

Welcome ~

Welcome to the sixth annual Thousand Oaks Reads — One City One Book! The 2012 selection is *When the Killing's Done*, a tale of environmental activism along our Southern California coast, written by an iconic American writer, T.C. Boyle.

I encourage all to read the book, join a book discussion, attend the events; enter the photo contest, and spend an afternoon with the author. And remember: *When we open a book together, we close it in greater harmony.*

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Stephen R. Brogden, Director of Library Services

About the Book ~

The wild, sparsely inhabited Channel Islands off the coast of Santa Barbara are the setting for T.C. Boyle's socially conscious, richly humane tale that examines the control we attempt to exert, for better or worse, over the natural world. Alma Takesue, a National Park Service biologist, spearheads efforts to save the island's endangered native creatures from invasive species like rats and feral pigs, which, in her view, must be exterminated. Her antagonist, local businessman Dave LaJoy, is fiercely opposed to the killing of any animal whatsoever; he'll go to any length to subvert the plans of Alma and her colleagues.

Their encounters play out in a series of escalating scenes in which these characters confront one another, and tempt the awesome destructive power of the sea itself. The dramatic collision between the protectors of the environment and animal rights' activists examines an essential question: Who has the right of possession of the land, the waters, and the very lives of all the creatures who share this planet with us?

About the Author ~

Thomas Coraghessan Boyle grew up in Peekskill, NY, and is a graduate of the State University of New York and the prestigious Iowa Writers' workshop. He joined the faculty of the University of Southern California (USC) in 1978. Mr. Boyle has published 22 books, including *The Tortilla Curtain* (1995).

Today, Mr. Boyle is a Distinguished Professor at USC. A resident of Santa Barbara since the mid-1990s, Boyle continues to find inspiration in the real-life tales of eccentric American characters.

In a *Publishers Weekly* interview, he said about writing: "It sounds corny but there's a power in it that I would never give up. There's a light that fills you when you're writing; there's a magic. It's a miracle and it's a rush and immediately on finishing, you want to do it again."

Photography Contest ~ "Worth Defending"

Submit your original photograph of marine wildlife or a scenic coastal habitat. Please visit www.thousandoaksreads.org for complete information, contest rules and an entry form.

Community Book Discussions ~

Free and open to the public. No registration required.

Monday, October 15 - 7:00 p.m., Barnes & Noble Books, 160 S. Westlake Blvd., Thousand Oaks

Monday, October 22 - 6:30 p.m., Newbury Park Branch, 2331 Borchard Rd., Newbury Park

Saturday, October 27 - 11:00 a.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library, 1401 E. Janss Rd., Thousand Oaks

Special Events ~

Saturday, October 6: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
John Batdorf in Concert. The One City One Book season kicks off with a folk concert by the legendary singer-songwriter, John Batdorf.

Sunday, October 7: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
The Channel Islands. Kate Faulkner, National Park Service program officer at Channel Islands shares her experiences and expertise on the history, wildlife and environment of these islands.

Monday, October 8: 1:00 - 3:15 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Film Screening: Erin Brockovich. Julia Roberts stars in her Academy Award-winning portrayal of a single-mother fighting for environmental justice.

Saturday, October 13: 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Vulture Verses: Love Poems for the Unloved. Author and naturalist Diane Lang reads her poetry about nature's more "unlovable" animals in this family program.

Saturday, October 13: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Dolphin Confidential: Confessions of a Field Biologist. Maddalena Bearzi, marine biologist and author, discusses her book and shares her experiences working with dolphins.

Sunday, October 14: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Ventura Harbor
Trip to Santa Cruz Island. Experience firsthand the beauty of this remote island. \$63 per person includes passage aboard an Island Packers' ship, a gentle, guided walking tour of historic Scorpion Cove and a box lunch. *Advance registration is required. Please register at the Grant R. Brimhall Library or the Newbury Park Branch Library; payment is due by October 1, 2012. For information, please call the Library at 805-449-2660, option 5, or ask at the Library Information Desk.*

Thursday, October 18: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., CLU Overton Hall
CLU Faculty Panel Discussion. Professors from California Lutheran University offer thoughtful responses to many of the issues in *When the Killing's Done*.

Saturday, October 20: Session 1: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Session 2: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., GRB Library
Book Arts Workshop. Southern California book arts teacher Marcia Moore provides the inspiration, tools and materials to create your own handmade book. *Advance registration is required for this free program. Recommended for teens and adults.*

Sunday, October 21: 12:30 - 5:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Teen Day. Enjoy environmentally-themed electronic and board games, then stay for a free showing of *The Hunger Games*, starring Jennifer Lawrence. *Recommended for teens in grades 8-12.*

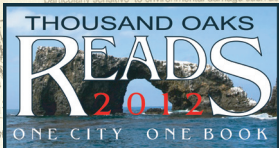
Friday, October 26: 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Dessert and a Movie. Enjoy a fun selection of sweets and coffee, and stay for a screening of *Big Miracle*, based on a true story and starring Drew Barrymore and John Krasinski.

Saturday, October 27: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Ian Shive, Photographer. Award-winning conservation photographer, author, educator, film producer and environmental advocate, Mr. Shive is the recipient of the Sierra Club's 2011 Ansel Adams Award for Conservation Photography. He'll share his photographs of the Channel Islands.

Sunday, October 28: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Confessions of an Eco-Terrorist. Animal Planet's *Whale Wars* reality star and filmmaker Peter Brown screens his documentary and talks about his lifelong activism in the environmental movement.

Thursday, November 1: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Grant R. Brimhall Library
Anubis Duo. Musical textures blending progressive rock, jazz fusion, and classical music in a performance the whole family will enjoy.

Saturday, November 3: 2:00 p.m., Civic Arts Plaza Kavli Theatre
An Afternoon with T.C. Boyle. A conversation with the author of *When the Killing's Done* followed by a book signing. *Free tickets are required and will be available beginning October 6, 2012.*



Schedule of Events

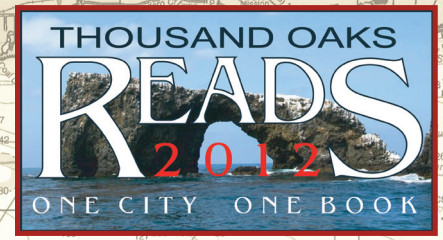
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A CITYWIDE BOOK CLUB

October 6 - November 3, 2012

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	1	2	3	4	5	6 Folk Music Concert 2:00 p.m., GRB Library.
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7 Channel Islands with Kate Faulkner 2:00 p.m., GRB Library.	8 Free Movie Matinee 1:00 p.m., GRB Library. Erin Brockovich.	9	10	11	12	13 Unloved 11:00 a.m., Dolphin Confidential 2:00 p.m., GRB Library.
14 ★ Trip to Santa Cruz Island Leaving from Ventura Harbor at 8:00 a.m.	15 Book Discussion 7:00 p.m., Barnes & Noble, WLV.	16	17	18 CLU Faculty Panel Discussion 7:30 p.m. at CLU Overton Hall	19	20 ★ Book Arts Workshop 10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m., GRB Library.
21 Teen Day 12:30 p.m., GRB Library	22 Book Discussion 6:30 p.m., Newbury Park Library.	23	24	25	26 Dessert and a Movie Big Miracle 6:30 p.m., GRB Library.	27 Book Disc. 11a.m., GRB Ian Shive, Photographer 2:00pm GRB Library
28 Confessions of Eco-Terrorist documentary 2:00 p.m., GRB Library	29	30	31	1 Anubis Duo New-age music group. 7:00 p.m., GRB Library.	2	3 ★ An Afternoon with T.C. Boyle 2:00 p.m. at Civic Arts Plaza.
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Join us for community book discussions and other free events.



When the Killing's Done

by T.C. Boyle

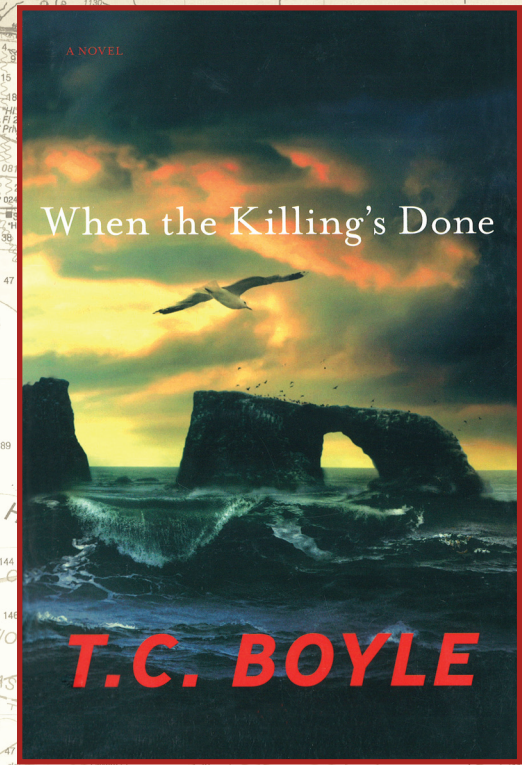


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