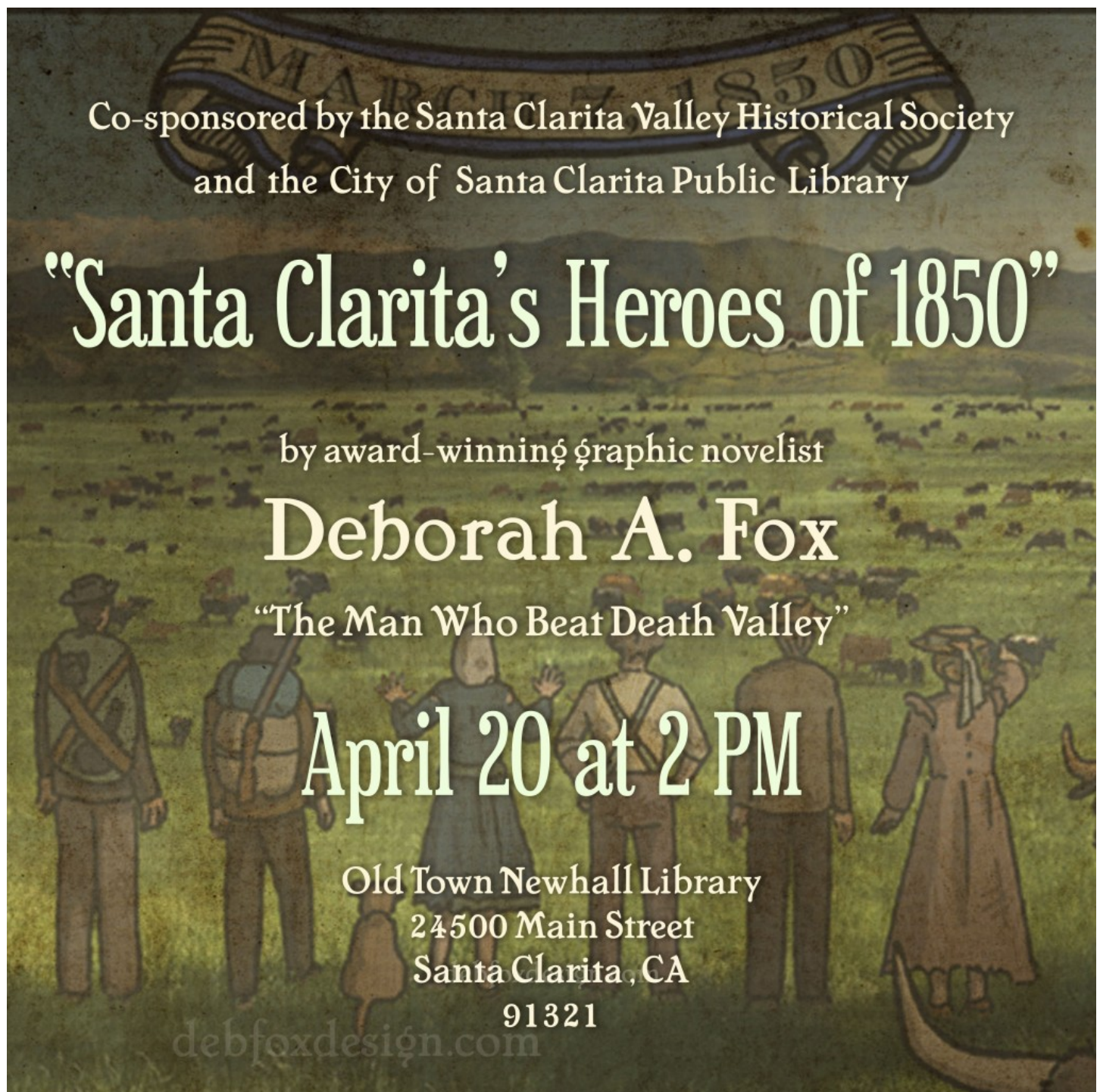


Santa Clarita Welcomes Award-winning Graphic Novelist DEBORAH A. FOX



Santa Clarita, California Mar 20, 2024 (Issuewire.com) - History buffs and adventure lovers have a reason to mark their calendars! On Saturday, April 20 at 2 p.m., the Santa Clarita Valley Historical Society co-sponsored by the City of Santa Clarita Public Library will present: **"Santa Clarita's Heroes of 1850."** This free event is at Old Town Newhall Public Library, 24500 Main St. Santa Clarita, CA 91321 (661) 259-0750.

The family-friendly presentation features a talk and artwork by Deborah Fox, author and illustrator of the award-winning graphic novel about pioneer hero William Lewis Manly, **THE MAN WHO BEAT DEATH VALLEY**.

Fox comments: "It is the 175th anniversary of Manly's heroic trek to Santa Clarita. He was a humanitarian superhero who saved families from starvation, and early Santa Claritans played a key role in his story. Now more than ever, we need hero stories. "

The presentation will have a giveaway of the graphic novel to one lucky winner. Signed copies of THE MAN WHO BEAT DEATH VALLEY will be available for purchase for \$20.

Praise for THE MAN WHO BEAT DEATH VALLEY

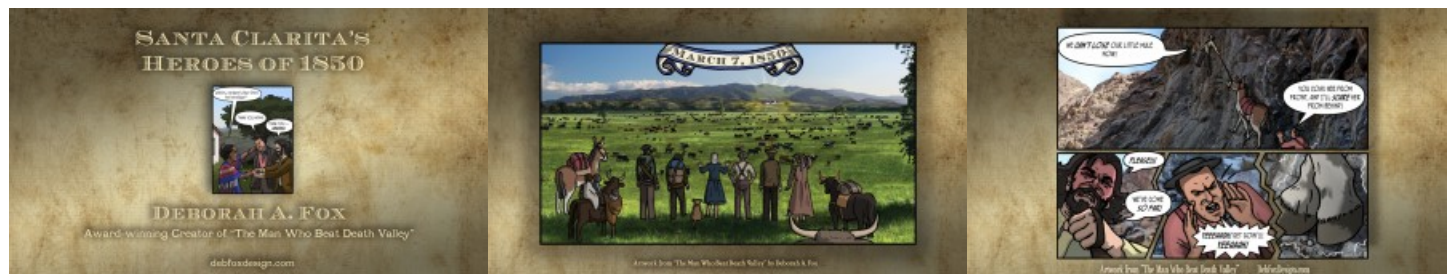
"An absorbing, exciting tale of perseverance, courage, and determination." [Kirkus Reviews](#)

"In *The Man Who Beat Death Valley: Based on the True Story of William Lewis Manly*, Deborah A. Fox has crafted a wonderful tale of adventure and the struggle for survival that is made all the stronger and more emotional through the medium of the graphic novel." [San Francisco Book Review](#)

"The judges appreciated Fox's noble and respectful portrayal of the diverse inhabitants of the West."

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