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Central Library's First-Ever Music Festival for Children to Kick-Off the 2015 Summer Reading Program

SAN DIEGO – The 2015 Summer Reading Program, “Read to the Rhythm,” kicks off with a free family concert for kids of all ages! **Lil’Palooza: A Kids’ Music Fest** will feature musicians from San Diego and Los Angeles on Saturday, June 13, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common in the Auditorium and Garden Courtyard, located at 330 Park Blvd. Children, teens, and families can sign up for the Summer Reading Program and enjoy additional activities such as crafts, face painting, and more! Local organization *Resounding Joy* will begin the festival with an interactive drum circle and will also offer a free music-centered wellness lecture in the afternoon. The festival will also feature a book reading and signing with Rafael López, illustrator of the new children’s book *Drum Dream Girl*. The festival schedule will include:

- 10:30 a.m. Welcome + Drum Circle led by *Resounding Joy*
- 11:00 a.m.: *The Hollow Trees*
The Hollow Trees play what they call “Folk Music for Families.” It’s high energy acoustic Americana music played with passion, skill, and humor. They combine the musical styles of bluegrass, country, folk, blues and jazz and put their stamp on many traditional folk songs as well as original compositions.
- 12:00 p.m.: *The Bayou Brothers*
The Bayou Brothers will rock you right on into “Fat Tuesday” with their extensive experience and endless enthusiasm to deliver a rousing, rollicking, heart thumpin’ musical gumbo y’all won’t soon forget!
- 12:30 p.m.: A music-centered wellness lecture by *Resounding Joy*

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- 1:00 p.m.: *SlapJazz Danny*
SlapJazz Danny is a master representative of traditional Hambone/Patting Juba Body Percussion! Danny leads workshops and performs throughout Southern California and abroad, sharing Hambone & Jaw-harp techniques unique to him.
- 2:00 p.m.: *Hullabaloo*
 Free-range, organic kid folk
- 2:30 p.m.: *Drum Dream Girl*
 Reading and book signing with illustrator Rafael López
- 3:00 p.m.: *Melissa Green*
 Join *Melissa Green* while she performs upbeat original feel good pop-rock songs as well as old favorites everyone knows. Melissa's interaction keeps the kids and adults dancing, singing and rocking along!

Please note: This event begins before the Central Library opens at 12 p.m.

San Diego Public Library's Summer Reading Program, offered every summer from June 15 – August 15, will include family-friendly concerts, activities, storytimes, and of course great books at all 36 public library locations. Please visit www.sandiegolibrary.org in June for additional information on free music and literacy-based programs at your local branch this summer.

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