

By the Book

Warren-Trumbull County Public Library

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Library staff collaborate for early literacy outreach



Audrey Hogan (center), a Youth Services librarian, and Laura Dillon-Smith (l.) and Suzanne Ciferno (r.) of Outreach Services, show items from an Early Literacy Kit.

Early literacy skills are the critical pre-reading skills that children start learning from birth as adults talk, sing, read, write, and play with them. Mastering these important skills before school helps children grow up to be good readers.

Warren-Trumbull County Public Library locations offer free Preschool Storytimes as well as programs for babies and toddlers that reinforce the development of early literacy skills. The W-TCPL has now also expanded its outreach to local preschools, child care centers, and in-home daycare centers where young readers are encouraged to build their early literacy skills. These efforts are part of the Mobile Library Service Department's Outreach services.

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Let's Talk About Public Computers @your library[®]

This is the second in a series of columns about topics of interest to library users. If you have a suggestion for a topic we should address in a future issue of By the Book, please contact the Public Relations Office at (330) 399-8807, ext. 128.

Help! I need basic computer instruction!

Free classes in computer basics, introduction to the Internet, and basic email are offered periodically at the Cortland, Howland, and Liberty branch libraries and at the Main Library. One-on-one computer instruction may also be available at some branch locations. Check the Calendar of Library Programs listings inside for details.

Why is there a time limit on using a library computer?

We have a limited number of computers available for public use. At all locations, computer sessions are controlled by PC Reservation software and begin with one hour of computer time. Two one-hour sessions are permitted per day per customer Monday through Saturday. PC Reservation assigns computers to customers based upon availability.

If no one is waiting to use a computer, customers may extend their time in 15-minute increments through PC Reservation.

Public computer reservations may be made for the same day or the next business day by calling ahead.

If you feel you may have a legitimate need to remain on a computer longer than two hours, please discuss this with library staff BEFORE you log on to the computer to start your session.

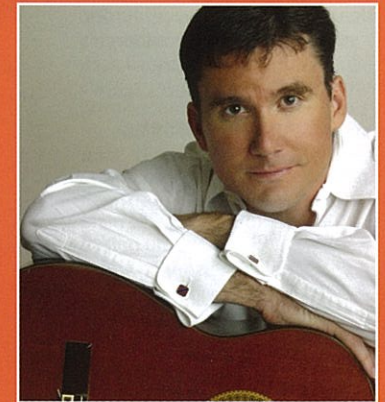
Why don't you buy more computers for the public?

It's simply a matter of economics. Computer hardware and software is expensive to purchase and keep up-to-date. There's much installing of updates and upgrades and trouble-shooting of both the public and the staff computers and other equipment.

AWESOME TIP!

Click on the "Library Calendar" icon on the right side of the home page (www.wtcpl.org) to see ALL events at ALL locations. (You may have to scroll down to the middle of the home page to see the calendar icon.) You could also choose to view programs at only one location! It's all there for you!

Classical guitarist to perform at the Main Library



Award-winning classical guitarist Peter Fletcher will perform a live concert at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20 at the Main Library.

The concert is part of a nationwide tour, under the auspices of Phillip Truckenbrod Concert Artists, to promote Fletcher's new Edvard Grieg CD, which was recently released by Centaur Records.

In demand as a performer in cultural venues throughout the country, Fletcher made his New York debut at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in 2007 and returned in 2008, 2009 and 2010 to a completely sold-out house. He lives in New York City.

Admission to the library concert is free and open to the public; no reservations are required.