



Abstracts of 2015 Funded Proposals

Jazz at the Library

Lead Library: Madison Goodman South Madison

Partner Libraries: Madison Central, Madison Monroe Street, Deerfield, Fitchburg, Marshall, Middleton, Mt. Horeb, Oregon, Sun Prairie, Verona, Waunakee

Twelve Dane County Libraries will partner with the Greater Madison Jazz Consortium to offer one of three different programs about jazz. They are: **Journey of Jazz** with the Hanah Jon Taylor Artet performing music representing the various periods of jazz, interspersed with presentations by Taylor about each era; **Jazz is a Heartbeat** with Poet Fabu intertwining jazz poetry with musical numbers performed by Hanah Jon Taylor, bracketed by a lively talk by UW-Madison Professor, Ethelene Whitmire, author of the 2014 book, Regina Anderson Andrews: Harlem Renaissance Librarian; and **Jazz in Exile**, a documentary on the exodus of many African American jazz musicians to Europe, the reasons for this movement and how it affected both the musicians and the music itself -- discussion following with the film's director, Chuck France.

Project Director: Chris Wagner

Project Period: January 15, 2015-June 1, 2015

EVALUATION DUE: July 1, 2015

Project Total: \$7,750 Beyond the Page Funding Awarded: \$7,150

Eerie Tales: a Glance Back and a Look Ahead at Horror Fiction

Lead Library: Waunakee

Partner Libraries: Madison Central, Madison Ashman, Madison-Pinney, Madison-Sequoia, Sun Prairie, Black Earth, Oregon

"Eerie Tales" is a speaker and event series that will be scheduled during September and October of 2015. The expert speaker series will feature the origins of horror fiction, key authors of the genre, and treatments of horror fiction in theatrical and film productions. Events will include storytelling, a music performance evening that will be interspersed with readings from horror fiction, multiple horror film showings, a makerspace event, an historical presentation by Madison Ghost Walks, and author visits by a Madison horror fiction author.

Project Director: Gay Strandemo

Project Period: September 1, 2015-October 31, 2015

EVALUATION DUE: November 30, 2015

Project Total: \$7,256.50 Beyond the Page Funding Awarded: \$3,851.50

Rodgers and Hammerstein: From Book to Broadway

Lead Library: Sun Prairie

Partner Libraries: Belleville, DeForest, Middleton, Mount Horeb, Verona, Waunakee

This project takes a look at the legacy of one of musical theatre's foremost songwriting teams: Rodgers and Hammerstein. This program is produced by Four Seasons Theatre as an outreach component of its continuing Great American Songbook series, the 2015 installment of which focuses on R&H. Tamara Brognano, FST Outreach Coordinator, will lead a program that looks at the R&H legacy of the "book" musical, and the books that R&H adapted for the Broadway stage. The presentation will feature a pianist and 3-4 singers who will bring these books to life.

Project Director: Tracy Herold

Project Period: April 14-April 29, 2015

EVALUATION DUE: FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015

Project Total: \$10,000 Beyond the Page Funding Awarded: \$9,000

Dane County Authors in the Spotlight

Lead Library: Madison Public Library-Central

Partner Libraries: Madison-Pinney, Middleton

Madison and Middleton Public Libraries will partner with the Wisconsin Book Festival to bring a spotlight to the many talented authors writing in and near Dane County. Through two public readings, participating libraries will offer highly-visible venues for public readings and will expand local awareness of nearby talent. Through one event for current or aspiring authors, participating libraries will increase awareness of library resources to support authors - from researching the publishing field to self-publishing their own works and promoting their works online - and provide a forum for authors and aspiring authors to meet others who have or are considering self-publishing their work.

Project Director: Tana Elias

Project Period: May 1, 2015-October 30, 2015

EVALUATION DUE: November 30, 2015

Project total: \$5,850 Beyond the Page Funding Awarded: \$4,100

Wisconsin Film Festival Sneak Peeks at Dane County Libraries

Lead Library: Madison Public Library Pinney

Partner Libraries: Madison Lakeview, Madison Central, Madison Sequoya, Madison Goodman, Deerfield, Middleton, Mount Horeb, Oregon, Verona

This partnership program between Dane County public libraries and the Wisconsin Film Festival (WFF) provides inclusive community access to unique cultural experiences through the media of film. This collaboration brings a breadth of intelligent, passionate, and provocative cinematic programming to the public library through film festival trailer packages of "Sneak Peeks," as well as Q&A discussions with film experts. In addition, a circulating Wisconsin Film Festival film collection extends the reach of this program to anyone with a public library card.

Project Director: Jaime Vache

Project Period: February 2015-December 1, 2015

EVALUATION DUE: January 1, 2016

Project Total: \$7,250 Beyond the Page Funding Awarded: \$5,750