

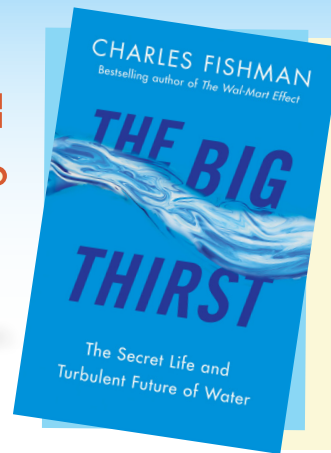
**ONE BOOK, ONE BAKERSFIELD, ONE KERN**

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**You will never think about water the same way again.**

The **One Book Project** is a communitywide reading & discussion project inviting everyone to read *The Big Thirst: The Secret Life and Turbulent Future of Water*.

September - October 2016



## Junior Reads

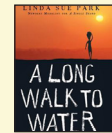
Younger readers can join the conversation with these companion titles.



**One Well: The Story of Water** by Rochelle Strass (gr. K-2)



**All the Water in the World** by George Ella Lyon (gr. 3-5)



**A Long Walk to Water** by Linda Sue Park (gr. 6-8)

## About the Book

*The Big Thirst* explores our strange, complex relationship with water and how we take it for granted. California is in a desperate battle to hold off a water catastrophe. Fishman demonstrates that a host of advances are underway, from the simplicity of harvesting rainwater to the brilliant innovations devised by large companies. Knowing what to do is not the problem; the hardest part is changing our water consciousness.

**The Big Thirst** is available for check out in print, eBook, eAudiobook, & book on CD from the Kern County Library. Also available for purchase from local bookstores.

For more information about event listings & resources visit [KCLonebook.org](http://KCLonebook.org)

## Family Storytimes: Water

**Saturdays, 11am** Barnes & Noble, 4001 California Ave., Bakersfield. 661.631.2575.

**Tuesday, Sept. 13 & 21, Oct. 12 & 18, 11 am** Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0701.

**Thursday, September 8, 3pm** McFarland Branch Library, 500 W. Kern Ave., McFarland. 661.824.2243.

**Friday, September 9 & 23, 11:30 am** Mojave Branch Library, 15555 O Street, Mojave. 661.824.2243.

**Tuesday, Sept. 20 & Oct. 11, 11 am** Frazier Park Branch Library, 3732 Park Drive, Frazier Park. 661.245.1267.

**Friday, October 21, 9:30 am** Ridgecrest Branch Library, 131 E. Las Flores Ave., Ridgecrest. 760.384.5870.

## Program Schedule

**Wednesday, September 7, 9am**

**KICK OFF EVENT**

**Kick Off / Media Conference.** Speakers include representatives from Kern County Library, CSUB's First Year Experience, Kern High School District, Water Association of Kern County, & Bakersfield Mayor's Office. Hart Park, Alfred Harrell Hwy., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Saturday, September 10, 2pm**

**PRESENTATION**

**Aquaponics.** Discover an alternative to traditional water uses in farming. Presented by Ecocentric Farms. Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Thursday, September 15, 3pm**

**WATER SYMPOSIUM**

**The Unfiltered Truth.** Engage in discussing different viewpoints on water & how it relates to the community. Presented by Harry Starkey, General Manager of West Kern Water District. Taft College, Cougar Room, 29 Cougar Court, Taft. 661.763.7700.

**Thursday, September 15, 3pm**

**PAINTING**

**Paint Night.** Explore water through art with an evening of inspirational painting led by a local artist. FREE for adults. Registration required via phone call. Presented by Friends of the Southwest Branch Library. Southwest Branch Library, 8301 Ming Ave, Bakersfield. 661.664.7716.

**Friday, September 16, 4pm**

**CONSERVATION SYMPOSIUM**

**Issues in Water.** Learn about issues affecting Kern River & conservation efforts needed to create a sustainable future. Presentation by Kern River Conservancy. Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Wednesday, September 21, 7pm**

**WATER SYMPOSIUM**

**Water Use, Study, & Challenges in Kern County.** An academic panel discussion on water issues through a multiple-perspective approach. Presented by Joe Saldivar, PhD, BC, Jeffrey Eagan, BC, & Laraine Rosema, Writing Specialist, BC Writing Center. Bakersfield College, Levan Center, 1801 Panorama Drive, Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Tuesday, October 4, 5pm**

**WATER SYMPOSIUM**

**Tales from the Drought.** Discover insight about the drought affecting California. Presented by Harry Starkey, General Manager of West Kern Water District. Taft Branch Library, 27 Cougar Court, Taft. 661.763.3294.

**Thursday, October 6, 4:30pm**

**FAMILY EVENT**

**Family Time & Craft.** Enjoy family time after school with a water discussion & rain stick craft. California City Branch Library, 9507 California City Blvd., California City. 760.373.4757.

The One Book Project is sponsored by Kern County Library and California State University, Bakersfield First Year Experience Program, The Office of the Provost.

## Student Art Exhibits

**Traveling Student Art Exhibit.** View Kern High School District student artists exhibit artwork from their water-themed competition.

**Friday, October 7, 6-8pm Art Opening & Judging.**  
Younger Gallery, 1430 Truxtun Ave., Suite 105, Bakersfield.  
661.868.0723.

**Friday, October 7 - 14 Public Viewing During Open Hours.** Younger Gallery, 1430 Truxtun Ave., Suite 105, Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Friday, October 21 - 26 Public Viewing During Open Hours.** Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0701.

**Saturday, October 15 & 16, 9am**

**Via Arte.** Selected Kern High School District students street paint water-themed masterpieces. 9000 Ming Ave, The Marketplace, Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Thursday, October 20, 6-7:15pm**

**Quench: The Flow of Creativity.** An exhibit of One Book Project themed student artwork. Taft College, Art Gallery, 29 Emmons Park Drive, Taft. 661.763.7700.

## Community Book Discussions

**Beyond the Book.** Join the community discussion.

**Wednesday, September 7, 5:30pm** Delano Branch Library, 925 10th Ave., Delano. 661.725.1078.

**Wednesday, September 7, 5:30pm** Taft Branch Library, 27 Cougar Court, Taft. 661.763.3294.

**Wednesday, September 7, 5:30pm** Wilson Branch Library, 1901 Wilson Rd., Bakersfield. 661.834.4044.

**Thursday, September 22, 6pm** Frazier Park Branch Library, 3732 Park Dr., Frazier Park. 661.245.1267.

**Tuesday, October 18, 3pm** Rathbun Branch Library, 200 China Grade Loop, Bakersfield. 661.393.6431.

**Tuesday, October 18, 5pm** Arvin Branch Library, 201 Campus Dr., Arvin. 661.854.5934.

**Thursday, October 20, 5pm** Lamont Branch Library, 8304 Segreue Rd., Lamont. 661.845.3471.

**Thursday, October 20, 12-1pm**

**Brown Bag Discussion.** Bring your lunch & enjoy a discussion with Q & A panel. \$5 parking fee for off-campus guests. CSUB Runner Cafe, 9001 Stockdale Hwy., Bakersfield. 661.654.2711

**Monday, October 24, 3pm**

**Coffee Talk.** \$5 parking fee for off-campus guests. CSUB Runner Bookstore, 9001 Stockdale Hwy., Bakersfield. 661.654.2711.

## Film Screening

**Thursday, September 8, 7pm** **Blue Gold: World Water Wars**, an award-winning documentary discussing the future of water and speculating future wars fought over the resource. FREE viewing. Presented by the Sierra Club. Maya Cinemas, 1000 California Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

## Program Schedule Continued

**Friday, October 7, 4pm & Saturday, October 8, 4pm**

**PLAY / LIVE THEATRE**

**The Big Thirst: A Student Play Production.** Written and performed by Kern High School District and Golden Valley High School Theatre Department students. Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

**Thursday, October 13, 6-8pm**

**WATER SYMPOSIUM**

**Water, A Global Challenge.** The general public, CSUB students, faculty, and staff are invited to a student panel discussion on how theory is applied in real world international organizations about water. Presented by CSUB Hawk Honors students. \$5 parking fee for off-campus guests. CSUB Walter Stiern Library, Dezimmer Room, 9001 Stockdale Hwy. 661.868.0723.

**Saturday, October 15, 8am-12pm**

**HISTORY CONFERENCE**

**Kern County at 150.** Explore the region's past, including how water has affected Kern County, in this half-day history conference. FREE parking, Lot "C" & "D." For those interested, a Basque lunch & downtown tour is available at an additional cost. For more info, visit: <http://phi.csub.edu>. CSUB, 9001 Stockdale Hwy., Bakersfield. 661.654.2230.

**Monday, October 17, 4:30pm**

**FAMILY EVENT**

**Family Time & Craft.** Enjoy family time after school with a water discussion & rain stick craft night. Tehachapi Branch Library, 1001 W. Tehachapi Blvd., Suite A-400, Tehachapi. 661.822.4938.

**Friday, October 21, 3:30pm**

**FAMILY EVENT**

**Water Activity.** Learn about water conservation with a hands-on activity. Presented by Indian Wells Valley Water District. Ridgecrest Branch Library, 131 E. Las Flores Ave., Ridgecrest. 760.384.5870.

**Saturday, October 22, 2:30pm**

**GARDENING SYMPOSIUM**

**Xeriscaping.** Learn about an alternative way to landscape that reduces the need of water. Presented by the Indian Wells Valley Water District. Ridgecrest Branch Library, 131 E. Las Flores Ave., Ridgecrest. 760.384.5870.

**Tuesday, October 25, 7pm**

**WATER SYMPOSIUM**

**The Ethics of Water Distribution in California.** Panel discussion featuring representatives from CSUB's Natural Sciences Department, the Wonderful Orchard, and the Water Association of Kern County. FREE parking, Lot "J," "K-1," & "K-2" after 6PM. CSUB Student Union and Multi-Purpose Room, 9001 Stockdale Hwy., Bakersfield. 661.868.0723.

## Youth Science Experiments

**Saturdays, 9am**

**Saturday Science.** In September children of all ages enjoy experiments lead by UCLA Professor Clifford Brunk. Frazier Park Branch, 3732 Park Dr, Frazier Park. 661.245.1267.

**Nothing But Water.** Discover water with science experiments for children ages 4-10.

**Friday, September 9, 3pm** Holloway-Gonzales Branch Library, 506 E Brundage Ln, Bakersfield. 661.861.2083.

**Tuesday, September 20, 5:30pm** Taft Branch Library, 27 Cougar Court, Taft. 661.763.3294.

**Monday, October 3, 5:30pm** Wilson Branch Library, 1901 Wilson Rd, Bakersfield. 661.834.4044.

## Author Visit & Book Signing - Charles Fishman Thursday, October 27, 2016, 7pm

The *Big Thirst* author Charles Fishman will present an evening of conversation, with book signing to follow. CSUB Icardo Center, 9001 Stockdale Hwy. FREE parking, Lot "I" after 6PM.



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The Bakersfield Californian • Water Association of Kern County  
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