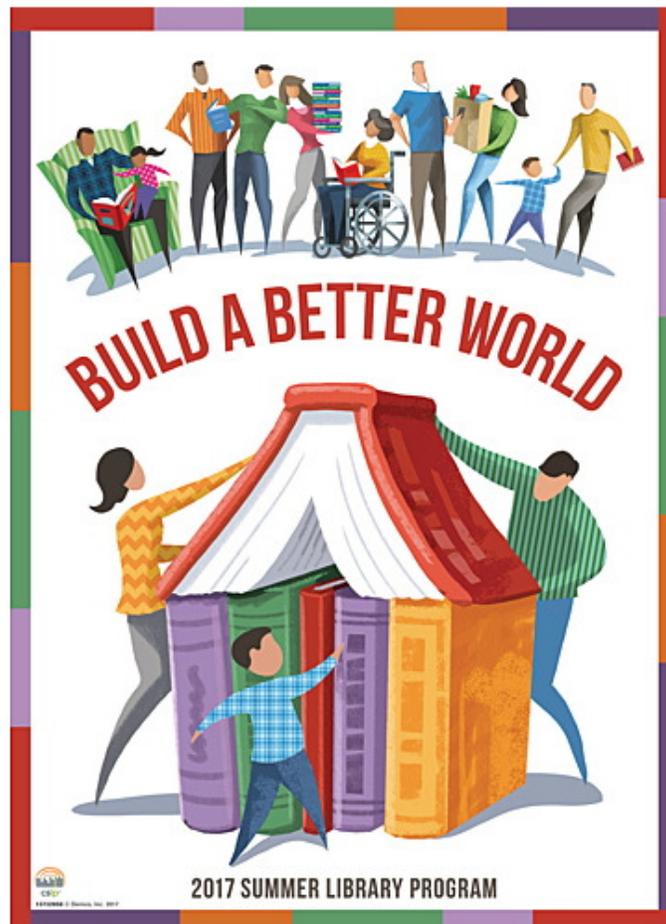


2017 PERFORMER SELECTION BOOK

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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.

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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.

2017 PERFORMER SELECTION FORM

Libraries are welcomed to book performers through Winnefox throughout the year. Submit the following information with each booking request.

- **Performer Name** (include contact information if not in the WLS Performer Selection Booklet):
- **Program Title:**
- **Date of Performance** (include alternative dates if a hold is not currently in place):
- **Location of Performance** (include physical address if not at your library):
- **Program Start Time:**
- **Total Cost of Program** (performance + mileage when applicable):
- **Library Contact:**
- **Have you discussed and placed this request on hold with the performer?**

Request Submission Options

- Email complete information to Marcy Cannon at cannon@winnefox.org
- Fax to (920) 236-5228
- Send hardcopy to Marcy at the WLS Administration office through the Van Delivery

Reminder

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

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Geoff Akins



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Best time to call: Afternoons

Stage Name: Geoff Akins

Performance Title: Bubble Wonders

Performance Description: "Anything is possible" is the mantra Bubbleologist, Geoff Akins conveys through his wondrous, awe-inspiring show. Combining incredible bubble wizardry with whimsical words of wisdom you and yours will take to heart, "Bubble Wonders" offers a terrific way to help cultivate the natural curiosity and enthusiasm that makes kids eager to learn and grow.

Length of Program: 45 minutes (I can make it last up to an hour if needed)

Theme Incorporation: In Bubble Wonders I literally build things out of bubbles constructing everything from a caterpillar to a volcano. I share how Building a Better World is about: "Doing what you can, with what you have, where you are." When we follow our dreams it inspires others to do the same and the ripple effect makes the world a better place. Throughout the show I try to build something impossible—a square bubble! I intentionally fail along the way (modeling persistence) but by the end we DO figure out a way to construct a Square Bubble. I share messages about how we "Dream Architects" can use the library as a resource to help draw up a blueprint for our success.

Fee: \$595

Mileage: None

- Discount:**
- There are discounts given for libraries that need more than one show. I also give discounts if a library books a show on a day I'm already in (or passing through) their area on the way to or from another performance. Consult my online calendar at BubbleWonders.com
 - For out of state touring for entire districts I also offer a flat rate of \$1350 per day. I can typically do three shows a day so the fee can be split between up to three different libraries. If more than one day of shows is booked the fee is further reduced. In cases where there are several days booked in a row the fee can get a low as \$300 per show

Artist Comments:

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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Amy's Dancing Dogs

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

Performance Description: **Dancing Dogs** perform dance numbers and trick routines of course, but it isn't all eye candy. The Dancing Dogs and I share the secrets of "**How to Be a Dog's Best Friend**" showing what NOT to do when you are frightened by a dog and the importance of showing Rover respect. Finally, we cover the three steps to follow if you want to pet a friendly-looking dog: ask the owner, let the dog sniff your palm, then pet briefly with one hand rather than hugging or kissing. And, most importantly, never restrain or chase a dog who wants to leave. The program is interactive and volunteers win nifty prizes for answering review questions. Following our final dance, everyone is invited to pet the performing dogs using the techniques we discussed. Those who approach and pet receive a "Dancing Dogs" temporary tattoo (and, most likely, a little bit of dog hair!).

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Learning how to become a dog's best friend requires building skills – a foundation of awareness, respect, calmness, and training with kindness.

Fee: \$475

Mileage: \$1 per mile

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Pam Corcoran Corcoran Puppets



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Best time to call: 8 am - 11 am or 2 pm - 4 pm

Stage Name: Corcoran Puppets

Performance Title: The Three Little Pigs

Performance Description: Performed with a traditional puppet stage and rod puppets, The Corcoran Puppets version of the Three Little Pigs features three pigs, pursuing their talents. One is a musician, one is a scientist (interested in animal behavior), and the third is an architect. The pigs build their houses, and the wolf, of course, wants to dine on pigs. In the pursuit, the pigs discover something very interesting about the wolf, which results in a surprising, musical, and peaceful ending.

Length of Program: 50 minutes, including demonstration and Q&A

Theme Incorporation: The story, The Three Little Pigs fits right in, as the pigs build their homes of straw, sticks, and bricks.

Fee: \$350 per show

Mileage: Fee includes first 50 miles from Stevens Point. Additional mileage charged at **\$0.50 per mile**

Discount: \$25 discount for bookings made before February 1

Artist Comments:

Jim Cruise The "Spoon Man"



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Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone

Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Spoon Man

Performance Title: Spoon Man

Performance Description: I am a musical interactive physical comedian who plays 2 ordinary household table spoons. What is nice about my program is that it appeals to all ages. I use old time music as well as contemporary music with lots of audience participation. Everyone will have the opportunity to get "Spooned"

Length of Program: 45 minutes per show
45 minutes per workshop

Theme Incorporation: Building up an education through reading!

Fee: \$500 for 1 show
\$300 for multiple shows booked

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Steven Dickinson



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Best time to call: 2 pm

Stage Name: The Amazing Zoomalata

Performance Title: Magician and Balloon Twister

Performance Description: The performance by The Amazing Zoomalata is filled with fun magic, comedy, puppetry, balloons and music. The show is uniquely set up for libraries by blending entertainment while educating and encouraging children and families to read while following the summer reading program theme.

The performance by The Amazing Zoomalata is family friendly and age appropriate. Audience members don't just sit around watching a show but are part of the performance. Some members even get to participate with The Amazing Zoomalata up front on the stage or performing area.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: A. I will be performing a fun magic routine that involves building or constructing a house magically.

B. Encouraging kids and families to work together by building their own simple projects. They will be able to bring home instructions on how to build these fun items. Kids will learn how to read and follow basic instructions and at the same time play with their projects when they are completed.

C. My puppet, Sherman the Magic Bunny will be building his own project during the performance.

Fee: \$225 per show

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

Areas within an hour driving distance from Appleton are not charged the mileage fee.

Discount:

Artist Comments:

David HB Drake

Organic Arts



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: David HB Drake

Performance Title: What a Wonderful World

Performance Description: David's "**What a Wonderful World**" program presents songs for building a better world, of other cultures, peace between people, and "recycled" singalongs. David's songs teach both young and old to work for a more positive tomorrow. David is the resident musician and educator for the Wisconsin Lake Schooner Project tall ship "Denis Sullivan" and has served aboard the environmental ship CLEARWATER with Pete Seeger, and performed for Greenpeace and the World Sing-out for Peace. The Wisconsin Area Music Industry named him "Folk Music Artist of the year 2002" and "Family Music Artist of the Year 2001". David performs on guitar, concertina, and handmade banjo, dulcimer, and Native flute. More at: <http://www.davidhbdrake.com/programs/family/wonderful.htm>

Length of Program: 55 minutes

Theme Incorporation: If the theme is literally architecture and construction, let me know and I can include some songs about homes and roads, for instance "If I had a Hammer" and "Daddy's Tools".

If the intent is to teach kids about "building a better world", then songs about sewing a patchwork quilt of many colors, shapes and sizes to form a "whole" that is greater than its parts ("Grandma's Patchwork Quilt"), or building a boat together that teaches us we are ALL in the same boat (Somos El Barco), perhaps using recycled materials, that's more where I'm coming from. I also use handmade folk instruments (banjo, dulcimer, and Native American flute), which are the "tools" my music is built from, which I talk about, and tell I the story of how the first canoe was made. ("Can You?")

- Fee:**
- \$225 for a single program
 - \$200 each for two or three shows in the same day, even at different libraries

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments: If an overnight stay is needed so two libraries can have performances on adjacent days, add \$25 to each library, but this is negotiable.

Michael Drake

Mr. Pickles



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Mr. Pickles

Performance Title: The A B C's of being ME and how you can build a better world! (Architecture, Building, Construction)

Performance Description: Using many of the original poem songs mentioned below in the section marked: **Briefly describe how the 2017 summer library theme "Architecture, Building, Construction" will be incorporated into your program.** I'll present an animated, interactive, musical, humorous, overflowing with rivers of personality, memorable performance that the kids will leave singing the songs tapping their feet wishing it would never had ended type of show!

Length of Program: Flexible to your needs

Theme Incorporation: For example these poem songs and starting out with a little bit of [Welcome To My Island](#), is always a great opener as it is up-beat and the lyrics can accommodate the theme. Lyrics sample: "I want to tell all my friends that your welcome to my Island I want to say to all my friends come and build along with me!" [Hot Diggity Dog](#) [Ziggity](#), Is all about reading, let's read to study how to learn about Architecture, Building, Construction ETC. [Fun Man Song](#), [Little People Waltz](#), [My Friends Are Good For Me](#), [I Think I'd Like To Bee a Bee](#), [Dancing With Mr. Brussel Sprout](#), [The Blue Swing](#), [Mootsy The Rootsy](#), [I'm A Dreamer](#), [I'm A Rag Doll](#), [To Bee Or Not To Bee](#), [The Garden Hose](#), [GazoogaDrake](#), [Live Performance at Harvest Fair - Harvest Stew](#), [Curlers In My Hair](#), [Telephone In My Foot](#), [Lipstick For The First Time](#), [Twigs Between My Toes](#), [Mr. Snowman](#), [First Day At School](#), [Favorite Lollipop](#), [I Owe A Tree Some Poetry](#), [Below My Nose and Above My Chin is where the food goes in](#), [I'm A Bubbler](#)

Literally each and every song I have created and recorded can be in some part used to tie in with your theme of: Architecture, Building, Construction Build A Better World!

Fee: \$250

Mileage: Anything under 1/2 hour from where I live no extra fees

Discount:

Artist Comments:

John Duggleby



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: John Duggleby

Performance Title: “Boogie in the Barnyard,” “All American Classics,” “Beat Generation” drum circles/kitchen bands

Performance Description: “Boogie in the Barnyard”: Dressed in a full chicken costume, I serve up a heaping helping of country pie from “Turkey in the Straw” to “There Ain’t Nobody Here But Us Chickens,” – accompanied by guitar and other instruments. Also in the mix are my songs such as, “Don’t Be a Bully (Unless You’re a Male Cow).” There is plenty of (clean) barnyard humor—and of course, the Chicken Dance! Audience participation is encouraged throughout. At your option, I can lead a chicken-drawing exercise from my award-winning book for young people, *Artist in Overalls: The Life of Grant Wood*.

“All American Classics”: A loosely Americana themed show with several songs—even a couple of dances—selected from several of my musical and author programs (I’ve written eleven books, nine for children). Unlike most library programs geared to either children or adults, “All American Classics” bridges the generation gaps from kids to seniors with something for everyone.

“Beat Generation” drum circles/kitchen bands: Each 30-60 minute session begins with mild stretching, then progresses to “talking rhythms,” time signatures, and drum-along-sing-alongs. We end with a call-and-response in which participants “invent” a drum riff for others to copy. Each session is different, and geared to the general ability of the group. The kitchen band option (which can be combined with a drum circle) raids the pantry for pots, pans, homemade shakers and other “found” instruments to cook up a freewheeling stew of familiar songs.

Length of Program: 30-60 minutes, can be customized

Theme Incorporation: I cannot say that this theme is incorporated into my program. I prefer to develop strong programs that are relevant and desirable for libraries each year instead of trying to conform to a theme that may not be appropriate to my material. I find that audiences embrace strong overall program content more than a theme.

Fee: \$170 for any musical program
\$90 for 30 minute drum circle or kitchen band
\$120 for 45-60 minute session

Mileage: \$1.00 per mile for round trips of over 50 miles from my Madison area home

Discount: \$10 discount on musical programs for payment on or before performance date.
Sizeable travel discount (typically \$30-\$60 for Fox Valley) if 2 area libraries book on the same day.

Artist Comments: I can provide Fox Valley library references upon request.

Kay Elmsley-Weeden



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Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd phone

Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Kay Elmsley Weeden, The Clever Storyteller, La Cuentista Lista

Performance Title: ¡Say Olé!

Performance Description: I am a bilingual storyteller, blending Spanish and English in the stories. I tell stories based on the summer theme, many of which have lots of audience participation. Some of the stories include Spanish which the audience will either know or learn through actions or translation. The stories are geared for ages 4-12 for the summer library reading program. In addition there are songs, chants and sometimes a dance.

Length of Program: 35 - 40 minutes depending on the age of the audience members

Theme Incorporation: My program would center around stories and activities that deal with the theme of Building a Better World: One story would likely be an anti-bullying story, building better friendships (ex. Enemy Pie, Ant Bully, Willow's Whispers).

Another may be a construction story similar to The Turnip, and with members of the audience helping. Instead of trying to get a vegetable out of the ground, it would be a story about constructing something. I would include a song about building things up.

Another selection may be Iggy Peck, Architect, but likely not done in rhyme as written.

Fee: \$300 per program

Mileage: None

Discount: \$25 discount to each library for same day bookings or for each referral that results in another booking.

Artist Comments:

Stephanie Feuerstein

Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service

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Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone

Best time to call: 10 am - 3 pm

Stage Name: Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service

Performance Title: Building the Best Bed

Performance Description: An interactive and imaginative program featuring the book, "The Very Best Bed," by Rebekah Raye. Children will imagine themselves in different types of animal beds, including a fox den, a squirrel nest, a woodpecker nest, and a beaver lodge. Examples of the animals featured in the book will be explored through hands on activities with animal artifacts and puppets. As a cumulative activity, students will use an array of materials to build their very own "bed."

Length of Program: 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Many forms of construction are developed based off of observations made in nature. Animals use various techniques and materials to create their homes and their beds, which can be intricate designs that are both beautiful and functional. We will be exploring the ways animals construct their homes and beds and the different types of materials they use.

Fee: Begin at \$150 per program

Additional fees are due to additional live animals included in the program

Mileage: \$0.56 per mile is added to any program that is located more than 30 miles from Neenah, WI

Discount: • Program discounts will be considered on an individual program basis. Multiple programs offered within the same day will be given the discounted price of \$100 for the second program.

Wayne Francis



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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Wayne & Wingnut

Performance Title: Learn and Fly High

Performance Description: Learn and Fly High with comedy ventriloquist Wayne Francis and Wingnut the pilot! Take to the skies and let Wayne & Wingnut barnstorm their way into your heart! This hilarious show includes: "life-sized" puppet characters, original joke, music, cartoon voices and even a banjo made out of frying pan! Take a ride on Wayne's imagination. As each character is reviled your imagination soars and the room fills with laughter. This family fun comedy show is more fun than a room full of rhinos!

Length of Program: 50 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: We will take a look at the history of flight and just like any large construction project, show how the Wright brothers used science, math and homework to make their "big idea come true."

Fee: \$300 for 1 show

\$550 for 2 shows

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Nickey Fynn



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Best time to call: Mornings before noon

Stage Name: Nickey Fynn

Performance Title: The Upward Spiral Magic Show

Performance Description: “Prepare yourself for a comedic Vaudevillian style of performance as Nickey Fynn manipulates silks, cards, balloons, coins and even salt with effortless precision. Backed and timed to a toe tapping soundtrack, this act can be 45 minutes or 30 minutes”

Length of Program: 30 or 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Perhaps we can have a magic class where we construct and build a magic trick with the children. So at the end of the day, they will have created their own prop as opposed to a store bought item...just an idea.

Fee: \$250 for 30 minute show
\$300 for 45 minute show

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile if venue is 45 minutes from zip code 53705

Discount:

Artist Comments: Also offer magic teaching classes for \$150 plus an additional \$5 per head for materials I provide. I need at least 15 students to conduct the class, but no more than 25-30. Classes typically last an hour but often run longer. We also offer balloon twisting for an additional cost or even balloon raffles to raise money for the library. Rates can be lowered or the travel charge waived if a library system can book me multiple shows in the area.

Tim Glander



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Stage Name: Tim Glander

Performance Title: Building an Interest in Reading

Performance Description: Tim Glander's new "Building and Construction" show combines classic and modern magic, balloon sculpting, and puppetry that promises a performance your guests will never forget! Creative audience participation will include storytelling, a taste of Vaudeville and the importance of reading, all with the assistance of "Tootles the Talking Toolbox!"

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The "Architecture, Building and Construction" theme is incorporated into my show using the art of magic, storytelling, balloon sculpting, and the use of puppetry to emphasize the importance of how and why reading builds knowledge, character, and makes for a happier and healthier life.

Fee: \$300

Mileage: \$0.54 per mile

Discount: Discount for 2 or more shows booked back-to-back the same day and location

Artist Comments:

Billy Grisack

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Best time to call: 8 am - 3 pm

Stage Name: BIG and TALL

Performance Title: Building BIG and TALL Tunes

Performance Description: Building a song is a lot like building a house. Instead of a hammer, saw, screws and nails...this guitar and percussion, father and son band (and their parents before them) have been constructing songs to “build a better world” for 100 years! NO kidding, 100 years! This interactive, upbeat and fun show takes you on a music journey with singing, dancing and finally WRITING (and recording) a little song with the audience before the shows end. Ideal for people of ALL ages who like to “rock!”.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: BIG and TALL will show the audience how songs are built, much the same way as a house or other structure. Foundation, tools, planning, team work and more will be discussed in a SUPER UPBEAT and fun show. Can we do it? YES WE CAN!

Fee: \$300 for one 45 minute show, 2 performers plus all sound and props

Mileage: None

Discount: Additional performances on same day, take \$50 off each program

Artist Comments: also available: songwriting workshop (teens), music recording workshop (teen & adult)



Bruce Hetzler

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Best time to call: 11 am - 12 pm

Stage Name: Magic of Bruce Hetzler

Performance Title: Architecture Magic

Performance Description: I present a fun-filled 45-minute program that explores the wonderful world of reading, the library, and the magic found in books, incorporating the children's theme. Children will delight in the magic and also learn how important it is to read books. The show is full of laughs, comedy, magic, and corny things that children love! There is a lot of audience participation.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Children love building with Legos, so in one routine 3 children pretend to buy a Lego set.

In another effect, a picture of a beat-up run-down house is magically transformed into a picture of a bright brand new house.

Another presentation involves house paint and the notion that you can color your house any color that you like. This begins with a paint can and a black paintbrush. Putting the brush in the can, it comes out covered with red paint. Putting it in the can again, it then comes out blue. This continues with 3 more colors. Then examples are shown of 5 different colored homes, and a child picks the color that matches a prediction that has been in an envelope from the start.

I will also present a Landmark Quiz between a child and an adult (perhaps the librarian?!). They will each select questions from a clear bag, with the adult always selecting difficult questions (e.g., How many rivets are in the Eiffel Tower?) and the child always selecting easy questions (e.g., Where is the St. Louis Arch?). The child will win the contest and receive a small prize.

There will be an architecture coloring contest between the magician (that's me!) and the audience in which we each try to magically color a picture of a house. The audience does a wonderful job, but my picture is full of scribbles.

Fee: \$250

Mileage: \$0.54 per mile

Discount:

Artist Comments: I will be performing only 1 show each day this year.

Jason Huneke



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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Jason Huneke

Performance Title: Jason Huneke's Juggling Show

Performance Description: Jason's show is a fun, fast paced comedy juggling show for kids of all ages. The show is packed with juggling, the Chinese diabalo, balancing, a top hat manipulation routine, unicycling and juggling on a 6 foot unicycle and optional juggling of knives and fire torches. Children are fully engaged throughout the entire show with the technical skills as well as audience participation.

Length of Program: 35 - 40 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The show is all about building skills- Jason shows, demonstrates, and even brings volunteers on stage to learn new skills, or build on their existing ones. Video link to a show:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fuiRGhZ6xK8&feature=youtu.be>

Fee: \$375 for 1 show

Second show added at same or different library is \$300 on the same day.

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments: I will provide my own sound system, and only require an area to perform and electricity. I can perform indoors or out!

Bob Kann

Storyteller / Juggler / Magician



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Stage Name: Bob Kann: Storyteller/Juggler/Magician

Performance Title: The ABCs and Abracadbras of Architecture

Performance Description: Join the fun as “Bob the Builder” Kann uses magic, juggling, and storytelling to introduce children to the basic principles of architecture. What is architecture? What are architects? What do they think about when they are planning a building? If you were a building, what would *you* want? How can a building make people feel a kind of freedom that builds a better world? What do a mile-high skyscraper, dog house, museum resembling an ice-cream cone, and a thousand different fireplaces have in common? Based on his children’s book and a program he developed on Frank Lloyd Wright with Taliesin, Inc., Bob makes architecture come alive in this interactive program designed to promote the CSLP summer library theme “Build a Better World.”

Length of Program: 40 - 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The program is entirely devoted to promoting the summer library theme by providing information and participatory activities built around architecture and building-related themes.

Fee: \$350 for one performance
\$600 for two performances
\$750 for three performances

Mileage: None

Artist Comments:

David Landau



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: David Landau

Performance Title: Music and Laughter for Kids

Performance Description: This is an upbeat musical program that keeps kids engaged and constantly thinking. The kids sing, move, act, dance, shout a little bit, and laugh a lot.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My shows are all about music, dancing and laughing. Very very interactive. Very very fun. Lots of moving around and imagination. My young audiences always have a great time!

Fee: \$250 for 1 performance

\$150 for each additional performance on same day and in same general area

Mileage: \$0.25 per mile

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Ron Lindberg



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Rondini

Performance Title: The Magic of Reading

Performance Description: Rondini is an award winning entertainer. He got his start in magic by reading a book from the Menasha Library. His shows use a lot of audience participation, magic to music and Einstein the worlds cutest bunny. A weird science show is also available with Rondini playing the role of Doc Ron, a time traveling wacky scientist who demonstrates some fun science experiments.

Length of Program: 30 - 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$275 for 30 minute program
\$350 for 45 minute program

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

Discount: Discounts available for multiple bookings. For example two 45 minute shows same location \$600.

Other price breaks for multiple bookings at different locations or over two or more days are available

Artist Comments:

Jason Love



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Best time to call: 9 am - 1 pm is best, but anytime is fine

Stage Name: Jason Love

Performance Description: **The Amazing Jason Love - Magic Show:**

Jason Love provides a magic show that is both hilarious and amazing. His performances include circus skills, magic, and comedy. He has something for everyone to enjoy!

Jason is easy to work with and able to adapt to any situation. He has performed on America's Got Talent, Six Flags Theme Park Main Stage, the Travel Channel, NPR, and the Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

Length: 45-minute magic show

2017 Price: Magic show - \$385 (includes travel)

Jason Love's Amazing Balloon Sculptures

Balloon Twisting can add a little color to your event. With Jason Love's large variety of balloon creations, your patrons will be amazed. He has a never-ending list of balloon animals, hats, vehicles, and more to choose from.

This skilled performer is also available to teach workshops in magic or balloon twisting for an educational event.

Length: Balloon Twisting – 2 hour minimum

Magic and/or Balloon twisting Workshops – 45 or 90 Minutes

2017 Price (All prices include travel): Balloon Twisting - \$150 per hour (minimum 2 hours)

75-Minute Balloon/Magic Workshops - \$390

45-Minute Balloon/Magic Workshops - \$320

Learn To Animate Workshop

Workshop participants will walk away with the knowledge of how to create animated videos using equipment they can find at home. This is a hands-on workshop that is developed around project based learning.

Students will create their own animated videos during class. These videos will be posted on YouTube for them to see and share with friends and family!

We also offer the option to have a DVD created for students and the library to keep in their collection.

This workshop is for ages 12 and up. Adults are welcome to attend.

Length: Animation Workshop – 2.5 hours

Animation Lecture – 1 hour

2017 Price (All prices include travel): Animation Workshop - \$415; *Add \$65 if you would like each student to get a DVD of all the videos made during the workshop.*
Animation Lecture - \$310

Theme Incorporation: **Magic Show:** Jason includes stories and examples of "Architecture, Building, and Construction" during his acts.

Animation Workshop: The participants create short videos that relate to any topic. Animation allows students to create anything their mind can come up with.

Mileage: None (Travel and lodging is included in price)

Discount: 30% off if a library books two services for the same day at the same library.
(ex. Magic show in morning & Animation workshop in afternoon)
25% off if three libraries book on the same day.
15% off if two libraries book on the same day.
10% off for multiple shows within 1 day of each other.

Greg Matysik Casey & Greg



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Stage Name: Casey & Greg

Performance Title: Building a better world for you and me!

Performance Description: Casey & Greg are musicians from the Madison area who have over 25 years of experience in performing for youth and families in a variety of settings. They are known for tight vocal harmonies and professional musicianship. They involved youth and their families in their performances – blending original and well known songs and stories to support the theme of ‘building a better world for you and me!’ They are also one of the few musical groups that always ask their audience for requests. If they don’t know a song title they will make up a song right on the spot!!

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: We have written songs and have stories specifically addressing the building of relationships with family, friends, and self. As an integral part of our program we involve youth and their families in visualizing how great things happen when we work together in order to build a stronger family and community.

Fee: \$150 - \$200 per show

Mileage: No additional fees, however mileage is greatly appreciated when traveling over 60 miles from the Madison area.

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Otis Miller “Miller & Mike”



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: Miller & Mike

Performance Title: Miller & Mike Show

Performance Description: Miller & Mike are former Ringling Bros. Circus clowns so this comedy juggling show is full of circus skills, audience participation and lots of good clean comedy. This high energy show will have everyone laughing and your patrons will be excited to come back to the library for the next program.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: When learning how to juggle you start with something small and easy and build on it. Just a little bit at a time, you work to build on what you already know. Before long you're juggling clubs, throwing amazing yo-yo tricks and doing things that seem like magic. When you build on what you know anything is possible.

Fee: \$400 for 1 show
\$375 each for 2 shows on the same day
\$325 each for 3 shows on the same day

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Jim Mitchell



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Best time to call: 9 am - 11 am

Stage Name: Jim Mitchell

Performance Title: The Magic of Jim Mitchell

Performance Description: The Show includes fun magic appropriate for family audiences as well as older "tweens." I use lots of volunteers, and comedy to keep both the kids and the parents engaged. This show can be performed for audiences of 10 to 200, 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 building big dreams that seem impossible, and then making them real! This year's theme is highlighted throughout the show. We talk with the audience about how reading builds magical ideas into reality.

Fee: Starting fee is \$275.

Mileage: None

Discount: \$25 referral discount: for each library that books from a referral, there is a discount for the referring library.

Artist Comments:

Mark Nilsen



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: The Zany Inventor or Magic Mark

Performance Title: 2 Program Choices: The Zany Inventor Show or Magic Mark

Performance Description: **The Zany Inventor** is on the lookout for the next generation of creative inventors! During the Zany Inventor program, the audience will watch experiments and experience discovery. The kids will meet The Inventor's favorite creation, his pneumatic friend Mechanical McMann. The children will become inventors themselves as they are invited to help with the demonstrations ... and one lucky audience member will even get to light a real electric light with just the touch of their hand! This one of a kind show is not to be missed.

Magic Mark is an experienced performer who understands children, and engages them on a level that makes them feel important and welcomed. Children are more than an audience; the Magic Mark show *involves* all the children at some level, and allows them to be an active part of the show! Imagine the empowerment when a child "catches" Mark at a trick – only to be fooled in an unexpected, fun way! Ask others who have seen the program: this show never fails to get roars of laughter, looks of amazed wonder, and squeals of delight from the children (and makes for happy parents).

Length of Program: **Zany Inventor:** 50 - 60 minutes, but can be adapted to fit your programming needs

Magic Mark: Average show length is 45 minutes, but can be adapted to fit programming needs

Theme Incorporation: **Zany Inventor:** I intend to convey "Build A Better World" through science-related demonstrations and experiments. Science helps us change and improve our world, and your guests will experience this in fun and unexpected ways! In my shows, the theme does not overwhelm; much like the commercials in a television show, the themes in a Zany Inventor program account for about 15% of the overall performance.

Magic Mark: I intend to convey "Build A Better World" through involvement of on-stage helpers and the audience at large. is a medium that allows very visual demonstrations such as the children helping something becoming "better" through a magical transformation. In my shows, the theme does not overwhelm; much like the commercials in a television show, the themes in a Magic Mark program account for about 15% of the overall performance.

Fee: **Zany Inventor:** \$350 for a single show. Multiple shows at same location on same day: \$350 first show, \$250 each subsequent show

Magic Mark: \$355 for a single show. Multiple shows at same location on same day: \$295 first show, \$200 each subsequent show

Mileage: None

Discount: Multiple shows on same day at different locations within 15 mile radius, *who book their programs together* can receive a \$25/show discount. I am reasonable and flexible, so please contact me about unique situations. Libraries should allow adequate travel and set-up times between shows.

Artist Comments:

Scott Obermann



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Best time to call: 9 am - 4 pm

Stage Name: Great Scott

Performance Title: Character Construction - building a better world

Performance Description: This year, Great Scott's program is highly 'constructive'. Join him as he dons his hard-hat and gets to work bringing you another fantastic show with an emphasis on reading while encouraging kids to build great character traits into their lives. This show will combine the fun of a magic show with a great message about being a better person -- which helps to build a better world! He'll present a few 'tricks' to building trust, respect and being more responsible (like getting books back to the library on time). What better way to learn about reading and character than by laughing and getting involved in the program. We'll have plenty of audience interaction. You'll hear lots of oohs and ahhs.

So, what can you expect from this program? How about amazing magic, very-cool ventriloquism, appropriate mood-setting music, fantastic fun for everyone, and the message of Read, Read, Read --all rolled into a well-designed, professional show for kids and families.

Length of Program: 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The theme will be built into the show at many levels. Costuming, music, props and backdrop will carry the idea of construction.

Fee: \$345 Single program
\$300 each for 2 programs on the same date
\$275 each for 3 programs on the same date

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Randy Peterson



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Stage Name: Randy Peterson - Children's Musician

Performance Title: "My Amazing Musical House" with Randy Peterson

Performance Description: My high energy show will be full of audience participation and sing-along fun. I play guitar, banjo, and sing.

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My show will be totally built around the theme of "Architecture, Building and Construction". Through songs and imagination, we will build our amazing musical house. Each room features a song in it's own musical style. As of 11/1/16, my show is still under construction, but so far I have:

- "Diggers and Machines, Fulfilling All My Dreams" (a rocking song about building the house)
- "The Playroom Polka"
- "Mom, I'm Hungry!" (kitchen rap)
- "Bedtime" Lullabye
- "The World Outside My Window" (country style)

Fee: \$325 for one show

\$500 for 2 shows at the same library on the same day

\$275 per show if 2 or 3 shows are on the same day but at different libraries

Mileage: None

Discount: If I have 5 or more bookings in the Winnefox Library System over the summer, the top price would be \$300 per show instead of \$325, even if they are all on different days.

Artist Comments:

Daryl Rogers



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Stage Name: Daryl Rogers

Performance Title: The Magic of Daryl Rogers

Performance Description: Daryl shares a wide variety of timeless classic magic routines, such as rings, floating balls, vanishing objects and more. Daryl's performance is designed to be entertaining for both children and adults. Excitement, laughter, and surprises are all part of the fun when Magician Daryl Rogers puts on a show!

Length of Program: 40 minutes

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$250 per show

Mileage: IRS Standard Rate

Discount: Discounts for same-day multiple bookings at one library or libraries within 20 miles.

Artist Comments:

Missi Roland

Thrill Seeker Dog Sports & Services



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Contact Preference: 1st Email; 2nd Phone

Best time to call: 3 pm

Stage Name: Thrillseeker Dogs

Performance Title: Dogs at Work

- Performance Description:**
- Introduction of Dogs
 - Tricks to warm-up
 - Behaviors and tricks pertaining to the 2017 theme
 - Dogs “build” a city using props and equipment to scale
 - Questions & answers
 - Meet & greet with children & dogs

Length of Program: 25 - 30 minutes of program

Including meet & greet with dogs additional 15 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Our dogs perform a variety of tricks and behaviors including “building” or stacking of blocks to form a structure. We also have them “operate” toy ground builders, tractors, etc. They will help with discussing safety procedures by use of stunts & tricks.

Fee: \$200

Mileage: None

Discount: Libraries within 30 mile radius on same day discounted \$50 each stop on tour

Artist Comments:

Mike Schneider Pint Size Polkas



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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Uncle Mike

Performance Title: Pint Size Polkas / "Build a Better World Through Polka Music"

Performance Description: Help build a happier world through music and comedy with Uncle Mike's "Build a Better World Through Polka Music" show, perfect for 2017's CSLP and iRead summer reading themes! Your young patrons will be invited to display various hats while the audience guesses the jobs that go with them. Each occupation is related to a different design or building trade. The audience will have fun answering age and theme-appropriate trivia questions on various people and things that have helped make the world a better place, and will be encouraged to check out books on related subjects! They'll also no doubt get a kick out of Uncle Mike's jokes tailored to the reading theme! 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." Participation opportunities abound in this show that's fun for all ages.

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

Theme Incorporation: Each occupation and trivia segment will relate to a different design or building trade. Throughout the program we'll talk about the Wright Brothers, find out how many trucks full of concrete it took to build the Empire State Building, how many gallons of fuel it takes a modern diesel locomotive to move one ton of building supplies over 400 miles, and learn which National Landmark Paul Bunyan created by dragging his ax behind him. "Name that Tune" selections, age-appropriate humor, and suggested reading will reinforce the themes of construction and creativity.

Fee: \$250 base performance fee

Mileage: IRS Standard Mileage Rate

Additional Fees: \$25 per show discount will apply when multiple libraries book the same day or as part of the same trip. Mileage is shared among participating libraries.

Discount:

Artist Comments:



The Science Alliance Bill Bosworth

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Best time to call: 9 am - 2 pm

Stage Name: The Science Alliance

Performance Title: Seven Programs in Entomology, Physics, Chemistry, Herpetology, Health, Electricity and the Environment.

Performance Description: Specify which program you would like to book with your performer booking request.

Our science team offers SEVEN different highly interactive programs! Your participants can...

- Examine the smallest “Architects of Nature” in **Bugs, Beetles, & Bookworms!**
- Investigate how physics discoveries have helped “Build a Better World!” in **Lights, Camera, Action!**
- Explore chemistry in **Close Encounters of the Chemical Kind!**
- Get up close and personal with live cool creatures in **Reptomania!**
- Learn how to care for their bodies with **Get Hip to Health!**
- Care for the earth in the environmental **World Works!**
- Get charged up about electricity in **Zap!**

Length of Program: 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation: The “Build a Better World” theme will be incorporated into two of our most popular programs Entomology & Physics!

“Bugs Beetles Bookworm” will highlight the “Architects of Nature” by discussing the builders vs. blenders in the insect world.

“Lights Camera Action” will highlight scientific discoveries used in our everyday lives that have already helped “Build a Better World!”

Fee: Single program is \$475

Double programs are \$425 each

Triple programs are \$375 each

Mileage: None

Discount:

Artist Comments:

David Stokes



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Stage Name: David Stokes / The Frog Chorus Nature Education

Performance Title: Birds, Bugs & Beavers...Builders in Nature

Performance Description: Using puppets, toys, live animals (where possible), animal artifacts and humor, David Stokes will lead a fun examination on *who are the builders in Nature*. Bird & insect nests, spider webs, Beaver lodges & Wolf dens. Join the fun. Bring your camera.

Length of Program: 45 - 60 minutes

Theme Incorporation:

Fee: \$275 per show

Mileage: \$0.55 per mile

Discount: Discount for two or more shows in one day, or multiple shows in one week.

Artist Comments:

Stuart Stotts



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Stage Name: Stuart Stotts

Performance Title: Musician, Storyteller and Author

Performance Description: Stuart has sung in hundreds of libraries, most often during Summer Reading programs. His performances are always participatory, fun, and filled with messages about the importance of reading. His songs celebrate libraries as important community institutions, and his book “Books in a Box” tells the story of Wisconsin Pioneer Librarian Lutie Stearns.

Length of Program: 45-50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: For 2017’s summer reading theme, “Building Readers – One Book at a Time” Stuart’s theme includes songs and stories, with one or two stories focusing on cooperation and community building. Songs include “Our House” and “Always Something for Everyone at the Library.”

Fee: \$350 per show

Mileage: Additional

Discount: Discounts available for two or three performances in one day.

Artist Comments: I provide sound system if needed.

Curt Strutz



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Best time to call: Anytime

Stage Name: The Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular

Performance Title: The Hillbilly Silly Science

Performance Description: The Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular is a show that puts a unique twist on the world of science. When you take a dash of science, a blob of humor, throw in hillbillies - you get a crazy educational program like no other out there! Dr. Cletus Beaker, MD takes children on a journey into the world of science, featuring educational aspects of science, audience participation, fun sets/props, and zany comedy during this fast paced show loved by children of all ages.

Length of Program: 45 - 50 minutes

Theme Incorporation: Whereas the show will not have a specific theme focusing on building & construction - it does contain zany homemade constructed science experiments. The presentation also includes fun construction tools in experiments - including power drills, leaf blowers, trash cans, and so much more.

Fee: \$295 per show

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Dennis “Dino” Tlachac

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Best time to call: 8 am - 8 pm, 7 days a week

Stage Name: Dino

Performance Title: Animal educator animal rescuer

Performance Description: We offer a fun hands on program from rainforest to reptiles filled with animals from our animal rescue Natures Niche! Each animal has a unique story and are called our Creature Teachers. Our programs can be tailor made to fit your theme and are quite educational. I have combined years of experience working with different wildlife agencies and hold degrees for the UWSP College of Natural Resources in Resource Management, Environmental Education , Biology and Environmental Law Enforcement.

Length of Program: Depends on you but most range from 45 minutes, 1 hour to 1-1/4 hours.

Theme Incorporation: Or summer program is entitled “A Habitat is a Home” and illustrates that from birds to bees animal are architects that humans have borrowed constructions ideas from. Frank Lloyd Wright was well know for his natural design called “Prairie” that infused nature. Animals normally rely on nature to provide homes. Often we remove wildlife habitat to build our own homes but no matter how well constructed our homes nature and animals will find away in. Our program will also highlight many of the unique animal rescues we have been a part of and the animals that created home of others.

Fee: \$350 per show

Outdoor fees have been waived, after 5 pm fees are waived, additional fee for multi level \$25 with elevator and \$50 with libraries with stairs because of the volume of animals boxes and education displays 10-15.

Mileage: None

Discount: Book with another library on the same day within 30 minutes of your location and get \$50 off.

Artist Comments: Set up takes 1 hour. Breakdown takes 45 minutes. I will arrive 1 hour before program to set up.

Mary Tooley

Art In A Suitcase



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Best time to call: anytime

Stage Name: Art In A Suitcase

Performance Title: Animals Are Builders, Too!

Performance Description: Meet some amazing animal builders! This new *Art in a Suitcase* program for Summer 2017 features animal architects including the octopus, spider, crow, bower bird, paper wasp and beaver. Find out who makes a decorated home for his girlfriend, a crazy den to hide in, a lodge that's waterproof and a trap to catch lunch. Real science specimens such as a wasps' nest, puppets and pictures will keep all ages engaged. This interactive program concludes with everyone constructing a 3D paper spider web and spider to take home. All art supplies included.

Length of Program: 60 minutes, including an art project, but I will always stay until the last child finishes his or her art.

Theme Incorporation: I am a huge fan of the book *Last Child in the Woods* by Richard Louv. I have created "Animals are Builders, Too!" to take the theme of architecture, building and construction and directly relate it to animals' remarkable building skills. My programs are carefully researched, highly interactive and age appropriate. My hope is to inspire kids to appreciate and get out in nature, in other words, to help stamp out "nature deficit disorder".

Fee: \$180 per program includes mileage and art supplies

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

Mileage: None

Discount:

Truly Remarkable Loon



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Best time to call: 9 am - 5 pm

Stage Name: Truly Remarkable Loon

Performance Title: Read Books and Juggle Everything Else

Performance Description: Truly Remarkable Loon has been performing as a comedy juggler for almost forty years. **'Read Books and Juggle Everything Else'** promotes books, reading and libraries while Loon juggles and balances everything else: clubs, balls, a mongoose, scarves, sports equipment, spinning plates, and giant bean bag chairs! The best thing about the show is its very wide audience appeal. Children and adults alike are amused, amazed and entertained.

Indoors or outdoors. Minimum 8 foot ceiling for full hour show. Public address system included. Library provides two chairs, one table, parking and a private place to use as a dressing room.

Hands-on juggling workshop also available.

Length of Program: Usually 60 minutes. Can be shortened if necessary.

Theme Incorporation: **'Read Books and Juggle Everything Else'** has an excellent message promoting books, reading and libraries. The message is subtle, almost subliminal for children. Librarians love the balance of comedy, juggling and its message. It is a great fit for any library event. I can include almost any theme if that's important to your library. For the 2017 theme I will include jokes like these:

"Did you know that your library is the very tallest building in town? It has to be – it has more stories than any other building!"

"I was putting new siding on our house. I had to throw away a lot of defective nails - the pointy part was on the wrong end. Then my wife explained those nails weren't defective, they were for the other side of the house!"

- Fee:**
- Weekdays \$375 plus travel for a single performance
 - Weekends \$500 plus travel for a single performance

Mileage: \$0.50 per mile

- Discount:**
- Weekdays \$375 per performance including travel for two or more libraries on the same date.
 - Weekdays \$600 plus travel for two performances at the same location.
 - Weekends \$450 per performance including travel for two or more libraries on the same date.

Fred Turk



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Best time to call: 9 am - 12 pm

Stage Name: Grandpa Fred Turk

Performance Title: Wiggle, Giggle, Read

Performance Description: My participatory programs includes me playing the banjo, while selected children are up front using puppets, and other props to accompany my songs. The audience participates with actions and words. Even adults have their own part in certain songs. I have been called a natural with children. I should be, after teaching elementary children for 34 years. My audience will have a toe tapping, hand clapping, foot stomping good time

Length of Program: 45 minutes

Theme Incorporation: My songs will try to get the children to realize that building and constructing a better self and our surroundings is a goal we all strive for. The puppets used in songs help build confidence to perform in front of others. I use my original songs to help explore feelings about ones self, others, and your surroundings. I always include a commercial for the reading program, asking how many children are signed up. We also point out, if the children are unsure what the reading program is, we point out who has all the answers; their librarian.

Fee: \$150 for one show

\$100 per show if two shows are booked for the same day even if they are in different cities. If additional shows are at a different location, allow travel time and 30 minute set up time before start times.

Mileage: Included in program fee

Discount:

Amy Wilde Castle Art



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Best time to call: noon

Stage Name: Amy Wilde

Performance Title: Henna Body Art Workshop

Performance Description: This program focuses on beautiful art of Henna. Amy Wilde/Castle Art & Import has been importing henna since 1997. She is well versed in the henna arts and has taken many seminars & classes for henna. Amy is certified via International Certification For Natural Henna Arts. Amy/ Castle Art & Import has also been doing henna at local fairs and festivals as well. Amy will explain what henna is and what it does to the skin & hair. She will break down a typical henna kit and show participants how to mix up henna to make a great smooth paste for body art application. There will be instruction on how to do simple designs, and instructions on applications. Amy will answer any questions as she goes along. In the second part of the program, supplies are passed out for participants to use on each other. Amy will also do a small/medium design on each participants. Amy will have time to work individually with all the participants. The class will be fun and interactive. Henna is a wonderful art medium and it is an art form for everyone. 20 participants for 2 hours. If a bigger group, more time & materials are needed, please contact Amy for a quote.

Length of Program: 2 hours for up to 20 participants

Theme Incorporation: Henna designs are foundational. The designs can be picked apart and constructed in a way that creates beautiful designs on the skin. I can do a Mandala work shop where a participant starts in the middle and builds outward as they create a design.

Fee: \$75 per hour (2 hour minimum) for 20 participants

Add \$20 for materials if there will be 21 or more participants

Add 30 minutes to your program per each group of 10 additional participants.

Mileage: IRS rate

If travel is more than 60 minutes from Green Bay 54301, there will be travel time fee assessed at \$75 per hour

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Jack Zolkowski

Soda Pups



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Best time to call: 10 am

Stage Name: Jack Zolkowski and his "Soda Pups"

Performance Title: "Soda Pups" dog show

Performance Description: The show includes agility, dog tricks, obedience, and audience participation. Each dog, cleverly named after a soft drink - Ginger Ale, Sierra Mist and RB (Root Beer) performs their own tricks. Ginger Ale walks between Jack's legs every step and sits pretty and makes bye! Bye! Sierra Mist rides a remote controlled hummer and barks her age. Root Beer rides a skate board. The show ends with the "Infamous Green Bay Packer Trick."

Length of Program: 45 minutes for structured show

Setup: 30 minutes if performance area carpeted

Setup: 45 minutes if necessary to use my rubber carpets

Theme Incorporation: Intense training in order for dogs to perform.

Fee: \$175

- No multiple bookings.
- No evening shows

Mileage: \$0.565 per mile

Discount:

Artist Comments:

Zoozort Corporation

Noelle Tarrant, Zoozort Live Animal Programs



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Stage Name: Zoozort Live Animal Programs

Performance Title: USDA Licensed Animal Exhibitor / Noelle Tarrant

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: When we think of Architecture, Building and Construction we think of a home. I offer a program on Animal Homes. A home must provide 5 things: protection, space, shelter, food and water. Animals live in many different homes and habitats. Explore the needs and adaptations that help animals survive in their environment. This program will emphasize on types of animals and physical characteristics, as well as the differences between them. You pick the animals and we'll investigate their basic needs; observe their behavior and learn how they interact with their surroundings. Armadillos dig a hole in the ground for a house; kinkajous make a nest in trees high in the canopy, a baby marsupial calls a pouch a home for a while and a skunk may find a hollow log to make his home.

Fee: \$400.00 for up to 150 people
\$500.00 for 150 people or more

Please do not have more people than the fire code for the room allows

For libraries with a larger audience, we should either limit the size of the group or split into two or three smaller programs (same animals, same day, and same library)

30 minute programs have 5 animals

Two 30 minute programs -\$550.

Three 30 minute programs -\$650.

Mileage: 1 hour of travel = no extra charge
Over an hour = \$25 charge
2 hours = \$50 charge

Discount: I can do two programs in one day; either at the same library or for two libraries that are 30 minutes or less from each other. In this case there will be no travel fee.