



Program Ideas for Adults

Jefferson Township Public Library
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ART & DESIGN

Rosemary Allen, (908) 813-3360, www.daretodesign.net

Terrific Tablescape.

Using fresh flowers, Rosemary designs 5 or 6 arrangements which she gives away at the end of the program. She showed us how to design a creative table. She can tailor her program to your needs. Her company is called "Design Inspirations" and she knows all the latest trends in floral design.

Doris Schwint, (973) 729-9778, www.schwint.com

Watercolor Demo.

The artist sets up her easel and paints a large watercolor while discussing technique, composition, color, theory, contrast, detail and texture. (She can also do a collage program.)

AUTHORS

Andrea Spano, 973-208-1094, spanos123@aol.com

"Not Just Desserts"

A book talk and signing. She talks about her experiences in the restaurant business, as a chef and as an author. She brings samples of her desserts to share. She sells and signs her books.

Lori Day, 973-702-7372, zoomama@embarqmail.com

"The Zookeeper's Daughter"

A book talk and signing. She and her family operate Space Farms Zoo and Museum. She shares stories about working with exotic animals. She sells and signs her books. She brings some small animals.

Carrie Papa, 908-253-8278

"A Mile Deep and Black as Pitch"

A book talk and signing. She lectures on mining, and the Franklin and Sterling Hill mines in Sussex County. She accompanies with a slide show.

Catherine Doty, Poet, 973-335-1570, catdoty@verizon.net

Poetry reading and signing of her book, *"Momentum."* Very engaging.

Ann M. DeVenezia, Poet, (973) 335-2641, pocono80n@aol.com

Author of *Riding "My Tricycle and Grave Rubbings"*



HISTORY

Judy Bernstein, (508) 583-7635, hbernste@bu.edu

"From George to George: 200 Years of Political Humor in America"

"Dinner at the White House"

A professional actress who puts on one-woman living history shows.

New Jersey Council for the Humanities

(609) 695-4838 / In-state: 888-FYI-NJCH (394-6524)

www.njch.org

Paul Rosetti, Americana Lectures, (201) 370-3097

"Civil War for Business"

Corporate view of Gettysburg, perfect for business groups.

Harry Ettlinger, (973) 366-4350

"Art Under the Nazis"

Highlights "Monuments Men", GIs who retrieved art masterpieces plundered by Nazis.

Speaker had everyone's attention from first word to last. Excellent.

Charles A. Haas, (973) 584-5930, titanicteach@yahoo.com

"Titanic: the latest chapters"

Mr. Haas gives a brief recalling of Titanic's ill-fated voyage, and an up-to-date account since Titanic's discovery. He is an expert on the subject, and one of the few who has been to the sunken ship. Fascinating.

Rebecca Wills, 1-800-388-9793, presladies@earthlink.net

"A Visit with Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt"

William and Sue Wills, of *Presidents and their First Ladies, Dramatically Speaking*, a husband and wife acting and writing team, bring the life stories of 31 different Presidential couples to life. Each year, they portray two different couples. Their costumes, dialects and demeanors help recreate these historical characters. By presenting the personal side of these couples, they become more than just names read about in history books.

Ursula Pawel, ursulap9@aol.com, www.mychildisback.com

"The Holocaust: My Experience"

Recounts her personal story of surviving Hitler's rise to power in 1933, the insidious restrictions against German Jews, and ultimately the Holocaust. She spent 3 years in concentration & labor camps and undertook a 500-mile bicycle trek from Poland to Germany, looking for her mother after liberation. This program is sponsored by a grant from the NJ Council for the Humanities, but Ursula is willing to go anywhere depending on her schedule; she will drive during the daytime. Very well spoken, and good with the young people in the audience.



MUSIC

Ricochet, contact person Dale Maglia, (732) 991-5365

An award-winning Sweet Adeline barbershop quartet, with a repertoire of old standards, 50s, classic barbershop and holiday music.

New Jersey Symphony Orchestra

Contact person Ms. Chiho Okuizumi, (973) 624-3713 (x) 268

www.njsymphony.org

REACH (Resources for Education and Community Harmony) programs

James O'Malley, jimjom@optonline.net

Singer/songwriter with a wonderful voice, fabulous songs and intriguing guitar style. Very popular with audiences.

Guitar Trilogy, contact brian@guitartrilogy.com

Three classical guitarists, professionally trained, present new and standard pieces ranging from Bach and Mozart to the Beatles.

Karen Stern, professional Harpist, Karen@harpcat.com

She did a "Valentine Love Songs" program at Jefferson.

Lew Gelfond, Old Time Fiddler, (908) 852-0591, www.lewgelfond.com

Bluegrass, banjo, mandolin, guitar. Good songs, and he gets the audience participating.

Bob Lieve, (201) 796-9582

Bob Lieve Duo, Dixieland Band -Very good music, and a great night of entertainment.

Mark Davey, (973) 907-7626, markdacey@optonline.net

Romantic Interlude - Actor, guitarist, comedian with his own cable show presents nostalgia repertoire with humor. "Eyes closed, it would have been hard to tell that it wasn't Ray Charles or Tony Bennett." (Star Ledger)

John Carlson, (877) 345-7469, www.magicshow.com

The Magic Show Workshop – an interactive slight of hand magic show. Mr. Carlson teaches magic to the audience. A really fun evening of learning magic. All participants loved him. Check out the website for other program ideas.

Ken Lelen, (609) 730-9313 (office), KenLelen@mac.com

Vintage Music on Vintage Instruments – Ken travels the east coast sharing the music of the 20's, 30's & 40's, making it even more special by using vintage instruments from the years that the original songs gained their popularity. He shares his love of the old 78's that he grew up on and brings along some of his vast collection of instruments. He invites questions and comments. List to Blue Moon, April Showers, Over the Rainbow, Pennies from Heaven, etc. He provided lots of publicity and information, including posters to display.



NATURE

Carol Knapp, (973) 627-4600 (x) 258 (work)

“Winter Bird Watching & Feeding”

Interesting program on winter birding, from feeding to watching and counting. She offers other programs on bats and rattlesnakes.

Lauren Butcher, Raptor Trust, (908) 647-1091, lbutcher@theraptortrust.org

“Heads Up for Hawks”

Meet a live hawk and learn about these daytime birds of prey that soar, swoop and glide through NJ skies. Ms. Butcher will discuss migration and identification of hawks by their shapes and flight behavior.

TRAVEL

Lorenza Vidris, (973) 244-1862, lorenzavidris@optonline.net

“France by Canal”

A photo journey through the Canal du Midi (South France), of author’s and her husband’s photos with animation. About one hour – like a mini-vacation!

Alan Levin, (973) 361-8706, alevin@ccm.edu

Adventure/Travel shows with *National Geographic Photographer*.

Presenter offers a variety of shows – Africa, Galapagos Islands, Tibet, Bolivia, Norway, Egypt, and more. Astonishing photos, and Professor Levin is a mesmerizing storyteller.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ned Gardner, ingard@optonline.net

Adirondack Mountain Club, North Jersey Chapter

Mr. Gardner presents an introduction to hiking, focusing on safety, how to get started, and hiking opportunities in the area.

Linnea Foster, (973) 377-7243, LBFMags@aol.com

Morris Area Genealogical Society

Ms. Foster presents “Your Family Tree: an introduction to Genealogy”.

Andy Patten, (973) 537-1333

Wild Birds Unlimited

Mr. Patten presents “Creating a Bird-Friendly Backyard Habitat”

Bernice Krieger, (973) 772-0043

Handwriting Analysis.

She lectures, does a Q & A session, followed by individual analyses. People were absolutely amazed at her insights.



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John Andrews, NJ Astronomical Association, (908) 638-8500, jjanderews@att.net

“Deep Sky: Travelling the Roadmap of the Universe”

A talk about the universe using magnificent Hubble images and earth-based telescopic photographs. Library needs to provide computer projector.

George Iannacone/CEFA, (888) 915-CEFA, giannacone@optonline.net

College Funding Awareness Program.

Speaker very informative and knowledgeable on college process. Patient with questions and willing to meet with anyone free of charge in future. Great service.

Katie Karlovitz, (201) 422-0222

Feng Shui.

Environmentally-conscious arrangements and furniture.

Otto Noethen, (973) 839-3152, ONOETHEN@aol.com

“How to Use Chocolate in Baking & Decorating”

Demonstration of recipes, explains the varieties of chocolate and uses in baking. He’s a world-renowned pastry chef, author of *Baked Just for You*.