Kapolei Public Library is scheduled to host the final showing of "Produce for Victory: Posters on the American Home Front, 1941 – 1945," a Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibition which focuses on posters circulated in the United States during World War II to promote patriotism and to increase industrial output. The special exhibit, which opened last March at the King Kamehameha V Judiciary Complex, is suitable for ages 12 and older.

Next month:

Drama

Moriyama and Movie

"An Era of Change: Oral Histories of Civilians in World War II Hawai‘i," featuring Nyla Fujii-Baab and Deni Seki performing dramatic readings and enactments; and June 17, 1 p.m., "Life in an Internment Camp," presentation by Patricia Kiruta Nomura and Janeth Kuhara. All of these programs are sponsored by the Hawai‘i Council for the Humanities, are "Learners" because life–long learning is essential to a democratic society and individual success. The HSPLS website: www.librarieshawaii.org provides a wealth of online databases that the Hawai‘i State Public Library System offers as a free service to its library customers. To gain access to some databases, a valid HSPLS library card is needed.

Mark Your Calendars

May 10 – 41st Annual Nānē Award Presentation Ceremony, 9:30 a.m., Kamehameha High School Performing Arts Center, Honolulu. The Nānē award recognizes students who demonstrate academic achievement, exemplary character, and service to their communities. The annual event will announce 2006 winner of the favorite book voted by the students of Hawai‘i’s schools.

June 23 – Asian Library Association Annual Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Outrigger Reef on the Beach, Honolulu. The meeting will feature a keynote lecture entitled "Crossing Borders: Transnational Air Routes and the Migration Experience" by Professor Alan Toth of the University of Hawaii at Manoa, as well as a panel discussion on "Digitizing Asian and Pacific American Collections".

June 27 – 2006 HSPLS Children’s and Young Adult Summer Reading Program: Free 5-week programs at public libraries funded by a grant from major sponsor Hawaiian Telcom (grant administered by the Friends of the Library of Hawai‘i), and other long-standing sponsors for summer reading programs, such as McDonald’s Restaurants of Hawai‘i, Hawai‘i Pizza Hut, Jamba Juice of Hawai‘i, and more than 40 helpful and interesting databases that the Hawai‘i State Public Library System offers as a free service to its library customers. To gain access to some databases, a valid HSPLS library card is needed.
Free Comic Book Day @ your library

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uperheroes, mutants, manga stars, and ultra cute owls will be @ your library! The fifth annual Free Comic Book Day is coming Saturday, May 6 to four ‘Oahu public libraries at ‘Aïna Haina, Kapolei, Lilila, and McCully–Moiliili. Library customers will receive a free comic book, while supplies last, by showing their valid Hawai‘i State Public Library card!

Free Comic Book Day is celebrated around the world and has given away millions of free comic books over the past four years. The public libraries will have five different titles available:

Archeipelago (release date 5/2/06)
Golden Globe winner Felicity Huffman stars as a pre-operative male-to-female transsexual who finds out that he is the father of a teenage son, a week before his operation.

Recommended Children’s Books

By Maile Davis & Vicki Dworin, Librarians, HSL-Ehukai Alun Children’s Room

Pearl Manxner
MY HAWAIIAN FARM
(Preschool – Gr. 2)
A little girl gives a month-to-month description of all the exciting things happening on her farm on the Big Island – from picking fruit in January to dancing and singing with her ‘ohana in December.

Margaret Read MacDonald (re-told by)
THE SQUEAKY DOOR
(Preschool – Gr. 4)
Little Boy gets to sleep in the big brass bed at Grandma’s house all by himself. When Grandma asks if he will be scared, he answers, “No, Not Me!” But, the squeaky door scares him, so Grandma brings the farm animals inside to sleep in the big bed until there are just too many!

Kate DiCamillo
THE MIRACULOUS JOURNEY OF EDWARD TULANE
(Gr. 3-6)
Ten-year-old Abilene Tulane owned a tall toy rabbit made of china and real rabbit fur. She named him Edward, dressed him in fancy clothes and talked to him all the time. (The author will visit O‘ahu May 10-11 to receive her 2005 Nêne Award for Because of Winn-Dixie, see “Mark Your Calendars.”)

Grace Lin
THE YEAR OF THE DOG: A NOVEL
(Gr. 3-5)
Pacy, a young Taiwanese-American girl, wants to learn why the Year of the Dog is supposed to be lucky. She makes a new friend, learns about her cultural heritage, works on a science fair project, and writes and illustrates a story for a national contest in this appealing story of family and friendship.

Family Stone

The Stone family gathers for a holiday filled with unexpected surprises. Before the festivities are over, love affairs will unravel, new ones will form, secrets will be revealed, and the family will come together like never before.

Brokeback Mountain

Set against the sweeping vistas of Wyoming and Texas, two young men meet in the summer and Texas, two young men meet in the summer and fall of 1963 and form an unorthodox yet life-long bond. Golden Globe winner (release date 5/23/06)

FAMILY STONE

By Sally Walstrum, Librarian

The Hawai‘i Center for the Book honored the 2006 Letters About Literature Award winners in a ceremony on Apr. 22 at the Hawai‘i State Library. Seated, from left, Schindler was appointed State Librarian by the Board of Education in 2003. Presenting a Certificate of Recognition to Schindler are, from left, Sen. Norman Sakamoto, Chair of Senate Education Committee; and Senate President Robert Bunda.

The Nagoya Joto Lions Club and Hawai‘i Kai Lions Club presented their 19th annual gift donation to Hawai‘i Kai Public Library last month at the library. Both clubs donated $1,000, which raised the total donation amount to about $35,000. In addition, the Hawai‘i Kai Lions gave a glass case to display a miniature Japanese bow and arrow, sword set last year by the Nagoya Joto Lions; which in turn gave two Obara handicraft paper art (collages made with Japanese paper), by artist Isao Yamashita.

From left, Nagoya Joto Lions President Katsuzo Kanemoto; Ann Moriyama, Temporary Hawai‘i Kai Public Library Library Manager; Bunny Lee, Charter Member, Hawai‘i Kai Lions; Lynn Massomoto, HPSL Public Libraries Branch Director, and Clara Ozaki, Hawai‘i Kai Lions President.

Pacy, a young Taiwan-