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Tyler Zimmerman, bass-baritone

SPOTLIGHTS ON TYLER ZIMMERMAN AND DON

His musical education had already started, at age 3, when he was enrolled in basic music classes at the Settlement School of Music. Tyler was also lucky enough to attend schools in the Abington School District, which was just honored as a Best Community for Music Education for the 12th year in a row.

When his voice changed at 13, Tyler began voice lessons with Ruth Ideen-Sall and, two years later, he was accepted to Juilliard's Pre-College Division.

Tyler completed his undergraduate studies and a year of his master's at the Juilliard School, before transferring to the Curtis Institute of Music. Throughout training, he worked with Marlina Kleinman Malas, who

continues to be his voice teacher.

Tyler has performed in various cities throughout the U.S., including New York, Philadelphia, Albany, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Santa Fe, and Chautauqua.

While an apprentice at the Santa Fe Opera, Tyler was lucky enough to be included in the creation of a new work, *The (R)evolution of Steve Jobs*, by Mason Bates, and performed in the world premiere as an ensemble soloist. A recording from those first performances won a Grammy this year for Best Opera.

So, yes, next time you see Kathleen, just remember: her son won a Grammy.

- Lois Odabas
 Staff Writer

One of our favorite guests just celebrated his 100th birthday. Don visits the library several times a week, and he never passes a single staff member without a tip of his hat. He is a true, old-fashioned (and camera-shy) gentleman. Happy birthday and best wishes for a healthy year, Don!

- Nancy Hammeke Marshall
 Executive Director



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Your donations have the power to impact our Adult Literacy Program in a most positive way. All of us at the Library are grateful for your support for what the program does for so many. With your help, all things are possible!



- Nancy Hammeke Marshall, Executive Director

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BLAST OFF SUMMER READING QUESTS FOR ALL AGES



ABINGTON AND ROSLYN READS! FOR TEENS AND KIDS

ADULT SUMMER QUEST

Sign up to read, listen, watch, and join challenges related to this year's theme: "A Universe of Stories."

Starting June 17, join online or register at either library. Books and audio books, eBooks and downloaded audio, DVDs or Hoopla, museum passes ... see just how far you can go with your library card this summer.

Every week we'll hold a random drawing for great prizes, including gift certificates to many local restaurants and pubs.

TEEN SUMMER QUEST

For teens entering grades 7-12
 June 17-Aug. 18

Log your reading time and complete challenges for a chance to win prizes every week! Reach the goal of reading ten hours or more, and you'll be entered for the grand prizes. Join the Quest on our website starting June 17.

ABINGTON & ROSLYN READS!

A buddy-reading program. Kids (grades K-3) read with teens (grades 7-12) for 45 minutes a week. Registration begins May 28. Sessions begin July 1. More details on our website, or call Abington Free Library or Roslyn Branch Library.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER QUEST "A UNIVERSE OF STORIES"

Preschoolers through entering grade 6. Join our summer reading program, which includes exciting learning activities. Children use logs to track their progress and earn free books and prizes. Register in person at Abington Free Library or Roslyn Branch Library starting June 14.

REFERENCE
NEWS

Did you know...

Abington and Roslyn Libraries offer museum passes to Township residents, granting free admission to about 20 museums and cultural institutions in the Philadelphia area. Abington Library recently added the National Constitution Center to its museum pass collection. The pass to Chanticleer Gardens, open seasonally, is now available. The Roslyn Branch offers four passes, including one for the Bucks County Children's Museum.

You can find a complete listing of passes here: <http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org/about-us/museum-passes>

Finding that next book to read is made easier by Book SnapShots, which offers fiction lists sorted by genre (thrillers, mysteries, chick wit, etc.) and non-fiction lists by topic. While browsing these lists, click through to the online catalog to find out if a book is available, or if similar books are available by an author or topic.

Click here to start browsing Book SnapShots: <http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org/eresources/book-snapshots>

Free computer help for beginners is just a call away. Make an appointment and meet with one of our volunteer computer tutors at the library for a free one-on-one, hour-long tutoring session. The tutors can help with various devices, programs, social media, and other general technology questions. Call the Information Desk for an appointment at 215-885-5180, ext. 113.

We enjoy hearing from you! Stop by the Information Desk; call us at 215-885-5180, ext. 113; or email us at askabington@gmail.com.

 Mimi Satterthwaite and all the reference staff

ROSLYN BRANCH
LIBRARY EVENTS



CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK with PUPPETS PIZZAZZ
Monday, April 29, 6:30-7:15 p.m.
Register now.

FAMILY NIGHT: CONSTRUCTION CREW
Ages 3-8 and their caregivers
Monday, May 20, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Drop in to make a miniature castle, build with cardboard and tools, and play with our Legos, MagnaTiles and Keva blocks.
No registration is required.
To be put on the reminder list, call 215 886-9818 or email mmitchell@mclinc.org.

BABY DAYS
Ages 6 months-2 years
Tuesdays, 11-11:30 a.m.
Current session runs through May 16.
Session 2: June 25-Aug. 6
Registration starts June 10.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME Ages 3-5
Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m.
Current session runs through May 23.
Session 2: June 27-Aug. 8
Registration starts June 10.

FAMILY NIGHTS Ages 3-11
Mondays, June 24 and Aug. 23
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Registration required only for June 24 session.

SUMMER QUEST AT ROSLYN
Ages preschool through grade 6
June 15- Aug. 31
Celebrate your summer of reading. Earn free books and prizes!
Register in person at Roslyn or Abington Library starting June 14.

SCIENCE TIME Ages 6-10
Tuesdays in July, at 2 and 3 p.m.
Make a sundial, miniature hovercraft, or astronaut ice cream.

FAMILY MORNINGS
Ages 3-11 (program ages vary)
Fridays, 11 a.m.
June 28-Aug. 9
Be amazed by Mad Science, Eyes of the Wild and more!

Check our website and front cover of newsletter for more summer programs, or call 215-886-9818.

Register @ 215-886-9818
abingtonfreelibrary.org
mmitchell@mclinc.org



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS
AT ABINGTON LIBRARY

For programs that require registration, visit our website: abingtonfreelibrary.org.

BUILD-A-MANIA
All ages, attending with parents/caregivers
Thursday, May 2, 6-7:30 p.m.
Bring your family (toddlers welcome) and build with LEGOs, Magna-Tiles, K'Nex, and colorful Lakeshore Learning kits. No registration required.

WHAT'S THE BIG DILL? PLANTING & EATING HERBS
Ages 6-9, attending independently
Thursday, May 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Listen to planting/gardening stories, make veggie dip with herbs and yogurt, and plant herb seeds to take home.
Online registration begins April 22.

AVENGERS DAY
Sunday, May 19, 1-5 p.m. All ages
Celebrate Avengers Day with a scavenger hunt in the Children's Department. Find all the hidden Avengers and receive a prize!

BUILD-A-ROVER
Ages 7 and up
Monday, June 17, 6:30-8 p.m.
Make a Mars Rover using recycled items. All creations will be displayed in the Children's Department this summer. Register online at abingtonfreelibrary.org starting June 3.

THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR TURNS 50!
Ages 3-6, attending with parents/caregivers
Wednesday, June 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
This event will include a book reading, STEM activities, and a take-home craft.
Online registration begins June 3.

SCIENCE IN THE SUMMER "THE SCIENCE OF ME"
Session 1: Monday, June 24, and Tuesday, June 25
Session 2: Wednesday, June 26, and Thursday, June 27
Level I (entering grades 2-3): 10 a.m.-noon
Level II (entering grades 4-6): 1-3 p.m.
Online registration begins May 17 at noon at fi.edu/scienceinthsummer/registration.

SUMMER STORY TIMES
All ages welcome, attending with parents/caregivers
Both sessions: 10:30-11:15 a.m.
Tuesdays, July 9, 16, 23, 30 (might be most fun and educational for ages 2-3)
Thursdays, July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1 (might be most fun and educational for ages 3-5)
No registration required.

KIWANIS STORY TIMES
All ages, attending with parents/caregivers
Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m., through May 16
Stories and songs presented by Jenkintown Kiwanis Club members and library staff.
No registration required.

"OH, BABY!" STORY TIMES
Ages 8-23 months, attending with parents/caregivers
Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31
11-11:30 a.m.
No registration required.

DOGGONE GOOD READERS
Completed grades 1-6, attending independently
Saturdays, July 13 and Aug. 3
10:15-10:45 a.m. OR 11-11:30 a.m.
Practice reading aloud to a registered therapy dog in small groups. Bring your own book or use one of ours.
Online registration begins June 17.

PAINTING WITH JOY!
Ages 8-11, attending independently
Mondays, July 12 and Aug. 2
10:30 a.m.-noon
Artist Joy Fine returns to lead two summer paint-alongs. No art experience necessary; all supplies provided.
Register online starting June 28 (for July 12 session) and July 19 (for Aug. 2) session.

Check our website and front cover of Ab Lib for more summer programs, or call 215-885-5180, ext. 128.



TEEN PROGRAMS
AT ABINGTON LIBRARY

AP EXAM STUDY DAY
Sunday, May 5, 1:30-5 p.m.

TEEN CREATIVE WRITING CLUB
Tuesdays, May 7 and June 4, 4-5 p.m.
Grades 6-12

SAT VS. ACT WORKSHOP
Wednesday, May 15, 7-8 p.m.

ACT PRACTICE EXAM
Saturday, May 18, 10 a.m.-1:45 p.m.
Registration required.

ADVANCED MICRO:BIT WORKSHOP
Wednesday, May 22, 6:30-8 p.m.
Grades 6-12
Get creative with coding and circuits.

ONE SUMMER, ONE AUTHOR
Thursday, July 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Meet author Christine Kendall!

Check our website and front of newsletter for more summer events and Summer Quest!

Register at the Information Desk, Abington Free Library; call 215-885-5180, ext. 113; email LCummings@mclinc.org; or register online at abingtonfreelibrary.org.

ADULT PROGRAMS
AT ABINGTON LIBRARY

BROADWAY BALLADS, ARIAS and ANTHEMS
Mark Daugherty, piano
Kirsten Orechiwsky, vocals
Sunday, May 5, 2 p.m.

THE RUTH AND ROBERT ABEL BOOK AND FILM DISCUSSION GROUP
Discussions led by Dr. Karen Weekes.
Wednesdays, at 7 p.m.
May 8: *Persepolis*, by Marjane Satrapi.
July 10: *The Library Book*, by Susan Orlean
Borrow from the Library System, OverDrive and our borrowable Kindles.

FREE FILM FRIDAY
Friday, May 10, 1 p.m. *The Sisters Brothers* (R; Run time 2h 2min)

THE WHISPERING WARRIORS: How Introverts Can Succeed in the Job Search and Today's Workplace. Meet author Jane Finkle.
Tuesday, May 21, 7-8 p.m.

PROF. BURTON KLEIN SPEAKS!
Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Shorday Room
June 6: The Best Years
June 13: The World of Land Tours
June 20: Motivational Leadership

LIBRARY COOKBOOK CHALLENGE
Thursday, June 20, 6:30-8 p.m.
Check out our website/catalog for cookbooks on Middle Eastern Food, find a recipe you like, prepare it and share it.

LEGACY OF THE BASILIAN SISTERS IN THE PHILADELPHIA AREA
Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 7 p.m.

DECAFFEINATED - AND UNWIRED ...
Talk with a cuppa decaf and new friends.
4th Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY'S ON MONDAY
Join us solving the NYT Sunday crossword puzzle.
Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

DAYTIME BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
1st Thursday of the month, 1 p.m.

OLD YORK ROAD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m.

SOCRATES CAFÉ
2nd Wednesday of the month, 10:30 a.m.

Register @ 215-885-5180, ext. 115
abingtonfreelibrary.org
KMclnns@mclinc.org

JOIN THE FRIENDS!
SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARIES!

Summer's almost here! You may be visiting the library to finish school projects, find fun summer reading, borrow a museum pass, attend a story time, or relax in the Discovery Garden.

This is also the time of year when we invite everyone who uses our libraries to support our Annual Membership Appeal. By becoming a Friend, you will help the libraries acquire new materials, and support library programs for all ages.

We are one of the busiest libraries in Montgomery County, and we need your support now to keep our services strong, especially with decreasing government funding. You can find donation cards to join the Friends at the Circulation Desks at both libraries, and on the Friends bulletin board at Abington Library, near the new book alcove. The link to donate and join is also on the Friends web page (see below).

Thanks to everyone who bid on jewelry during the Mimi Zabel Jewelry Silent Auction in November. The auction raised \$2,246. Congratulations to the winners of the 2019 Design-a-Bookmark Contest:
Kindergarten: Ronav Nadiga
Grade 1: Jaiden Rice
Grade 2: Jia Patel

Grade 3: Lily Hearn
Grade 4: Sammy Reed
Grade 5: Rayne Fang
Grade 6: Beatrix Young
Junior High: Romilly Young
All were honored at a library reception on April 11. Bookmarks featuring their winning designs are available in the Children's Department and at Roslyn Library.

Please visit the BookCellar on the lower level of Abington Library. You'll find great bargains on used books for adults, teens, and children, DVDs, audio books, and music CDs. BookCellar hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, noon-4 p.m.; Wednesday, noon-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. We also sell on Amazon.

We gratefully accept BookCellar donations at the Circulation desks of both libraries. Please bring only three grocery bags per visit.

To learn more, visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/about-us/friends; call 215-885-5180, ext. 136; or email FriendsATPL@gmail.com. Please join us on Saturday, June 8, at 10 a.m., for our annual potluck brunch in the Library's Community Room.

- Ellen Baxter,
President of the Friends
of Abington Libraries

ADULT LITERACY
PROGRAM



Now in its 35th year, our Adult Literacy Program has helped thousands of people improve their literacy skills. Some of our volunteers help adults who are trying to learn English. They work on improving their English reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills so they can better acclimate to the U.S. Other tutors work on language and academic skills with English-speaking adults, helping them prepare for tests, enter secondary education, or find a better job. In addition to individual tutoring, we offer small-group classes for English learners to practice their skills in a supportive environment.

We are fortunate to live in a community that not only values literacy, but is also rich with talented people who are willing to help others. Please consider becoming a volunteer tutor. No experience is necessary! Volunteers attend a seven-hour training program for new tutors, which is offered three times a year. Our next training session will be held over three evenings in July.

Please contact us for more details at 215-885-5183 or ablit1@yahoo.com.

Literacy Office hours: Monday through Thursday 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and by appointment.

- Elizabeth Sperling,
Literacy Coordinator

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