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Newsletter of the Berkeley Public Library

*Berkeley Public Library Thanks You for Your Support on Measure FF
To Make Safe and Accessible Your Branch Libraries!*

Vacancy on BPL's Board of Library Trustees

Berkeley Public Library's Board of Library Trustees will have a vacancy. If interested, attend an Open House at Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street, on Tuesday, December 9, at 6:00 pm. Members of the Board and library staff will be present to answer questions. For application and Supplemental Questionnaire for the position, call the City Clerk at (510) 981-6900 or go to <http://www.cityofberkeley.info/ContentDisplay.aspx?id=9902>

What About This Bear Market?

**How Will You Survive in the Upcoming
Economic Times?**



Come hear Berkeley Financial Advisor Jonathan K. DeYoe as he explains what has been happening in our economy, what may be happening soon, and how we can meet the challenges to come. DeYoe is an LPL Financial Planner and the founder and owner of

DeYoe Wealth Management, established in Berkeley in 2001.

DeYoe will make a presentation followed by a Q & A at **Berkeley Public's Central Library 3rd floor Community Meeting Room on Tuesday, December 2, at 6:00 p.m., 2090 Kittredge Street (at Shattuck Avenue) in downtown Berkeley.** For accessibility and other information, call **(510) 981-6107** or **TTY (510) 548-1240.**

**[Dear Delhi and Rajasthan:
Street Photography of India](#)**

Berkeley-based photographer, Ilona Sturm, exhibits black and white custom prints from her "street photography" series *Dear Delhi and Rajasthan* at Berkeley Public Library's Central Catalog Lobby, 2090 Kittredge (at Shattuck), downtown Berkeley. Sturm's street photography explores the landscapes, politics, human gestures, and vernacular lifestyles of contemporary urban India. The exhibit runs through January 4, 2009. For more information, call 510-981-6241.

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Children's Programming in December 2008

Berkeley Public Library's Children's Services announces several engaging and fun programs for children in December 2008. **Tony Borders Puppets**, a "magic, ventriloquism, and puppetry" show; The Latin American musical group **Colibri** brings an interactive, bi-lingual performance; **The Blue Fairy Storyteller**, performing winter wonderland tales; **Chin-Chin!** tantalizes with more magic.

All programs are sponsored by the friends of the Berkeley Public Library, **510-841-5604** or http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about_the_library/support_the_library.php

Tony Borders Puppets (3-7 year olds)

- Saturday, December 6th 10:30am at Central Library: 2090 Kittredge, Berkeley in the 3rd floor Community Meeting Room. 510-981-6223
- Saturday, December 13th 10:30am at Claremont Branch: 2940 Benvenue Ave., Berkeley. 510-981-6280
- Monday, December 22nd 4:00pm at South Branch: 1901 Russell St., Berkeley. 510-981-6260

Colibri (all ages)

- Wednesday, December 17th 3:30pm at North Branch: 1170 The Alameda, Berkeley. 510-981-6250

The Blue Fairy Storyteller (3-7 year olds)

- Tuesday, December 23, 10:30am at West Branch: 1125 University Ave., Berkeley. 510-981-6270

Chin-Chin! (5 year olds and up)

- Tuesday, December 23rd, 2:30pm at Central Library: 2090 Kittredge, Berkeley. 510-981-6223

For more info, call 510-981-6223 or go to <http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/children/>

**AN OPEN LETTER FROM
THE BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
TO THE BERKELEY COMMUNITY**

We thank the Berkeley community for approving Measure FF, a local bond to make all four of Berkeley's neighborhood branch libraries and the Tool Lending Library seismically safe and ADA-accessible. Board of Library Trustees President Darryl Moore states, "We are thrilled at the passage of Measure FF, and we look forward to starting the process of working with all our neighborhood communities to ensure fabulous renovations of our library branches!"

In the new millennium, this is an epoch-making decision by Berkeley voters to support their public libraries into the 21st Century and beyond; and we realize that in such difficult economic times, it was no small decision to make this investment. We want to thank the voters in Berkeley for their thoughtfulness about this local Measure during an election when other decisions of enormous proportion were being made in Berkeley and across the land. Very few libraries were closed in the United States during the Great Depression, and, now, in our present difficult times, all our libraries will remain open as a positive and powerful help to people in Berkeley.

Berkeley's neighborhood branches belong to the entire community, and the Berkeley Public Library will work to improve the branch buildings and fulfill the vision of enhanced, comprehensive services and programs for library users that will come along with these branch improvements.

The Board of Library Trustees, the Berkeley Public Library, the Berkeley Public Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library will host an event on Sunday, December 7, 2008, 3-5 pm, at North Branch Library to initiate the branch renovation projects to be funded by the bond measure, answer questions about building plans and thank Berkeley for its support. All are invited! "We thank Berkeley for supporting this community treasure and resource, and hope you'll celebrate with us on December 7th!" says Roxanne Figueroa, Executive Director of the Berkeley Public Library Foundation. "The Berkeley Public Library Foundation looks forward to launching its capital campaign to support the transformation of our branch libraries into state of the art, safe, green facilities that will strengthen our city's educational infrastructure for current and future generations to enjoy,"

Please keep in touch with the Library by phone, 510-981-6195 or 510-548-1240 (TTY), or over the web, www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org, to

keep abreast of the Berkeley Public Library's progress with these vital projects.

Thank you,
Donna Corbeil,
Director of Library Services
Berkeley Public Library

Before you seek a Grant:

a checklist for new nonprofits

Free workshop taught by the Foundation Center for new or soon-to-be nonprofit organizations with little grant-seeking experience. Wednesday Dec 17th, 3-4:30pm at the Central Library in the 3rd floor community meeting room. For more information, call 510-981-6151 or read about the class and register for the class at <http://foundationcenter.org/sanfrancisco/training/bysagberkeley.html>

Origami with Nga Trinh

Join us for a pre-holiday origami workshop on Sunday, December 14th at 2PM. Learn to make a crane note card, a leaf note card, an envelope and a double star. All materials will be provided. This FREE hands-on workshop takes place in Berkeley Public Central Library's 3rd floor Community Meeting Room, 2090 Kittredge at Shattuck, downtown Berkeley.

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Wishes You a Happy Holiday Season!

Programs listed in the newsletter are supported by the **Friends of the Library** and are wheelchair accessible. To request a sign language interpreter, real-time captioning, materials in large print or Braille, or other accommodations for this event, call 510-981-6107 or 510-548-1240 (TTY). At least five working days will help ensure availability. Please do not wear perfumes or scents to public performances.

**THANK YOU, BERKELEY
for passing Measure FF
to make safe & accessible your
Berkeley Public Library
Branches!**



You are invited to a **party** to thank volunteers, contributors, and endorsers of Measure FF and to celebrate!

**December 7, 3-5 p.m.
Berkeley Public Library's North Branch
1170 The Alameda**

Questions & accessibility
information?
Call 510-981-6195 or
510-548-1240 (TTY)



