## Ventura College Library

April/May 2019

#### Films on Demand Available Now!

In our last issue, we announced that Films on Demand would be available in the fall. However, we were granted early access, which means you can start using <u>Films on Demand</u> today!

Films on Demand has more than 30,000 videos that will support many different disciplines. Some of their subjects covered include Music History, Speech & Communication, Biology, Health & Medicine, Business, History, Criminal Justice, and much more.



You can browse videos by <u>Subject</u>, search through their <u>Popular Categories</u>, or check out videos by their <u>Featured Producers</u>. Make sure to create an account so you can begin creating playlists. Videos can also be shared with your students through a direct URL or with an embed code that you can use in Canvas.

If you have any questions about this exciting new resource, contact Kaela.

### Lunch and Learn Event This Week

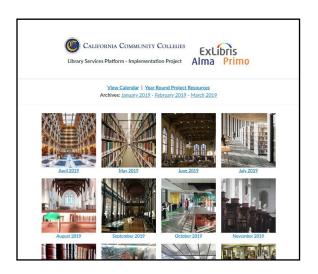


The library will be hosting a Lunch and Learn event during the Diversity in Culture Festival! Join us on Wednesday, April 10 at 11:30am in the library classroom, LRC 205 to explore diversity through Slam Poetry with English instructor Fernando Salinas.

Slam poetry is a competitive form of spoken word poetry. Fernando Salinas will introduce students to some of the most prevalent slam poets today and give students an opportunity to try their hand at "spitting" too! This event will also help to build excitement and participation in the 4th Annual Poetry Slam held the next day, Thursday, April 11 at 10:00am.

Please promote this fun, interactive event to your students - and remember, pizza will be served! If you have any questions about this event, please contact <u>Kaela</u>.

#### How's the LSP Project Going?



We are at a critical moment with the Library Services Platform (LSP) project. Your library classified professionals and librarians are finalizing the data that will create our test Alma environment. This will be the backend of our system that your classified professionals and librarians will be using to make resources available.

Over the summer, we will be testing and configuring our settings, exploring and learning more about how we will be interacting with the system, and developing training.

Things are moving quickly and we are excited to share new developments in the fall!

#### What's Coming Next?

- Finals De-Stress starts the week of May 6! Throughout the library, students will be able to find crafts, puzzles, and activities to help them take a break and unwind.
- Librarians will be available during the summer sessions. If you would like to schedule an instruction session for your summer classes, contact us at <u>vclibrary@vcccd.edu</u> and we'll get you in touch with the librarian scheduled.
- Remember, we're here to support you and your students! If you have an idea for a project, instructional video or other collaboration, let us know!

#### **Summer Hours**

Monday: 8:00am - 4:00pm Tuesday: 8:00am - 7:00pm Wednesday: 8:00am - 7:00pm Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm Friday, Saturday, Sunday: Closed



Google can bring you a hundred thousand answers, but a librarian can bring you just the right one.

#### Contact Us

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Lunch and Learn at Your Library

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# **SPIT SHINE:** Slam Poetry & Spoken Word

Slam poetry is a competitive form of spoken word poetry. As the saying goes, "the point is not the points--the point is the POETRY". Before slam, poetry readings were characteristically boring and not really an event anyone was interested in attending. By adding the competition element to poetry, slam helps to build a new, energetic, excited community of lovers of words and performance. Come experience some of the most prevalent slam poets today. And, try your hand at "spitting," too.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10 11:30AM-12:45PM LRC 205





Questions? Contact Kaela Casey at kcasey@vcccd.edu