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CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB

BERKELEY BRANCH

**Sunday,
March 20, 2011**

2:00 to 4:30 p.m.

**West Auditorium
Oakland Public Library
125 14th Street (94612)**

*Entrance also on Madison St.,
between 13th and 14th Streets.*

Our monthly meetings are free and open to the public. Each month we typically feature a speaker and an author event.

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our contests,
workshops, writing
groups, and more at
www.cwc-berkeley.com**

The CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB is a 501(c) (3) educational nonprofit dedicated to educating members and the public-at-large in the craft of writing and in the marketing of their work.

Worldbuilding

with

TANYA EGAN GIBSON

How do you create fictional settings that excite the reader, shape characters, and propel the characters into action?

For author Tanya Egan Gibson, character and plot both arise from setting (rather than setting functioning as backdrop or window dressing). But how does one go about building an exciting fictional world? How do you decide what to make up? What in the setting should stay true to "real life"? How do you create a world that is interesting/unique, yet believable? Come to her presentation and find out.

Tanya Egan Gibson's debut novel, *How To Buy a Love of Reading*, was published by Dutton in May 2009, has been translated into Italian and Spanish, and had its paperback release by Plume in July 2010. Her essay, "Bump," is forthcoming in the anthology *Milk and Ink: A Mosaic of Motherhood*. She is an alumna of Squaw Valley Community of Writers, a member of Women's National Book Association and Left Coast Writers, and the current Vice President and Programs Chair of the Marin Branch of California Writers Club. She would love for you to visit her interactive website, <http://www.howtobuyaloveofreading.com>, and share a story about how reading changed your life.



**Tanya Egan
Gibson of the
Marin Branch of
CWC is the
author of *How
To Buy a Love
of Reading*.**

Meeting Schedule:

- 1:00 p.m. Library doors open, Marketing Group meets
- 1:30-2:00 Social time for members and newcomers
- 2:00-2:15 Club meeting & announcement
- 2:15-2:30 **CWC-BB Published Author Reading: Irv Hamilton, *A 20-Minute War***
- 2:30-3:30 Featured Speaker, including Q&A
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

"Come write with us!"

Matt Stewart will speak on how releasing his book, *The French Revolution*, on Twitter landed him a book deal at the next speaker program on April 17, 2011.