

2017
YOUTH & TEEN
PERFORMERS
SHOWCASE

Friday, October 13
Rochester Hills Public Library

TLN Youth Services Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 13, 2017 @Rochester Hills Public Library

9:32 am call to order

Approval of August minutes:

Jody Wolak (Chelsea)
Karen Dobson (Milford)

Approval of agenda:

Ashley Lehman (Ferndale)
Jocelyn Levin (Lyon Twp.)

State and Local Updates:

None.

TLN Updates:

None.

Next Meeting: Friday, January 12 @Commerce Township
Community Library

MORNING SESSION

Wildlife Safari

Nelson Pearson

(734) 454-1833

info@nelsonswildlifesafari.com

www.theanimalguy.org

Audience: All ages; Recommends no more than 60 in audience to be interactive

Fees: \$400 for one hour; 2 shows is \$600 and 3 is \$750

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Variety of animals
- Groundhog
- Alligator
- Lynx
- Animal treatment/safety first
- Hands-on

Joe Reilly, Musician

Joe Reilly

(734) 846-2848

joereillymusic@gmail.com

www.joereilly.org

Audience: PreK-6th grade; no size restrictions

Fees: \$500 (plus mileage for venues outside SE MI) for one show; \$200 for each additional show on same day at same venue

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Ann Arbor based
- Pre-k –5th, but will do all ages
- Welcome circle song—
 - Inclusion
 - Sing-along/interactive
- Turkey vulture rap
- Donate CDs to library

Pippin Puppets

Robert Papineau

(734) 427-7404

pippinpuppets@sbcglobal.net

Audience: Ages 4-10; size restrictions only dependent on space (needs to set up puppet theater)

Fees: \$325 first performance with possible mileage; \$250 for second performance same day/venue; Deals for locations within 25 miles of each other

Travel Restrictions: None.

NOTES

- Pterodactyl puppet
- Interactive
- Comedy witch and clown
- Paper bag puppets

Miss Lynn and Friends

Lynn Hartwig

(313) 645-3685

lynnhartwig@att.net

Audience: PreK and early elementary; Maximum of 70 in audience

Fees: \$100; \$25 discount for each repeat of show on same day; \$.55/mile travel fee after 20 miles from Dearborn Heights

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Cuddly friends
- Small puppets
- Music (patriotic)
- Dancing

Cameron Zvara, Comedic Magician & Juggler

Cameron Zvara

(989) 574-8631

Bookings@CameronZvara.com

www.CameronZvara.com

Audience: Ages 4+; no size restrictions

Fees: Start at \$350 locally and increase due to services requested/travel; Discounts offered to libraries who book on same day

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Card tricks
- LOTS of comedy!

Bichini Bia Congo

Biza Somp

(734) 604-5483

Bichinibiacongo@gmail.com

www.facebook.com/A2Congo/

Audience: All ages; No size restrictions as long as room to dance and drum

Fees: Please contact

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Based in Ann Arbor
- Audience involvement
- Drumming and dancing
- Can do workshop

Alex Thomas and Friends

Alex Thomas

(313) 461-8343

alexthomasandfriends@gmail.com

alexthomasandfriends.com

Audience: Puppet shows are youth/tween; Animation is all ages; No restrictions for puppet shows but maximum of 20 for Animation

Fees: \$295-499 plus mileage; Discounts for multiple show bookings

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Stop motion workshop—make very own puppets
- Pixilation workshop—with people
- Oliver the puppet
- Magic/puppet show
- Card tricks
- Interactive

It's All About You

Gwendolyn Lewis

(313) 467-9294

glewis2@mi.rr.com

www.gwenstoryteller.com

Audience: PreK-12 years old, No size restrictions

Fees: \$250 with travel fee beyond 50 miles; Discounts for more than one location per day

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Storytelling/singing
- Very interactive
- Variety of stories—multi-cultural, biblical, character building, and just for fun
- Coretta Scott King program
- Literacy—build-on and get kids interested in reading
- "The Boy and the Yam" Nigerian story

Madcap Puppets

Sean P. Mette

(513) 921-5965 ext. 15

booking@madcappuppets.com

www.madcappuppets.com

Audience: 5-12 and family audiences; Limit of 550 audience members

Fees: Sept-May is \$595; June-Aug is \$535; \$400 for each additional show on same day and venue; Discounts for multiple locations same day

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- "Jules and Verne Show"
- Interactive puppet show
- Big sea monster
- Uses different accents
- Tells the importance of being a friend

Music Man Dave

David Rodgers

(248) 291-7735

musicmandavesongs@gmail.com

www.musicmandavesongs.com

Audience: Geared at ages 0-7; No size restrictions

Fees: Start at \$350; Discounts for multiple locations/programs per day; Can be customized for specific budgets

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- "Hello" song - uses names of audience members
- Very interactive with audience
- Action songs
- "Mr. Pancake Man" song
- Train song

The Rock & Roll Bookshelf

Doug Scheer

(248) 891-1900

scheergenius@mac.com

www.assemblyshows.com

Audience: Elementary ages; Maximum of 500

Fees: \$375 with discounts up to \$75 for sharing dates with neighboring libraries

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Genres in shows—
 - Science experiment books
 - Classic books
- Turn books into magic tricks
- *NEW show* - "Supermarket Science Show" - all new science experiments with things you can find at the grocery store

Exotic Zoo

Javon Stacks

(734) 444-5266

1exoticzoo@gmail.com

www.1ExoticZoo.com

Audience: All ages; No size restrictions

Fees: Start at \$225

Travel Restrictions: None

NOTES

- Hands-on zoo
- Very interactive
- Adorable animals

- Lindsay Fricke—Novi
- Lauren Baker—Plymouth
- Sara Fifield—Wixom
- Karen Dobson—Milford
- Erin Look—Garden City
- Jody Wolak—Chelsea
- Cathy Gimby—Baldwin
- Susan Guay—AHPL
- Barb Szutkowski—Royal Oak
- Leah Kenney—White Lake
- Rachael Quinn—Oxford
- Ashley Lehman—Ferndale
- Carla Sharp—Brighton
- Julie Moore—West Bloomfield
- Amy Beem—Hazel Park
- Kathleen Kozlowski—Orion Twp.
- Brenda Dunseth—Highland Twp.
- Lisa Murawa—Springfield Twp.
- Laura Grabiuas—Howell
- Amanda Gehrke—MDHT
- Jessica Tapley—Northfield Twp.
- Karen Smith—LVCC
- Cynthia Walker—Waterford
- Janna VanHouten—TLN
- Tamie Bird—Westland
- Alayna Jones—Westland
- Charli Osborne—Oak Park
- Rachel Charette—GPPL
- Melissa Rizer—GPPL
- Natalie Molnaw—Northville
- Karen Clinton—Redford
- Joyce Krom—Huntington Woods
- Kristy Chase—Royal Oak
- Jocelyn Levin—Lyon Twp.
- Allison Sartwell—Rochester Hills
- Sara Dee—Howell
- Mary Cowles—Oxford
- Rebecca Stout—Berkley
- Sue Walton—RHPL
- Whitney Jones—Canton
- Lynne Bustin—Wyandotte
- Caryn Bartone—Westland
- Colleen Leddy—Stair District
- Amalia Ash—Trenton
- Nakenya Yarbrough—Belleville
- Barb Dinan—Plymouth
- Jessica Wilhoite—Romulus
- Julie Sebest—Taylor
- Becky Price—Taylor