

Upper Hudson Library System & Mohawk Valley Library System present

Early Literacy Double-Header Workshops



Beyond Storytime: Positioning Libraries As Early Literacy Centers

Something Good for Everyone: Children as Learners and Adults as Partners in Multi-Age Storytimes

Thursday, September 6, 2012

Guilderland Public Library

9:00 (registration at 8:30) - 4:30 (lunch included)

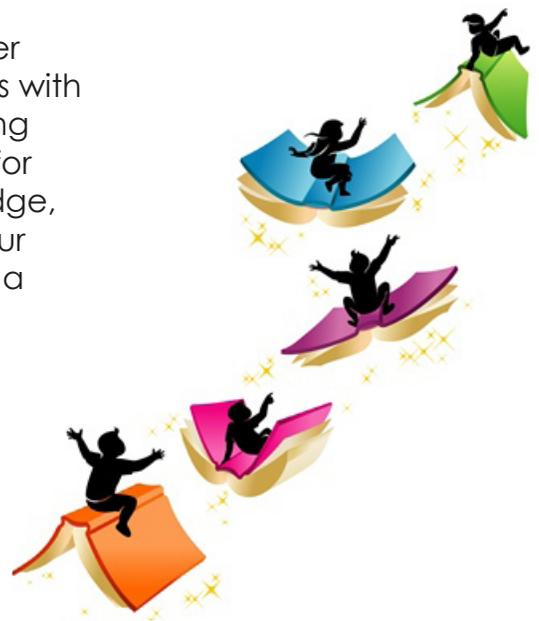
Directions: www.guilpl.org

Libraries play a key role in giving young children a foundation for literacy and learning. Yet as modern life get busier, separating storytimes by age group may not always fit families' needs. The answer? Storytimes for newborn to 5 year-olds and their parents and caregivers.

Join us to learn how multi-age storytimes can offer children unique experiences and provide parents with messages and modeling to use in building a strong family learning environment. Discover strategies for success, refresh your child development knowledge, explore new storytime models, and learn how your early literacy-enhanced storytimes can become a catalyst for change in your community.

Hands-on practice included; please bring:

1. Words to an action rhyme/fingerplay or action song.
2. One book that works well for more than one age-group (0 – 18 months, 18 – 35 months, 3 – 5 years)



Saroj Ghoting is an early childhood literacy consultant and national trainer on early literacy. She has been a consultant for PLA and ALSC on the *Every Child Ready to Read @ your library®* early literacy initiative. Saroj is co-author of *Early Literacy Storytimes @ your library: Partnering with Caregivers for Success* and *The Early Literacy Kit: A Handbook and Tip Cards*.

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Play at the Library: Creating Early Literacy Spaces That Invite Learning

Thursday, November 1, 2012
Schenectady County Public Library (Main)

9:00 (registration at 8:30) -12:00

Directions: www.scpl.org

Libraries have a new understanding of how our role in supporting lifelong learning begins with the very youngest child. Our challenge is to design spaces as well as activities to most effectively support learning for emergent learners. Play is essential to children's healthy cognitive, physical, social, and emotional development. When our early literacy spaces invite play along with reading, we model effective strategies for family literacy.

Come learn how to engineer a play space, incorporate play into existing children's spaces and activities at the library, and select appropriate active toys – on any budget.

Marisa Conner is Youth Services Coordinator for Baltimore County Public Library (BCPL). A primary focus of her work is creating active learning spaces designed to promote early literacy and school readiness in public libraries.

Marisa was responsible for developing the learning components for the innovative Storyville installation at BCPL <http://bcplstoryville.org/storyville>.



REGISTRATION:

Cost: MVLS and UHLS member libraries: Something Good - \$15 (full day); Play at the Library \$10 (half day); BOTH - \$20 (savings of \$5)

All others: Something Good - \$50 (full day); Play at the Library \$35 (half day); BOTH - \$75 (savings of \$10)

DEADLINES:

Special pricing for both workshops and for Something Good only – August 31

Play at the Library only - October 26. Register early to assure your spot!

Name _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Library _____ System _____

Attending: ___Both workshops ___Something Good (9/6) only ___Play at the Library (11/1) only

Amount enclosed: _____

Send registration to Mary Fellows, UHLS, 28 Essex Street, Albany, NY 12206

Tell us about any special food needs: _____