**January Calendar**

**Sunday, January 11 at 6:00pm - PERSUASION by Jane Austen with the Pasadena Reading Group.**

Please join the Pasadena Reading Group for a discussion of Jane Austen's Persuasion. For more information, current group members may email Susan Ridgeway, or you may call her at 626-357-1397.

**NOTE:** This group is at capacity and can't accept new members.
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Saturday, January 24 at 1:30pm - 1854 edition of Catherine Grace Frances Gore's 1831 silver fork novel PIN MONEY with the Long Beach Reading Group.

Please join the Long Beach Reading Group as they examine the 1854 edition of Catherine Grace Frances Gore's Pin Money. For more information, please email coordinator Gerda Kilgore, or call her at (562) 496-4452.

Saturday, January 24 at 11:30am - MR. MIDSHIPMAN HORNBLOWER by C.S. Forester.

Please join the Ventura Reading Group as they discuss the prequel to the Horatio Hornblower series, Mr. Midshipman Hornblower by C.S. Forester. For information about the Ventura Reading Group, please [click here for their blog](#).

Sunday, January 25 at 2:00pm - PERSUASION by Jane Austen with the San Fernando Valley Reading Group.

Please join the San Fernando Valley Reading Group as they discuss the love, hardship, and perseverance in Persuasion by Jane Austen. For more information on the Valley Reading Group and upcoming meetings, you may call Cheryl Cole at (310) 422-5475 or [please click here to email her](#).

Sunday, January 25 - MISS PYM DISPOSES by Josephine Tey with the Santa Monica Reading Group.

Please join the Santa Monica Reading Group as they discuss the crime novel, Miss Pym Disposes by Josephine Tey. For more information, please call Diana Birchall at (310) 394-2196, or [please click here to email her](#).

Saturday, January 31 from 11:00am to 2:00pm - at Lamanda Branch Library in Pasadena, 140 South members. The San Gabriel Valley Reading Group is accepting members from this area. For more information, please [click here to email Kelly Duir](#) or call her at (909) 967-6630.

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Altadena Drive, to discuss LADY SUSAN, THE WATSONS, and SANDITON by Jane Austen with the San Gabriel Reading Group.

Please join the San Gabriel Reading Group as they discuss Jane's "other" novels, Lady Susan, The Watsons, and the unfinished Sanditon at Lamanda Branch Library in Pasadena, 140 South Altadena Drive. Please bring something to share (fruit, appetizers, tea foods, desserts).

For more information on the meeting or the San Gabriel Valley Reading Group, click here to email Kelly Duir or call her at (909) 967-6630.

**Festival of Books 2015**

JASNA Southwest will again have a booth at the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books to be held April 18-19, 2015 at USC. If you're planning on going to the festival to see some of the latest books, meet and greet with authors, and get your books signed - be sure to make a stop at the JASNA-SW book table. We will be having Jane-themed books and merchandise for sale! Or, if you want in on all of the fun, please consider volunteering - there are a lot of different activities you may help out with. You may talk to visitors about your favorite writer - Jane Austen-- assist in the decorating the booth, help with sales, or assist with one of the other ways to spread Jane to the masses.

To volunteer, email Emily Bergman. Indicate times you are available: Saturday morning, Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning, Sunday afternoon.
A Dangerous Intimacy from the Winter Meeting

The winter meeting was held on December 6, 2014 at USC's Town and Gown. The two photos were of the encore performance of A Dangerous Intimacy, a play by Syrie James and Diana Birchall. JASNA-SW is grateful to Syrie James, Diana Birchall, and all of the players for this very entertaining performance.

Bottom row, left to right. Kira Pearson (Fanny Price), Lauren Bergher (Julia Bertram), Syrie James (Maria Bertram), Kathy Pearson (Lady Bertram), Justine Eyre (Mary Crawford), Diana Birchall (Mrs. Norris).

Back row, left to right. Jeff James (Edmund Bertram), James James (Tom Bertram), Alejandro Herrera (Prince Regent), John Alan Nelson (Henry Crawford), Bill James (Mr. Rushworth).
Living in Jane Austen's World is the theme for the 2015 JASNA Annual General Meeting. Hotel reservations are now available and are expected to fill up early. You can find out more information and links to hotel reservations at the 2015 AGM webpage.

Upcoming Jane Austen Related Events

Events:
January 31, 2015, Jane Austen Evening
Masonic Lodge, Pasadena
See the website for more information and tickets.

Jane Austen Themed Cruise!
Theatrical Productions:

Feb 6 - March 15

April 17-May 10
La Mirada Playhouse is producing a musical version of Pride and Prejudice. Book, Music and Lyrics by Lindsay Warren Baker and Amanda Jacobs. Tickets range from $20-$70 www.lamiradatheatre.com
May 9 - June 7
Little Candle Productions is producing The Elliots: a Play Based on Jane Austen’s Persuasion by A.J. Darby at the Fremont Centre Theatre. Tickets from $20-25. Special event tickets $34. Group rate (for groups of 10 or more) at $15 per ticket (contact Karissa to reserve group rate seats.) www.littlecandleproductions.com

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