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San José Public Library to Host Digital Bookmobile National Tour Event

Download experience promotes free audiobook, eBook, & music download service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — San José Public Library will host the Digital Bookmobile, an immersive download experience inside a 74-foot, high-tech tractor-trailer, on **Thursday, April 16** from **10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** at the **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library** (150 E. San Fernando St. at S. Fourth St.) in downtown San Jose. Readers of all ages are invited to try out digital downloading through interactive demonstrations and experience San José Public Library's audiobook, eBook and music download service at this free event. Library card holders can also check out and download digital titles any time, anywhere by visiting <http://ebooks.sjlibrary.org>.

The Digital Bookmobile will make two additional stops in Santa Clara Valley hosted by Santa Clara County Library:

- Friday, April 17 at Saratoga Library from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Saturday, April 18 at Morgan Hill Library from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

“Our library serves the capital of Silicon Valley; one of the most wired communities anywhere in the world,” said Library Director Jane Light. “Our customers increasingly expect to find much of their information and entertainment needs online. Moreover, digital resources are both a green and economical way to expand our collections.”

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The Digital Bookmobile is housed inside an 18-wheel tractor-trailer. This 74-foot community outreach vehicle is a high-tech update of the traditional bookmobile that has served communities for decades. The vehicle is equipped with broadband Internet-connected PCs, high definition monitors, premium sound systems, and a variety of portable media players, all of which help visitors explore San Jose Public Library's download service. Interactive learning stations give visitors an opportunity to search the library's digital media collection, use supported mobile devices, and sample eBooks, audiobooks and music.

Patrons can take advantage of the download service 24/7 when they visit the library's website. From there, they can browse the growing collection of best-selling, new release, and classic titles, and check out a digital title with a valid library card. Once downloaded, digital titles can be enjoyed on a computer or transferred to supported mobile devices. Many audio titles can also be burned to audio CD. At the end of the 21-day lending period, titles will automatically expire and are returned to the digital collection. There are never late fees or damaged items.

The Digital Bookmobile visit is a service hosted by San José Public Library and is operated by OverDrive, Inc. To check out and download digital books and more, visit <http://ebook.sjlibrary.org>.

About San Jose Public Library

San José Public Library system (SJPL) is the largest public library system between San Francisco and Los Angeles on California's West Coast, serving a culturally diverse population of approximately 989,500 in the nation's 10th largest city. Recipient of the prestigious national Library of the Year award, SJPL is recognized across the country for its innovation and leadership in the field and is one of the busiest library systems nationwide, with an annual checkout rate of more than 14 million items.

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