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2012 CSLP Teen Video Contest

Please promote the second annual [CSLP teen video contest](#) - encourage your teens to create a video supporting summer reading at public libraries, including their interpretations of the 2012 CSLP teen slogan **Own the Night**.

All contest information and Florida's entry form is on the CSLP website. One Florida teen (or team) will win \$275 and you could receive a \$150 award for your library's youth programs.

Would you or your teen advisory group also like to be contest judges? Just send an email to patricia.romig@dos.myflorida.com expressing an interest. Teens may be participants and judges - but may not judge their own or friends' submissions.

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Free Training



Graphic Novel Experts Discuss the Latest Trends and Hottest Titles

Sponsored by Random House and *Library Journal*

Tuesday, November 8, 3:00-4:00 p.m. EST

Join us for our graphic novel webcast to get a sneak peak at the best graphic novels hitting the shelves this fall and in the spring

of 2012. Also listen to industry leaders from Kondansha, DC Comics and Archie Comics give their insights into what is happening within their own companies, and across the graphic novel industry.

[Register](#)

Summer Reads

By signing up for a [CSLP website](#) account, youth services staff have access to more resources not included in the CSLP manuals.

Young Adult/Teen Interest Group

Sponsored by NEFLIN

Friday, November 18, 9:00 a.m.-noon EST in Orange Park

Join your peers for a discussion on youth services for young adults in libraries, focusing on that hard to capture age group between middle school and adult. Bring your programming ideas and success stories to share and we'll discuss strategies for reaching this group and keeping them interested. Facilitator: Michelle Forde, **Nassau County Public Library**

[Register](#)

Wow, That's Cool! What is it?

Sponsored by WebJunction

Thursday, November 10, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST

The Library of Virginia spent part of the last 12 months touring the Commonwealth with a van full of technology toys: e-readers, iPads, pocket video cameras and more. This webinar will describe how the project evolved, the response of library staff who had never seen or touched the technology patrons were asking about, things they'd do exactly the same next time, and things they'd never do again. Join us and learn about the program from several perspectives: the administrator, the trainer and the conference attendee.

[Register](#)

FLYP-PER: Programming for Early Readers



Early Learning Coalition

Explore contacting the [Office of Early Learning](#)'s Early Learning Coalition in your area to learn about community outreach activities and partnerships. These grant-funded coalitions are tied to the state's workforce development initiative; many offer programming opportunities similar to public libraries' missions. For example, the Office of Early Learning's School Readiness Program is required by law "to provide the elements necessary to prepare at-risk children for school" and support family education.

A potential school-readiness partnership may include providing a mock kindergarten held in the library. The office or coalition could identify children who have not previously been enrolled in preschool and possibly provide staff and supplies. The library could turn a meeting room into a classroom with shoebox cubbies, boxes of books and colorful rugs. Maybe the local school system could provide a bus on site so that the children could practice safety. By working collaboratively with the Office of Early Learning, the library could provide kindergarten familiarity sessions (attended by parents and children) that include early literacy skills, counting, letter recognition, music and poetry.

T&T: Dynamic Teen and Tween Programming

Zombie Prom: A Good Night-Themed Teen Program

Submitted by Michael Schofield, **Bradford County Public Library**



Zombie Welcome

We just pulled off our first full-scale zombie prom. We had 40 teens register; 36 teens and seven teen volunteers attended, which was great participation for us, especially since we hosted it two weeks before Halloween-proper.

This was an after-hours Friday night event lasting until 11 p.m. We grade-limited the party to high schoolers so we didn't have to micromanage appropriateness too much.

Kathy Paddock, the new teen staffer, planned the prom. There was a lot of preparation for a four-hour event, but it was worth it. Staging included a bloody sheet that read HELP with a zombie girl on it, tombstones, mood lighting and plenty of body parts on display. I edited about four hours of film horror clips together and projected just the splatter selections. We had preselected all spooky music, but I ended up using [Spotify](#) to stream requests all night - this turned out brilliantly - and the selections were ultra popular since the teens selected their favorites. It took three full days to prepare the snacks and decor - which, as youth services folks know, was only worked on when time permitted! Check out over 50 pictures of all the [teens and zombie decorations](#) from our Facebook page.



Zombie Love

Editor's Note: Summer 2012 full moons are rising June 4, July 3 and August 2. Plan to host an after hours activity with more ideas from the 2012 CSLP **Own the Night** manual, Chapter 6: "Vampires, Zombies, Ghosts, and Monsters."

Snippets

"The only thing better than getting children to appreciate reading is getting them to appreciate the arts at the same time (Orlando Arts Blog)." The **Volusia County Public Library System** is sponsoring the Museum of Florida Art's StART (Stories and Art) program. The museum's Curator of Education Pam Coffman brings a free program to the libraries for grades 2-5. She teaches kids about Florida artists, art terminology and connections between books and art. Her past projects include handmade books, collage shields, book covers and quilt books - inspired by the work of artists such as [Barbara Sorenson](#), [Jackson Walker](#) and [John Wilton](#). Kids and parents emerge from the programs carrying their own work of art and a valuable education about the way artists see the world we live in. ~Mimi Hall, **Volusia County Public Library System**



Why aren't we driving down the street and seeing library-promoting bumper stickers on all cars? Wouldn't

that be fantastic? And with the level of education about libraries that exists in the general population today, people would be reading them and going, "Do they still have libraries?" It would be great PR for us! I'd like to take this idea to my nice Friends group. If you have developed a library-promoting bumper sticker, please let me know. ~Travis Sherman, sherman.biblio@gmail.com, Gulf Beaches Public Library, **Pinellas County Library Cooperative**

Night Program Ideas

Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library, of **Hillsborough County Public Library Coopeative** hosted a Star Party attended by 183 adults and children. The St. Petersburg Astronomy Club brought three large telescopes to our east parking lot. Everyone had a chance to learn about astronomy and telescopes. The gracious hosts showed us Earth's moon and Jupiter with four of its moons. Children were treated to space-themed crafts and games in our Community Room. The Friends of the Jimmie Keel library provided scrumptious cheese moons (okay, cheese balls), Orbit Gum, Milky Ways and Starbursts, as well as fun astronomy-themed pencils, bookmarks and the seriously cool L.E.D. Galaxy Velvet Flame Hats. The staff received kudos from the attendees. ~Lorie Tonie, Tontil@HillsboroughCounty.ORG

In October, the Gold Coast Paranormal Society taught teens and adults basic ghost-hunting skills at the **Boynton Beach City Library**. These ghost busters, aka paranormal researchers, explained ghost-hunting safety and etiquette, how to find haunted sites and how to conduct personal investigations. ~sun-sentinel.com (October 24)

Comments?

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