

Family Place Libraries™ National Symposium 2014

Family Place invites you to learn more about what public librarians can do to foster early literacy and learning within their own libraries and communities. This free bi-annual symposium brings together public librarians from around the nation to hear presentations from specialists in children's literature, early literacy, child development, and family support, and provides a forum for librarians to network and learn from one another.

EatPlayGrow™ Museum/Library/Community Partnerships for Healthy Communities

Learn about EatPlayGrow™, a new early childhood curriculum developed and tested by the Children's Museum of Manhattan (CMOM) in partnership with the National Institutes of Health and We Can, and how CMOM is combining innovative partnerships, programming and exhibits with libraries, housing projects and other community institutions to activate and support healthy behaviors. EatPlayGrow™ unites, inspires, and informs by combining innovative, hands-on arts and literacy-based activities with the latest medical and scientific information. This participatory presentation will include engaging activities from the EatPlayGrow™ curriculum, and evaluation results from CMOM's four pilot studies. The presentation will also provide strategies for creating, implementing and sustaining a community network by building capacity to leverage existing resources in museums, libraries or school settings. Participants will receive the EatPlayGrow™ Curriculum Resource CD with Evaluation Report.

Guest Speaker



Leslie Bushara
*Deputy Director, Education and Guest Services
Children's Museum of Manhattan*

A key member of CMOM's education team for 20 years, Leslie Bushara spearheads local and national partnerships and projects. Leslie has been responsible for the content development for the Museum's groundbreaking early childhood PlayWorks™ exhibit and led the creation of the professional development training model for the EatSleepPlay™ health initiative. She is currently working with the National Institutes of Health to disseminate the EatPlayGrow™ curriculum and with the U.S. Department of Education on a trans-media math property for use in museums, libraries, schools and community-based organizations.

EatPlayGrow™: Museum/Library/Community Partnerships for Healthy Families

Date & Location

Wednesday, March 12, 2014

The Children's Museum of Indianapolis
3000 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46208

Agenda

- 8:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am Welcome
Dr. Jeffrey H. Patchen, President and CEO
Children's Museum of Indianapolis

Roberta Brooker, State Librarian
Indiana State Library
- 9:15 am Overview and Highlights
Kathleen Deerr, National Coordinator
Family Place Libraries™
- 9:30 am EatPlayGrow™: Museum/Library/Community Partnerships for Healthy Families

Leslie Bushara, Deputy Director of Education and Guest Services
Children's Museum of Manhattan
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Round Table Discussions
- 11:45 Closing Remarks



Registration

The Symposium is free of charge. Register early; space is limited. Registrants will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

Register online at
www.familyplacelibraries.org/symposium-register.html

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A Family Place Library is a center for early childhood information, parent education, emergent literacy, socialization, and family support. Expanding the traditional role of children's services, Family Place builds on the knowledge that good health, early learning, parent involvement, and supportive communities play a critical role in young children's growth and development. The Family Place Libraries initiative provides a developmental framework and comprehensive model for family-centered library service.

Since its inception in 1996, Family Place is now in over 380 libraries in 27 states. Family Place Libraries™ is administered by Middle Country Public Library which also serves as the national Family Place Libraries™ model and training center.

Middle Country Public Library, Centereach, New York



Middle Country Public Library (MCPL) has provided library-based family support services since 1980. A leader in building library/community coalitions and networks, the library has developed a broad array of model services aimed at children, families, and the adults who work with families including the Parent/Child Workshop. Family Place Libraries is MCPL's national initiative. The Middle Country Library Foundation supports the library's regional and national projects and established a million dollar Hagedorn Endowment for Family Place Libraries.



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