Central Library Grand Opening Weekend

We're getting ready for a new chapter of public library service in Madison! Join us at our Central Library Grand Opening Weekend, September 21 & 22, at our sparkling new library on the corner of Fairchild and Mifflin Streets in downtown Madison.



Thursday, September 19, 2013

STACKED

8 pm - 1 am

The books are back, but the party's still on! STACKED is a fundraiser inspired by the BOOKLESS event held before the library closed for construction. STACKED will have live music from Pioneer, The Wets, Trin Tran, Control and Golden Donna; DJs Wangzoom, Door Oxygen, and Nick Nice; drinks, art work, and hands-on maker activities! Tickets available at mynewlibrary.org/events/stacked

Saturday, September 21, 2013

8-9 am Farmer's Market promotion; music and activities outside Central Library (Mifflin Street will be blocked off for the day on the block between the library and Overture Center for the Arts)

9-10 am Ribbon cutting ceremony with Mayor Soglin, Library Director Greg Mickells, Foundation Executive Director Jenni Collins, and Library Foundation President Tripp Widder

10 am doors open to public; regular library service begins

11 am - 2 pm lunch carts outside the library

2-3 pm children/family hard hat tour with MS&R architects and children's librarians

2-5 pm family friendly short film showings in third floor meeting room

6-7 pm reception for Jojo Moyes, New York Times bestselling author of *Me Before You* and *The Girl You Left Behind*

7-9 pm author Jojo Moyes speaks at Wisconsin Book Festival preview event (requires RSVP via www.madisonpubliclibrary.org)

10 am - 5 pm will offer a variety of ongoing, drop-in activities on all floors of the library, including but not limited to:

- children's character appearances in children's room (10 am noon)
- Bubbler drop in creative activities in partnership with Sector67, ArtWorking, and Silver Buckle Press
- musical performances by local musicians Yid Vicious, Big Payback, Off the Porch, and others

- photo booth with Jim Escalante
- drop in science programming from the Wisconsin Science Festival organizers
- drop in arts programming from Libraries as Incubator Project
- hourly public tours including some specific tours highlighting art, technology, architectural or green features

Grand opening weekend will also continue with drop in programming and scheduled events for all ages on **Sunday, September 22, 1-5 pm** including a presentation on the history of Madison Public Library by historian Ann Waidelich, an art tour with Gallery Director Trent Miller, handson science activities in partnership with Madison Environmental Group and maker activities in partnership with Mad City Makers, music by the John Christensen Trio and Megan Moran's +1, a children's/family hard hat tour with architects and engineers, and a tea event with Dobra Tea.

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For more details or an updated schedule of events, please contact Tana Elias, Digital Services & Marketing Manager, Madison Public Library, telias@scls.lib.wi.us, 608-266-4953