

## Not to be missed

### Theatre

**Improv comedy company**  
Synergy Theater is invading the Leshar Center for the Arts, at 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek, with its madcap improvised horror spoof, "Z is for...Zombie: An Improvised Zombie Apocalypse!" Oct. 19 - 29, Thursdays - Saturdays at 8:15 p.m. and Sundays at 3:15 p.m. The Leshar Center for the Arts, George & Sonja Vukasin Theatre 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek, tickets: \$25 buy online at [www.lesherartscenter.org](http://www.lesherartscenter.org) or by phone at (925) 943-7469.

**Town Hall Theatre Company**  
present "A Christmas Story" Adapted by Philip Grecian, story by Jean Shepherd. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 (Previews), Dec. 2-17th. Town Hall Theatre, 3535 School Street, Lafayette. Tickets: \$20-45, Pay-What-You-Can tickets will be available at all performances at the door. [www.townhalltheatre.com/christmas-story](http://www.townhalltheatre.com/christmas-story)

**Sister Theater: Campbell**  
Theater and PlotLine Theatre Company presents "I hate Hamlet." The delightful play, by Paul Rudnick, brings John Barrymore back to life to help an L.A. soap opera star play Hamlet in the park in New York. Swordfights, romance, a seance and Shakespeare are all a part of making this a memorable night in the theatre. Running through Oct. 15, Tickets are available on [www.campbelltheater.com](http://www.campbelltheater.com). For more information, call (925) 350-9770.

### Literature

**The giant fall book sale**  
sponsored by the Friends of the Moraga Library will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Moraga Library. Books, CDs and DVDs in every category will be sold at prices ranging from 25 cents to \$3. Beginning at 1 p.m., a bag can be purchased for \$5 and filled with all the books it can hold. 100% of the proceeds of this sale support the Moraga Library's children's and adult's programs, books, other materials and library upgrades.

**Sandeep Jauhar author** of "My Father's Brain" will be the featured author on Oct. 19 at 5 p.m. on a Zoom webinar as part of the Sweet Thursday Author Series. Listen to the discussion of his relationship with his father as he succumbs to dementia. This program is free, but registration is required at [tinyurl.com/sweet-19oct23](http://tinyurl.com/sweet-19oct23). The Sweet Thursday author talks are presented by The Friends of the Lafayette Library.

### Other

**Lafayette Res Run for Education.** Sunday, Oct. 22. 5K: 8a.m., 10K: 8:15 a.m., 2 mile fun run/walk: 8:45 a.m. Start/Finish Line is on Mt. Diablo Blvd. between Moraga Road and Oak Hill Road. Reservoir Challenge (Virtual Race): October 12-21. Only the 10K goes around the Reservoir. Please note, the Reservoir is closed for all but 10K runners on Race Day, Oct. 22. Healthy Lifestyles Health Fair is held at the same time as the races, Sunday, Oct. 22, 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Lafayette Circle (east side.) Includes vendors, kids' activities and more! Learn more and get the link to register at <https://lafayettechamber.org/resrun>.

**AAUW's October Shred Day** at 5A is back on Saturday, Oct. 14, 9 a.m. to noon at 5A Rent-A-Space, 455 Moraga Road, Moraga. Rain or Shine. Drive Up to Shred. Local AAUW volunteers unload, dump your papers for the shred truck, and return empty boxes to your car. Pulverized shredding is done at the truck. \$10/file box.

**American Association of University Women (AAUW)**  
Orinda Moraga Lafayette

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Branch will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. All are invited to a discussion on "Book Banning and Curricula Censorship in California?"

**"How to Make Change for the Better"** - A free public talk. Sunday, Oct. 15 at 2 p.m. "Life doesn't have to feel like it's caving in. We can build on a new basis: life rooted in an all-good God," says lecturer Janet Hegarty, CSB. Join us in person or online. All are welcome! [www.ChristianScience-Orinda.org](http://www.ChristianScience-Orinda.org), Christian Science Church, 24 Orinda Way, Orinda, (925) 254-4212

**Learn how to prepare** for your older years or to be a family caregiver, gain legal awareness, learn about entitlements/benefits, and get support and answers to your questions and concerns. This is a free event for our community. All are welcome, but space is limited and registration is required at [lopc.org/registrations](http://lopc.org/registrations). Saturday, Oct. 21, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette

**Haunted House Moving Outside!** For the first time ever, the Lafayette Community Center's Haunted House is venturing beyond its haunted halls to the great outdoors! We proudly present to you the

newly named "Spooky Walk" - a hauntingly thrilling adventure on the Bellenger trail, featuring a quarter-mile stretch of bone-chilling encounters that will leave you trembling with delight! Not Too Scary: For our younger friends and those who prefer a more festive atmosphere, our "Not Too Scary" version offers a delightful, family-friendly experience with just the right amount of spookiness to keep the smiles going! When: Oct. 28 and 29 from 5-6:30 p.m. Very Scary: Are you courageous enough to confront your deepest fears? In our "Very Scary" version, fear lurks around every corner, waiting to send shivers down your spine. It's a pulse-pounding thrill for the bravest souls! When: Oct. 28 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. and Oct. 29 from 7:30-9 p.m. Pre-registration required, get your tickets now! <https://tinyurl.com/3jwvhj6x>

**Dan Hanel, award winning** author of the historical mystery series "In The Shadow of Diablo" is Moraga Historical Society's next featured speaker. Hanel combines fact with fiction bringing to life locations such as Brentwood's John Marsh House; the abandoned Byron Hot Springs Resort; Antioch's 19th century Black Diamond Coal Mine; and Contra Costa County's Winehaven - once the world's largest winery. Event held Sunday, Nov. 5, from 1-3 p.m.

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in the Casita @ Hacienda de las Flores, 2100 Donald Dr, Moraga. RSVP: [ranchSusan@aol.com](mailto:ranchSusan@aol.com) by Oct. 27. Reservations only - limited seating. Moraga Historical Society members free, guests \$5.

**California Independent Film Festival** at Orinda Theatre Nov. 9 -16. The festival will feature about 29 films from 14 countries and at least 9 Directors will offer Q&A sessions following the screening of their films. For more information and tickets go to [caiff.org](http://caiff.org) or visit The Orinda Theatre Box Office.

### Garden

**Moraga Garden Club** meeting Oct. 19, 9:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. The speaker Dawn Koo-jumjin—UCCE Master Gardener Program Coordinator—will discuss "Houseplants: Gateway to Gardening." The club is open to all and welcome new members. [www.moragagardenclub.org](http://www.moragagardenclub.org).

**Montelindo Garden Club** meets Friday, Oct. 20 at 9 a.m., at which speaker land conservation director Seth Adams of Save Mount Diablo returns to discuss accounts of his hands-on experiences preserving land, creating trails, acquiring new land, reintroducing peregrine falcons to the mountain, and a story or two about con-

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dors. He will bring the old devil mountain to life for you. See [www.montelindogarden.com/current-year-meetings.html](http://www.montelindogarden.com/current-year-meetings.html) for more information. 3491 Mt Diablo Blvd, Lafayette, in the Lafayette Library Community Hall. Free.

**Lafayette Garden Club** monthly meeting begins on Oct. 12 at 9:30 a.m. for social time and nibbles before the short business meeting at 10 a.m. It is held at the Veteran's Hall, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. There will be an update on three philanthropies the club supports and to which the club has contributed. Julie Stagg will discuss the Monarch Butterfly Garden in Moraga, Kathy Bowles and Tracey Farrell provide an update on the Lafayette Park Theater, and Hannah Hodgson will discuss the John Muir Land Trust Family Harvest Farm. It is free to attend and guests are welcome. Please visit [www.lafayettegardenclub.com](http://www.lafayettegardenclub.com) for more information.

Please submit events to:  
[calendar@lamorinda-weekly.com](mailto:calendar@lamorinda-weekly.com)

## Lamorinda's Religious Services

Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church  
A welcoming and loving  
**community of faith**  
that learns, grows, and serves  
**TOGETHER**

Sundays 10:00 a.m. In person & Livestream  
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Community Church  
10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | [www.orindachurch.org](http://www.orindachurch.org)  
"No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Sunday Service 10 am or join us online.  
Mondays 9:30 am Centering Prayer in the Chapel  
Wednesday 10 am Contemplative Worship in the Chapel

**Lafayette United Methodist Church**  
955 Moraga Road 925.284.4765 [thelumc.org](http://thelumc.org)  
**Sunday 10am in person worship**  
We are a church that strives to love as Jesus loves. Our congregation welcomes, includes, and affirms everyone on their journey of faith regardless of race, ethnicity, age, economic status, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation or gender identity.

**ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH**  
24 Orinda Way (next to the Library)-925-254-4212  
**Sunday Services and Sunday School 10-11 am**  
Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
All are welcome  
[www.christianscienceorinda.org](http://www.christianscienceorinda.org)

**Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422  
[www.holyshepherd.org](http://www.holyshepherd.org)

ONLINE WORSHIP SCHEDULE  
Facebook Premiere Community Worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Go to [facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/](https://facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE In person worship at 9:30 a.m. Live stream on [facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/](https://facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/)

Visit our website to access the current and recent sermons.

**St Stephen's Episcopal Church**  
Worshipping, Learning, Serving  
[www.ststephensorinda.org](http://www.ststephensorinda.org)

Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church  
**mvpcc**  
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**SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM**  
OR ONLINE AT [MVPCTODAY.ORG](http://MVPCTODAY.ORG)

**St. Anselm's Episcopal Church**  
**WE WELCOME ALL!**  
Sundays, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
682 Michael Lane, Lafayette  
Zoom Link for 10 a.m. service at [www.stanselms.us](http://www.stanselms.us)

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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