who gather what others have left behind. 2000. 78 minutes.

#### Building Community: It's An Art

Wednesday, March 21, noon-12:30 pm • Cuesta Library, SLO campus, Rm 3219 Wednesday, March 28, 1-1:30 pm • North County campus, Room N2401 This Minnesota League of Cities documentary examines the ways in which public art, galleries, murals, music & poetry provide pleasure and beauty while bringing together local residents. 2010. 27 minutes.

#### Green Cities: Leading the Way

Wednesday, March 21, 12:30-1 pm • Cuesta Library, SLO campus, Rm 3219 Wednesday, March 28, 1:30-2 pm • North County campus, Rm N2401

This documentary gives an overview of how large & small Midwestern cities transformed themselves through recycling, banning plastic bags, energy conservation and more. 2008. 30 minutes.

#### FATHER GAME Father G and the Homeboys

HOMEBOYS Wed., March 28, noon-2 pm • Cuesta Library, SLO campus, Rm 3219 Wednesday, April 4, 1-3 pm • North County campus, Rm N2401

Filmmaker John Bohm chronicles the inspiring work of Jesuit priest Father Gregory Boyle, who for two decades has helped L.A. gang members turn their lives around. Actor Martin Sheen narrates. 2007. 101 minutes.

#### Young@Heart: You're Never Too Old to Rock onday, March 26, noon-2 pm • Cuesta Library, SLO campus, Rm 3219

Tuesday, April 3, 2-4 pm • North County campus, Rm N2401 Follow Young@ Heart, a chorus made up of seniors (whose average age is 81), as the group rehearses covers of rock songs for a concert

and a European tour. Whether singing James Brown or Coldplay, this closely bonded community celebrates the life-affirming power of music. 2008. 108 minutes.

POCKET MEDIA FILM: A short, clever film, under 2 minutes long, created on your cell phone or pocket video cam. The theme is "What's Your Neighorhood?" Win an iPod Touch or \$50 gas card. Open to all. For more info, visit http://library.cuesta.edu/book/pocketmedia.htm



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INFORMATION: call (805) 546-3100, ext. 2287

**EVENT UPDATES:** http://library.cuesta.edu/book

Parking permits are required for this year's Book of the Year Film Festival on both Cuesta College campuses: \$2 permits are available at kiosks in campus parking lots. For maps and directions: www.cuesta.edu/maps/direct.htm

