



Spring Early Literacy Newsletter 2014

Steinway Day at the Library

Ever wonder how all those strings in a grand piano work to produce such beautiful music ?

You will get a chance to find out during *Steinway Day at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library*:

Saturday, April 12th 2014

11 a.m.

Come on a piano safari, as we take apart a piano, see what's inside, and hear the magic of the piano!

Special Preschool Storytime Program:

Mother Goose Asks Why

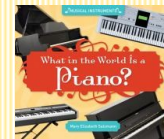
Discover music through picture books and hands-on family activities on

**Thursday April 10th
10 a.m.**



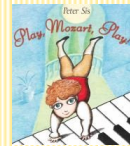
What in the World is a Piano?

J 786.219
Salzman



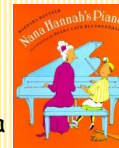
Play, Mozart, Play!

E Sis, Peter



Nana Hannah's Piano

E Bottner, Barbara



Guz and Grandpa and the Piano Lesson

E-R Mills, Claudia



Piano Starts Here: The Young Art Tatum

J 786. 2165 Parker



Early Literacy Tip

Sing and Play
with your child
everyday!

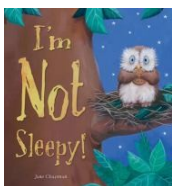


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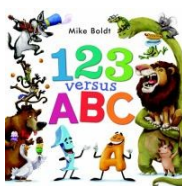
STAFF FAVORITES

Dana's Pick



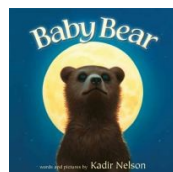
I'm Not Sleepy!
by Jane Chapman

Heidi's Pick



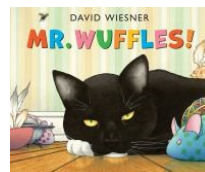
123 Versus ABC
by Mike Boldt

Kristin's Pick



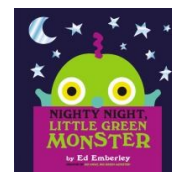
Baby Bear by
Kadir Nelson

Mary's Pick



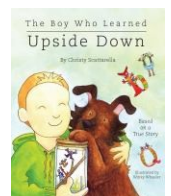
Mr. Wuffles!
by David Wiesner

Peik-Kuan's Pick



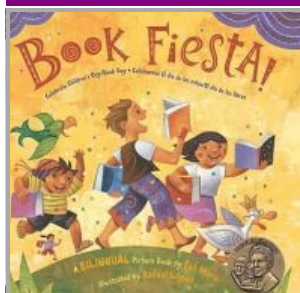
Nighty Night Little Green Monster by
Ed Emberley

Ruth Roses' Pick



The Boy Who Learned Upside Down by Winky Wheeler

El día de los niños / El día de los libros = Children's Day / Book Day



Book Fiesta!
By Pat Mora

El día de los niños, el día de los libros is a day created by librarians and educators as a celebration of childhood and bilingual literacy. It emphasizes the importance of advocating literacy for every child regardless of linguistic and cultural background. The celebration is cross-cultural and intergenerational. In the words of one of the founders of this annual event, author Pat Mora: "April 30th has become a day for remembering the power of

words and books in the lives of our young people and for honoring all the languages spoken in the homes of this country. One in five of our school children comes from a home in which a language other than English is spoken. By honoring these languages, we celebrate our linguistic and cultural wealth."

April 30th 4 p.m.

**At The Corvallis-Benton County
Public Library**

**Oregon Shadow Theatre Presents:
Anansi the Spider**

Anansi the spider is clever, witty, foolish and greedy. He loves to eat and he hates to work. Anansi plays tricks on everyone and gets into a lot of trouble. In this story Anansi meets a River Goblin, fights a Chimpanzee, and plays a trick on his whole village.



Feature Author: Jane Brocket

The bright, beautiful and colorful photos in these concept books by Jane Brocket may inspire you to look, listen, touch, smell, taste and play!

**Cold, Crunchy,
Colorful: Using
Our Senses**

J 612.8 Brocket



**Spiky, Slimy,
Smooth: What is
Texture ?**

J 612.88 Brocket



**Talking about the
pictures in books
and relating
them to our
everyday lives
give meaning to
words and
concepts that
children are
learning.**

**1 Cookie, 2
Chairs, 3
Pears: Numbers
Everywhere**

J 516.15 Brocket



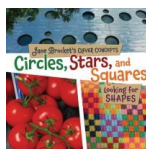
**Spotty, Stripy,
Swirly: What are
Patterns ?**

J 152.1423 Brocket



**Circles, Stars,
and Squares:
Looking for
Shapes**

J 516.15 Brocket



**Ruby, Violet,
Lime: Looking
for Color**

E Brocket, Jane



MY SPECIAL BLANKIE

The Prince and the Pink Blanket—
E Brenner, Barbara

Franklin's Blanket—E Bourgeo,
Paulette

D.W.'s Lost Blankie—E Brown, Marc

The Special Blankie—
E Butler, M.

**Small Bunny's Blue
Blanket—**E Feeney,
Tatyana



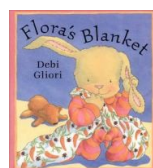
**No More Blanket for
Lambkin!—**E Ford,
Bernette

Flora's Blanket—
E Gliori, Debi

Owen—E Henkes, Kevin

**Blanket and Bear, A
Remarkable Pair—**
E Kelly, Luke

Fly Blanket Fly—
E Lewis, Anne

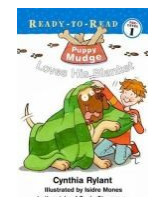
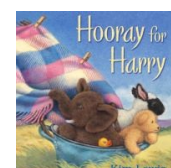


Hooray for Harry—
E Lewis, Kim

**Happiness is a Warm
Blanket, Charlie
Brown—**E Schulz,
Charles

I'm Big Enough—
E Stewart, Amber

**Puppy Mudge Loves His
Blanket—**E-R Rylant,
Cynthia



The love of music begins early: babies respond to music; rocking to the music or calming down to the tune of a lullaby. (*Scientists have found that babies respond to their mother's voice and singing in the womb!*) As they learn to talk, babies are playing with the sounds and rhythm of language. There are plenty of ways to incorporate music in your child's life from the start, even without formal lessons.

- **Sing!** Sing to your baby and keep singing to them and with them as they grow. Your baby loves your voice, no matter what your skill level!
- **Listen** to music together - lullabies, kids music, your favorite songs. Check out our Juvenile Music CD collection!
- **Enjoy musical games** - clap, march, dance, and tap your

way around the house.

- **Play with musical instruments.** Toy instruments, real instruments, and ones you create out of pots and pans and objects at home. Get inspired by reading *Pots and Pans!* by Patricia Hubbell (E Hubbell).
- **Come to library storytime!** We do a lot of fun singing and moving to the music in between stories.
- **Go see live music!** Check out family-friendly musical events around town.
- **Sing a book with a child!** There are many picture books based on favorite children's tunes, like Old MacDonald Had a Farm, Wheels on the Bus, Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, and many more. One of

my favorite books to sing along with (and it comes with a cd of the music!) is *Portside Pirates* by Oscar Seaworthy (J811.6 SEAWORTH).

- **Read books about music:** how instruments are made, different types of music, and the lives of composers.

The Corvallis Library offers a **Family Music Program** presented by local music teachers every third Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Local music stores also may have information about music teachers that work with young children when your child is ready to take the leap into learning to play an instrument. I'll leave you with one of my favorite quotes:

"Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent." - Victor Hugo

MAKING MUSIC 1,2,3 !



Kids Make Music—
J 780 hart

The Sounds of Music—J 784 Casterli

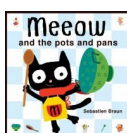
Make Your Own Musical Instruments—J 784.1923 D'Cruz

Making Music: 6 Instruments You Can Create—E Oates, Eddie

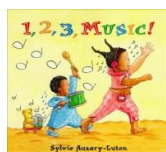
The Cat Who Loved Mozart—E Austin, Patricia

1, 2, 3, Music! -
E Auzary-Luton, Sylvie

Little Rat Makes Music—
E Bang-Campbell, Monika

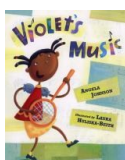


Little Boy with a Big Horn—E Bechdolt, Jack
Meeow and the Pots and Pans—E Braun, Sebastian



My Family Plays Music—E Cox, Judy
Boom Bah! —E Cummings, Phil

The Bat Boy and His Violin—
E Gavin, Curtis



Soon, Baboon, Soon—
E Horowitz, Dave

Violet's Music—
E Johnson, Angela

Music Over Manhattan—
E Karlins, Mark

Marvin Makes Music—
E Hamlisch, Marvin

The Piano -E Miller, William



Farmer Joe and the Music Show—
E Mitton, Tony

The Little Piano Girl—E MacDonald, Maryann



Zin! Zin! Zin! A violin—
E Moss, Llyod

Snake Alley Band—
E Nygaard, Elizabeth

Hip Hop Dog—E Raschka, Christopher

Mop's Backyard Concert—E Schaap, Martine

The Best Mariachi in the World =
El mejor mariachi del mundo—
E Smith, J.D.

Passing Down the Music—E Sullivan, Sarah

Tubby the Tuba—
E Tripp, Paul



Kali's Song—E Winter, Jeanette

Animal Music—E Ziefert, Harriet



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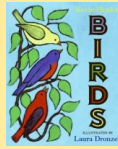
SPRING RHYME

I saw a little bird go hop, hop, hop.
So I said to the bird,
"Won't you stop, stop, stop!"
I was walking to the window to say
how do you do,
But it shook its little tail,
and away it flew!



BIRDS IN MY YARD

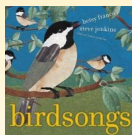
Listen to the birds sing!
We are blessed in the
Mid-Willamette Valley
with the beauty and
sounds of many species of
birds. Stop, look and listen! What
kinds of birds are visiting your
neighborhood?



**The Song of Six
Birds**—E Deetlefs,
Rene



Feathers For Lunch—
E Ehlert, Lois



I Hatched—E Esbaum,
Jill

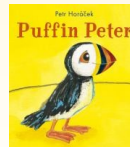
**Birdsongs: A Backward
Counting Book**—E Franko,

Betsy

Luck—E George, Jean

Birds—E Henke, Kevin

Puffin Peter—E Horacek,
Petr



Nest—E Jurley, Jorey



Sophie's Window—
E Keller, Holly

**The Flight of the Snow
Geese**—E King, Deborah

Albert—E Napoli, Donna

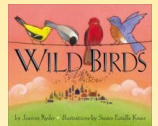


Fly, Homer, Fly—
E Peet, Bill

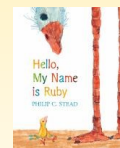
**The True Story of
Stellina**— E Pericoli,
Matteo

**Our Yard is Full of
Birds**—E Rockwell, Anne

Wild Birds—E Ryder,
Joanne



Abby's Birds—
E Schwartz, Ellen



**Hello, My Name is
Ruby**—E Stead, Philip

Bring On the Birds—
E Stockdale, Susan

Whose Chick Are You?— E Tafuri,
Nancy

I See a Bird— J 598
Appleby



**Birds: Nature's
Magnificent Flying
Machines**— J 598 Arnold

****More children's non-fiction books
on birds are located in the area of
J 598.**

Parenting Picks



**30 Fun Ways to Learn
About Music** by Anice
Paterson

J 372.87044 PATERSON

Music does more than teach children
to sing or play an instrument. The
activities in 30 Fun Ways to Learn
About Music build children's
development in other areas like
literacy, math, physical fitness, and
coordination. These activities help
children develop concentration, build
confidence, and cultivate their
creative and social development.



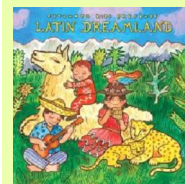
**Raising Musical Kids: a Guide
for Parents** by Robert A.
Cutietta

649.51 CUTIETTA

Does music make kids smarter? At
what age should a child begin music
lessons? Where should you purchase an
instrument? What should parents
expect from a child's teachers and
lessons?



MUSIC PICKS



**Putumayo Kids
Presents: Latin
Dreamland**

J CD 781.6268
Latin



**Dan Zanes &
Elizabeth Mitchell:
Turn Turn Turn**

J CD 781.58 Zanes