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Music and Art Inspiration @ the Library

by Phyllis Goldman



A French-inspired harpsichord built by Sherwin Goldman.

We have enjoyed a long relationship with the library since 1966. At that time the library was housed in which is now the Mayo Medical Library. Each time the library has moved to a larger and more expansive facility to our now elegant building.

Sherwin's hobby of building harpsichords and clavichords was enhanced with research on art of Flemish, Italian and French harpsichords. Each type having different designs. The picture is of a large French instrument. Not only has the library have information on art but also on array of subjects; it is a storehouse of information, es-

pecially for those who do not have home computers. The staff and volunteers provide generous assistance for available literature on music, films, ballets and plays. It is an extraordinary repository for the entire Rochester Community. Thank you to our friends in the Friends' Bookstore.

The engraving on the exterior, "Enter to grow in wisdom," we would add Enter these doors to grow in knowledge. There is a saying which sometimes accompanies musical instruments: "Music is the companion of joy, the medicine for melancholy."

Eat, Drink and Be Literary!

Mark your calendars for the next special whisky tasting fundraiser on Thursday, September 27 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm at the Canadian Honkers Event Center at the Ramada Inn (1517 16th St SW).

David Allardice, a Glenfiddich Ambassador will be sharing the history of Glenfiddich and distillery practices while attendees get the chance to taste the difference between 12, 15, 18, and 21-year old single malts. Not only will it be a celebration of whisky but also a recognition for Banned Books week. Light refreshments will be available in the form of small plates and softdrinks. There will also be a silent auction and raffle prizes.

Earlybird registration (before September 4): \$25/person and \$40/couple

After earlybird: \$30/person and \$50/couple

You may register online (www.rochesterpubliclibrary.org/friends) or by mail (Whisky Tasting, c/o John Hunziker, Rochester Public Library, 101 2nd ST SE, Rochester, MN 55904).

Proceeds from this fund-raiser will go towards the purchase of a portable reference station for the children's area and battery operated tools to help the library maintenance staff in the upkeep of the library.

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August 2012

All events at Rochester Public Library are free and open to the public

Wednesday, August 1

Story Time Featuring Special Guest Bad Kitty!

Auditorium 10am & 1pm

Please join us for some hilarious cat tales and meet popular book character, Bad Kitty, created by author Nick Bruel!

Dreams and Dream Interpretation

Auditorium 7pm

Have you ever had a dream and wondered if it had any meaning?

Join author/radio show host, Craig Goethe, who will answer this and many other questions regarding the dreams we dream and help you find the meaning of your dreams by revealing their hidden meanings.

Thursday, August 2

Value Line & Morningstar

Meeting Room B 4:30pm

Find out how the Morningstar and Value Line databases at the Rochester Public Library can help you make wise investment decisions about stocks or mutual funds. Register online, at the second-floor reference desk or by calling 507.328.2309.

Monday, August 6

Senior Techies – Email II

Meeting Room B 1:30pm

Learn more about email in this class. We will look at different email features such as: address books, saving emails in folders and sending photos. An existing email account that you can access from the internet is required for this class (a free email account will be provided for students who attend the Email I class). Register online, at the second-floor reference desk or by calling 507.328.2309.

Mystery Writer's Workshop

Auditorium 2pm

Every Good Story is a Mystery - Whether you're writing about wizards, robots, students, or vampires, every good story starts with a mystery. Join YA author Mike Kalmbach and find out how to focus your ideas so you can create mystery and suspense from page one. This interactive workshop will help young writers to develop their own mystery writing skills.

Wednesday, August 8

Bob Kann Presents the Amazing Tales of Dr. Seuss

Auditorium 10am

Children's entertainer, Bob Kann, brings the imaginative tales of Dr. Seuss to life with juggling, humorous storytelling, and a bit of magic! Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Silly Tales for Story Time!

Auditorium 1pm

Join us for silly story time tales, puppets, and films to tickle your funny bone presented by Children's Staff.

World Music Series – Oliver Mtukudzi

Auditorium 3pm

Zimbabwe's pride, most successful artist and national treasure, Oliver Mtukudzi is gifted with a deep and gusty voice plus a talent for writing songs that reflect on the daily life and struggles of his people. 'Tuku' as he is known, began performing in 1977 and has earned a devoted following across Africa and beyond, all the while incorporating elements of different musical traditions. He sings in the nation's dominant Shona language as well as Ndebele and English.

His music also incorporates South Africa mbaqanga, the energetic Zimbabwean pop style jit, and the traditional kateke drumming of his clan.

This activity is funded by the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council through the Minnesota arts and cultural heritage fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

iFIlms: International and Independent Films

Auditorium 6pm

Prairie Love - A high plains drifter finds a man lying unconscious in the middle of the road and stops to lend a hand. After defrosting, the man explains that he's on his way to meet his pen-pal girlfriend for the first time. Desperate for a girlfriend of his own, the drifter sees this as an opportunity to change his lonely existence, and hatches a plan to steal his new companion's identity, forever changing the destinies of all three people.

Short Film: *A Family Portrait* - A family portrait goes horribly wrong as jealousy and suspicion bubble to the surface under the photographer's relentless gaze.

The iFilm series is intended for mature adults. Please provide guidance to your children.

Thursday, August 9

Google and More

Meeting Room B 2pm

Spending a lot of time on the Internet and not finding what you need? A reference librarian will provide search tips and cover Google and other internet search engines. Practice time is included. Register online, at the second-

floor reference desk or by calling 507.328.2309.

**Documentary: Dakota 38
Rochester Civic Theatre 7pm**

A group of community partners, including The Civic Theatre and the Rochester Public Library, have collaborated with Smooth Feather Productions to make this special screening of DAKOTA 38 possible in honor of the 150th anniversary of the U.S.-Dakota Conflict of 1862.

DAKOTA 38 received a Special Jury Award for Documentary Work at 2012 Minneapolis-St. Paul International Film Festival.

DAKOTA 38 will also be shown at the Mayo Clinic (Geffen Auditorium in the Gonda Building) on August 8 at 5:00 PM.

Sponsored by: Diversity Foundation of Minnesota, Greater Rochester Area Dakota Supporters, DoubleTree Hotel, Mayo Employee Resource Group Celebrate Dakota!, Rochester Civic Theatre, Rochester Public Library, Rochester Women Magazine, and Spectrum Pro Audio.

Saturday, August 11

**Second Saturday Sale
Library Foyer 10am-1pm**

Stop by and browse through an eclectic selection of books, and stock up with great reads for the dog days of summer.

Tuesday, August 14

**Library Time
Auditorium 10am**

This program for disabled adults is an opportunity for participants to enjoy reading books, watching films, making crafts and other fun learning activities.

**Writing Group
Meeting Room A 6:30pm**

Stuck on your first draft? Not sure about your plot? Let's get together and help each other out. The

goal is to improve our writing in a friendly, supportive environment. Mike Kalmbach, freelance writer and editor, will facilitate the meetings.

Wednesday, August 15

Concert for Kids with Tom Pease!

Auditorium 10am & 1pm
Children's recording artist, Tom Pease, presents a comical, toe-tapping concert for kids!

Thursday, August 16

Angelina Ballerina Story Time and Dance Preview

Auditorium 10am
Please join members of the Allegro School of Dance & Music for a special reading of Angelina Ballerina accompanied by a dance selection inspired by this popular picture book!

Visiting Author Series: Shirley Tucker

Auditorium 7pm
Born in the doctor's bed in a leper colony, Shirley Tucker spent her early years in Zambia. Despite having no access to children's books, her love of story began with her father who entertained the family with spontaneous stories of animals while traveling long distances on dusty roads. After a number of years in Canada, Mark and Shirley returned to South Africa, where they founded Phakamani Foundation. *Diamonds in the Dust* is her first novel.

Saturday, August 18

**Artigas in Mayo Park
Mayo Park 9am-4pm**

Friends of the Library will be selling art, music, classic and children's books at the ARTigras Village in Mayo Park. Visit the booth and receive a bookstore coupon!

Monday, August 20

**TLC Meeting - Teen Library Council
Meeting Room A 4pm**

Come let your voice be heard! Assist in providing insight into tween/teen reading interests, programming needs and activities. Help make the library a youth friendly space where you and your peers want to be! Any questions, contact Lynette @ 328-2305.

Wednesday, August 22

Fishing for Laughs with the Bassmeister!

Auditorium 10am & 1pm
The Bassmeister presents a humorous fishing and water safety program that includes audience participation, puppetry, ventriloquism, and silly props.

Ghost Stories - Visiting the Beyond

Auditorium 7pm
Curt Strutz loves haunted houses – loves them so much he visits them and brings his stories back to you! In his *Visiting the Beyond* seminars, Curt will take you into some of the nation's most haunted locations: battlefields, deserted asylums, historic sites and known haunted residences around the United States.

Wednesday, August 29

Special Program: Treasure Beyond Measure!

Auditorium 10am & 1pm
There are crazy antics and giggles galore when silly pirate Captain Curley visits the library and decides to locate the world's greatest treasure!

Thursday, August 30

Discover the Art of Letterboxing!

Auditorium 1pm
Learn about the art of letterboxing, create a personal stamp, make a journal, and find your first letterbox. Letterboxes are hidden all over the world. This exciting activity can be enjoyed by the entire family.

Borrow a Laptop in the Children's area



Do your kids get impatient when you're using the internet computers on the 2nd floor? Wouldn't they rather be in the Children's area downstairs?

Now you can both get what you want!

Adults visiting the library with children can check out a laptop (with your library card) to access the internet in the Children's area while your kids are enjoying the books, games, computers, and other kid-friendly resources.

For more information visit the Children's desk or call 507.328.2303.

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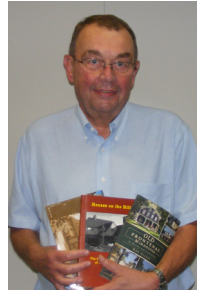
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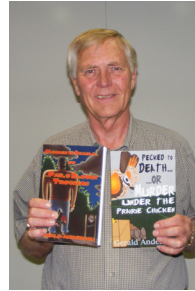
A Celebration of Rochester Authors

The Friends of the Rochester Public Library hosted their first celebration of Rochester Authors on Monday, July 23, 2012. Attendees were treated to ice cream (provided by Cold Stone Creamery) while they mingled with sixteen local authors.

The Friends plan on holding an annual celebration of Rochester authors and have already scheduled next year's event for Thursday, July 18, 2013.



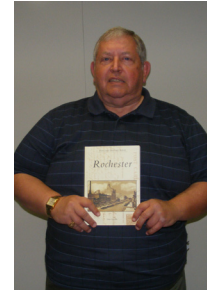
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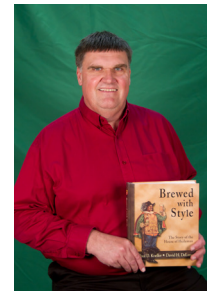
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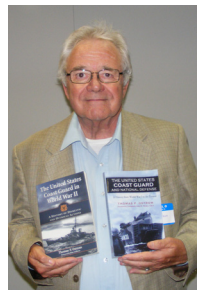
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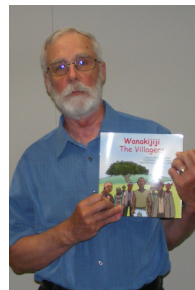
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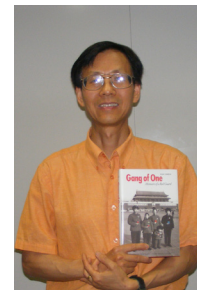
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