



# FLYP Forward

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## Summer Reads

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

## Info to Go:



### CSLP Teen Video Challenge:

Since 2011, the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP), working with member states, has been soliciting amateur videos produced by teenagers, to serve as the official CSLP sanctioned summer reading teen videos. The purpose of the teen video contest is to give teens the opportunity to make videos that encourage the use of public libraries and promote reading all summer long.

Teens who create a video promoting summer reading at the public library, including their interpretation of the 2014 CSLP teen slogan, "Spark a Reaction," can win \$275, and a \$125 award for their library. Videos can be created individually, or as a team. The winning video from Florida will become one of the official Teen Public Service Announcements for the National 2014 CSLP Summer Reading Program.

The deadline for entries is February 14, 2014. For more information, including applications and media release forms, visit the [CSLP website](#), or contact [Jana Fine](#).



### WANTED: FLYP Workshop Pictures:

For those of you who attended a FLYP workshop this fall and took pictures, please share them with [Jana Fine](#).

### YouTube:

Miss any *Chat With Jana* webinars? You can watch them on the Bureau of Library Development [YouTube](#) channel.



### Twitter:

## Upcoming Training

### 2014 Adult Summer Reading Program: The Science and Art of Successful Event Planning

Jan. 7

2:00-3:00 p.m. EST

### FEL Friday: Black History Month

Jan. 10

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. EST

### Division Update With Judi Ring

Jan. 29

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. EST

Find a variety of training opportunities at [Florida Library Webinars](#).

## Ongoing Training

If you work in a Florida library, you are eligible to enroll in more than 350 self-paced courses offered through [WebJunction, Florida](#).

Have a WebJunction account but can't remember the password? Try [WebJunction](#) (case sensitive), and you'll be prompted to reset your password.

## 2014 Celebration Weeks and Promotional Events

Click on the links below to see how you can bring these promotions to your library. Don't forget to

[FLYP is tweeting](#). Are you following us?



## Hear Ye! Hear Ye!



### **Negro Leagues Library Grant:**

This grant opportunity is only for school libraries. **Please** share with your colleagues in school libraries, and forward to other appropriate lists.

The Negro Leagues Committee (NLC), of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) is again offering two \$1,000 grants for school libraries, to be used towards the purchase of library materials relating to black baseball and American history. Please see [the application and all accompanying details](#). The deadline to apply is April 7, 2014.

The latest report from the Pew Research Center's [Internet & American Life Project](#), [How Americans Value Public Libraries in Their Communities](#),



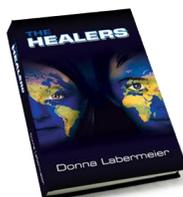
published December 11, 2013, indicates Americans strongly value the role of public libraries in their communities. The vast majority of those surveyed said public libraries play important roles in their communities, and that they have only had positive experiences at public libraries.

The latest issue of [Teaching Young Children](#) (TYC), the magazine of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) for early childhood educators, features the article, [Get to Know the NEW Children's Librarian](#). This timely and relevant article promotes, "innovative activities, programs and services children's librarians offer preschool teachers, young children and families." It is sometimes challenging for children's librarians to have their skills and resources recognized, so this outreach to the national early childhood education community is very welcome.



### **Ten Top Reasons Why You Should Go to Story Time:**

Anne McKernan, author of the [Library Adventure's blog site](#), has written some very compelling reasons why parents should bring their children to story time.



### **Healers Trilogy Contest:**

Author, philanthropist and literacy advocate, Donna Labermeier created a national contest for teens, libraries and schools across America to fight for Teen Literacy. Did you know that:

Two-thirds of students who cannot read proficiently by the end of fourth grade will end up in jail or on welfare.

Teenage girls ages 16 - 19 who have below average literacy skills, and live at or below the poverty level, are six times more likely to have children out of wedlock than girls the same age who can read proficiently.

[The Healers Trilogy Contest](#) is a national teen reading contest that encourages teen literacy. Prizes total over \$25,000, and will be split

share your activities  
with others.

January  
[Financial Wellness  
Month](#)

[National Mentoring  
Month](#)

Jan. 1  
New Year's Day

Jan. 20  
[Martin Luther King  
Day of Service](#)

Jan. 27  
[ALA Youth Media  
Awards](#)

evenly between the winning teen and their library, school or program. Books to read for the contest will be shipped to libraries, schools and teens for FREE. The deadline for entries is February 16, 2014.

### FLYP Summer Reading Program Poem

#### **Fizz Boom and Read:**

by: [Paula Timson](#)

Paula is a volunteer with the Sarasota County Library System, and has a six-year-old son. She is the author of the following poem:

Exciting is Science  
Summer 2014 is  
Fizz Boom and Read  
The world is full of wonder  
The fire in the sky is thunder  
Stars shoot  
Mars is alive  
Fun and Sun shine  
Science creates fun and rhymes  
Read  
Explore and experiment  
Feel mint tingle and sing  
ice cream  
Summer explodes with Science  
the colors of the rainbow  
flow  
Believe in miracles and blossoms of hope  
Science is forever freedom  
Try and find  
Joy in  
Reading  
Summer 2014 is  
Fizz Boom and Read.

### CREATE Program in Marion County

by: Erin D. Arnold, Marion County Public Library System.

CREATE (Colossal, Reading, Entertaining, Artsy, Teen Event) is Marion County Public Library's premiere festival of teen talent. CREATE celebrated its fifth year with a record breaking 134 entries in the categories of: fine arts; film making; writing; performing arts; and, edible books. Each year, Marion County teens ages 13-18 are invited to participate, and allowed to enter multiple categories.

This year's festival began on a Friday night, with a reception at the library for teen participants and their families. On Saturday morning, the teen fine artists arrived and were treated to breakfast and a talk with an artist. This year the library welcomed Marion County public school teacher, and local ceramic artist, Gene Hotaling, to speak with the teen fine artists. The fine art was on display in the concourse area of the library, which was transformed into an art gallery, where the artists stood by their work and had the opportunity to speak with the judges and the public about what inspired them.

Meanwhile, outside under the library portico, the "Edible

Book"competition was underway. "Edible Books" are one of a kind cake creations inspired by books. "Edible Books" can be an interpretation of a tale, a play on words, or simply book shaped. During the application process, the teens submitted a plan and description of their cakes, and brought the actual "Edible Book" to the library on Saturday morning. The "Edible Books" were on display throughout the morning, and there was cake for every one to eat!

Later in the morning, the writer's conference began. This year, author and Florida Book Award gold medal winner, Adrian Fogelin, spoke to the teen writers and the public. After her speech, Ms. Fogelin led the teen writers in a creative writing workshop on how to think like an author.



In the afternoon, award winning and critically acclaimed documentary filmmaker, Billy Corben, spoke to the teen filmmakers about his secret to success: finding a good story and telling it well. This year, 21 films were screened for the judges and public, including both theatrical shorts and journalistic pieces.

Later in the afternoon, the teen talent show drew a crowd to the stage in front of the library. This year's talent included: martial artists; beat boxers; a capella singers; cloggers and more. During the talent show, the winners in all categories were announced, and trophies were presented.

Local: teachers; artists; bakers; photographers; writers; directors; actors; musicians and creative community members, served as judges. In addition to the judges' awards, the community was invited to vote for people's choice winners in the fine art, film making, performing arts, and "Edible Book" categories. Every participant received a swag bag, and winners in each category were awarded trophies and cash prizes.



CREATE is sponsored by the Friends of the Ocala Public Library and supported by other community partners. This year's CREATE was a huge success, and Marion County librarians are already looking forward to next year's festival!

[Erin D. Arnold](#)

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### **Sneak Peek Book Reviews:**

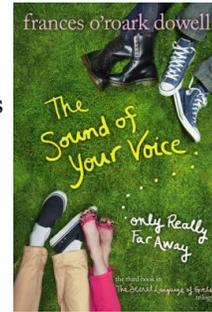
Guest Reviewers Karen Houston and Martha Zimmerman, Niceville Public Library, Okaloosa County Public Library cooperative.

Dowell, Frances O'Roark. [The Sound of Your Voice, Only Really Far Away](#). Simon & Schuster, 2013.

[The Sound of Your Voice, Only Really Far Away](#) is the conclusion to the popular [Secret Language of Girls](#) trilogy. Middle school students, and once upon a time best friends Marilyn and Kate, continue to face many

challenges. Acceptance, peer pressure, boys, family, and self-image issues test their friendship, but the girls learn how to be true to themselves and each other in the end. The story is told from different points of view, and follows the girls and their "friends" as they struggle with the many situations and feelings a typical middle school teenager faces. I liked this book. I think it is well written, and is an accurate portrayal of the difficult, and often painful, situations a pre-teen in middle school faces.

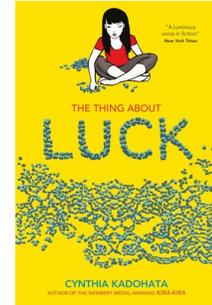
[Karen Houston](#)  
[Niceville Public Library](#)



Kadohata, Cynthia. The Thing About Luck. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2013.

Summer's luck hasn't been very good lately; in fact, it's been really bad. She almost died from malaria, and has developed a phobia of mosquitoes, not to mention her obsession with DEET. Her parents must go to Japan for the summer to help an ailing relative. That leaves her, and her younger brother Jaz, with their grandparents, Obichan and Jiichan, to fulfill the contract her parents made for the summer harvest. Obichan cooks for the harvesters with Summer's help, Jiichan drives a combine, and Jaz, who has a hard time making friends, stays in his own little world. Their bad luck continues when Obichan's back begins to hurt and she must lay down much of the day; Jiichan gets so sick he cannot drive the combine, and rain is on the way, threatening to ruin the wheat before they can get it cut. Summer knows it's up to her to turn their bad luck to "kouun," (good luck). Is she up to the enormous task? This novel has boy and girl appeal as Kadohata takes her readers into the dynamics of a Japanese-American extended family, as well as exploring the lifestyle of the American harvesting profession.

[Martha Zimmerman](#)  
[Niceville Public Library](#)



## Florida Library Youth Program

FLYP Forward provides information about the Florida Library Youth Program, and Florida's public libraries.

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