

# 2015 PERFORMER SELECTION BOOK



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This booklet and a calendar of performers booked by Winnefox is located on the WLS Extranet SLP page.



The intent of this Performer Selection Booklet is to provide Winnefox Library System member libraries with the most accurate and up-to-date information about local performers who have responded to our annual request for information. Inclusion in this booklet does not guarantee performers bookings and it does not constitute an endorsement or promotion of any individual or group by Winnefox Library System. The Department of Public Instruction List of Performers is located at <a href="http://pld.dpi.wi.gov/pld\_performers">http://pld.dpi.wi.gov/pld\_performers</a>.

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#### WLS Participation Options and Guidelines for Booking Performers

#### Level 1: Full Assistance

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 booking. Provide the following information with your request:

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

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

After Winnefox staff have finalized 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 one week 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

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

After your library has contacted the artist to prearrange 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. Provide the following information:

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

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

After Winnefox staff have finalized 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 one week 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.

#### **2015 PERFORMER SELECTION FORM**

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

#### **Twila Bergeron**



Contact: Twila Bergeron

**Primary Phone:** (414) 418-0261 cell

Address: 8605 N Greenvale Rd

**Secondary Phone:** 

Bayside, WI 53217

Email: tbergeron@wi.rr.com

Website: twilabergeronmusic.com

Contact Preference: 1st email; 2nd phone Best time to call: 8 am - 11 am M-F

Stage Name: Twila Bergeron

Performance Title: Women's Music Historian

**Performance Description:** Twila presents music dealing with a particular subject matter in women's history:

suffrage, peace-making and the anti-war movement of the 60's or an overview of

women's songwriters.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Heroines in women's history abound from the suffragettes to the peace demonstrators.

As an example of a "behind-the-scenes" story, many suffragettes took to riding bicycles and took to wearing bloomers while doing so! This was considered highly scandalous

at the time!

Fee: \$75 per 45 minutes plus mileage: Twila only

\$125 per 45 minutes plus mileage: Twila and Deborah

Mileage: additional

**Discount:** 

#### **Jeffrey Carpenter**

Contact: Jeffrey Carpenter Primary Phone: (920) 735-0435 cell

Address: 4706 West Prairie Song Lane Secondary Phone: (920) 968-8089 landline

Appleton, WI 54913 Email: mrcstory@yahoo.com

Website:

Contact Preference: 1st email; 2nd phone Best time to call: 8-8:30 am; 11:30 am -12:15 pm; 3:15-5 pm

**Stage Name:** J. Freddy the Super Librarian

**Performance Title:** Every Hero Has Story

**Performance Description:** Heroes come in all shapes and sizes. J. Freddy entertains children of all ages using

audience participation, storytelling, comedy magic, and more. He creates goal-directed, library theme programs tailored to the audience's age and interests. As a school library media professional, Jeff motivates readers in an entertaining manner to use their local

library for everything from recreational reading to serious research.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Every hero has a story and children will hear engaging stories, see comedy magic

tricks, and watch as balloon creations celebrating a variety of super heroes are made. There are heroic stories about people like Harry Houdini to super heroes of today. J. Freddy, dressed as a "super librarian" superhero character, will deliver this entertaining program where patrons discover how their local public library is a source of "super

power" that "recharges" readers!

Fee: \$165 per 45-60 minute program

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile.

**Discount:** 10% discount for multiple bookings on the same day

**Artist Comments:** Optional Workshops following performance:

Super Hero balloon workshop Library patrons make balloon animals and figures to take home. In addition, audience watch a super hero be created using balloons for the

librarian to keep for the library or give away.

Hero in you magic workshop Attendees learn how to do a variety of magic tricks, and receive "hands on training" on how to do perform them. Please call to discuss pricing.

#### Jim Cruise The "Spoon Man"

**Contact:** Jim Cruise

**Primary Phone:** (888) 859-6158 landline

**Address:** PO Box 53

**Secondary Phone:** (616) 262-2459 cell

Jenison, MI 49429

**Email:** info@spoonman.biz

Website: getspooned.com

Contact Preference: 1st phone; 2nd email Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: The "Amazing Spoon Man"

**Performance Title:** The "Amazing Spoon Man"

**Performance Description:** The "Spoon Man" offers a hilarious musical interactive comedy program for all ages.

He gives a real stirring performance. Everyone will really eat him up. No bibs required. The "Spoon Man" has a totally clean act. He never uses dirty silverware. He will leave

a lasting impression after playing on you (literally). It's a spoonful of family fun.

His program contains several outrageous impressions such as Glen Miller and Elvis combining together, A Heavy Metal Spoon Player and A Rap Spoon Player. He has an audience sing-a-long competition. He creates a Mountain Band out of members of the audience. You may also see him play forks and knives. In addition you will have the

opportunity to join his growing list of The "SPOONED"

Length of Program: 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** In my show I will talk about the importance of reading and following your dreams.

How with just 2 spoons and using my imagination anything is possible in life. I'm married with 5 children and a mortgage and support my family by playing the spoons. Only in this great country "The United States" could someone make a living playing

the spoons. 26 years and going strong.

**Fee:** As low as \$300 with multiple bookings.

Hotel room may be needed the night before. It would depend on my routing.

**Mileage:** Mileage is included in the fee.

**Discount:** 

#### Jean-Andrew Dickmann

Contact: Jean-Andrew Dickmann Primary Phone: (414) 962-4425 landline

**Address:** 1160 E Singer Circle **Secondary Phone:** 

Milwaukee, WI 53212 Email: Jean-Andrew@storylore.net

Website: storylore.net

Contact Preference: 1st phone; 2nd email Best time to call: After 1 pm

Stage Name: Jean-Andrew of STORYLORE

**Performance Title:** Tales of Valor

Performance Description: Live, oral storytelling! It engages the listeners, stimulates their imaginations and

encourages them to find more exciting tales in library books!

Jean-Andrew is a master storyteller who can adapt her programs to the age and/or make

-up of the audience. The stories invite participation and interaction.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** "Tales of Valor" will highlight some of the best hero tales from folklore and children's

literature.

Indeed... the foolish giant, the leprechaun under the bed, the little woman who lost her

dumpling, the frog by rabbit's house, the boy who knew what a dragon looks like and

more... all have their STORY!

Fee: \$200 per program

Mileage: Standard IRS Rate

**Discount:** 10% discount for 2 or 3 nearby libraries that book on the same day

#### **David HB Drake Organic Arts**



Contact: David HB Drake **Primary Phone:** (414) 702-6053 cell

**Address:** Organic Arts **Secondary Phone:** 

> PO Box 070646 Email: david@davidhbdrake.com

Milwaukee, WI 53207-0646 Website: davidhbdrake.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: David HB Drake

**Performance Title:** American Heroes in Song and Story

**Performance Description:** David sings songs and tells tales of American Heroes, both real and legendary,

including Yankee Doodle, Abe Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, Woody Guthrie, and the

nameless workers who built this country.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: America has many heroic people who made this country what is. From the legendary

"Yankee Doodle" of the Revolution to the very real Abe Lincoln and Woody Guthrie to

the many unknown railroad workers, sailors, thinkers, and pioneers who each has a

story or song to celebrate how we got to where we are today.

Fee: \$200 per program

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

**Discount:** 25% discount for 2 or 3 nearby libraries that book on the same day.

#### Kay Elmsley-Weeden

Contact: Kay Elmsley-Weeden Primary Phone: (608) 873-4668 landline

**Address:** 126 Manilla Street **Secondary Phone:** (608) 658-8523 cell

Stoughton, WI 53589 Email: kaytales@gmail.com

Website:

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd phone

Best time to call: Available most daytimes

Stage Name: The Clever Storyteller La Cuentista Lista

Performance Title: ¡Say Olé!

**Performance Description:** Kay's programs are designed for the summer library program ages 4-12. Her dual-

language programs include stories, songs, and activities that pertain to the reading program theme. Kay is best known for her bilingual storytelling method, seamlessly incorporating Spanish and English in the same story. Programs are designed to include

the audience in the telling of the story, and may include a dance.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The program would include bilingual stories about heroes, including a story promoting

self-esteem and heroism in all of us. A hero is someone who takes action on behalf of others in need, so a variety of fun stories showing what a hero is – and what isn't – can be told. I think of stories along the lines of Don Quijote as a hero "wanna be," as well

as stories about animals or people that truly act on others' behalf.

Fee: \$200 per program

Mileage: \$0.30 per mile

**Discount:** \$25 per program reduction for more than one booking, splitting mileage

#### Stephanie Feuerstein Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service

Contact: Stephanie Feuerstein Primary Phone: (920) 385-8599 cell

**Address:** 1085 Hughes Ct. **Secondary Phone:** 

Neenah, WI 54956 Email: stephatac@gmail.com

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Website:

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone

Best time to call: 11 am - 2 pm

Stage Name: Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service

**Performance Title:** Super "Heroes" or Super "Critters?"

**Performance Description:** Why do so many super heroes have special powers that animals already have? Because it's

what makes them so good at surviving! Learn about the special adaptations that super heroes have "borrowed" from animals to become so strong, and see how those animals use those

adaptations in their own lives to survive.

Performance will start with a hero-based story and will continue with a comparison of superheroes to animals and their adaptations for survival. Children will be encouraged to dress up for the show so their costumes can be compared to the animals and their "super-powers" that help them to survive. This program is highly interactive and entertaining and is appropriate for

all ages.

**Length of Program:** 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: By comparing the various super-heroes to animals and their adaptations, the children will gain

an understanding of the means in which the super-hero have acquired or developed their "super-hero" status. They will be able to associate the special powers that the heroes have to the

adaptations that the animals have so they are able to survive on a day to day basis.

The students will be encouraged to create a story about if they could become a super hero themselves, what type of "special powers" would they want to have to make them succeed? Some students will be able to share their stories with the other kids, while others will be

encouraged to write their stories down when they return home.

Fee: \$150 per 60 minute program. If live animals are included in the program, there is an additional

\$50 fee for each program.

Mileage: IRS mileage rate charged for destinations beyond 30 miles from Neenah, WI.

**Discount:** If 2 programs are offered in the same day, the 2nd program is \$100

#### **Wayne Francis**

Contact: Wayne Francis Primary Phone: (303) 331-2778 cell

**Address:** 11415 W Atlantic Ave **Secondary Phone:** 

Lakewood, CO 80227 Email: wayneandwingnut@aol.com

Website: WayneFrancis.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Wayne & Wingnut / Comedy Ventriloquist

Performance Title: Be Someone's Hero

**Performance Description:** Let Wayne & Wingnut barmstorm their way into your heart! This comedy/

ventriloquism show has "life-sized" puppet characters, original jokes/music and lots of fun audience in the show bits. Take a ride on your imagination as each mew character is produced and you willingly leave reality. Our fun cast of characters includes a big floppy bird named Rodney, a Spanish mermaid named Serina, a Chihuahua named Chico and of course Wingnut the pilot! This hilarious adventure is raged G for "good"

fun" and is appropriate for any age audience.

**Length of Program:** 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: This year's show is entitled "Be Someone's Hero" Wayne Francis is the director of a

non profit called Hunger Heroes. (Hunger Heroes.org) Perfect for this year's theme, Wayne and company will be talking about first responders and the role they play in society. We will look at and encourage ways the children can make the world a better place by identifying people around you who need your help and stepping in when you can to "BE SOMEONE'S HERO". This is a wonderful show that will leave you

laughing and with something to think about.

Fee: \$350 per show & \$200 each additional show

\$300 per show when block booked in group of 5 or more shows

Mileage:

**Discount:** 

## Billy Grisack "Mr. Billy"

Contact: Billy Grisack Primary Phone: (920) 309-1132 cell

**Address:** 1401 S Nicolet Rd **Secondary Phone:** 

Appleton, WI 54914 Email: misterbillyrocks@gmail.com

Website: misterbilly.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: Before 2 pm

Stage Name: Mr. Billy

**Performance Title:** Super Superhero Songs

**Performance Description:** Classic rock and original songs that appeal to ALL ages. Small children are entertained,

older children have fun and parents bond with their kids. Guitar, drums and vocals great to watch and to sing/dance and play to. Props like paper jams electric guitars and

other "hands on" interactive schtick are always included. Books, authors the

importance of reading and the library are featured thought every upbeat performance.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Mr. Billy's 2014 summer reading concert series is based on his top selling "Super

Superhero Songs" CD and more. The setlist changes from show to show depending on

the age group, here are some of the songs available...

1. A Guy Named Stan (About author Stan Lee)

2. Superman Mania

- 3. Bowling for Heroes (Heroes take a day off to bowl)
- 4. Green (all green superheroes)
- 5. Villains On Vacation
- 6 Batman

MORE (we have over 350 songs to choose from)

Fee: \$250 Acoustic only show (acoustic guitar & cajon drum ), indoors small spaces

\$300 Electrified acoustic show (add PA)

\$350 Electric rock and roll show (electric guitar, electric, drum set)

Mileage: None

**Discount:** Discounts available for multiple bookings at the same location or close by

#### **Bruce Hetzler**



**Contact:** Bruce Hetzler

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Address: 925 C East Windfield Place

Secondary Phone: (920) 832-6704 landline

Appleton, WI 54911

Email: bruce@hetzlermagic.com

Website: wisconsin-library-magic.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** 11 am - 1 pm M-F

Stage Name: Bruce Hetzler

**Performance Title:** The Magic of Bruce Hetzler

**Performance Description:** I present a program that explores the wonderful world of reading, the library, and the

magic found in books. Children will delight in the magic, and also learn how important it is to read books. The show is full of laughs, comedy, magic, corny things that children love, and lots of audience participation. As a special bonus, all children

present receive a free, colorful, sturdy bookmark.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The details of the show are still being planned, but will include the story of Fearless

Fred, the Daredevil Worm. This is a delightful trick that uses 3 helpers from the

audience.

Fee: \$275

Mileage: \$0.56.5 per mile

**Discount:** \$50 discount for each library if there are 2 or more library shows on a single day.

#### Jason Huneke

Contact: Jason Huneke Primary Phone: (612) 666-7217 cell

**Address:** 214 4th St. E #234 **Secondary Phone:** 

Saint Paul, MN 55101 Email: Jason@jasonhuneke.com

Website: jasonhuneke.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Jason Huneke

Performance Title: Jason Huneke's Juggling Show

**Performance Description:** Jason's juggling show is a fast paced, fun and funny show great for kids of all ages.

Jason entertains his audiences with juggling up to 5 balls, clubs and rings, juggling on a 6 foot unicycle, manipulating a top hat and optional juggling of knives and flaming torches. There are many audience volunteers joining Jason on stage to help out with

several stunts.

**Length of Program:** 30 - 40 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Jason brings up several audience members during his show to help out with his act.

These volunteers turn into heroes after completing their part of the act. Jason's act is a compilation of different types of juggling, and many of these short acts have stories to them. For example, Jason performs with a "Diablo", the Chinese form of juggling and tells of how he learned this type of juggling, and explains the different tricks that can be

done with it.

**Fee:** \$300 for one program

\$250 per program for 2 shows at same location, or nearby library on the same day

Mileage: None

**Discount:** 

## **Bob Kann Storyteller / Juggler / Magician**

Contact: Bob Kann

**Primary Phone:** (608) 257-0958

landline

**Address:** 462 Marston Ave

**Secondary Phone:** 

Madison, WI 53703

Email: bobkann@charter.net

Website: bobkann.com

Contact Preference: 1st email; 2nd phone Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Bob Kann: Storyteller/Juggler/Magician

Performance Title: Heroes: Stories about kids who save the world

**Performance Description:** You don't have to be big or strong to be a hero. And you don't have to be a grown-up

either. Join the fun and learn about kids- that's right, kids – who have saved the world. These exciting tales of fact and fiction are primarily drawn from curricula Bob has written about real-life heroes. Experience the heroic adventures of children with storytelling, magic, juggling, and audience participation guaranteed to inspire and

entertain all ages.

Check out Bob's online curriculum about heroes at:

It's Our World, Too! Community Service Projects for Young People to Make a

Difference

http://www.wi-bpdd.org/publications/2009/Its%20Our%20World%20Too.pdf

**Length of Program:** 40 - 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** This entire program is designed to promote the "Every Hero Has a Story" theme.

**Fee:** \$350 for one performance

\$600 for two performances on the same day

Mileage: None

#### **Paul Kinzer**



Contact: Paul Kinzer Primary Phone: (608) 582-9930 landline

**Address:** 17307 North Main St. **Secondary Phone:** 

Galesville, WI 54630 Email: winapaul@centurytel.net

Website: seeingstarswi@wordpress.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: After 9 am

Stage Name: Seeing Stars

**Performance Title:** Heroes in the Sky (constellations from mythology; scientists, and astronauts, too!)

**Performance Description:** Some of the oldest stories of heroes are told in the sky every night through

constellations bearing the names of Hercules and Perseus, and monsters like Cetus and Hydra, plus kings and queens, and a mighty sailing ship. We look at these inside a portable planetarium which shows us the night sky during the day. In addition to the ancient heroes, we'll talk about heroes of science, like Galileo, who took on old ideas and those who supported them, at the risk of his own life, to show us the universe. Astronauts have done amazing things as well, and we'll see some pictures from NASA,

showing humans in space and on the moon.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes (minimum) to 1-1/2 hours. Other presentations are available, and described

on my website.

**Theme Incorporation:** I'm creating a special presentation specific to this theme. See above, under

'Performance Title'. I also offer 'star parties', where we go under the real night sky with telescopes to look at What's Up There. We use a green laser pointer to show folks

the constellations, including those of ancient heroes like Hercules and Perseus.

Fee: \$130 for 1 program in a single day

\$240 for 2 programs in a single day

\$350 for 3 programs in a single day

\$450 for 4 programs in a single day

Add \$90 for each additional group above four

Mileage: \$0.30 per mile

**Discount:** 

**Artist Comments:** Star Parties are also available for \$175. They are about 90 minutes long, after dark, no

limit to the number of attendants.

#### **David Landau**

Contact: David Landau

Primary Phone: (608) 246-2057 landline

Email: David.Landau75@gmail.com

**Address:** 29 S Fair Oaks Ave

Secondary Phone:

Madison, WI 53714

Website: happytrails.biz

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd phone Best time to call: 12 - 4 pm M-F

Stage Name: David Landau

Performance Title: Music and Laughter for Kids

**Performance Description:** This is an upbeat musical program that keeps kids engaged and on their toes. The kids

sing some, move some, learn some, act some, dance some, shout just a little bit, and

laugh a bunch.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The kids are always the heroes at my shows. I do not choose 1 or 2 out of the audience.

I ask the entire audience to be a part of the action. That way we can all act as

firefighters ("The Firefighter Song") driving the truck, putting out the fire, keeping the

neighborhood safe, and being the hero.

Fee: \$250 for 1 performance

\$150 for each additional performance

Mileage: None

**Discount:** 

#### **Ron Lindberg**

Contact: Ron Lindberg

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**Secondary Phone:** 

Appleton, WI 54915

Email: abramagic@juno.com

Website: Abramagic.com

Contact Preference: 1st Phone; 2nd Email Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Rondini

**Performance Title:** Rondini presents: HOUDINI a real American Hero

**Performance Description:** Rondini got his start in magic in about 1974 by reading a book from the Menasha

Library. In fact they were his 1<sup>st</sup> paid customer. Now, many years later Rondini is a full time magician as well as a part-time substitute teacher. In his 2015 program, Rondini will perform some of his favorite magical effects as well as teach the patrons via use of Houdini posters and other items about the life of Wisconsin's own Harry Houdini. All the shows will feature magic to music, Einstein the worlds cutest bunny,

audience participation and even a Houdini escape.

**Length of Program:** 30 - 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** In his 2015 program, Rondini will perform some of his favorite magical effects as well

as teach the patrons via use of Houdini posters and other items about the life of Wisconsin's own Harry Houdini. All the shows will feature magic to music, Einstein

the worlds cutest bunny, audience participation and even a Houdini escape.

Fee: \$225 for a 30 minute show if Rondini performs alone

\$480 for a 45 minute show if Rondini brings an assistant and performs a show with

larger illusion

\$600 plus travel for 3 half hour shows on the same date within 30 minute radius of each

other

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

**Discount:** Available for multiple bookings over several days

#### Paul Merklein

**Contact:** Paul Merklein

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**Secondary Phone:** 

Silver Spring, MD 20901

Email: paul@greatbigfaces.com

Website: greatbigfaces.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone Best time to call: Before noon M-F

Stage Name: Paul Merklein, Cartoonist & Speaker

Performance Title: See Super Heroes! Be A Super Hero!

**Performance Description:** Paul Merklein draws great big famous super heroes and people right from the audience,

entertaining everyone at your library! Paul demonstrates how everyone has their own super powers, and how we can use our super powers to help other people. At the end

of the program, Paul gives away all of the drawings.

Paul Merklein also teaches "How to draw Super Heroes", a hands-on creative drawing

workshop for Teens & Tweens.

Length of Program: 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Paul chooses someone from the audience – a boy or girl - and draws them as a super

hero. Paul also talks about how everyone in the audience has their own super power

and can be a super hero.

Fee: \$350 for one program

Mileage: None

**Discount:** Discount available for 2 or more programs on the same date

**Artist Comments:** Paul Merklein is available to visit libraries on these dates: June 15 - 19 and July 6 - 10

#### **Otis Miller**



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**Stage Name:** Miller and Mike

**Performance Title:** The Miller and Mike Show

Performance Description: We are former Ringling Bros. Circus Clowns. This comedy juggling show is high-

energy and fast paced combining circus skills, audience participation and lots of good

clean comedy.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: A hero is someone who can do extraordinary things and is brave enough to do them,

much like a circus performer. We will sing about heroes and encourage kids to be

brave enough to try new things.

Fee: \$400 per show

\$350 for each additional show on the same day even if located at a different library

Mileage:

**Discount:** 



#### Michael (Mike) Neumeyer

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Best time to call: 10:00 am

Stage Name: Mike Neumeyer

Performance Title: Marimba (or Vibraphone) & Piano Variety Show

Performance Description: Jokes, music, juggling, and a VERY cool instrument; the marimba! (or vibraphone!)

I play and present percussion instruments. Whether it is being played or not, the marimba/vibraphone is visually appealing. They are very large and they are played with four mallets at one time! There are not many musical sounds that are more natural and pleasing than bars of wood being played by soft yarn or soothing metal bars...oooh...

The presentation includes great music making, fun jokes/comedy and even juggling! Very cool activities to balance out learning about a new instrument! For younger audiences I present the marimba as an entity in itself, teaching them about the instrument and engaging them in participatory activities using movement, listening, and singing. An example of this is on my "color-coded mallets" activity. Audience members get to choose a color of mallet that I am using to follow with their eyes while I play. Then, those mallets give commands to hop, skip, gallop, and other fun movements. Listeners and watchers also might be asked to step to the beat that the right hand is moving to, while other listeners are following the left hand. Many variations of these games exist.

Depending on the size of the group, audience members will get opportunities to look at the instrument very closely and even play it! Singing activities are very applicable for the marimba, playing harmonies under our voices just like a guitar. Tunes I like to play and sing include well-known fold songs, nursery rhymes, Disney tunes, and more. For older listeners, I like playing cheesy hit and video game themes or playing popular tunes on marimba, like Beatles tunes for example.

**Performing Area:** 10 x 10 feet indoor area, plus room for audience and potential movement activities

**Length of Program:** 45-60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** I didn't start playing marimba and vibraphone until I was in college! Now I have several pieces published and I am a performing artist! My story has a small heroism to it. I think music and arts is a way to "become the hero" that we all picture, even if it is only a small amount of time on stage.

Students could be brought up to play small percussion instruments or hold fake microphones to sing into! They can get out of their shell and interact with a performing artist and an audience as well! This is a way they could directly experience the hero that I like to become when I step onto a stage!

**Fee:** \$300.00 per show

Vibraphone show is only \$200 plus mileage

Mileage: \$0.555 per mile

**Discount:** Discounts may be negotiated for multiple performances

#### Scott Obermann

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Best time to call: 9 am - 4 pm any day of week

Stage Name: Great Scott "It Must Be Magic!"

**Performance Title:** Authentic American Heroes

**Performance Description:** Magic & ventriloquism combine with plenty of humor, audience interaction and

participation in this fun-tastic, factual look at historical heroes from America. Audience members assist – in costume. Appropriate mood setting music and books are used. Custom backdrop and sound system sets the stage for a theater-like event for families.

**Length of Program:** 45-50 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** This program will explore, in brief, the major accomplishments of several Americans

who have distinguished themselves through acts of courage or outstanding

achievement. People like Amelia Earhart, Neal Armstrong, Abraham Lincoln, Susan B Anthony, Harriet Tubman & Thomas Edison will be the subject of the program. We'll not only talk about them, but point patrons to books written especially about each person. All of this will tie together with illusions or ventriloquist skits designed to get

the audience involved and peak their interest to know more about these great

Americans.

Fee: 1 program: \$355

2 programs within 40 minutes of each other: \$325/show

3 programs with no more than 40 minute drive between each: \$295/show

Mileage: None

**Discount:** 

#### **Randy Peterson**

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**Stage Name:** Randy Peterson

Performance Title: "Tommy Wants To Meet A Superhero"

Performance Description: Music and storytelling. Audience participation filled, sing-along fun. My program is

presented as a musical story, with lively songs and narration moving the plot forward

and keeping the audience engaged throughout.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Told with songs and storytelling, this is the story of a boy who wants to meet a real

superhero. He meets a firefighter, doctor, teacher, a veteran, even a guide dog, but is

still holding out for one with a cape.

It takes Superman and Batman themselves (in a dream) to show Tommy that his real

heroes are those who keep him strong, healthy and safe, and it is the teachers and

librarians who show that through reading, he can be a hero too.

Fee: Negotiable, starting at \$325

Mileage: None

**Discount:** Multiple booking discount available

#### Kathryn (Kathy) Prestidge

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Best time to call: After 3:00 pm

Stage Name: Kathy Prestidge

**Performance Title:** Stories and More

**Performance Description:** Kathy will present a lively program of traditional and modern folktales with a twist of

humor, a kernel of truth and a tingle of suspense. Her stories feature fairytale heroes and kid-down-the-block heroes. In addition, she offers "Maker" programs which include stories and related activities: Origami Tales (with paper folding activity), String Tales (with string figure activity), Pancake Tales (with creative pancake cooking), Pocket Tales (with portable pocket activity) and Baking Tales (with break making activity). Want something unique - just ask, there is more magic up her sleeve. All programs are flexible according to audience, space and occasion. She has been entertaining audiences from preschoolers to seniors since 1983 as a librarian, teacher,

free lance storyteller and workshop presenter.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 90 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Every tale has a hero and many stories include fairytale heroes as well as child heroes

and everyday-people-you-meet-on-the-street heroes. Participants in the "Maker"

programs will be heroes when they accomplish the project!

Fee: \$125 minimum for 50 minutes

\$10-25 materials charge for "Maker" programs with up to 50 participants; flexible

Mileage: No mileage charged if within 50 miles of Appleton

\$0.35/mile if more than 50 miles from Appleton

**Discount:** Discounts available for multiple bookings in the same location or geographical area

#### **Daryl Rogers**



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**Best time to call:** Anytime, leave a message

**Stage Name:** Magician Daryl Rogers

Performance Title: Magicians Can Be Heroes, Too!

**Performance Description:** Daryl performs the classic tricks of magic and dresses the part of a Golden Age of Magic magician by wearing a full white-tie-and-tails tuxedo. This is the magic show kids will remember! Routines include Linking Rings done to music, the mysterious Zombie Ball, and the classic Cut and Restored Rope. The audience will enjoy 45 minutes of ongoing tricks that will keep everyone engaged. Daryl uses volunteers for several routines, and each participant receives a Magician's Assistant certificate.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Starting with the question, "Can a magician be heroic?" Daryl shares several stories of famous magicians who were indeed heroic. Kids will be amazed hearing of magicians who have done things like save a theater full of people from a fire, protect the Suez Canal and quell an uprising. Daryl will perform tricks done by these and other famous magicians, and let kids know that anyone can do heroic things!

Fee: \$150 per show

Mileage: IRS mileage rate for bookings over 20 miles from Fond du Lac

**Discount:** Discounts for same-day multiple bookings at the same or nearby libraries within 20

miles

#### Taku Ronsman



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Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd phone

message if no answer

Stage Name: Rhythms & Tunes with Ms Taku

**Performance Title:** Every Hero Has a Story, Song & Dance

Performance Description: Learn what inspired popular fictional and real life heroes and heroines to take heroic

action. Children will drum, sing, and dance to songs associated with the heroes/

heroines, or that reflect the ideals the heroes/heroines represent.

**Length of Program:** 45–60 minutes as requested by the library

**Theme Incorporation:** •

- Children and their families will be shown photos/drawings of popular fictional and real life heroes from around the world, and will be told an anecdote about each character that indicates what it was that inspired them to take heroic action.
- Songs associated with, or that reflect the ideals of the selected heroes and heroines, will be played for the children to drum, sing, and dance to.
- A variety of "dress up" props will be provided to make the experience more fun for the children.
- Parents, caregivers, and children will be encouraged to check out books about their favorite heroes and heroines.

Fee: \$100 - \$200 based on distance from Green Bay and the library budget

Mileage: None

**Discount:** Discount for multiple bookings

#### **Steve Russell**



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Website: SteveRussellJuggles.com

Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd phone Best time to call: Anytime Monday - Friday

Stage Name: Steve Russell, Comic Juggler

Performance Title: Comedy With a Catch!

**Performance Description:** Steve Russell presents a fresh, lively comedy and juggling act that reflects his strong

support of public libraries. In addition to juggling, his show features balancing, comedy, magic, and engaging audience participation. Reading themes are incorporated throughout the show. Steve was an instructor for Ringling Bros. Circus, and has appeared on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, Live with Regis and Kelly, at Disney theme parks, and even on Broadway! This is a true family show. The adults laugh as

much as the kids! Steve Russell offers great juggling and great fun!

Note: ceiling height is **never** an issue! If Steve can stand up, he can do a show.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** There is no direct tie-in with the theme, at this time, but Steve is an improvisational guy.

So, there will be hero references.

**Fee:** 1show: \$525 plus \$0.50/mile outside of a 100 mile radius

2 libraries on the same day: \$400 per show & no mileage charged

3 libraries on the same day: \$350 per show & no mileage charged

**Mileage:** See above

**Discount:** Substantial discounts available for block bookings

#### Mike Schneider Uncle Mike



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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Uncle Mike

**Performance Title:** Pint Size Polkas / "Real American Heroes"

**Performance Description:** Prepare yourself for a musical journey highlighting the accomplishments of legendary heroes like aviator Amelia Earhart, engineer Casey Jones, firefighter Molly Williams, and lumberjack Paul Bunyan with Uncle Mike's "Real American Heroes" show. Participation opportunities abound! Your young patrons will be invited to wear hats similar to those worn by the heroes listed above while the audience guesses the jobs that go with them. Everyone will have fun answering age and theme-appropriate trivia questions on the aforementioned heroes and will be encouraged to check out books that go with them!

> Catchy sing-along polka songs and a quick round of "Name that Tune" further complement the program theme, and of course, no one goes home without doing the "Chicken Dance" and a special polka version of "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes." Plenty of singing, dancing, and education make this show fun for the whole family!

Length of Program: 45 minutes, flexible according to event need

**Theme Incorporation:** Each occupation segment will relate to American Heroes like Amelia Earhart, Casey

Jones, Molly Williams, and Paul Bunyan. Trivia questions, "Name that Tune" songs,

and suggested reading will also revolve around these topics.

Fee: \$250 base performance fee

Mileage: IRS Standard Mileage Rate

**Additional Fees:** \$25 per show discount will apply if multiple libraries book the same day or as part of

the same trip. Mileage is shared among participating libraries.

**Discount:** 

#### **Sky Schultz**

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**Stage Name:** Professor Oops!

Performance Title: Program 1: The Science and Wonder of the "ordinary" things all around us

Program 2: Gentle Heroes and their Amazing Stories

Performance Description: Program 1: The Science and Wonder of the "Ordinary" Things All Around Us

An interactive program so that children and adults can see the miraculous workings of "ordinary" things like air, water, light, plants, and people. Professor Oops! uses humor, magic, juggling, funny inventions, safe-science demonstrations to bring home the marvelous wonders of the so-called "ordinary." This is a family program designed to both inform and delight people of all ages.

The resources found within the children's library will be reference frequently to encourage families to utilize the materials there for the safe-science experiments and other science related materials.

#### **Program 2: Gentle Heroes and Their Amazing Stories**

I think it is important to have heroes who show what humans (and animals) are capable of. In this program: "Gentle Heroes and their Amazing stories," historical and contemporary heroes whose fascinating life stories are shown to inspire us to utilize our own gifts. One story is of John Muir, his childhood in Wisconsin and his role in establishing National Parks. George Washington Carver, the man who loved plants and creatively brought us so many of their benefits. Helen Keller's life is an astounding journey which shows what we all are potentially capable of.

Contemporary heroes include the extraordinary and inspiring Nick Vujicic and Jennifer Bricker; both turned severe handicaps into tremendous sources of strength and inspiration. Portrayed also are animal heroes like sniffer dogs, homing pigeons, bees and worms; showing how animals and humans help each other. You will hear and see stories of Homing Pigeons and Hero Dogs, and the story of the Passenger Pigeon. (This year marks the extinction a hundred years ago of Passenger Pigeon in Wisconsin. This story will be told but with hopeful prospect of the real possibility of bringing back some extinct species.)

Length of Program: Any desired length, but generally 45 minutes to an hour

**Theme Incorporation:** 

Fee: Generally, for a single program \$300

Mileage: IRS state rate

**Discount:** No mileage charged for programs within a 50 mile radius of Milwaukee



#### The Science Alliance Bill Bosworth

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**Best time to call:** 10 am - 2 pm M-F

**Stage Name:** The Science Alliance

**Performance Title:** 

**Performance Description:** The Science Alliance offers many different interactive science programs:

1. The Electrical ZAP!

- 2. Live animals in Reptomania!
- 3. Explore Physics in Lights Camera Action!
- 4. The environmental World Works!
- 5. The wow of chemistry in Close Encounter of the Chemical Kind!
- 6. An insect safari in Bugs Beetle Bookworms!

Length of Program: 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Every hero has a story...and every superhero has a superpower or ability!

How about those superheroes that can run faster than a speeding bullet? See around corners? Disappear in a flash of light or veil of smoke? Escape in a vehicle that can fly straight up into the air?

Let's uncover the real story behind those superpowers...just which powers can be explained by science or technology... and which powers are nothing more than a tall tale?

Using some of our most popular demonstrations, from a jet powered bike to "wow!" chemical reactions, The Science Alliance, along with tons of kid volunteers, will explore the facts and fictions of superheroes and their powers!

Fee: \$475 per show

Mileage:

**Discount:** 

#### **David Stokes**



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Stage Name: David Stokes/The Frog Chorus Nature Education

**Performance Title:** Nature's Biggest, Fastest, Strongest, Smelliest

**Performance Description:** Through the use of songs, sign-language, stories, live creatures and puppets we will

take a comical ride along with Wisconsin wildlife and a few from elsewhere. We will examine animal furs, puppets, posters, and live creatures (where possible) such as the

Bull snake; Common Snapping Turtle; Striped Skunk; Gray Wolf, etc.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Using live animals (where possible), puppets, artifacts, songs and sign-language we

will examine my Animal Hero's.

Fee: \$275 per performance

Mileage: \$0.62 per mile

**Discount:** No mileage fee if 2 or more shows are booked in the same day

#### **Stuart Stotts**



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**Best time to call:** Anytime

Stage Name: Stuart Stotts, Musician and Storyteller

**Performance Title:** Heroes Coming Home to the Library

**Performance Description:** Stuart Stotts shares songs and stories that celebrate heroes, both human and animal.

Expect lots of humor, participation and a big plug for the joys of reading in his song, "Always Something for Everyone at the Library." Stuart is a storyteller, musician and

author, and he has been performing in libraries for nearly thirty years.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Stuart Stotts shares songs and stories that celebrate heroes, both human and animal.

Whether through a "Jack Tale" or a pourquoi animal story, Stuart will include heroes who prevail, through wits, character, or just good luck. Stuart will also point audience

members toward books that focus on heroes.

Fee: \$300 per show

Mileage: Additional

**Discount:** Discounts available for multiple bookings

#### **Curt Strutz**



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Stage Name: The Hillbilly Scientists

**Performance Title:** The Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular

**Performance Description:** Take a dash of science, a blob of humor, throw in some hillbillies, and what do you

get? You get the explosive good time of the Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular Comedy Show! Come and witness the crazy antics of Dr. Cletus Beaker, MD and his assistant Professor Choo Choo Peterson, PhD as the two of them put a unique twist on the world of science and experiments. Using their limited brain power and scientific training skills, watch as these two back-woods boys demonstrate their entries for the next upcoming science fair at their local elementary school (they are determined not to get beaten by the 4th graders again)! You will laugh, learn, and have a rootin tootin good old time as you learn a brand new meaning to the old term: "weird Science!"

**Length of Program:** Approximately 45 minutes, plus meet & greet

**Theme Incorporation:** Though our performances do not specifically cater to any specific library or event

theme, we do our best to include tidbits of info or details that would tie in with the topic being focused on. This may include costumes, one-liners about the subject, or similar doings. We are more apt to focus on educating children with the importance of reading or using their local library vs. being exclusively focused on a specific theme.

Fee: \$300 per show

Mileage: Additional

**Discount:** 

**Artist Comments:** We require basic 110 electrical hook-up. Insurance is available and provided upon

request.

#### **Noelle Tarrant Zoozort Live Animal Programs**

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Stage Name: Zoozort Live Animal Programs

Performance Title: Zoozort

Performance Description: Zoozort is a wildlife company specializing in entertaining, educational live animal shows. Getting children and adults involved by letting them see and touch the animals with an interactive program that teaches about habitat, nutrition, conservation, and appreciation. Animals are taken out one at a time, fun and interesting facts are given in an entertaining way. It's the perfect combination of fact and fun! I have raised many of these animals from babies and adopted some, allowing me to tell stories about each specific animal; giving the audience an experience of getting to know each animal. Programs can be tailored to any size audience, simply choose the animals that you would like to see and I'll customize a program just for you, making it age appropriate so everyone has a great time. It is common knowledge that most people remember what they enjoy; Zoozort uses a positive and fun approach so you do not even realize you are learning. For very large groups, my programs can be done from a stage; in this case only volunteers are called up to help with feeding and holding. While working as a nursery school teacher, Noelle Tarrant discovered an exciting and safe way for children to imagine and explore the world of animals. Bringing animals into her classroom and then into private homes, she has been a licensed animal educator since 1990. Her experience working with children of all ages has given her the ability to capture their attention and maintain an almost story-telling atmosphere with interactive questions and demonstrations. Her enthusiasm about animals is contagious and she loves being able to share her passion for animal welfare with children and adults.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Every animal has something special, something that makes it different; they need this to survive. This program emphasizes on animals unique survival skills, discussing how they use their wits, adaptations and defense mechanisms to survive. A simple change in environment can affect a species survival; innate, social and learned behaviors are all ways that help animals adapt.

**Fee:** \$350.00 for 50 people or less

\$400.00 for 50-100 people \$450.00 for 100 people or more

Mileage: No charge for 1 hour from Westfield, WI

\$25.00 for over an hour from Westfield \$50.00 for over 2 hours from Westfield

**Discount:** I can do 2 programs in one day. Either at the same library or for 2 libraries that are 30 minutes or less

from each other. In this case I will give a discount to each library based on the number of people at each

program and the travel fee can be split between the libraries.

### Mary Tooley Art in a Suitcase



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Stage Name: Art in a Suitcase

**Performance Title:** Animal Heroes and Stars

**Performance Description:** Not all heroes are human! This Art in a Suitcase program reveals the true facts about

amazing animal feats. We will be featuring elephants and ostriches, seahorses, whales and penguins. Which animal dads perform heroic feats? Who are the supermoms of the animal world? We will also find out how a dog saved an entire town! Numerous puppets and other visual props will keep even the youngest child engaged. The program

concludes with a hands-on art project, an origami dog which stands up, that each child can take home. Rest assured, every child can do this and will carry "their" dog out the

door. All supplies are included.

**Length of Program:** 60 minutes but will stay until the last child finishes their art.

**Theme Incorporation:** I have written and researched this program specifically for the "Every Hero Has A"

Story" theme. Children love learning the true facts about animals, and many animals perform fantastic feats. My program will combine real science and specific incidents of

animal heroism.

**Fee:** Fee is \$175.00 per program which includes mileage and art supplies

Two programs booked for the same day are \$140 each.

Mileage: Included in program fee

**Discount:** See above

#### Joe or Miki Wise Wise Guy & His Gal

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Website:

Contact Preference: Best time to call:

Stage Name: Wise Guy & His Gal

**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: None

**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.