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We apologize for the date errors in our last email.  
Please see the correct information below.

## Free March Events

### SCBWI North & East Bay Meetups

Our meetups are the **FREE** SCBWI events hosted by our region's county coordinators. Your only fee is whatever you decide to eat and/or drink. We will meet whether two or twenty show up.

If you have questions about an event, please contact the listed county coordinator.



### Illustrators & Writers Meetup

**Saturday, Mar. 16th (10am - Noon)**

Espresso Roma

2960 College Avenue, Berkeley

Contact: [Susan Szecsi](#)

Let's meet for coffee and chat! Come share your stories, experiences, and questions with the rest of us! All writers and illustrators are welcome, from all areas, including non-members. You are welcome to bring work to share (or books you love), though please don't expect any critiques. If you are looking for a critique group, this is a great chance to meet others who might be looking.

### Mendocino County Meetup

**Sunday, Mar. 17th (10am - Noon)**

Law Offices of Carter & Momsen

305 N. Main Street, Ukiah

Contact: [Terri Nicholson](#)

Don't miss our Mendocino County Children's Writer & Illustrator Casual Meet Up. Have questions about the ins and outs of writing, editing, illustrating and publishing kidlit, or just need some writing and illustration inspiration? You are not ALONE! Join us and connect with other like-minded writers and illustrators, and share experiences, tips, and resources.

## Marin County KidLit Meetup

**Thursday, Mar. 21st (7 - 9pm)**

Jason's Bar  
300 Drake's Landing Road, Greenbrae  
Contact: [Jen Gennari](#)

Join us for an opportunity to meet other local writers and illustrators, find critique partners, and talk about your work in a relaxed social setting. We meet every third Thursday to build a larger sense of community in the writer tribe of Marin. You don't have to be from Marin to come.

## Marin County Critique Cafe

**Saturday, Mar. 30th (1:30 - 3pm)**

Corte Madera Community Center  
770 Tamalpais Drive, Suite 201, Corte Madera  
(2nd floor of the Town Center Mall)  
Contact: [Jen Gennari](#)

Don't miss this chance to find critique partners and meet other writers. Young adult, picture book, and middle grade pages are welcome. Bring six typed copies of the first two pages of your work in progress to share. We'll discuss critique best practices and then break into groups by genre.

*\* Free for SCBWI members. Please register so we know your genre and how many to expect! Non Members: \$5 until 3/29 (register online), \$10 at the door. [REGISTER HERE](#)*

## Free Events from Our Members

Check out these fantastic **FREE** events from our members!

These are NON-SCBWI writing and illustrating events where our members are speakers, panelists, or showrunners.

If you have a free event like a book launch, signing, or talk that you would like to share in the next newsletter, please [submit it here](#).

**Deadline for April events: March 25**



## Book Launch: My Whirling, Twirling Motor

**Sunday, Mar. 10th (4 - 5pm)**

Book Passage  
51 Tamal Vista Blvd, Corte Madera  
Contact: [Merriam Saunders](#)

Come celebrate Marin County SCBWI Coordinator Merriam Saunders' debut picture book at her book launch party. Merriam's book, about a boy with ADHD who gets in trouble all day, carries a positive message for all children and parents. [Learn more](#).

## A Good Kind of Trouble

Lisa Moore Ramee



## Time for Trouble!

**Saturday, Mar. 16th (3pm)**

Kepler's Bookstore  
1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park  
Contact: [Lisa Moore Ramee](#)

Join Lisa Moore Ramee for a celebration of her debut novel, *A Good Kind of Trouble*. NYT bestselling author, Angie Thomas, said the book is, "Full of heart and truth," and Newberry Medal winning author, Erin Entrada Kelly, called it, "An important book, and an incredible debut." Come for fun, snacks and friends!



## Book Launch: The Yellow Suitcase

**Sunday, Mar. 17th (3pm)**

Mrs. Dalloway's Bookstore  
2904 College Avenue, Berkeley  
Contact: [Meera Sriram](#)

Join Meera for the launch of her picture book, *THE YELLOW SUITCASE*, which will be released on March 12, 2019. It is a story about loss, love, home, and hope. Please come support a book on an important theme and a debut author, and celebrate the power of picture books! [Learn more](#).

## Regional News

### Scholarships Highlighting Diversity

Are you an illustrator or writer with a project that highlights a diverse character?

Enter one of our region's FREE scholarships to promote diversity in kid lit! Creator of Diverse Work Scholarships and Diverse New Member Scholarships [open for entries from April 1st to April 30th](#). A team of industry professionals will select our winners on May 15th. [Learn more](#).

### SCBWI Anti-Harassment Policy

The Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators is committed to providing a safe environment for all our members and guests. Please be aware that SCBWI has updated its Anti-Harassment policy. You can review the policy [here](#). By attending this event, you agree to abide by this policy.

### SCBWI Weapons Policy

It is the policy of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators maintain a firearms and weapons-free environment at all of our events and prohibit the possession of firearms and weapons regardless of any license or permit that an individual may have which would otherwise authorize the individual to carry firearms or weapons. Weapons are defined as anything that is intended to cause harm to another person. By attending this event, you agree to abide by this policy.