

Upcoming Events...

Toe Jam Puppet Band's Winter Variety Show

Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 2:00 PM



Join us for this performance of the original Toejam story of "When Carrots Dream" - the true story of a carrot's quest to become the nose of a snowman. Toejam will take you on a journey where you'll encounter a two-headed Snow Snorkle (be careful, this snowball throwing puppet may take aim at you!). Come and dance the ice off our snowshoes as we do the **Penguin Line Dance** and the **Blue Igloo Cha Cha** as well as other interactive songs and dances that the Toe Jam Puppet Band is famous for. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

Trio Con Brio

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2009 2:00 PM

Featuring Flautists Wendy Vignaux and Laura Wilkin and Cellist Suzanne Friedrich with an afternoon of classical music. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



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Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays 9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sundays 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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The life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. - an original narrative as seen through the eyes of his father 'Daddy King' portrayed by Sumner McClain

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009 7:30 PM



Sumner McClain, as Martin Luther King, Sr. will tell us how his son, a minister like himself, rose to lead the civil rights movement and win the Nobel Peace Prize before his assassination at the age of 39. He brings to audiences a living, breathing portrayal of the man, with all his hopes and dreams. And through his eyes, we see him as a young boy, as a young adult, as a husband and father and in his role as a great leader. Sumner McClain is an extraordinarily gifted performer who has delighted audiences of all ages. This is the second of four Living History Portrayals sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.

Forensic Science: The View from the Laboratory

Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009 2:00 PM



Drew Killius, Senior Materials Scientist at Analytical Answers and a forensic and legal work expert will speak about the cases that he has worked on over the last 33 years. Drew, an expert in a variety of different fields, will talk about such topics as Questioning Document Validability (in relation to an Election fraud case), Art & Artifacts Provenance (did that gun really belong to that famous Wild West gentleman?), Arson for Fun or to cover up another crime, Preservation of evidence (the right & wrong ways to do it) and a variety of other strange and unusual cases that he has dealt with over the years. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



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LIBRARY NOTES

December 2008

Welcome to *Library Notes*, a monthly publication of the Needham Free Public Library. Each month we'll give you a synopsis of the monthly goings-on and events happening at the Library, as well as highlighting ongoing services.....



Alex the Jester -

Sat., December 13th 10:30 AM

It's easy to imagine a court jester - the colorful trickster with bells jingling from his floppy hat. But have you ever seen one perform in real time? A rare treat, indeed! Enter the world of the Wise Fool, and take an inspiring journey to Medieval times with Alex the Jester. Alex the Jester prefers action to words, from mind bending sight gags to amazing stunts. When he finally clears his throat to speak, his audience is captivated. Rolling off his tongue is a funny sounding gibberish tongue called Grammeltot. Come join us on a thrilling journey that your sense of wonder and your funny bone won't ever forget! This event is sponsored by The Library Foundation of Needham.



Matt Cotton: Eating for the Holidays

Thur., Dec. 11th 7:30 PM



It's that time of year again, with temptation appearing everywhere. Come learn from Nutritionist Matt Cotton the seven simple steps that will help you experience the holiday season without expanding your waistline!



For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.

New Years' Needham Events at the Library Wednesday, December 31st

Childrens Movie: Kung Fu Panda (PG - 88 min.)

12:00 PM

Enthusiastic, big and a little clumsy, Po works in his family's noodle shop while daydreaming about becoming a Kung Fu master. His dreams soon become reality when he is unexpectedly chosen to join the world of Kung Fu and study alongside his idols-the legendary fighters Tigress, Crane, Mantis, Viper and Monkey-under the leadership of their guru, Master Shifu. But before they know it, the vengeful and treacherous snow leopard Tai Lung is headed their way, and it's up to Po to defend everyone from the oncoming threat.



Magician Chris Bolter 3:00 PM & 4:00 PM



Back from last years' SRO performance, Magician Chris Bolter will this year be doing two, 1/2 hour magic shows. Come and join us for "The Magic of Christopher Bolter!"

Childrens Movie: Horton Hears a Who! (G-174 min.)

6:45 PM

One of Dr. Seuss' most beloved stories roars to life as never before in this enormous animated adventure that proves "a person's a person no matter how small." A playful pachyderm named Horton becomes a reluctant hero when he discovers the microscopic city of Whoville on a floating speck of dust and embarks on a hilarious adventure to save the town from the dangers of the jungle.



