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“Zorro” Book Discussion at Sierra Madre Library

Celebrating Sierra Madre’s 2010 “One Book One City”

“Zorro,” by Isabel Allende, will be the topic of Sierra Madre Public Library’s Third Thursday Book Club meeting on Thursday, February 18 at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to join in this informal discussion of the adventure novel selected as Sierra Madre’s “One Book One City” for 2010. This event is free and will take place in the Library’s Reference Room.

First published in 2005, “Zorro” tells the story of the youthful Diego de la Vega and the political and personal conflicts, world travels, and affairs of the heart that lead him to become the swashbuckling champion of the oppressed in 19th century California.

Isabel Allende, the most widely read Latin American author in the world, has written novels that have been translated into 27 languages, including the acclaimed “Portrait in Sepia”, “Ines of My Soul”, “Daughter of Fortune,” “House of the Spirits,” and the 2009 “La Isla Bajo el Mar,” to be released in English later this year. Her work has won countless international literary awards and she has been honored by numerous universities and arts, literature, and feminist organizations around the world. Allende was born in Chile, traveled extensively with her family as a child, and then established a career as a journalist in her home country before fleeing the military coup in 1973. She now lives in northern California.

One Book One City hopes to inspire members of our community to share in reading the same good book at the same time and to participate in events honoring the work. A docent-guided tour of the San Gabriel Mission, a prominent location in “Zorro,” is currently scheduled for Saturday, February 27, at 1:00 p.m. Limited free transportation will be available (first call, first reserved); reservations will need to be made by February 22. Contact the Library at 626-255-7186. Cost for the tour is \$5 per person.

The Sierra Madre Public Library is located at 440 West Sierra Madre Boulevard in Sierra Madre. For more information on this, and all other Library activities and services, please call (626) 355-7186, or visit our website at www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us.

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