

This Month at The Urbana Free Library



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Second Annual CU Folk & Roots Festival September 23 - 25 • Downtown Urbana

You're invited to the second annual CU Folk & Roots Festival, a special event designed to celebrate American traditional arts with family activities, jams, participatory music, dance, storytelling, and visual arts.

The epicenter of the festival will be historic downtown Urbana, with events taking place on the streets as well as in the restaurants, bars, and galleries in the community. Events will also be scheduled at the Independent Media Center, the Phillips Recreation Center, and of course – The UFL! All CU Folk & Roots Festival events taking place at The UFL are FREE and include:

Storytelling Program

Saturday, September 25 • 10:15 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

Take a break from the streets and come inside The UFL to listen to stories new and old. You'll be entertained as well as intrigued!

- Patricia Hruby-Powell • 10:15 a.m. & 1:45 p.m.
- Marilyn Kinsella • 11:00 a.m.
- Hal Southern • 12:15 p.m.
- Barb Bolser • 1:00 p.m.

Workshop: The Memory Box

Saturday, September 25 • 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. • Satterthwaite Conference Room

Let's go on a treasure hunt! Dig around your memory box and discover a cache of "touchstones." Marilyn Kinsella will guide you toward revealing the golden treasure: a story from your own life experience.

Display of Vintage Musical Instruments September 1 - 30 • Library Exhibit Case (main floor)

From banjos to mandolins, come and view a vintage collection of musical instruments used by musicians during the time period 1880 - 1930. All instruments are from the private collection of Christine Breen.

Visit folkandroots.org for a complete schedule of events for the CU Folk & Roots Festival.



The Prairie Dogs, just one of the many artists performing at the CU Folk & Roots Festival.



The library will be closed on Sunday, September 5 and Monday, September 6 for Labor Day.

This Month's Events

Library Gallery - Framed prints by **Gayle Tilford** presented by **International Galleries**.

Library Exhibit Case - A display of vintage musical instruments presented by the **CU Folk & Roots Festival**.

- 1** (We) - **Cherry Jam**. Grab a take-out lunch from one of the many downtown Urbana restaurants and listen to the Polish folkloric sounds of **Latawce**. Cherry Alley. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- 4** (Sa) - **Urbana Free Library Staff at Market at the Square**. Library information, free balloons, and stories. Lincoln Square Village. 7:30-11:30 a.m.
- 5 - 6**
(Su-Mo) - **Library closed for Labor Day**.
- 7** (Tu) - **Girl Talk**. Fun activities for middle and high school girls. This week, learn how to use **Yoga and Meditation** to keep life balanced and fun. Register at web.extension.illinois.edu/champaign/. You can also call 333-7672 or email kleissjm@illinois.edu. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 7** (Tu) - **Friends of The Urbana Free Library**. Meeting. Administration Office. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 8** (We) - **Cherry Jam**. Grab a take-out lunch from one of the many downtown Urbana restaurants and come enjoy a **Meadowbrook Jazz Walk Preview**. Cherry Alley. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- 8** (We) - **Prairie Breezes Concert Series**. Get your toes a-tapping with the musical sounds of **Big Bluestem**. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-7:15 p.m.
- 11** (Sa) - **Dungeons & Dragons @ Your Library**. See page 2 of this newsletter. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- 11** (Sa) - **Write from Life: A Poetry Workshop with Matt Murrey**. See page 3 of this newsletter. Lewis Auditorium. 3:00-4:30 p.m.
- 14** (Tu) - **Champaign County Genealogical Society**. Meeting. Lewis Auditorium. 7:00-8:45 p.m.
- 14** (Tu) - **Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees**. Monthly meeting. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 15** (We) - **Cherry Jam**. Grab a take-out lunch from one of the many downtown Urbana restaurants and come listen to **Big Bluestem**. Cherry Alley. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- 15, 22, and 29**
(We) - **Film Fun!** See page 2 of this newsletter. Lewis Auditorium. 3:30-5:00 p.m.

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D&D @ Your Library

Saturday, September 11 • 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Busey-Mills Reading Room



It's worldwide Dungeons & Dragons Day, and you're invited to come play **D&D @ Your Library**. If you've never played the classic fantasy game, don't worry—we'll teach you. (The same applies if you haven't played for several years.) Bring a pencil and we'll supply the rest.

Here's a description of our D&D adventure: *Long a bastion of good on the edges of wilderness, Sunderpeak Temple has succumbed to an unknown threat. You have been tasked to journey to the site of the temple and find out what has befallen its residents. Will you face down the dark denizens that dwell within and learn the truth of the temple's fate?*

Sunderpeak Temple is a D&D adventure designed for four to six pregenerated characters of second level. Due to somewhat limited supplies, preference will be given to people who sign up at the adult reference desk before September 10.

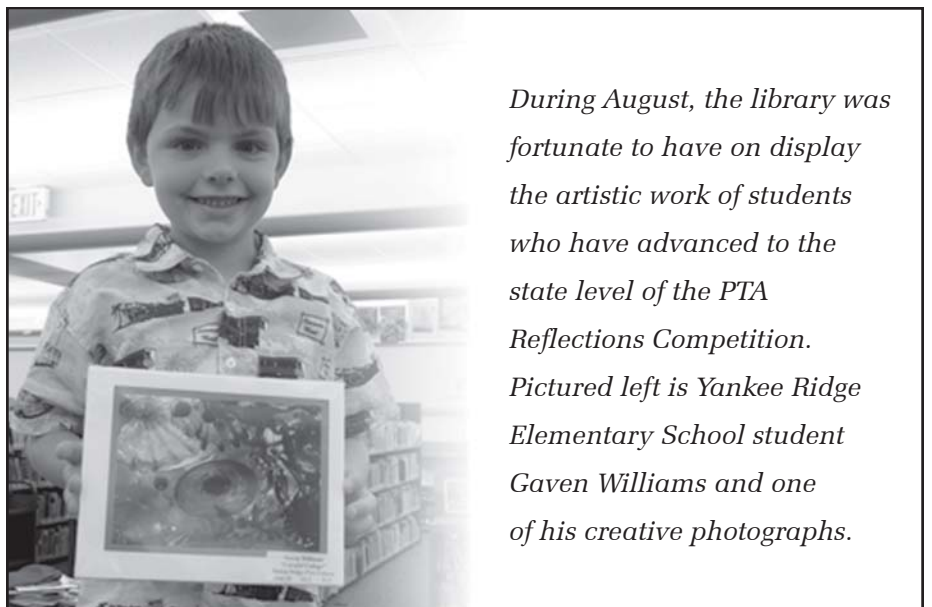
Film Fun!

Wednesdays, September 15, 22, and 29
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium



Do you dream of making your own movie? Do you like using video cameras? Then come to **Film Fun!** – a chance for kids to try out fun activities and games using video cameras. We'll provide all the equipment.

Film Fun! is for kids at all skill levels in grades 4-8. Please register in advance by calling 367-4069 or through the library's online events calendar at urbanafreelibrary.org.



During August, the library was fortunate to have on display the artistic work of students who have advanced to the state level of the PTA Reflections Competition. Pictured left is Yankee Ridge Elementary School student Gaven Williams and one of his creative photographs.

My Phrasebook Is Useless

Saturday, September 25 • 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

Local writer Caleb Wilson writes realism set in made-up worlds and fantasy set in this world. He writes imaginary history and modern pulp that would melt a DVD if they tried filming it. (Once he wanted to make movies, but then he realized that books have better special effects.) Come spend an afternoon with Caleb and hear a sampling of his stories.

Caleb Wilson's stories have appeared in *Weird Tales* magazine, *The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror* (2007), and *Lady Churchill's Rosebud Wristlet*.



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18 (Sa) - **Hear Our Truths: A Poetry Workshop with Ruth Nicole Brown.** See page 3 of this newsletter. Lewis Auditorium. 3:00-4:30 p.m.

19 (Su) - **Retirement Reception for John Dunkelberger.** Come say good-bye to John and be entertained by award-winning pianist Sam Gingher. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 1:30-4:30 p.m.

22 (We) - **Cherry Jam.** Grab a take-out lunch from one of the many downtown Urbana restaurants and come jam with **Andy Cohen.** Cherry Alley. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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26 (Su) - **UFL Reads! Author Encores.** Join us as we discuss *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 2:00-3:00 p.m.

29 (We) - **Cherry Jam.** Grab a take-out lunch from one of the many downtown Urbana restaurants and have some fun with the **Urbana Contra Dancers** and the **Central Illinois English Country Dancers.** Cherry Alley. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

For a complete schedule of all current and upcoming events at The Urbana Free Library, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and view the library's online events calendar.

To sign up for email notification of events, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and follow the **E-Notification** link on the homepage to the online form.



UFL Reads! Author Encores

Sunday, September 26 • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room

Join UFL Reads! book club members as we enjoy our favorite authors once again. In September, we'll discuss *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, an encore by author Khaled Hosseini.

The Kite Runner, Hosseini's best-selling novel and our UFL Reads! choice for January 2008, focused on Afghanistan, immigrants to the United States, and the intertwined lives of two childhood friends.

Set in Kabul, *A Thousand Splendid Suns* covers more than 30 years of history and hardship. Two women, from differing backgrounds, form an unlikely bond when family connections bring them together. Storytelling is strong in this tragic, yet compelling, novel of survival, war, and friendship.

Copies of *A Thousand Splendid Suns* are available at The UFL. You can request a copy via the library's catalog at urbanafreelibrary.org, by calling 367-4405, or just stop by Adult Services on your next visit.

On October 24, UFL Reads! Author Encores will discuss *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See.

Poetry for the People

The following workshops are part of the Champaign-Urbana Independent Media Center's Poetry for the People project, which includes poetry workshops, a poetry slam event, and special poetry issue of the *Public I* newspaper.

Write from Life: A Poetry Workshop with Matt Murrey

Saturday, September 11 • 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

In this poetry workshop, participants will use a family story, a personal photograph, or a memory of an important family event as the starting point to create a poem. Local poet Matt Murrey will lead the workshop and will read some of his own poetry.

Hear Our Truths: A Poetry Workshop with Ruth Nicole Brown

Saturday, September 18 • 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

Dr. Ruth Nicole Brown is a dynamic writer, researcher, performer, mentor, and instructor who will help workshop participants create stories, songs, performances, discussions, poetry, and community.

Teen and adult writers at all skill levels are welcome to both programs.



LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation Services (renewals)	367-4057
Adult & Teen Services	367-4405
Children's Services	367-4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives	367-4025
Administrative Offices	367-4058
TTY for hearing-impaired	531-7066

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

ARCHIVES (LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY)

Monday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.



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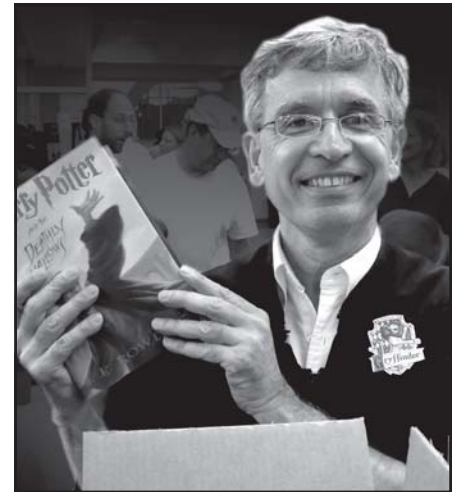
Retirement Reception for John Dunkelberger

Sunday, September 19 • 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. • Busey-Mills Reading Room

Throughout the community and beyond, John Dunkelberger is known as a much-loved library fixture. Now, after more than 25 years as director of Adult Services, John is retiring.

Before coming to The UFL, John was a reference librarian for the Lincoln Trail Libraries System and worked for a variety of departments within the University of Illinois Library. John is an adjunct faculty member for the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science, where he passes on pearls of wisdom about reference service and “entertains” students with his “stories from the stacks.”

Always with a smile, and with an uncanny talent for recalling names, facts, titles, authors, and call numbers, John has assisted thousands, possibly millions, of library users during his time at The UFL. Behind the scenes, John is the primary reason why The UFL has a renowned and eclectic collection of materials – a legacy that library users will continue to appreciate in years to come. John’s co-workers enjoy his candor, his joie de vivre, and his generosity – especially when it comes to dessert and chocolate.



On September 19, the public is invited to say good-bye to John at a retirement reception in his honor. Joining us will be award-winning pianist Sam Gingher, who will entertain with selections of music from classical to novelty rags.



THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Yes! I want to help the library with a gift to the Annual Fund in the amount of:

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other

Planned Giving

- I would like to receive information about remembering the library in my will and/or other forms of planned giving.

- Check here if you would prefer an electronic version of our monthly newsletter *This Month at The Urbana Free Library*.

Email address: _____

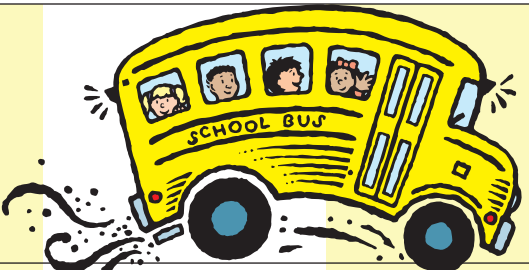
- Check if you do NOT want your name / gift printed in library publications.

Make checks payable to: The Urbana Free Library Foundation

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY
 Children's Services
urbanafreelibrary.org
September 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	2 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	3	4 Market at the Square 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Russian Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
5 Library Closed in observance of Labor Day	6 Library Closed in observance of Labor Day	7 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	8 Toddler Story Time: School Days 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Prairie Breezes Mini Concerts for Kids 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	9 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	10	11 Second Saturday Story Time 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. Spanish Story Time 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
12	13	14 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	15 Film Fun 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.	16 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Read to the Dogs* 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	17	18 Middle East Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
19 Talk Like a Pirate Day 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	20 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	21 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	22 Toddler Story Time: Ants 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Film Fun 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.	23 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	24	25 Art Lessons for Children 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
26	27 Evening Toddler Time: Ants 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	28 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	29 Film Fun 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.	30 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.		

* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.

SEPTEMBER 2010

Programs for children and families at The Urbana Free Library

Most events take place in the Lewis Auditorium.
Unless noted, registration is not required. All programs are free.

Children's Services Library Hours:
210 W. Green St., Urbana, Illinois Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
217.367.4069 Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
urbanafreelibrary.org Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Babies' Lap Time

Wednesday, September 1
Monday, September 20
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesdays, September 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children birth to 2 years old with an adult

In this program for our youngest library fans, you'll find that it's never too early to learn to love songs, books, and rhymes.

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

For preschool groups and children and their families

You're a big kid now! Come join in the fun as we sing songs and listen to stories in this energetic story time.

Market at the Square

Saturday, September 4
7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

You can find almost anything at the farmer's market—including us! Come visit our table for library information, free balloons, and stories.

Russian Story Time

Saturday, September 4
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For children of all ages

Families are invited to a story time co-sponsored by the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center.

Chess Club for Kids

Saturdays, September 4, 11, 18, and 25
4:00 - 5:45 p.m.

For children of all ages

Calling all kids! Join us on Saturday afternoons if you would like to learn to play chess or are looking for an opportunity to improve your skills.

Toddler Story Time: School Days

Wednesday, September 8
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children 2 - 4 years old with an adult

Do you go to school? Does your big brother or sister? Come to a program all about school. We'll have songs, stories, and a craft.

Prairie Breezes Mini Concerts for Kids

Wednesday, September 8
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

For families

Come and follow the Big Bluestem string band! Their upbeat and fun music will take you on an unforgettable musical journey!

Second Saturday Story Time

Saturday, September 11
11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

For families

Meet us on Cherry Alley for an outside story time as part of Urbana's monthly Second Saturday celebration. In case of rain or excessive heat, we'll meet inside in Megan's Room.

Spanish Story Time

Saturday, September 11
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For families

Hola! Join us for stories, songs, and activities in English and Spanish for children of all ages. Co-sponsored by the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

Film Fun

Wednesdays, September 15, 22, and 29
2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

4th - 8th graders

Do you dream of making your own movie? Try interesting activities and games using video cameras. We'll provide all the equipment. Kids at all skill levels are welcome.

Read to the Dogs

Thursday, September 16
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

School-age children, pre-readers and readers

Ruff! Read to furry friends from Canine Connection and then do some activities with the Champaign County Humane Society. Register at 367-4069.

Middle East Story Time

Saturday, September 18
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For families

Come and explore the Middle East with Angela Williams of the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies. This month we will tour Middle Eastern cities through books, songs, and a craft.

Talk Like a Pirate Day

Sunday, September 19
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For families

Arrr, me mateys!! Come turn yourselves into pirates with the crew of the Jolly Urbana Free.

Art Lessons for Children

Saturday, September 25
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For children ages 5 years old and up

Do you want to get your creative juices flowing? Join us for a creative, fun, and free art lesson.

Toddler Time: Ants

Monday, September 27
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 22
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children 2-4 years old with an adult

The ants go marching and we hope you will, too. Come to this story time with books, music, and a simple craft about ants.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

In observance of
Labor Day
Sunday, September 5 and
Monday, September 6