

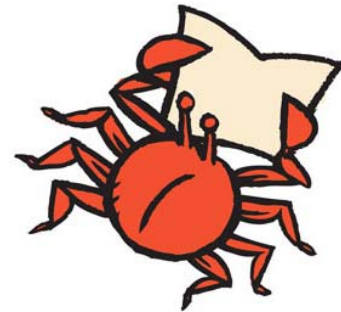


TD Summer Reading Club E-Newsletter

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Vote for the 2012 Theme

Although we have not yet launched this year's exciting Splash! program, we need your help in deciding the theme for 2012. From the Decima Evaluation suggestions, three very interesting themes are proposed.

1. Fantasy. Title suggestion is Fantastical Creatures and Machines.

Subcategories would include Steam Punk, Victorian Machines, Transformers, Time Travel, Fairies/Edgy Fairies, Dwarves/Mythology, and Anthropomorphism. Authors who have written to this genre are, Kenneth Oppel, Arthur Slade and Eoin Colfer. Book suggestions would be the Silverwing and Airborn Series, Artemis Fowl, The Hunchback Assignments and Dragon Rider.

2. Voyages. Title suggestion is Extraordinary Adventures and Travel.

Subcategories would include Time Travel, Migration, Quests/Knights, Extreme Travel, Survival, Tornadoes, Amazing Race. Book suggestions would include Sinbad, Aladdin (The 1001 Nights), The Wizard of Oz, The Odyssey, Troy, and The Aeneid. Authors associated with this theme are Bill Slavin and Jules Verne.

3. Interesting Houses/Buildings. Title suggestion is Caves, Castles and Cabins.

Subcategories would include Architecture, Haunted Houses, Attics, Lego, Cross Sections, Decorating, Your space, Virtual Space, Igloos, Stilt Homes, Caves, Tents. Books included with this theme would be Coraline, Alice in Wonderland, Anne of Green Gables, Pippi Longstocking, Tales from the Brothers Grimm, Fractured Fairy Tales. Authors included with this selection would be Stephen Biesty and Astrid Lindgren.



Please indicate your preference for the 2012 theme by **April 11th, 2011**. You can vote by sending an email to Anna Cocca, the TD Summer Reading Club Coordinator at <mailto:acocca@torontopubliclibrary.ca>

If you like, you can let us know your preference for a second choice too. The results will be included in the next Newsletter. All children's library staff are eligible to vote. Thank you in advance for your help with the 2012 theme.

Splash! Celebrate Summer Artist Kim LaFave

This summer children will be delighted to receive a poster illustrated by award winning artist Kim LaFave. As someone who lives next to the ocean, loves boats and is an enthusiastic sailor, Kim is the perfect choice to create artwork for the water based Splash! theme.

Examples of Kim's award winning illustrations can be found in *Amos's Sweater*, *Big Ben*, *Shi-shi-etko* and *Shin-chi's Canoe*. The recently published *Fishing with Gubby*, *Becca at Sea* and previously, *We'll All Go Sailing* demonstrate Kim's interest in water related themes.

Kim's illustrations and books have received many prestigious honours that include the TD Canadian Children's Literature Award in 2009 for *Shin-chi's Canoe* by Nicola I. Campbell and the Governor General's Literary Award for children's illustration in 1988 for *Amos's Sweater* by Janet Lunn.

Read more about Kim, his artwork style and books in a biography in the Staff Manual and in an interview on the Kids National web site when these become available in June.

TD Summer Reading Club Training Dates

Ottawa Public Library will be conducting a Summer Reading Club training session on Friday April 1st at the Alta Vista Branch Library, 2516 Alta Vista Drive, Ottawa, Ontario from 9 am to noon.

If anyone would like to attend please contact:

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Ottawa Public Library
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Toronto Public Library will offer three training sessions: Tuesday April 26th at the North York Central Library, Thursday April 28th at the Eatonville Library and Thursday May 5th at the Cedarbrae Library. All sessions are from 2 – 5 pm.

If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please send an email to training@torontopubliclibrary.ca For all sessions, please book early as space is limited. For directions to the Toronto libraries, please check the web site at:

<http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/hours-locations/index.jsp>

In the next Newsletter:

- *Splash! Celebrate Summer* Launch Announced
- 2010 Library Awards
- 2012 Theme Vote Results

Please send any questions, comments or suggestions to the TD Summer Reading Club Coordinator Anna Cocca at acocca@torontopubliclibrary.ca.

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