

Authors, Illustrators & Entertainment Schedule of Events

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Time	Event	Мар
2 pm	<u>Main Stage:</u> Craig Stone, magician <u>Book Signing:</u> Gerald McDermott <u>Target Storyteller Stage:</u> Steve Breen, author & illustrator of <i>Violet</i>	A Warwick's D
	<i>the Pilot</i> Library: Terry Zukowski, Dr. Suess storyteller	В
	Rec. Center: Master Sports on the Grass for parents and children age 3+ (1-3 pm)	F
2:30 pm	Main Stage: George McClements, author & illustrator of Attack of the Veggie Monster	A
	Book Signing: Steve Breen Library: Young Adults Panel discussion by authors Suzanne Phillips, Deborah Halverson & Stacey Goldblatt (from 2:30 to 3:30 pm)	D B
	Rec. Center: Gym Civic Dance Hip Hop demonstration	E
3 pm	Main Stage: Opportunity drawing Main Stage: Hip Hop Target Storyteller Stage: Black Storytellers	A A D
	Book Signing: George McClements	The Yellow Book Rd.
	Library: Young Adults Panel Rec. Center Gym: Villa Musica- Percussion on the Grass, dance & music Boot Camp on the Grass	B F F
3:30 pm	Main Stage: Bruce Hale, author & illustrator of Check the Gecko Mysteries	A
	Book Signing: Suzanne Phllips, Deborah Halverson, Stacey Goldblatt	В
4 pm	Main Stage: Hip Hop Book Signing: Bruce Hale Rec. Center: Hatha Yoga in the Gym	A Borders E

Don't Miss!!

Time	Event	Мар
10 am	Continuous Storytime on the	C
to 4 pm	Library Patio—for all ages	
10 am	Face painting	Rec Cen-
to 4 pm		ter Patio
10 am	Meet Bullseye The Target Dog!	Target
to 4 pm		Booth
10 am	Rad Hatters hat making	Library
to 4 pm	C C	Lawn
10 am	Juggler and mime Larry Keough	Strolling
to 4 pm		
10 am	Friends of the San Diego Public	Library
to 4 pm	Library Used Book Sale	Lawn
10 to	Opportunity drawing entry	Library
2:30		booth
	Cat in the Hat	
1-3:30	Greeting	Strolling
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Notice to attendees. Photographs may be taken during this event and may be used to publicize Library events. If you have questions, please ask Library staff.

Featured Authors

Steven Banks is the head writer of SpongeBob Squarepants on Nickelodeon and working on the feature Mighty Mouse for Paramount/Nick Movies. He was co-producer of The Adventures of Jimmy Neutron Boy Genius and was



nominated for a Writer's Guild Award for the series and won an Annie Award for Best Children's Show. He has written for Fairly OddParents, Totally Spies, Hi Hi Puffy AmiYumi, and CatDog. He has written over twenty children's books, including SpongeBob Exposed: The Insider's Guide to SpongeBob Squarepants. In 2006, he published his debut novel King of the Creeps, a teen novel set in the 1960's amid a burgeoning folk music scene. He wrote and starred in the national PBS sit-com series The Steven Banks Show.

Annie Barrows was born in San Diego, California but her family moved to Northern California when she was three weeks old. Upon graduation from



UC Berkeley, she became a book editor. She says she "decided that I could probably write one myself. So I went to writing school (that was a lot of fun) and I wrote a bunch of books for grown-ups." She read many books to her children and decided she wanted to write books for children. She is the author of the Ivy+Bean series, which was named an ALA Notable Children's Book, and a Booklist, Editor's Choice for Best Books in 2007.

Steve Breen was born in 1970 in Los Angeles and attended the University of California at Riverside, where he started drawing political cartoons for his school paper. In April of 1998, Breen was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartooning while with the Asbury Park Press. In July 2001, he returned to his home state to join the staff of The San Diego Union-Tribune.



His editorial cartoons are nationally syndicated by Copley News Service and regularly appear in The New York Times, USA Today and Newsweek. Breen is the author and illustrator of two childrens' books--Stick and Violet The Pilot. He lives in San Diego with his wife and four children.

Janell Cannon is the award-winning author and illustrator of picture books about unappreciated and fascinating creatures, including Crickwing, Verdi, and the beloved bestseller Stellaluna. Janell is a self-taught artist and writer who has always admired animals, especially creatures that have been misunderstood or neglected. Her love of bats, spiders, Komodo dragons, and snakes inspired her work at a public library, where she developed award-



winning summer reading programs about these unusual animals. While conducting research for a program about bats, Janell found only two books on the subject, both out of print. She decided it was time to make her own story about these wonderful creatures. Janell Cannon created Stellaluna (1994) in hopes that she would transform young people's fear of bats into informed affection

Bruce Hale says he was raised by wolves just outside Los Angeles. He



began his career as a writer while living in Tokyo, and continued it when he moved to Hawaii in 1983. Before entering the world of children's books, he worked as a magazine editor, surveyor, corporate lackey, gardener, actor, and deejay. Bruce has written and illustrated nearly 20 books for kids. His popular Chet Gecko Mysteries series features numerous books. You could say Bruce has a thing for lizards. He also has created five children's books based in Hawaii, all starring Moki the Gecko.

George McClements attended art school in Dover, New Jersey, where he majored in animation. After graduation, he moved to a concrete forest



better known as New York. After several years of animating everything from dancing frogs to cat litter odor, he decided to move to California with his blushing bride. He now lives a vampiric existence creating books for children during the dead of night. He enjoys spending time with his family, playing his ukulele and writing about himself in the third person.

Gerald McDermott uses color magic, stylized figures and abstract motifs to combine ancient imagery with contemporary design. The creator of over twenty-five books and films, McDermott began studying art when he was admitted to class at the Detroit Institute of Arts when he was just four years old. McDermott produced and directed acclaimed animated films on folklore. McDermott adapted his films into picture books. His first book,



Anansi the Spider: A Tale from the Ashanti, was named a Caldecott Honor Book. His subsequent books include Arrow to the Sun: A Tale from the Pueblo, which won the Caldecott Medal, and Raven: A Trickster Tale from the Pacific Northwest, another Caldecott Honor Book.

Kadir Nelson began drawing at the age of three, displaying artistic acumen before he could write or spell. "I have always been an artist," Nelson explains. "It's part of my DNA." Nelson began his professional career as an artist publishing his work and receiving commissions from publishers and production studios such as Dreamworks, Sports Illustrated, Coca-Cola, The New York Times and Major League Baseball.



He created storyboards for Steven Spielberg's film Amistad. He is a much-sought-after artist, illustrating celebrated picture books, including the Coretta Scott King Honor Book Thunder Rose, the bestseller Salt in His Shoes and Ellington Was Not a Street. He is author and illustrator of We Are The Ship about Negro League baseball.

Joanne Oppenheim is the author of more than 50 books for and about children. Her book Dear Miss Breed about San Diego's beloved librarian Clara Breed and her Japanese American patrons during World War II recently won the Carter G. Woodson 2007 Award. Oppenheim and



NBC's Today Show, are the co-founders of the Oppenheim Toy Portfolio--a consumer group that reviews children's products. They recently published Read It! Play It! and Read It! Play It! with Babies and Toddlers, books that review 50 well-known, age-appropriate books that every child should know. Joanne's most recent picture book, The Prince's Bedtime was issued in paperback.

David Shannon is the author and illustrator of many highly praised books for children. He grew up in Spokane, Washington. He graduated from the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena,



California, with a fine arts degree, and then moved to New York City. His editorial illustrations have appeared in The New York Times, Time, and Rolling Stone, and his artwork has appeared on numerous book jackets. His book No, David! is a Caldecott Honor winner. Shannon is a passionate baseball fan and softball player. He and his wife now live in Los Angeles.

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