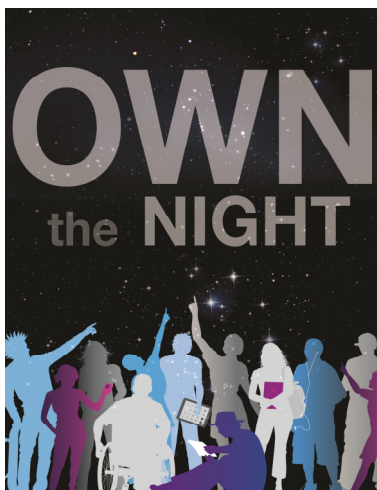


2012
PERFORMER
SELECTION BOOK
PROVIDED BY WINNEFOX LIBRARY SYSTEM



Choose Your Level of WLS Participation in Booking Performers

Level 1: Full Assistance

Please Do Not Arrange or Sign a Contract Between Your Library and the Performer.

Contact the WLS Administration Office by phone, fax or email to request a performer be booked for your library. Please provide the following information with your request:

- Artist contact information (if not included in this book)
- Location your performance will be held
- Desired date & time of performance and 2 alternatives

Winnefox will contact the performer to arrange the booking ASAP upon receipt of the request and send you a confirmation of the booking.

After Winnefox has arranged a booking, we will:

- Obtain a signed contract & W-9 form from the performer
- Make revisions to your booking if needed
- Mail reminder postcards to the performer 2-3 weeks prior to the booked performance
- Issue a check payable to the performer and send it to your library a few days prior to the performance
- Bill your library for reimbursement after the performance date has passed
- Send 1099-Misc tax forms to performers

Level 2: Partial Assistance

Please Do Not Arrange or Sign a Contract Between Your Library and the Performer.

After your library has contacted the artist to pre-arrange a booking (discuss programming, hold date, etc.) contact the WLS Administration Office by phone, fax or email to request a performer be booked for your library. Please provide the following information:

- Specifics discussed and prearranged with the performer (date, time, location)
- Artist contact information (if not included in this book)

Winnefox will contact the performer to arrange the booking ASAP upon receipt of the request and send you a confirmation of the booking.

After Winnefox has arranged a booking, we will:

- Obtain a signed contract & W-9 form from the performer
- Make revisions to your booking if needed
- Mail reminder postcards to the performer 2-3 weeks prior to the booked performance
- Issue a check payable to the performer and send it to your library a few days prior to the performance
- Bill your library for reimbursement after the performance date has passed
- Send 1099-Misc tax forms to performers

Level 3: Informational Support Only

If you choose to arrange bookings, issue contracts & payment, and process performer tax forms (W-9 & 1099-Misc.), Winnefox will gladly offer assistance to you by answering any questions you may have.

2012 PERFORMER SELECTION FORM

Library: _____

Library Contact: _____

Performance Location: _____

Please remember:

- You may pre-arrange a booking with the performer & still have Winnefox issue payment and take care of the tax forms.
- You cannot sign a contract with the performer if you want Winnefox to issue payment and take care of the tax forms.

Entertainer Name: _____

Use a separate form for each entertainer & attach contact information if they are not in the selection book.

Enter your dates of choice in order of priority.

Date

Time

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

3rd choice _____

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**Return form to Marcy in WLS Administration office ASAP.
Performers will be booked as forms are returned.**

Amy Ammen

Able the Dancing Dog



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Stage Name: Able the Dancing Dog

Performance Title: How To Be a Dog's Best Friend

Performance Description: Able entertains with fancy paw-work comprised of choreographed dance routines involving spins, weaving, jumping and various tricks. In addition, Able and his partner, Amy, ask for audience participation to highlight the keys of how to be a dog's best friend and how to be safe around dogs. Helpers are awarded prizes, and the performance is concluded by inviting everyone to practice approaching and petting the dogs in the proper, safest manner. Finally, everyone is rewarded with an Able the Dancing Dog tattoo.

Length of Program: 30-40 minutes

Theme Incorporation: I find at least 50% of the audience for Able the Dancing Dog do not own a pet but, nonetheless, are eager to learn more about dog breeds, selection, care, and training. The library is a great place to be entertained and educated about all things canine. Since I've authored six dog books, I donate a popular title (such as The Everything Dog Book) to the library's collection and invite participants to visit the dog section to check all the offerings.

Fee: \$425 plus mileage

Mileage: \$1.00 per mile roundtrip

Discount:

Artist Comments: Performing area: 250 square feet; floor must offer sufficient traction for dog dance.
Requirements: electrical outlet

Alan or Mary Atwood Atwood Players

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Brookfield, WI 53005

Web:

Stage Name: The Atwood Players

Performance Title: "Good Night!" stories

Performance Description: Storytelling at its finest with actor, Alan Atwood. Alan enacts stories from many Cultures including Anansi and the Alligator, Rip Van Winkle, and others all related to sleep or dreams.

Length of Program: 40-45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: All stories that are enacted have to do with sleeping or dreaming therefore tying in with the theme of Dream Big. The program will also encourage children to believe in life goals and becoming the best that they can be. The program will also encourage reading.

Fee: \$215 - 2 libraries
\$200 - 3 libraries
\$185 - 4 libraries

Mileage: \$70 (50-100 miles from Milwaukee County line)
\$35 (20 - 50 miles from Milwaukee County line)
\$15 - \$20 (0 - 20 miles from Milwaukee County line)

Discount: Standard fee for 1 show is \$240. Discounts are listed above.

Artist Comments:

Billy Grisack

Mr. Billy

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Stage Name: The Mighty Mr. Billy

Performance Title: Rock and Roll All Night

Performance Description: Upbeat interactive rock and roll songs for kids and families that promote book, reading and the library. Mr. Billy writes original classic rock songs with a dash of humor and a blast of knowledge. Some programs are solo acoustic some are electric with a backup musician or band.

Length of Program: 45 minutes (more or less depending what you need)

Theme Incorporation: Each summer Mr. Billy writes, records and releases a new summer reading themed CD. This year the CD is called "Rock and Roll All Night" original and cover (props, activities and movements) songs about night, sleep, books, reading and dreams will be featured. Next year the program will be about things found underground.

Fee: Base price \$450. Summer discount price \$350.

Special winter/summer double booking limited offer \$250 for two solo programs. To get the buy one get one winter/summer offer both shows must be paid in full the day of the first program.

Mileage: Included

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Bob Bohm
Bohm's Family Entertainment

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Stage Name: Bohm's Family Entertainment

Performance Title: Need To Read Magic Show / Survivor Family Game Show

Performance Description: Celebrate reading, books and libraries with this fun magic show that features the Sawing-A-Librarian-In Half Trick - The game show combines silly games & contests with hilarious fun and the audience decides the winner.

Length of Program: 45 minutes each

Theme Incorporation: In the Need To Read Magic Show - one of the featured tricks will be where I will present 5 children's books and have one child "dream" of their favorite which will match a pre-selected book in a separate envelope.

Fee: \$350

Mileage: Additional

Discount: Discount of \$100 per program is scheduled at nearby libraries on the same day.

Artist Comments:

Bill Bosworth

The Science Alliance

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Stage Name: The Science Alliance

Performance Title: Chemistry, Physics, Bugs or Environmental

Performance Description: The Science Alliance involves 50 - 70 volunteers in a family friendly science show that all ages will love! Science is super and kids can do it!

Length of Program: 45-60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Bill Bosworth, our scientist, is able to incorporate fun glow-in-the-dark experiments to his chemistry show to create a “dream big” evening experience.

Fee: \$400 per show

Mileage: Included

Discount: \$350 per show for multiple bookings on the same day.

Normal fee per show is \$525. Libraries are offered a substantial summer discount with all of the big hands-on experiments that your kids will love.

Artist Comments: Promotional posters, extension activities included. Two eight foot tables and trash receptacle requested.

Jeffrey Carpenter
Mr. C. Story or J. Freddie

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Web:

Stage Name: J. Freddie

Performance Title: Make Your Dreams Come Alive Through Adventures at the Library

Performance Description: J. Freddie, a traveling man, is a new character being featured this year designed for librarians who prefer not to have a clown. J. Freddie will entertain the audience dressed in a safari like outfit. He entertains children of all ages through audience participation, storytelling, comedy magic and more. He creates goal-directed, library theme programs tailored to the audience's age and interests.

Length of Program: 45-60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Goal directed library programs are created annually to tie in with the selected theme. At this time magic tricks, stories and effects are being selected to go with the Dream Big Theme. Magic tricks and illusions will take the audience through a variety of dream types leaving the impression dreams come alive at the library. Through audience participation, magic tricks, and storytelling your library patrons will come away knowing their public library is a place where dreams come alive through adventures at the library.

Fee: \$150 per show

Mileage: 2012 IRS mileage rate

Discount: Discounts available on multiple shows on the same day. 10% for multiple shows booked on the same day.

Artist Comments: Balloon twisting workshops have been a popular attraction for older library patrons (age 10 and over). Twisters hear how I'm also available to do balloon twisting workshops where your readers learn how to make a dog, giraffe, squirrel, mouse, etc. .

Casey & Greg



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Verona, WI 53593

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Stage Name: Casey and Greg

Performance Title: Songs and stories for youth of all ages

Performance Description: An electric blend of original songs and stories for youth and families. We are known for our vocal harmonies, professionalism, and ability to enthusiastically involve audiences in our programs. We are able to take requests - will often 'create' songs right on the spot!

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes depending upon need

Theme Incorporation: We write songs that relate to the theme and encourage youth to believe in themselves and to 'dream big.' We actively involve youth (and adults) in our performances and encourage them to sing, laugh, and participate fully in our programs.

Fee: We are from Madison, WI area and typically charge around \$150 - 200 with mileage additional however, our fees are flexible and we are more than willing to work with libraries budgets. Don't hesitate to negotiate with us!

Mileage: 2012 IRS mileage rate

Discount: We are always open to discounts (such as 10%) for multiple performances.

Artist Comments: If you would like additional information, please do not hesitate to let us know. We have performed over the years at many libraries within the Winnefox Library System and welcome the opportunity to continue doing so.

Robbie Clement



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Cambridge, WI 53523

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Stage Name: Robbie Clement

Performance Title: Follow Your Dream

Performance Description: Songs, stories and creative silliness to celebrate reading and dreaming with guitar, banjo and audience accompaniment.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Sing along with songs like “If You Want To Know What It’s All About” (read a book!) and “Everybody’s Got Something Special” (going for them in this life.) Do an activity to find your own dream. Remember to dream big! Next, sing along with “The Wishin’ Song” using everyone’s dreams to write it together! Then learn how to make your dream come true when we all sing and sing along to the song “Follow Your Dreams”.

Fee: \$250 per show

Mileage:

Discount: 2 shows same day / \$400

Artist Comments: My usual fee for performance is \$350 plus mileage.
I love this theme and I can’t wait to see you all this summer!

Pamela Corcoran Corcoran Puppets

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Stage Name: Corcoran Puppets

Performance Title: The Sleeping Beauty

The Adventures of August and June: Make Your Dreams Come True!

Performance Description: **The Sleeping Beauty:** In this Corcoran Puppets version of the familiar fairy tale, Princess Cora, under an evil spell, is kept secluded at the castle with Jolly, the court jester, for a companion. Princess Cora dreams of the day she meets a true friend, and Jolly longs for a companion of the heart - a dog of his own.

Adventures of August and June: June the dragon and Jimmie have big dreams for their futures. Uncle August, a kindly wizard, helps them understand what they need to do today to make those dreams possible. They need to exercise, eat right, make things, study hard and read a lot!

Length of Program: 50 minutes - includes puppetry demonstration with audience participation.

Theme Incorporation: **The Sleeping Beauty:** Princess Cora, secluded at the castle with the jester for her companion, often reads of friendship, and longs for friends her own age. Naturally, she is concerned that she will not know how to be a friend. Jolly helps her understand what it takes to be a good friend.

Adventures of August and June: This program encourages children to dream about their futures - and what they can do now to ensure their dreams are possible. In addition to taking care of their bodies, they need to take care of their minds as well - and one of the best ways to do that is to read!

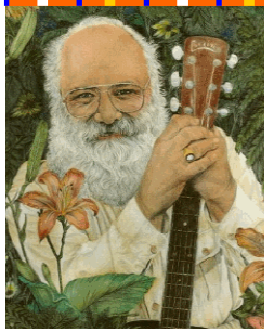
Fee: \$300 plus mileage (no charge for first 50 miles)

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile, after first 50 miles

Discount: Multiple shows on the same day are \$250 per show. Libraries can split mileage costs.

Artist Comments: Add a hands on puppet workshop for up to 25 children for \$100.

David HB Drake



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Stage Name: David HB Drake

Performance Title: Patchwork Quilt! (2012 Dream Big Program)

Performance Description: David's 2012 Summer Library Program, PATCHWORK QUILT, is a collection of favorite bedtime songs and stories. Snuggle down and sing along with favorite fold songs, lullabies, bedtime stories, and children's dreamtime fun. David performs on guitar, banjo, dulcimer, concertina, and will feature Native American Flute on his story of the "Dreamcatcher".

Length of Program: 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: All of the songs and stories in the program have a connection to dreams - both literal dreaming and "big" dreams. Songs include Winkin' Blinkin' Nod, Jennifer's rabbit, The Pony Man, I have a Dream, Grandma's Patchwork Quilt, and a telling of the first Dreamcatcher, complete with Native American flute. For older audiences, songs like California Dreamin' could be included.

Fee: \$300 single show. \$250 each when combined with other libraries on the same day.

Mileage: Included

Discount: \$50 savings for each library bundling two or more bookings on the same day. The libraries have to work together to create the "package".

Michael Drake

Mr. Pickles



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Stage Name: Mr. Pickles

- Performance Title:**
1. The Island Kids Show
 2. Bang to the Thang
 3. Live..., The Roaming Reader

- Performance Description:**
1. A musical crowd participation presentation bringing out the fun in all kids!
 2. An educational hands on performance to create rhythms using tons of percussion instruments.
 3. Reading from my books, The Growing Books, with a very fun and animated character, Mr. Pickles loves to listen to what the kids have to say as well!

Length of Program: Varies in length up to 1.5 hours depending on the group of kids.

Theme Incorporation: My two published books, The Growing Books, My Inside is Outside, is a collection of my whimsical children's poems and picture books that inspire creativity. From dreams we find creativity. All of my presentations encourage the act of a dream that comes to life with creativity! From one of my poems "I'm a Dreamer", Nickels are wishes that fall into a wishing well and as they fill up to the top with all your dreams, then you will be able to crawl on top and pick one out and make your choice, as long as dreams are part of your daily meal!

Fee: Varies with the budgets of each venue. I will work with you to make sure Mr. Pickles can meet and share dreams with your kids!

Mileage: Additional

Discount: www.drakemusic.com has tons of videos and music to peruse. Keep an eye open for the "Let's Go On the Road with Mr. Pickles and Grow on the Mr. Pickles TV show, coming soon!"

Kay Elmsley Weeden

La Cuentista Lista - The Clever Storyteller



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Stage Name: La Cuentista Lista - The Clever Storyteller

Performance Title: Dream it! Read it! Be it!

Performance Description: My programs will include a mix of Spanish and English as I am a bilingual Storyteller. They are designed for the typical younger audience for the summer programs. The stories are interactive, and the program includes chants, clapping activities, hand movements, and usually a dance for the audience to try.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My programs include Spanish and I am a bilingual storyteller. Since the theme is Dream Big, my program will incorporate stories about dreams and desires, as well as things that are BIG.

Fee: \$200

Mileage: \$0.30 per mile

Discount: \$25 per program reduction for programs booked for the same day. Mileage shared equally between two locations.

Artist Comments:

Jerry Falkenstein

Storyteller

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Stage Name: Storyteller Jerry

Performance Title: Conglomeration

Performance Description: Stories of many different kinds, serious, humorous, true stories - program developed around your theme.

Length of Program: 40-45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: I would probably incorporate Booker T Washington and wanting to read. Abe Lincoln and his desire to read. Benjamin Banneker and his desire to read.

Fee: \$150

Mileage: Over 50 miles a mileage fee will be added

Discount: If several performances at the library, a negotiated discount will be offered.

Artist Comments: Programs can be designed to fit your need if sufficient time is allowed.

Axel Junker

The Pretty Bad Jugglers

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Madison, WI 53704

Web:

Stage Name: The Pretty Bad Jugglers

Performance Title: The Pretty Bad Jugglers Dream Big

Performance Description: Warning! This program contains only two percent educational ingredients, but provides you with 98 percent of your minimum daily requirements of fun. This audience participation show offers comedy as well as thrills, such as Melonhead's unique juggling egg-stravaganza, an opportunity to challenge Axel, the fastest apple-eating juggler in the Midwest, and a deadly demonstration of the dangers of smoking. You will also be entertained by flaming torches (outdoor performances), flying juggling clubs, razor-sharp kitchen knives, and jokes that are so dull even you might like them.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Fee: \$300

Mileage: 2012 IRS rate

Discount: Discount for multiple bookings

Artist Comments: **Performing Area:** 10 by 20 feet, high ceilings helpful but not essential; both indoor and outdoor performances are possible.

Requirements: Sponsor must furnish sound system if so desired.

References:

Madison Public Library - Goodman South Madison Branch, Chris Wagner, 2222 S Park St, Madison WI 53713, (608) 266-6395, cwagner@scls.lib.wi.us

Madison Public Library - Alicia Ashman Branch, Carissa Christner, 733 N High Point Rd, Madison WI 53717, (608) 824-1780, cchristn@scls.lib.wi.us

Madison Public Library - Pinney Branch, Lesley Kircher, 204 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison WI 53716, (608) 224-7100, lkircher@scls.lib.wi.us

Bob Kann

Storyteller / Juggler / Magician



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Stage Name: Bob Kann: Storyteller/Juggler/Magician

Performance Title: Invitation: If You are a Dreamer, Com In!

Performance Description: Join the fun with storyteller/magician/juggler Bob Kann in this BIG BIG BIG celebration of dreams of all sorts. Hear tales of dreams of buried treasure, homework machines, hippo sandwiches, kids who can fly, and much more. Experience the dreams of magicians who vanish elephants and jugglers who cascade bowling balls. Learn about the dreams of a little girl who wanted to play professional baseball as presented in Bob's biography *Joyce Westerman: Baseball Hero (to be published by Wisconsin Historical Society Press in February, 2012)*. Joyce played for eight years in the All American Girls Professional Baseball League depicted in the movie *A League of Their Own*. Why did the little girl take candy to bed? To have sweet dreams.

Length of Program: 40 - 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: "Invitation: If You are a Dreamer, Come In!" is a program specifically designed to complement the "Dream Big-Read" theme. In advance of the performance, I will provide host libraries with a list of books related dreams of different shapes and sizes. During the show, I'll promote these books as I tell stories, juggle, and perform magic tricks all built around the "Dream Big Read" theme. After the performance, these materials are guaranteed to be checked out by eager children.

Fee: \$350 for one show

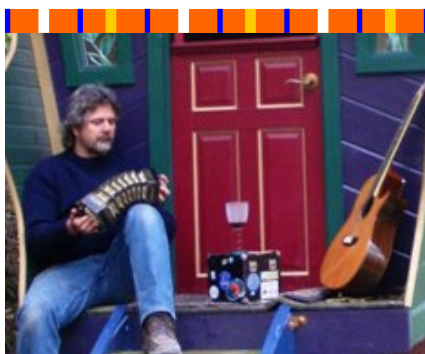
\$600 for two shows on same day (performances can be at different libraries)

Mileage: Included

Artist Comments: Fees negotiable

Tom Kastle

Singer, Songwriter, Sailor, and Teller of Tales



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Stage Name: Tom Kastle

Performance Title: Singer, songwriter, sailor, and teller of tales

Performance Description: Tom Kastle had a dream to become an oceanographer like Jacques Cousteau... and a musician... and a writer. So, by 5th grade he had read every book in his local library about oceanography; by 7th grade he had a garage band. Years later, he found himself aboard a sailing ship, as captain, doing music, sail training, and oceanography (and writing about it all)! Over the years, Tom melded all his interests together, becoming a US Coast Guard licensed captain, getting a masters degree in human ecology, and working aboard ships that combined sailing, environmental education, and music.

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Reading is an avenue to bigger and bigger dreams; dreams that, in my case, have come true. This Summer I will incorporate special books, from my childhood and some that have only recently arrived on library shelves, to explore how you can turn a book into a dream or a dream into a song or story.

Fee: \$300

Mileage: additional

Discount: Block booking discounts make each library concert \$250 if two or more are booked in the same day. Travel can then be split between the two libraries. Programs on consecutive days need to include meals and accommodations. Call to work out scheduling.

Artist Comments: We can work together to plan to include a specific book or books and any and all special needs you might have.

Bill Kehl



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Stage Name: Bill Kehl

Performance Title: Earth, Music...Magic!

Performance Description: Bill Kehl's "Earth, Music...Magic! Is an educational musical performance featuring environmental themes for all ages, and showcases a fascinating and colorful collection of unique musical instruments made from natural materials from around the world. The presentation is highlighted with songs, sing-a-longs, movement, stories, humor and spontaneous joyful audience participation.

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The discovery of primitive musical instruments required creativity and imagination to be able to envision and explore the realm of possibilities. We are led to a sense of wonder when we can turn our dreaming into doing, our dreams into reality!

Fee: \$225 per program

Mileage: additional

Discount: Discounts will be applied to the amount of mileage charged for multiple bookings on the same day in the same general area (within 25 miles of each other).

Artist Comments: I have been performing an ever-changing version of "Earth, Music...Magic!" for Wisconsin libraries since 1993.

David Landau



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Stage Name: David Landau

Performance Title: Music and Laughter for Kids

Performance Description: Dave's personal appearances are upbeat musical programs that keep children engaged and constantly thinking. The kids sing some, move some, act some, dance some, shout just a little bit, and laugh a bunch.

Length of Program: 15 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Being a former first grade teacher, I know the importance of developing good reading habits at an early age. My program emphasizes daily reading and motivates kids to develop a life-long love of learning through books. This program features music from my new CD "Rocket to the Moon". I plan on taking kids on a journey through their imagination that they can revisit through books.

Fee: \$250 for one show

Mileage: Included

Discount: \$250 for first show
\$150 for each additional performance in area on same day

(\$400 for 2 libraries = \$200 each)

(\$550 for 3 libraries = \$183 each)

(\$700 for 4 libraries = \$175 each)

Artist Comments:

Chris Langenfeld

CriterrrrMan



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Stage Name: CriterrrrMan

Performance Title: Yagottawanna

Performance Description: My program, Yagottawanna, encourages people of all ages to make positive changes and create healthy habitats for critters and humans alike. This can range from cleaning up litter to a community wide effort to improve local wildlife habitat.

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Participants will be encouraged to read and do research about how they can have a BIG, positive impact on their community. Reading inspires and inspiration helps create action and action is what we need to make positive changes in our communities.

Fee: \$350

Mileage: Additional

Discount: Pricing already reflect standard library discount. Additional discounts available for multiple bookings.

Artist Comments:

Lou Lepore

The Comedy Magic of Lou Lepore



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Stage Name: The Comedy Magic of Lou Lepore

Performance Title: The Comedy Magic of Lou Lepore

Performance Description: A magic show for all ages. Magic, balloons and comedy all rolled into a 45 minute show. I use lots of audience participation. All of my magic is family friendly and age appropriate.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My summer library show is a tribute to the many magicians that I read about while growing up. These are the magicians that inspired me to become a magician in the first place. My show will highlight versions of tricks that Harry Houdini, Doug Henning, and Harry Blackstone all performed. These are the performers that I dreamt about and wanted to emulate in my career as a magician. Hopefully through my show, children will get the message that if you try hard enough, you can be what you dream.

Fee: \$250 single show

Mileage: \$0.555 per mile

Discount: \$100 for second show on the same day and at same location
Shows as low as \$175 with block pricing.

Artist Comments: References are available upon request.

Ron Lindberg Rondini



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Stage Name: Rondini

Performance Title: Rodini's Magic of Reading or Doc Ron's Weird Science Comedy Show

Performance Description: The magic shows utilize magic and comedy to demonstrate Rondini's love of reading and a visit to the Menasha Library when he was 12 changed his life when he checked out a book about Houdini.

The science shows have Ron playing the part of a wacked out scientist who demonstrates science experiments. Both shows use A LOT of audience participation, humor and features EINSTEIN the bunny.

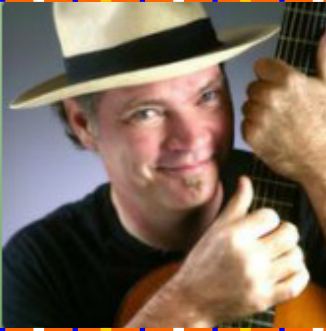
Length of Program: 30 - 40 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My life is a perfect example of how, by reading, my dreams, and visiting the library, helped me attain my dreams.

Fee: \$180 plus travel from Appleton

Mileage: Additional

Ken Lonnquist



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Stage Name: Ken Lonnquist or if Ken's DUO is preferred, "Ken Lonnquist & the Kenland Band"

Performance Title: A Little Dreamin

Performance Description: Fanciful, fun and energetic songs from Ken's vast original repertoire, performed with voice, guitar, ukulele and more! Ken uses humor, crowd-interaction, clever lyrics and catchy melodies to capture and entertain his audiences. He performs solo (as described above) or with one of mates in his "Kenland Band" keyboardist and singer Dave Adler, or fiddler and singer Jon Vriesacker).

Length of Program: 45 - 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: This program title is from the song "A Little Dreamin," written for Ken's musical adaption of "Alice in Wonderland". In addition to songs with dream-themes (such as "Dream For Sale" "Genie Fish"), Ken will perform crowd-pleasing participation numbers that stretch the boundaries of daily life...we'll soar out-racing into space with "Rocket", other kids with "One Speed Bike", reign supreme on the basketball court with "Slam Dunk", and climb way to the Moon' with "Morgan Menezes". Ken plans on improving a song with every audience about their own "big dreams"!

Fee: \$250 for one solo show
\$450 for two solo shows
\$600 for three solo shows

\$350 for one duo show
\$550 for two duo shows
\$800 for three duo shows

Mileage: 2012 IRS Rate

Discount: Multiple shows on the same day are discounted (whether at same library or a cooperating library)

2 shows: \$450 (\$225 each)
3 shows: \$600 (\$200 each)

Diane Lasceski Diane Michaels



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Stage Name: Diane Michaels

Performance Title: Swing On A Star

Performance Description: A program of songs and stories to light the way for young imaginations to see that there are no limits on dreams.

Length of Program: 50 minutes to 1 hour

Theme Incorporation: "Swing On A Star," will help children realize that the library holds many treasures to help them follow their own dreams, as well as providing them with the resources to learn about the dreams and accomplishments of others.

Fee: \$300

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

- Discount:**
1. \$25 discount for more than one performance in the same area in the same day; venues must be within 20 miles of each other, or a one half hour drive, mileage still applies.
 2. For two performances of same show, in the same day, in the same space: 1st show = \$300 plus mileage; 2nd show = \$200.
 3. A \$25 discount for libraries booking single concerts (not partnering with another library), that don't require sound reinforcement; audience must number 50 or less.
 4. Also willing to negotiate flat fee for performances in all Winnefox libraries.

Artist Comments: I'll be presenting this program to all the libraries in the Waukesha County Federated Library System in 2012. Please see calendar page of my website for details.

Otis Miller Miller & Mike



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Performance Title: Miller & Mike

Performance Description: When you bring in Miller & Mike you work with full-time professional performers. Their shows are high energy and fast-paced, full of circus skills, audience participation and good clean comedy.

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Miller & Mike will bring a world to your patrons that most only dream of, the world of the circus. The best way to start on the journey of performing is to pick up a book. Inside are the secrets to circus skills and tricks that are seen all over the world. You can run away and join the circus if dream big and read.

Fee: The cost for one show is \$400. That includes everything.

Mileage: Included

Discount: If 2 shows are booked for the same day we can do them for only \$325 each. This price is good even if the shows are at different libraries.

Artist Comments: Thank you so much for thinking of us for your 2012 Summer Reading Program.

Jim Mitchell



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Stage Name:

Performance Title: The Magic of Jim Mitchell

Performance Description: I have performed from coast to coast and internationally. The library show includes fun magic appropriate for family audiences as well as older tweens, volunteers, comedy, and live animals (optional). This show can be performed for audiences of ten or a thousand, as I will provide all of the technical equipment. The only thing I ask from you is the space and the audience!

Length of Program: 40-45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Magic is all about dreaming of the impossible, and making it possible! This year's theme is repeatedly mentioned as we talk about how books make magical ideas into reality.

Fee: Starting fee is \$250.00.

Mileage is included, hotel accommodations for Jim and animals, are not. If a hotel is needed, libraries may be asked to split the cost. Hotels will be avoided if at all possible to keep costs down!

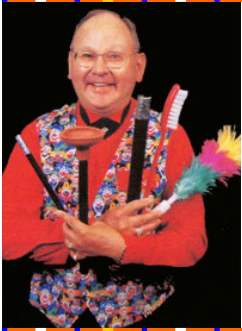
Mileage: Included

Discount: \$25.00 referral discount for each library that books from a referral, there is a discount for the referring library. With enough referrals that are able to book, your show could be free!! Referral discount is available to any library that books my show.

Artist Comments: This year we have a new magical adventure for those who have seen my show before! Can't wait to see you all again!

Bruce Nelson

Mr. Fun Magic Show



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Stage Name: Mr. Fun Magic Show

Performance Title:

Performance Description: A fast paced interactive magical presentation featuring colorful magic, comedy and audience participation. Family suitable for all age groups.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: We incorporate and reinforce reading and library usage as a vehicle to travel the world thru books and reading. We always request a book display set up with our program.

Fee: \$165.00

Mileage: Additional

Discount: 1st show \$165
2nd show at same location or within area = \$150
(does not included mileage)

Artist Comments:

Randy Peterson



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Stage Name: Randy Peterson

Performance Title: "Big Dreams Begin with Books"

Performance Description: A lively musical presentation full of audience participation. I accompany myself on the guitar and banjo, or sing acapella. My goal is to have everyone joining in, singing along and having fun!

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: "Big Dreams Begin with Books" will be a new show created specially for the 2012 Summer Library theme. It will feature many original sing-along, action-filled songs written just for this program. Big dreams, reaching for the stars, and reading to inspire our imaginations is the overall theme. A few of my "classic" songs that may be included are "Give It a Try", "When I Grow Up", and "Alexander's Bedtime Band."

Fee: \$300 any time there is one show on a day
\$250 per show any day with 2 or more shows

Mileage: Included

Discount: The price quote above contains my library discount. My summer library shows generally begin at a price discounted from my usual fees of \$325 - \$400. For me, having the opportunities to perform in various communities often leads to more work. Hopefully this plan helps us both with tight budgets!

Artist Comments: As I did with my "Make A Splash" and "One World, Many Stories" programs, this show will be enhanced by a colorful and original stage set. Still under construction, the set I am building is a 'dreamland' of soft colors, stars, and twinkling lights. I promise it will have a quick set-up time!

Rick Ponzio

Storyteller

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Stage Name: Rick Ponzio

Performance Description: "Folk Tales from Around the World" is a dynamic performance of fun folk tales from a variety of cultures and countries. Rick brings to life characters and animals to enrich and entertain the audience. Enjoy folk tales, myths, legends, and fables from places such as Mexico, Puerto Rico, Kenya, China, and Africa or myths of Native American peoples. "Legends from Around the World" is a performance of legends about children from different cultures and countries. Both programs include some audience participation. In conjunction with this summer's theme, Mr. Ponzio will improvise a story using suggestions from the audience.

Length of Program: 40 - 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$125 for one 40 - 50 minute performance
\$115 for second performance on the same day in the same area

Mileage: Additional

Discount: Discounts for block bookings within a library system

Artist Comments: **Performing Area:** 12 feet wide by 9 feet deep, 8 feet high, but can adapt within reason

Requirements: One chair to use as a character prop.

References:

Plymouth Public Library, Sandy George, 130 Division St, Plymouth WI 53073-1802,
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Oscar Grady Library, Cindy Franke, 1515 Main Street, Saukville, WI 53050, (262) 284
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Kathryn Prestidge

Storytelling

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Stage Name: Kathy Prestidge

Performance Title: Storytelling

Performance Description: Storytelling for all ages. I perform a program with a variety of folktales and interactive shorts, sometimes using traditional props or puppets. I can include string stories and paper folding stories with instruction for the simpler figures. As a middle school media specialist and former children's librarian, I am comfortable with a wide range of ages. I always craft a custom program to meet audience needs, but some of my past programs include: Tasty Morsels (food stories), Critter Tails (animal stories), Wide World (international stories), Paper and Strings (string and origami stories). I also present storytelling workshops for children or adults.

Length of Program: 45 - 55 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Many folktales tell of the little guy who dreams big and never gives up, such as The Little Rooster and the Turkish Sultan. Sometimes, the big dreaming is selfish and the little guy gets too big for his britches as in the Big Wide Mouthed Toad Frog. My program will applaud the successes and poke a bit of fun at the prideful while the audience takes away their own lesson from each story.

Fee: \$125 per performance

Mileage: Within 50 mile radius of Appleton = No mileage charge
More than 50 mile radius of Appleton = negotiable

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ArtVenture Girl

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Performance Title: An Artistic Traveling Adventure

Performance Description: ArtVenture Girl is a certified art teacher specializing in extreme hands on art projects. She will tell of her traveling adventures and the artistic things she encountered. Participants will learn of her great adventures and create multiple hands on projects. At the conclusion of each session, ArtVenture Girl will reveal the custom passport stamp she created especially for the session. Participants will choose the colors and ArtVenture Girl will print it on her traveling jacket right before their eyes.

Length of Program: 45-60 minutes depending on audience participation

Theme Incorporation: ArtVenture Girl's projects will center around a traveling adventure she had, that relates to dreaming and/or dreaming big. She will introduce artwork or artistic ideas that have a theme of dreams. She can also customize a program to center around a certain book or theme that your group may be focused on.

Fee: \$225.00

To customization a program add \$100.00 or more depending on supplies needed.

Mileage: 2012 IRS mileage rate

Discount: \$75 discount for multiple performances on the same day/same location
\$50 discount for multiple bookings

Artist Comments: Requirements: 5-6 tables for workspace. For groups larger than 25 - an adult participant is needed for every additional 5 children.

Mike Schneider

Uncle Mike

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Stage Name: Uncle Mike

Performance Title: Pint Size Polkas

Performance Description: Participation opportunities abound in this "Big Dreams" show, perfect for 2012's "Dream Big - Read!" summer reading theme! Every child dreams of being a pilot, doctor, or firefighter when they grow up. Now your young patrons can volunteer to wear the hats that go with these jobs and many others while the audience guesses the corresponding occupations. In the process, everyone will enjoy learning about the alphabet and even a little bit of history, all while getting a great workout to Uncle Mike's happy polka music. The audience is invited to do the "Chicken Dance" and "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes"; play name that tune for polka versions of three children's classics; and sing along to all of Uncle Mike's catchy polka songs. Two optional video segments briefly quiz attendees on three "dream" vacation destinations, and teach the steps to the polka - Wisconsin's official state dance!

Length of Program: 45-60 minutes, flexible according to venue need.

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$250 per program

Mileage: 2012 IRS mileage rate

Additional Fees: \$100 for nights requiring a hotel stay. (As I am in the Milwaukee area, this will not likely apply to most programs booked in the Winnefox System.) Lodging expense to be split among participating libraries during a given trip.

Discount: Mileage to be split among participating libraries during a given trip

For any day with 2 or more bookings, I am happy to offer a \$25 discount per program, dropping my base fee from \$250 to \$225. I also split all mileage and applicable lodging fees among all participating libraries during a given trip, so what might be a \$400 fee for one library might be a \$275 fee per program with 3 shows booked on a given day, for example. Please don't hesitate to call or email with questions!

Artist Comments: With nearly 100 bookings for Summer 2012 already scheduled, it's going to be another busy one. However, I still have plenty of open dates in July and August and would love the opportunity to bring Pint Size Polkas to your library!

Mary Tooley

Art in a Suitcase

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Stage Name: Art in a Suitcase

Performance Title: 2 programs are available: Going Batty - Animals That Work The Night Shift
Dream Big - You Can Be An Astronaut

Performance Description: **Going Batty:** True facts about nocturnal animals; bats, opossums, fireflies, raccoons, owls and skunks, will be highlighted in this program. The suitcases will be filled with puppets and science specimens, plus each audience member will do a hands on possum project to take home.

You Can Be An Astronaut: Cub Canabearal, the space bear, will help present true facts about being an astronaut and traveling in the solar system. Audience members will create a superstar art project to take home.

Length of Program: 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Going Batty tells about what is going on at night when the children are dreaming.

You Can Be An Astronaut ties into the theme by exploring a career in astronomy or aerospace; in other words, having big dreams!

Fee: \$195.00 (mileage and art supplies included)

Mileage: Included

Discount: For 2 bookings on the same day the total fee would be \$280.00

Artist Comments: I would love to return to your area this summer with my suitcases and art supplies!

Fred Turk

Grandpa Fred Turk



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Stage Name: Grandpa Fred Turk

Performance Title: Dream Big Even If You Are Little

Performance Description: Fred has been performing his songs in libraries, schools, and other events for over 30 years. The Milwaukee Zoo considers Fred their primer family entertainer. All of Fred's songs are participatory with most having audience members helping Fred on stage using instruments, puppets, and other props. This makes the children the true stars of the show. Being a retired elementary teacher, Fred knows how to work with kids. Check him in action.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The summer theme is interwoven throughout the show. Dreaming about having pets, driving daddy's car, or having an important job like their parents have, are all showcased through Fred's songs. In addition, Fred does two songs in Spanish.

Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: Included

Discount: 25% discount for 2 shows on the same day. Shows need not be in the same library but should be close enough I can arrive on time.

Artist Comments:

Maureen vanAmerongen

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Stage Name: Mrs. vanAmerongen

Van am er on gen (hard g) ...it's a foreign language!

Performance Title:

Performance Description: You choose your dream destination, or allow me...a typical "Passport to the World" Dream: Travel... presentation includes an elementary introduction to the whole world, a quick world map / globe geography lesson of continents and oceans, 2 fun easy geography songs, dress-up in typical local destination costume, and the reading, enacting and reviewing of one picture book story (from your shelves, or the Passport to the World Book List, see website) about a typical child in our destination country). To conclude the program, a typical authentic snack is introduced and served. And of course, if we happen to be in Asia, souvenir chopsticks will be provided!

Length of Program: 1 hour up to 90 minutes (includes into, dress-ups, songs, story and snack)

Theme Incorporation: Traveling abroad is just a dream for many, but at the library, dreams can come true! Everyone, young and old, can travel to faraway places, learn about different cultures, and meet new people, through books! When I was young, not in my wildest dreams! Would I have believed my travels would take me crisscrossing Europe by bicycle, for a year! Or through Japan and Southeast Asia, up the Silk Road in Pakistan and across China! Imagine...Dream Big Read and Travel!

Fee: \$200 per program

Mileage: 2012 IRS mileage rate

Additional Fees: Authentic snack from travel destination is provided for audience of 25, add \$20 for each additional 25 participants. Gyoza, Edamame, Fried Plantains. Yum!

Discount: Negotiable

Artist Comments: Passport to the World is an award-winning educational program and a great fantasy travel and learning experience for all ages from preschoolers to grandparents!

Amy Wilde



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Stage Name: Amy Wilde

Performance Title: Henna Body Art Workshop

Performance Description: This program focuses on beautiful art of Mehndi (or henna). Amy covers the history and traditions of henna use in different cultures around the world. She shows to how to make henna paste, designs, and gives instructions on how to apply it. She answers questions as she goes along. In the second part of the program, supplies are passed out for participants to use on each other. Amy does a limited number of drawings on some participants. This program requires a minimum of two hours within a maximum of 25 participants because supplies are involved. This gives her time to work individually with all the participants.

Length of Program: 2 hours

Theme Incorporation: I can henna characters from books and promote reading books on art and drawing.

Fee: \$75.00 per hour

If the program has more than 25 participants there will be an extra charge for materials, If it is an extremely large group I can have an assistant come in for an additional fee.

Mileage: Additional

Discount:

Artist Comments:

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Performance Title: Imagireadination Fantabookasy

Performance Description: Looking for something exciting, fun, and educational for your Summer Reading Program? Let Wise Guy and His Gal entertain you with their comedy/variety show, "Imagireadination Fantabookasy." Kids will see how books and their imaginations can enable them to create a world of learning, excitement, and fun. Style of show is a series of very fast moving 3 - 5 minute comedy sketches using acting/storytelling, singing, dancing, puppets, audience participation, and lots of comedy. Topics of sketches are Dragons/Dinosaurs, Wise Guy and His Gal Theme Son, Monsters/Fears/Books, Dance Styles (audience participation), Temper Tantrums, Hometown Idol (audience participation), the Industrial Revolution (audience participation), The Oregon Trail, Name that Book (audience participation) and Ending Song. Target age is 4 - 10 but show is designed to entertain all ages, even adults.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$250 for 1 performance

\$400 for 2 performances booked together that can be performed on the same day

Mileage:

Discount:

Artist Comments: Performing area: flexible, from a minimum of 12 feet by 12 feet to a full theatrical facility.

Requirements: electrical outlet; show is complete with set and sound system.
45 minutes set up time and 30 minutes take down time.

Jack Zolkowski

Soda Pups



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Performance Title:

Performance Description: Show consists as follows: obedience and agility demonstrations with the "Famous Green Bay Packer Trick."

The "Soda Pups" dog show has been entertaining and educating children of all ages for the past 12 years. Jack does a great job keeping the children's attention and involving them in the dog show. Every year he does something in the act to fit with the summer reading program.

The show includes agility, dog tricks, obedience, and audience participation. Each dog, cleverly named after a soft drink (Ginger Ale, Sierra Mist, Squirt, Dr. Pepper, and RB (Root Beer) performs their own tricks. Each shows off their talents and abilities. Sierra Mist rides a remote controlled toy Hummer, much to the enjoyment and riotous laughter of the audience. From there the show includes a variety of demonstrations to basic and fascinating obedience and agility skills. Obedience is exemplified by the dogs in the "Famous Green Bay Packer Trick." Jack lines up the dogs, lay down a treat for each, encourages each one to come and get the treat with a variety of enticing verbal commands, but to no avail. No dog makes a move until the famous works "Okay Packers."

Length of Program: Structured show lasts approximately 45 minutes and after the show the children may pet the dogs.

Theme Incorporation: I would explain to my audience how all our dogs when puppies, went to obedience classes, agility classes, and learned the many tricks that they can do thru constant practice. All my dogs are also certified pet therapy dogs. You can become anything you want to be such as a professional baseball, basketball, football or soccer player with constant practice. Just like my dogs when they were puppies "Dream Big."

Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

Discount: If booked through Winnefox a \$25 discount would apply.

Artist Comments: The "Soda Pups" Dog Show was booked by 32 different libraries in 2011. Every library was a full house. We added a fifth dog, Root Beer, to our dog show for 2012 Summer Reading Program. We also incorporated new tricks into our dog show.