

90-day Program Report

Estimated attendance

Total attendance = 13,549

All admissions were free.

Weather

n/a

Activities

The highlights of the Celebration are below. Please attached document for the full schedule of performances.

Wednesday, November 6, 2013

When: 7:00pm – 9:30pm

Where: Maple Woods Community College
2601 NE Barry Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64156

What: OPENING RECEPTION KICK-OFF, CONCERT, SILENT AUCTION

Who: Willy Claflin, Marilyn Kinsella, Sadarri Saskill, Peter Cook w/Keith Wann

As a kick-off to the Celebration's week long events, each of our featured tellers told personal stories from their wide catalog of diverse and creative backgrounds. Our audience was made up of community members, students, from area high schools, William Jewel Community College students as well as faculty and staff from MCC. Our Featured tellers were chosen for their longevity, creativity and excellence in the national storytelling arena.

2013 Featured tellers:

Peter S. Cook

Peter S. Cook is an internationally reputed Deaf performing artist whose works incorporates American Sign Language, pantomime, storytelling, acting, and movement. Peter has traveled extensively around the country and aboard with Flying Words Project to promote ASL Literature with Kenny Lerner since 1986. Peter has appeared in Live from Off Center's "Words on Mouth" (PBS) and "United States of Poetry" (PBS) produced by Emmy winner Bob Holman. Peter teaches at Columbia College where he received the 1997 Excellence in Teaching award. In 1998, Peter set up a video production called PC Production and now based in Chicago. Peter was featured nationally in festivals such as the Jonesboro National Storytelling Festival, Storytelling Festival, Indiana Hoosier Storytelling Festival, Eugene Oregon Multi-Cultural Festival, and The Deaf Way II and the Millennium State at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Peter was invited to the White House to join the National Book Festival in 2003. Internationally, Peter has performed at Tales of Graz, Austria, and Mid-Summer Festival at Cork, Ireland, and worked with Deaf storytellers/poets in Sweden, Norway, Holland, Denmark, France, Italy, Germany, England, and Japan. In 2012, Peter received his master degree in storytelling from East Tennessee State University. He lives in Chicago and is Associate Professor in ASL-English Interpretation Department at Columbia College.

Willy Claflin

Willy Claflin is a favorite at the National Storytelling Festival and at regional festivals across the country. He tells original and traditional stories, and is the speaking-mouth-person for Maynard Moose, the only quadruped on the storytelling circuit today. Willy sings his own songs, plus hundreds of eerie ballads from the British Isles and Appalachia (and a lot of blues and rock-n-roll). His latest one-man show is the story of this great-great aunt, the notorious and mesmerizing Victoria Claflin Woodhull. The first woman stock broker and the first woman to run for president (1872), she ran and lost on a platform of free love and workers' rights. He is the co-author (along with Maynard Moose) of three award-winning children's books: The Uglified Ducky, Rapunzel and the Seven Dwarfs, and The Bully Goat Grim. A fourth tale, The Little Moose Who Couldn't Go To Sleep, is scheduled for publication in late 2014. Willy taught school, where he found out that kids love learning from puppets-and he got to sing. Eventually, he was hijacked by a troupe of hand puppets, including one alien life form. A full-time performer and writer since 1983, Willy is now a master storyteller, mostly for adults, but his kid fans are still really important to him.

Marilyn Kinsella

Taleypo the Storyteller, of Fairview Heights, IL, has been telling stories since 1981. She tells stories "...from nursery schools to nursing homes." Her folktales come from many cultures, but her favorite stories are those she wrote about growing up in her small, Mid-western town. Her stories are full of energy and participation for the young and a delicate blend of action and word imaging for the young-at-heart. As a full-time, free-lance teller, she travels to where stories want to be told. Besides telling, she often leads workshops, mentors new storytellers, and performs puppet plays. She has told stories to hundreds of schools in the Mid-west and has been featured at many festivals including the St. Louis Storytelling Festival, The Fox Valley Festival, and The Illinois Storytelling Festival. She has authored numerous published articles and is co-author of Storytelling and QAR Strategies.

Sadarri Saskill

Sadarri is a gifted writer and talented storyteller. In addition to numerous dialects and character voices, Sadarri shares her upbeat stories in English, Spanish, French, Haitian Creole, and Sign Language. Sadarri taught foreign language for many years, and has performed throughout the United States and abroad. She has used storytelling for infants to adults as a medium for both individualized instruction and entertainment. Sadarri has received national recognition for her contributions to the preservation of the oral tradition and has been featured in several award-winning audio recordings. Sadarri has taught many students who have themselves received awards in National foreign language competitions under her instruction. She has also received recognition for her own writings. Her "Shake Your TALE Feathers: Stories, Rhythm and Rhyme from Around the Globe" received the Silver Recommendation Award from both NAPPA, National Parenting Publications Award, and the Parents' Choice Foundation.

Thursday, November 7, 2013

When: 7:00pm

Where: Maple Woods Community College

2601 NE Barry Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64156
816.437.3474

What: THURSDAY EVENING CONCERT

Who: Peter Cook w/Keith Wann

This evening concert featured the spectacular telling of Peter Cook and his voice interpreter Keith Wann. Peter focused on utilizing American Sign Language as tool for creating the art of poetry, and Deaf Theater. The performance helped the audience of 170 to increase their understanding of how the artistic aspects of Deaf Culture are expressed through Creative American Sign Language. Participants were given an in-depth look at ASL poetry within the deaf community that has been passed down through generations.

Friday, November 8, 2013 **When:** 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch*family concert*

4801 Main

Kansas City, MO.

816.701.3481

What: FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Who: Sadarri Saskill

Music and song from Sadarri Saskill and her daughter Amber were a hit with the library audience of 80 parents and children.

Friday, November 8, 2013

When: 7:00pm

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch

4801 Main St.

Kansas City, MO. 64112

816.701.3481

What: FRIDAY CONCERT – GHOST STORIES-Attendance: 90

Who: Peter Cook w/Keith Wann, Marilyn Kinsella, Willy Claflin, Rose Best-Cutrer

Saturday, November 9, 2013

When: All day

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch/MCC Maple Woods Campus

4801 Main St.

Kansas City, MO. 64112

816.701.3481

Several activities:

MCC Maple Woods: Youth Storytelling Workshop-Puppets Tell by Willy Claflin, Peter Cook & Sadarri Saskill: 68 youth

MCC Maple Woods: Family Concert: 198

Library: Fairytale Tell and Adult Workshop Fractured Tells: 55

Final performance by all featured tellers: Saturday, November 9, 2013, 7:00 pm.

Marketing

The Program Director and Artistic Director promoted the event throughout the community and an invitation was mailed to the prospect list comprised of past attendees, local organizations and connections made through previous years. Radio ads, live radio promotions, press releases, MCC website (10,000+ hits were recorded), television interview, Google ads and an ad in the KC Ballet, KC Rep, American Heartland and Lyric Opera theater guides.

New venues added this year were The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Arts, Kansas School for the Deaf, and expanded offerings within the Kearney School District.

Community Support

Along with community representatives from our sponsors, MCC-Maple Woods staff created a Volunteer Community Steering Committee (VCSC) that oversees the budget, direction, evaluation and improvement of the Storytelling Celebration. Annual benchmarks for successfully growing the event include adding at least one new site a year, reaching a new audience segment, tapping into a new funding source, responding to evaluative feedback from audiences and recruiting new community committee members.

To accomplish the long-term goal of growing the event each year, the committee distributes evaluation forms requesting audience input on all facets of the event. This year we added an evaluation form created for teachers within the school districts. The evaluation was specially formatted with questions related to how the stories helped reach common core goals. The feedback from both evaluation forms will be used in creating changes and additions to the 2014 celebration. Lastly and most importantly the committee helps in creating, directing and evaluating the Celebration each year. All objectives and goals of the celebration are vetted through the committee.

- The committee effectively recruits a more ethnically diverse slate of Storytellers each year.
- The steering committee selects tellers who are knowledgeable on current events in neighborhood culture and community interaction.
- Community Committee selects special programs, such as the Story of the Arts of the Holocaust which was instituted in 2002. The committee responds to the audience's stated interests in other metro-wide observances.
- The committee provides new outreach to area nursing homes and other non-traditional targeted locations in ethnic community neighborhoods. Special focuses on the African American, Latino and Asian school systems and libraries.

Overview

The 2013 Storytelling Celebration was held November 5-9 in various locations throughout the greater metropolitan area. Performers and venues for the 2013 Celebration were selected to expand and celebrate the unique art of oral storytelling in relationship to traditions surrounding the teller's knowledge of the cultures and demographic venue makeup. Performances came together with individual and team storytelling that gave audience members a greater understanding of unity and tolerance. Venues included William Jewell College, the Boys & Girls Club—city wide, George Owen Nature Park, Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas Public

Libraries, Mid-Continent Public Libraries, Little Sisters of the Poor and three metro school districts.

This year's Celebration was both creative and innovative in that each storytelling program emphasized audience participation. At each event, tellers shared stories of personal, ethnic and family traditions. Our tellers encouraged audience participation through open and spontaneous communication. As the audiences became engaged with the tellers, dialogues were developed, allowing the tellers to tailor the story to each particular audience. Each performance was unique with tellers creatively responding to audience feedback.

In addition to educating and entertaining the community, our Celebration offered our seasoned tellers the opportunity to gain knowledge and hone their skills. Examples of workshops designed for both the community and professional tellers included an American Sign Language workshop, media specialist workshop on Literacy Development in the Storytelling Classroom and creative storytelling techniques for both children and adult workshops. This year our tellers were again able to nurture and create great respect and appreciation for storytelling as an art form by demonstrating how simple and rewarding it can be to communicate with those of all ages. The workshops also served as a professional development tool introducing new and innovative ideas into an art form that is always evolving.

2013 KC Storytelling Celebration – Master Schedule

Sunday, November 3, 2013

When: 1:00pm – 1:30pm, 2:30pm – 3:00pm

Where: The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Arts (Public)

Noguchi Court

4525 Oak

Kansas City, MO. 64111

What: DAY OF THE DEAD CELEBRATION

Who: Joyce Slater

Tuesday, November 5, 2013

When: 10:45am – 12:15pm

Where: William Jewel College (Not Public)

Marston Bldg., Rm. 204

500 College Hill

Liberty, MO. 64068

Who: Joyce Slater

When: 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Where: Skylander Psych Center (Not Public)

1325 Italian Way

Excelsior Springs, MO. 64024

816.630.4555

Who: Joyce Slater

When: 6:00pm

Where: Lansing Correctional Facility (Not Public – Secured facility)

301 E. Kansas

Lansing, KS. 66043

Who: Gary Kuntz, Tim Manson, Linda Kuntz, Steve Otto

Wednesday, November 6, 2013

When: 8:00am – 3:00pm

Where: KCKSPL – West Wyandotte (Not Public) *elementary*

1737 N. 82nd St.

Kansas City, KS. 66112

913.722.7400

Who: John Anderson, Dianna Waite, Linda Kuntz

When: 9:00am
Where: Shoal Creek Elementary
9000 NE Flintlock Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64157
Who: Marilyn Kinsella, Eric Haynes

When: 10:00am
Where: Juvenile Detention Center (JDC) (Not Public)
625 E. 26th St.
Kansas City, MO. 64108
816.435.4701
Who: Gary Kuntz, Loretta Washington

When: 10:00am – 11:00am
Where: KCMOPL – Southeast Branch (Not Public) *1st – 3rd Montessori, Holliday*
6242 Swope Parkway
Kansas City, MO. 64132
816.701.3484
Who: Carole Shelton, Rosie Best-Cutrer

When: 10:00am – 11:00am
Where: KCMOPL – Westport Branch (Public) *preschool*
118 Westport Rd.
Kansas City, MO.
816.701.3488
Who: Marcia Ollinger, Jim Stigall

When: 10:30am
Where: KCMOPL – Excelsior Springs Branch (Public) *preschool*
1460 Kearney Rd.
Excelsior Springs, MO. 64024
816.630.6721
Who: LaRita Wright, Priscilla Howe

When: 11:00am
Where: Community Reintegration Group Home (CRGH) (Not Public)
2717 Gillham Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64108
Who: Jamie Mayo, Laura Packer

When: 11:00am – 12:00pm
Where: William Jewel College (Not Public)
500 College Hill
Marston Bldg., Rm. 204
Liberty, MO. 64068
What: HISTORY AND SYSTEMS OF PSYCHOLOGY CLASS
Who: Becky Everly, Deb Swanegan

When: 12:00pm – 4:00pm
Where: North Kansas City School District
2000 NE 46th St.
Kansas City, MO. 64119
What: MEDIA SPECIALISTS WORKSHOP
Who: Sadarri Saskill & Daughter

When: 1:30pm
Where: Hilltop Residence Treatment Center
301 NW Gregory Blvd.
Lee's Summit, MO. 64064
816.435.7002
Who: Steve Otto, Sue Hinkel

When: 4:00pm – 5:00pm
Where: Boys/Girls Club – Wyandotte Co. Unit (Not Public) *mixed ages*
1240 Troup Ave.
Kansas City, KS. 66102
913.621.3260
Who: Margaret Meyers, Tim Manson

When: 4:30pm – 5:30pm
Where: Boys/Girls Club – Hawthorne Unit (Not Public) *mixed ages*
16995 E. Dover Lane
Independence, MO. 64056
816.257.7010
Who: Jim Wallen, Barbara Kellogg

When: 7:00pm – 9:30pm
Where: Maple Woods Community College (by invitation only)
2601 NE Barry Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64156
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Note: Kimberly Howard will have a van at the hotel for other tellers to ride.

Thursday, November 7, 2013

When: 8:00am – 3:00pm
Where: Fort Osage Elementary (Not Public)
2101 N. Twyman Rd.
Independence, MO. 64058
816.509.7810
Who: Jeanne Crews, Nancee Micham, Mike Micham, Deb Swanegan, Sharon Thompson, Jim Wallen

When: 8:00am – 3:00pm
Where: KCKSPL – Main Branch (Not Public) *preschool & elementary*
625 Minnesota Ave.
Kansas City, KS. 66101
913.551.3280
Who: Linda Kuntz, Rosie Best-Cutrer, LaRita Wright,

When: 8:00am – 3:00pm
Where: KCKSPL – West Wyandotte Branch (Not Public) *elementary*
1737 N. 82nd St.
Kansas City, KS. 66112
913.722.7400
Who: John Anderson, Tim Manson, Marcia Olligner

When: 8:30am
Where: Gladstone Elementary (Not Public)
335 N. Elmwood
Kansas City, MO. 64123
816.418.3950
Who: Willy Claflin, Priscilla Howe

When: 9:00am – 12:00pm
Where: Kansas School for the Deaf (Not Public)
450 E. Park St.
Olathe, KS. 66060
913.791.0573
Who: Peter Cook w/Keith Wann

When: 9:00am – 2:00pm
Where: KCKSPL – Turner Branch (Not Public) *pre – K, K – 5, Middle School*
831 S. 55th St.
Kansas City, MO. 66106
913.596.1404 – Jacob Bond
Who: Eric Haynes, Karen Young, Sue Godsey

When: 9:00am – 11:00am
Where: KCMOPL – Southeast Branch (Public) *pre – K*
6242 Swope Pkwy
Kansas City, MO. 64132
816.701.3484
Who: Becky Every, Marilyn Kinsella

When: 9:30am, 10:30am
Where: Mid-Continent Library – Woodneath Branch (Public) *families and small children*
8900 NE Flintlock Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64157
Who: Jo Ho, Carole Shelton

When: 9:30am – 3:30pm
Where: KCKSPL – South Branch (Not Public) *k – 5th*
2800 Metropolitan Ave.
Kansas City, KS. 66106
913.722.7400
Who: Sadarri Saskill, Diane Cox

When: 10:00am
Where: KCMOPL – Waldo Branch (Public) *preschool*
201 E. 75th
Kansas City, MO. 64114
816.701.3486
Who: Nancy Shelton, Jim Stigall

When: 10:00am – 10:45am, 11:00am – 11:45am
Where: George Owens Nature Park – At the Park (Public) *nature stories*
1601 S. Speck Rd.
Independence, MO.
Who: Denise Dodd, Margaret Meyers

When: 10:30am – 11:30am
Where: KCMOPL – Central Branch (Not Public) *elementary*
14 W. 10th St.
Kansas City, MO.
816.701.3441
Who: Willy Claflin, Priscilla Howe

When: 10:45am – 12:30pm
Where: William Jewel (Not Public)
500 College Hill
Marston Bldg., Rm. 204
Liberty, MO. 64068
Who: Larry Brown, Steve Otto

When: 1:00pm
Where: University Academy (Not Public)
6801 Holmes Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64131
816.412.5900
Who: Willy Claflin, Priscilla Howe

When: 1:00pm – 2:00pm, 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Where: Dogwood Elementary (Not Public) *K – 2, 3rd – 5th grade*
1400 Cedar Wood Pkwy
Kearney, MO. 64060
816.903.1400
Who: Becky Everly, Marilyn Kinsella

When: 1:15pm

Where: Ruiz – Our Lady of Guadalupe School (Not Public) *K – 5*

2310 Madison Ave.

Kansas City, MO. 64108

Who: Jo Ho, Carole Shelton

When: 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Where: Skylander Psych(Not Public)

1325 Italian Way

Excelsior Springs, MO. 64024

816.630.4555

Who: Larry Brown, Steve Otto

When: 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Where: Brookside Adult Day Health Care (Not public) *mentally challenged adults*

400 W. 57th St.

Kansas City, MO. 64113

816.926.9400

Who: Geneva Greenfield

When: 3:00pm – 4:30pm

Where: Jeanne Jugan Center (Not Public) *seniors*

8745 James A. Reed Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64138

816.761.4744

Who: Sue Hinkel, Nancy Shelton

When: 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Where: Boys/Girls Club – Thornberry Unit (Not Public) *mixed ages*

3831 E. 43rd. St.

Kansas City, MO. 64130

816.861.6300

Who: Dianna Waite, Loretta Washington

When: 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Where: J.D. Wagner (Not Public)

2405 Elmwood

Kansas City, MO. 64127

816.241.5252

Who: Barbara Kellogg, Gary Kuntz

When: 6:00pm – 6:40pm, 6:45pm – 7:15pm

Where: Elm Grove (Not Public)

18000 E. Kentucky Rd.

Independence, MO.

Who: Nancee Micham, Mike Micham

Note: 2, 35 minute programs with Q&A.

When: 6:00pm, 6:30pm
Where: Hawthorne Elementary (Not Public) *2 programs, 25 mins each*
1815 S. Jefferson
Kearney, MO. 64060
816.628.4114
Who: Jim Stigall
Note: Evening performance for bookfair

When: 7:00pm
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1815 S. Jefferson
Kearney, MO. 64060
816.628.4114
Who: Becky Everly, Nancee Micham, Mike Micham

When: 8:00am – 3:00pm
Where: Kearney Elementary (Not Public) *K – 5th*
902 S. Jefferson
Kearney, MO. 64060
816.628.4113 x43601
Who: Eric Haynes, Margaret Meyers

When: 8:00am – 3:30pm
Where: North Kansas City School District (Not Public) *preschool, K-Elementary*
(Tellers will be deployed to various locations.)
2000 NE 46th St.
Kansas City, MO 64119
Who: Larry Brown, Diane Cox, Denise Dodd, Sue Godsey, Marilyn Kinsella, Geneva Greenfield, Carole Shelton, Nancy Shelton, Jim Stigall, Sharon Thompson, Dianne Waite, LaRita Wright, Loretta Washington

When: 9:00am

Where: Mid-Continent Library – Headquarters *all ages*

15616 E. 24 Hwy

Independence, MO. 64157

816.836.5200

Who: Marcia Ollinger, Sue Hinkel

When: 9:00am – 12:35pm

Where: Maple Woods Community College (Not Public)

2601 NE Barry Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64156

What: CLASSES AT MAPLE WOODS *prearranged* (Foundations of Ed., Intro to Fiction, Elem. Spanish)

Who: Sadarri Saskill

When: 9:30am – 10:30am

Where: Maple Woods – YMCA (Not Public) *preschool*

2601 NE Barry Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64156

816.437.3474

Who: Jeanne Crews, Karen Young

When: 9:30am – 11:00am

Where: Jeanne Jugan Center (Not Public) *seniors*

8745 James A. Reed Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64138

816.761.4744

Who: Laura Packer

When: 9:45am – 10:45am

Where: Maple Woods – Maple Valley School (Not Public) *special needs, 2 shows*

2601 NE Barry Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64156

816.437.3474

Who: Steve Otto

When: 10:00am – 11:00pm

Where: Mid-Continent Library – Grandview Branch (Public) *elementary*

12930 Booth Lane

Grandview, MO. 64030

816.763.0550

Who: Jo Ho, Nancy Stegeman

When: 10:30am – 11:30am

Where: KCMOPL – Northeast Branch (Public) *preschool – toddlers*

6000 Wilson Rd.

Kansas City, MO.

816.701.3485

Who: Priscilla Howe

When: 11:00am
Where: KCMOPL – Trails West Branch (Public) *ages 2-5*
11401 E. 23rd St.
Independence, MO.
816.701.3483
Who: John Anderson, Jim Wallen

When: 11:15am – 12:15pm, 1:45pm – 2:45pm
Where: William Jewel College (Not Public)
500 College Hill
Marston Bldg., Rm 204
Liberty, MO. 64068
816.415.7583
Who: Peter Cook w/Keith Wann, Deb Swanegan

When: 4:00pm – 5:00pm
Where: Boys/Girls Club – Independence Unit (Not Public) *all ages*
315 S. Leslie
Independence, MO. 64056
816.461.4455
Who: Jim Wallen, John Anderson

When: 6:30pm – 7:30pm
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Where: Maple Woods Community College (Public)
2601 NE Barry Rd.
Kansas City, MO. 64156
816.604.3011
What: YOUTH STORYTELLING WORKSHOP – PUPPETS TELL STORIES
Who: Willy Claflin

When: 10:00am – 11:00am

Where: KCKSPL – Schlagle Branch (Public) *families including preschool*

4051 West Dr.

Kansas City, KS. 66109

913.299.2384

Who: Priscilla Howe

When: 11:00am

Where: Maple Woods Community College (Public)

2601 NE Barry Rd.

Kansas City, MO. 64156

816.604.3011

What: FAMILY CONCERT

Who: Willy Claflin, Sadarri Saskill, Peter Cook w/ Keith Wann

When: 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch (Public) *adults*

4801 Main St.

Kansas City, MO. 64112

What: STORYTELLING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS – FRACTURED FAIRYTALES

Who: Marilyn Kinsella

When: 3:30pm

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch (Public)

4801 Main St.

Kansas City, MO. 64112

816.701.3481

What: FAIRYTALE TELL

Who: Priscilla Howe, Tim Manson, Laura Packer, Audience members

Note: Story length, 10-12 minutes

When: 7:00pm

Where: KCMOPL – Plaza Branch (Public)

4801 Main St.

Kansas City, MO. 64112

816.701.3481

What: STORYTELLING SPECTACULAR

Who: Marilyn Kinsella, Peter Cook w/Keith Wann, Sadarri Saskill, Willy Claflin

Note: Story length, 17-20 minutes



Willy Claflin and Maynard Moose

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Willy Claflin is a one-man festival. Spanning historical sagas, intergalactic yarns, Mother Moose Tales, and counter culture misadventures, he covers the full spectrum of spoken word entertainment. A headliner and master of ceremonies at the National Storytelling Festival, Willy is a favorite at festivals throughout the U.S. He offers stories for families as well as adults, often weaving music into his performances. An accomplished guitar player and narrative ballad specialist, Willy is sometimes joined by his son Brian for performances of *In Yonder's Wood*—a celebration of traditional music from the British Isles and Appalachia. His tributes to departed tellers, especially Gamble Rogers, revive wonderful talent that might otherwise be forgotten. Festivals love sidekick Maynard Moose.

His latest one-man show is the story of his great-great aunt, the notorious and mesmerizing Victoria Claflin Woodhull. The first woman stock broker and the first woman to run for president (1872), she ran and lost on a platform of free love and workers' rights.

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Willy has been doing school concerts of storytelling, music and puppetry since 1980. He delights and reaches students at every level, K-12. Deeply committed to language arts, he imparts this through performances that kids adore. Fellow storyteller Maynard Moose has been travelling and working with Willy since 1977. Maynard inspires kids of all ages to write and tell their own stories, to understand how stories are created and passed on, and to reconnect with their own unique imaginations in this age of pre-packaged entertainment.

"Willy's thinking is so quick and his facility with language so good that our students learn to write better stories almost instantly. On the first day, he was supposed to arrive at school this fall, I encountered three fifth grade boys skipping down a path, arm-in-arm, singing 'Willy's coming! O, Willy's coming!'" ~ Bruce Shaw, Director, Shady Hill School, Cambridge, MA

Youth Storytelling Workshop Puppets Tell Stories

FREE EVENT

Saturday, November 9, 2013

MCC-Maple Woods • 2601 NE Barry Road • Student Center Theatre

Workshop • 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Family Concert • 11 a.m.-noon

How to create a puppet storytelling character with Willy Claflin and Maynard Moose

Learning the art of puppetry is a matter of learning how to bring puppets to life—making them seem like live, real creatures.

This workshop will cover:

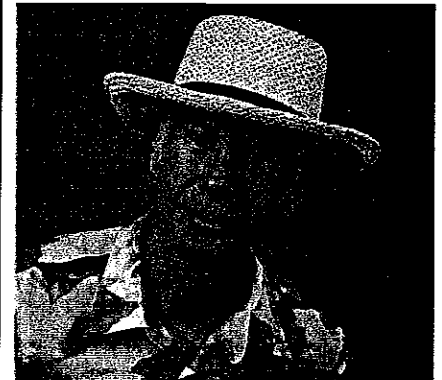
- Finding a special speaking voice for your puppet
- Moving the puppet's mouth correctly
- Slight of eye (how to make the audience look at the puppet, not at you!)
- The power of make-believe: how to bring the puppet to life as a separate, distinct character
- How to make up stories for puppets to tell

Directly after the workshop

Family Concert with Willy and Maynard Saddari Saskill and Company and Peter Cook.

Awards

- Anne Izard Storytellers' Award
- Texas Bluebonnet Award Texas Library Association
- Circle of Excellence Award National Storytelling Network
- National Parenting Publishing Gold Award
- iParenting Media Award
- Parents' Choice Gold Award (3)
- Mom's Choice Gold Award
- Storytelling World Award (3)



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Wednesday, November 3

Day of the Dead Celebration FREE EVENT

Featuring: Joyce Slater
Performance #1: 1-1:30 p.m.
Performance #2: 2-2:30 p.m.
The Nelson Atkinson Museum • 45th & Oak Street
Kansas City, MO

Joyce is a storyteller, an event coordinator, a workshop leader, an actor and a visual artist. She is the current Director of River and Prairie Storyweavers, a storytelling guild in Kansas City. She has served as the Artistic Director of KC Storytelling Celebration, a storytelling festival sponsored by MCC- Maple Woods, since 2000. She served on the board of the National Storytelling Network for five years.

Media Specialist Workshop:

Literacy Development in the Storytelling Classroom
Featuring: Saddari Saskill
12-3 p.m. North Kansas City Central Office Complex
Doolin Education Center located at:
2000 NE 46th Street, Kansas City, MO

Simply put, a fable is a short story that teaches a lesson. This workshop shows teachers and librarians how to use fables as a literary medium to teach broad school-related concepts. It focuses on the integration of the common core standards while enhancing character education.

Key concepts include: emergent literacy, reasoning, logic, cause and effect, character education, symbolism, analysis, synthesis, creativity, prediction, and inventive thinking skills. www.globaltales.com

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)
Call Amanda Turner @ 816.604.3170

Thursday, November 7

A Feast for the Eyes FREE EVENT

Featuring: Peter Cook
7-8 p.m.
MCC-Maple Woods • 2601 NE Barry Road, Kansas City, MO
Student Center Theatre

Peter is an internationally reputed Deaf performing artist whose works incorporate American Sign Language, pantomime, storytelling, acting and movement. Peter is a feast for the eyes and tells stories that reach into your soul.

Friday, November 8

Friday Family Fun Night FREE EVENT

National Tellers: Saddari Saskill and Company
www.globaltales.com
Music, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Kansas City Missouri Plaza Library
4801 Main St., Kansas City, MO

Ghost Stories FREE EVENT

Featuring: Willy Clafin & Maynard Moose, Peter Cook, Rosie Cutrer and Marilyn Kinsella
7-9 p.m. Kansas City Missouri Plaza Library
4801 Main St., Kansas City, MO

Saturday, November 9

YOUTH STORYTELLING WORKSHOP AND FAMILY CONCERT FREE EVENT

Featuring: Willy Clafin and Maynard Moose
(See the back of this filler for details)

Saturday Afternoon Events On the Plaza

Plaza Library • 4801 Main St., Kansas City, MO
Truman Forum on the lower level

Fractured Fairy Tales

Adult Storytelling Workshop FREE EVENT
Featuring: Marilyn Kinsella
1:30-3:30 p.m.

Directly after the Adult Workshop join us for Fairy Tales Fantasy Comes To Life with special performances by local KC storytellers in residence: Priscilla Howe, Tim Manson, Laura Packer and our workshop attendees.

Storytelling Spectacular FREE EVENT

Featuring our National Tellers
7-9 p.m.

Willy Clafin • Peter Cook • Marilyn Kinsella
Saddari Saskill and Company

More FUN and FREE storytelling events will be held at several area libraries.

Mid Continent Public Library: www.mymcpl.org
Kansas City Kansas Public Library: www.kckpl.org
Kansas City Missouri Public Library: www.kclibrary.org



Featured Tellers:

Willy Clafin
www.willyclafin.com

Marilyn Kinsella
www.marilynkinsella.org

Peter Cook
www.deafpetercook.com

Saddari Saskill
www.globaltales.com

Details on the 14th Annual Storytelling Celebration can be found at:

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