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THAN FAKE NEWS

With an election in November and the dark cloud of Russian interference still hanging over the US electoral system, the ability to assess the veracity of online information remains a critical issue. Fake news is not the biggest problem. The Internet is filled with content that defies labels like "fake" or "real." Determining who's behind information and whether it's worthy of trust is more complex than a true/false dichotomy. Breakstone, who directs Stanford's History Education Group, will discuss how digitally fluent students were unable to evaluate the credibility of online information and the curriculum his group developed for evaluating online content.



Andy Weir
11/15/2018 @ 7:30 pm
THE MARTIAN: SCIENCE,
FICTION AND LIFE

Livermore native and author of the best-selling The Martian, Andy Weir, will discuss his life before and after the science fiction novel adapted into a hit movie in 2015, including a lifelong interest in interplanetary travel. A software engineer by training, Weir attaches great importance to technical accuracy and scientific authenticity in his novels. His most recent novel is *Artemis*, a novel about life in a city on the Moon. Weir's work has been recognized with the Goodreads Choice Award for Best Science Fiction.



Patrick Hunt
02/07/2019 @ 7:30 pm
HANNIBAL'S
SECRET WEAPON

The compelling story of Hannibal Barca of Carthage, one of military history's greatest commanders, is vividly brought to life by Patrick N. Hunt, an archeologist, historian and author. A specialist in the archeology of the Alps, Hunt is the author of Hannibal. A lively raconteur, Hunt will tell the story of the general best known for crossing the Alps with war elephants. A lecturer at Stanford University, Hunt directed Stanford's Alpine Archeology Project between 1994 and 2012, which continued as the Hannibal Expedition for the National Geographic Society.



Janet Beard 03/14/2019 @ 7:30 pm THE ATOMIC CITY GIRLS

What was it like to be one of the young women working on the Manhattan Project? Janet Beard's novel The Atomic City Girls follows eighteen-year-old June Walker as she boards an unmarked bus in 1944, destined for a city that doesn't officially exist: Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Beard will talk about the women's history hidden in America's nuclear past and what we still might have to learn from the women who worked on the Manhattan Project.

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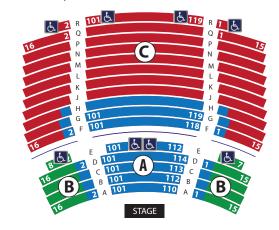
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