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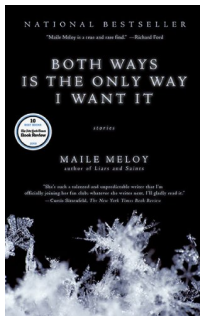
July 13, 2017



Good Literature and Good Leadership go hand-in-hand

Read: stretch, learn and be inspired. Remember why we work for a better world.

A few of our favorites:



Both Ways Is The Only Way I Want It

Maile Meloy, 2009

Illuminating stories of understanding and compassion.

The Girl Who Wrote in Silk

Kelli Estes, 2015

Historical fiction of two women, living centuries apart, determined to do the right thing.



Attention Organizers and Movie Buffs: Heather Booth Changing the World is coming to the Bay Area.

One of the most significant political leaders of the last 50 years. Come learn.

- 7/24 San Francisco
- 7/27 Palo Alto

More info [here](#). Tickets [here](#).

What's coming up for CTGCA?

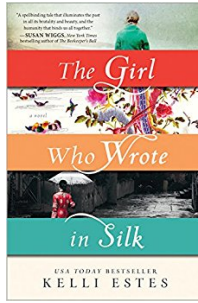
- 8/17 Volunteer Orientation 6pm Palo Alto
- End of August: Sacramento panel and reception
- Recruiter College coming mid-September
- Central Valley Recruiter meetings late September

Send requests for details to [Alice](#)



Emerge CA is now accepting applications for the class of 2018!

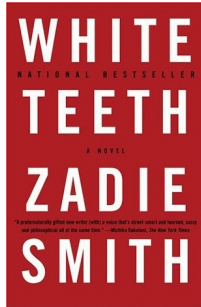
Please note that there are separate applications for northern and southern California. Apply [here](#).



Not sure about applying yet? Emerge CA is also hosting a number of recruiting salons all over the state in the coming months. Find one near you [here](#).



Join NWPC LA for Cocktails & Conversation on July 19!
The event is free for members and \$15 for non-members. The event is at Xiomara on Melrose Ave. Please RSVP and purchase tickets [here](#).

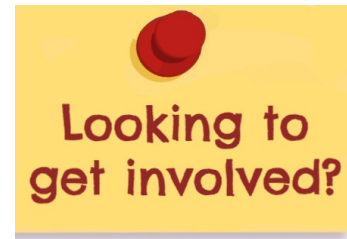
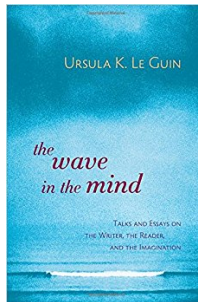


White Teeth
Zadie Smith, 2000

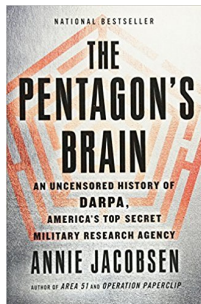
Complex issues of friendship, race, class, religion, and identity.

The Wave in the Mind
Ursula K. Le Guin, 2004

Talks and Essays on the Writer, the Reader, and the Imagination.



ctgCA is looking for volunteers!
email Alice at alice@closethegapca.org



The Pentagon's Brain
Annie Jacobsen, 2015

A history of the DARPA, the Defense Department's most secretive and controversial military science R&D branch.



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ABOUT CLOSE THE GAP CA

Close the gap CA is a campaign to increase the number of progressive women serving in the California Legislature by recruiting viable, progressive women to run for open seats in targeted, winnable districts. The campaign recruits accomplished women who are pro-choice, pro-public school funding and support paths out of poverty. By partnering with CA progressive organizations, close the gap CA aims to achieve gender parity in the CA legislature in 2028.

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