

# Learning Adventures: Winning Library Programs that Educate & Entertain

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## Chat Transcript

Sophie Brookover: (5/22/2013 09:27) Good morning, everyone! Today's webinar will begin at 10 AM.

Matt Kirschner: (09:27) Sorry! Just making sure it works on my computer :~)

Sophie Brookover: (09:27) Oh, that's ok.

Sophie Brookover: (09:27) Feel free to stick around.

Sophie Brookover: (09:27) :-)

Sophie Brookover: (09:28) In the meantime, make yourself at home, say hello & we'll be right with you.

Lisa Sedita: (09:32) Good Morning

Sophie Brookover: (09:35) Good morning!

Sophie Brookover: (09:35) I'm going to grab a glass of water. I'll be back shortly. :-)

Sophie Brookover: (09:41) Hi, friends! I wanted to make sure that you all received my e-mail on Monday that included a handout from Tamara.

Matt Kirschner: (09:42) Got it!

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (09:42) I did as well, thanks!

Sophie Brookover: (09:42) ok, good!

Amanda Spino: (09:43) Good morning, everyone!

Sophie Brookover: (09:43) Good morning!

Danielle Kootman: (09:45) Good Morning All!

Matt Kirschner: (09:46) Good morning!

Susanna Chan: (09:51) Hi Everyone! Good morning.

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (09:52) Good Morning

Sophie Brookover: (09:52) #LLNJ\_reading

Sophie Brookover: (09:52) @librarylinknj

Matt Kirschner: (09:58) Hey! That's me!

Vicki Wright: (09:59) Good morning, and Happy Birthday, Katie Bruce!

Katie Bruce: (09:59) Thank you!

Dawn Bladzinski: (09:59) I turned the big 40 yesterday.

Matt Kirschner: (09:59) Happy birthday!

Vicki Wright: (09:59) Happy Birthday, Dawn!

Katie Bruce: (09:59) Happy Birthday, Dawn!

Susanna Chan: (10:00) Happy Birthday, Dawn!

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:00) I took off work of course and joined my family singing karaoke, but I just went for moral support. I CANT sing.

Sophie Brookover: (10:00) A very happy birthday to our webinar colleagues Katie & Dawn!

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:01) Yes, everything was great. I'm also a twin so I celebrated with my sister.. Happy Bday Katie

Katie Bruce: (10:02) Thanks, everyone! It's been a great day so far.

Linda Hoffman: (10:03) Happy Birthday!

Joanne Roukens: (10:03) If anyone experiences technical difficulties, please call Jessica at 732 361 8419 or email [jadler@librarylinknj.org](mailto:jadler@librarylinknj.org)

Joanne Roukens: (10:04) Hi!

Malathi Parthasarathi 2: (10:04) Hi everyone!!

Sophie Brookover: (10:06) Thanks for joining us, everyone!

Sophie Brookover: (10:07) If you enjoy the Twitter, feel free to share insights, ideas & questions, tagging your posts with #LLNJ\_reading

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:09) Heiroglyphics !!

Vicki Wright: (10:09) I'm still reeling over the Mandarin!

Sophie Brookover: (10:10) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5s0rRk9sER0>

Danielle Kootman: (10:12) Is everyone seeing the video? I can not.

Danielle Kootman: (10:14) OK. Thanks.

Joanne Roukens: (10:14) The window might be open behind this one.

Vicki Wright: (10:14) I had to click on my Internet Explorer link to view it from behind the presentation

Edith Sutterlin: (10:14) I could see it but not hear it, so i had to open it again

Edith Sutterlin: (10:14) i have now paused it

Edith Sutterlin: (10:15) I actually strongly prefer nonfiction to fiction when it comes to adult reading.

Brinda Patel: (10:16) i am having a trouble with audio, presentation keep pausing

Sophie Brookover: (10:17) Brinda, I'm sorry to hear that. I recommend exiting the room & re-entering.

Joanne Roukens: (10:17) Give me a call if you need help, Brinda. 732 361 8419

Sophie Brookover: (10:17) Those Life-Size books are so great. Life-Size Aquarium is a big favorite at my house.

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:18) I love Captstone too. Does anyone use their ebooks/ online subscription?

Vicki Wright: (10:19) Is that for real?

Vicki Wright: (10:19) Do they have gum, too?

Edith Sutterlin: (10:19) Prefer little paper stickies to paper clips

Vicki Wright: (10:21) oh my gosh!

Matt Kirschner: (10:21) Not too young :P

Sophie Brookover: (10:22) Let's not be reverse-ageist here!

Sophie Brookover: (10:22) :-)

Edith Sutterlin: (10:22) okay, i'm 60, but don't know "the real world" --

Edith Sutterlin: (10:22) ?

Sophie Brookover: (10:22) Edith, The Real World was an early reality program on MTV

Sophie Brookover: (10:22) They would put 7 or 8 young adults in a house together and turn on the cameras.

Matt Kirschner: (10:23) Loved The Real World Seattle when it was on... and was likely WAY too young to be watching it.

Edith Sutterlin: (10:23) oh.. i've probably seen like about 2 hrs of MTV in my life.

Sophie Brookover: (10:23) And then...things got real!

Edith Sutterlin: (10:23) ;-)

Matt Kirschner: (10:23) Mad real.

Sophie Brookover: (10:24) so real as to often necessitate the use of sunglasses & advil the next tday.

Matt Kirschner: (10:24) Pretty much every episode.

Vicki Wright: (10:25) I'm hungry for this recipe

Edith Sutterlin: (10:26) There is an important concept that often teachers and computer-scored texts don't get with sequencing. There isn't necessarily 1 right answer. Like with phases of the moon, you can start with ANY part of the cycle. It is still a correct answer. This requires the person to be able to allow the child to tell the story or to explain...

Matt Kirschner: (10:26) <http://www.kraftrecipes.com/recipes/creamy-two-layer-pumpkin-pie-51495.aspx>

Sophie Brookover: (10:27) Thanks, Matt!

Sophie Brookover: (10:27) And that is very true, Edith.

Matt Kirschner: (10:27) It's a favorite.

Linda Hoffman: (10:29) I make sensory bags with the insides of a pumpkin. Very squishy...the kids love them!

Matt Kirschner: (10:30) Love that idea, Linda. Hands-on is great, and gross is always fun :)

Linda Hoffman: (10:30) Definitely!

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:30) Ditto that, Matt.

Vicki Wright: (10:31) This is a great idea!

Sophie Brookover: (10:32) Oooh, awesome. The enduring appeal of grossness!

Edith Sutterlin: (10:32) true, the cautious vs adventuresome

Edith Sutterlin: (10:32) seen that in all programs

Michelle Yeager: (10:35) haha, that's really cute

Sophie Brookover: (10:35) Adorable.

Sophie Brookover: (10:35) +1000 to your thoughts on the value of having freedom to be wrong.

Edith Sutterlin: (10:35) really like that freeze game idea

Katie Bruce: (10:37) maybe glue dots could work too?

Dawn Bladzinski: (10:37) Flexibility and adaptability are key!!! Just love everything you do!

Katie Bruce: (10:38) work too!

Edith Sutterlin: (10:38) Perfect timing for Dig in, Read theme.

Sophie Brookover: (10:38) Yes!

Katie Bruce: (10:38) this laptop is very slow

Linda Hoffman: (10:38) This is great!

Sophie Brookover: (10:38) if I recall correctly, Tedd will be at NJLA.

Vicki Wright: (10:39) Maybe we can tack the dirt lab onto our craft sessions this summer

Susanna Chan: (10:40) Tedd will be at the Garden State Book Award Luncheon on 6/5 Wed 12:30p-2:30p and will do book signing after the luncheon.

Vicki Wright: (10:41) It gives me motion sickness  
Dawn Bladzinski: (10:45) Very cool. I'm going to this with my daughter this weekend. Mining with frozen juice. Yumm  
Vicki Wright: (10:45) This is great!  
Vicki Wright: (10:48) Better than the history channel show with the crazy hair guy!  
Michelle Yeager: (10:48) @ Vicki LOL  
Sophie Brookover: (10:49) hah!  
Vicki Wright: (10:51) My English husband seriously didn't want to move to the USA at first because he's terrified of Bigfoot  
Michelle Yeager: (10:51) lol  
Michelle Yeager: (10:52) Loving the mask! So cute!  
Vicki Wright: (10:52) I LOVE THIS! Those masks are awesome  
Matt Kirschner: (10:52) Also, with YouTube putting ads at the beginning of videos, make sure you know if there will be one before your video. Almost showed kids a Budweiser commercial before a storytime.  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:52) Like the idea of racing in the bigfeet  
Matt Kirschner: (10:52) Didn't! But only because I viewed the video multiple times ahead of time.  
Michelle Yeager: (10:53) Are the feet paper? or foam?  
Amanda Spino: (10:53) Do you use a projector to show the YouTube videos?  
Michelle Yeager: (10:53) Gottcha, thanks!  
Vicki Wright: (10:53) Heavy card could work, too  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:53) Like with the Every Child Ready to Read, do you talk some about how parents can extend this learning or model this learning style as they go on vacations, etc.  
Matt Kirschner: (10:54) Definitely. Just wanted to bring that up just in case ;)  
Amanda Spino: (10:54) Thanks!  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:55) yes, I always try to have a display of related books for kids to check out at close of the program,  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:55) and/or for parents  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:55) and I "Push" books  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:56) Sometimes I give a prize, "one coupon for a free printout next time they come in" if they checkout related book at close of program  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:56) and hope they will actually read it then  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:56) cheap prize, since they have to remember to bring it ack in  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:56) back inm  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:57) Scholastic has a lot too, as you probably already know  
Sophie Brookover: (10:57) EnchantedLearning.com is really good.  
Sophie Brookover: (10:57) And Pinterest, of course.  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:57) each of the publishers  
Dawn Bladzinski: (10:57) Thinkfinity and even Facts on File has good video clips sometimes  
Edith Sutterlin: (10:57) I do that all the time  
Dawn Bladzinski: (10:58) We did a big thing with the Iditarod a few years back for Discover New Trails

Edith Sutterlin: (10:58) Nonfiction is my favorite. go with where I'm traveling too so I can bring back

Edith Sutterlin: (10:58) postcards or little objects

Linda Hoffman: (10:58) Yes! I did a program about Chinese New Year's. It was interactive with videos, we learned some chinese words and did a dance with scarves.

Edith Sutterlin: (10:59) Desert theme, for example from AZ-- so different from AZ

Danielle Kootman: (10:59) Planned a cooking stroytime- measuring, making Confetti Soup for a gift for them to take home- reading Stone Soup

Edith Sutterlin: (10:59) we had a very simple thing for Father's day -- had high school student teach how to tie a tie . Both girls AND boys learned.

elizabeth maggio: (11:00) I do not do many nonfiction programs, but when I do craft programs I display non fiction books about the craft or the holiday we are crafting

Susan Flacks: (11:00) We have a Wierd ience Program for 4 to 6 year olds at 4 pm. For the Suumer we have Weird Science in the Library Garden. We have a librarian who is and excellent gardener and she leads it.

Rachel Burt: (11:00) peggy wong @ piscataway

Sophie Brookover: (11:00) Yes!

Matt Kirschner: (11:00) Yeah!

Sophie Brookover: (11:00) That's who I was thinking of.

Matt Kirschner: (11:01) I'll be doing a presentation on STEM programs for tweens at NJLA, FWIW

Edith Sutterlin: (11:01) also pointing out that most fiction writers do a LOT of nonfiction research to get accurate story settings, realistic descriptions, etc

Michelle Yeager: (11:02) Thank you Tamara, this was FABULOUS!

Edith Sutterlin: (11:02) particular suggestions for tweens of high interest

Susan Flacks: (11:02) Also we're doing a Magic Tree House Book Club and there are research guides for each book. So we talk about dinosaurs, pyramids or pirates depending on the book.

Sophie Brookover: (11:03) <https://librarylinknj.wufoo.com/forms/reading-adventures-evaluation/>

Edith Sutterlin: (11:03) and has anyone done good vampires program (along the lines of your bigfoot one) that has some suggestions already?

Linda Hoffman: (11:03) Thank you! This was a great webinar! Keep them coming!!!

Edith Sutterlin: (11:03) [edith@sutterlin.net](mailto:edith@sutterlin.net)

Edith Sutterlin: (11:03) thank you

Kelly Fitzgerald: (11:03) Thank you.

Edith Sutterlin: (11:03) tween ideas?

Susan Flacks: (11:04) please send me dracula program. [sflacks@mcl.org](mailto:sflacks@mcl.org)

Matt Kirschner: (11:04) Sophie, you tweet for LLNJ, correct?

Amanda Spino: (11:04) Thank you, Tamara. This was great!

Sophie Brookover: (11:04) I do!

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:04) Thank you.

Matt Kirschner: (11:04) Lovely! Just wanted to make sure that was you.

Sophie Brookover: (11:04) :-)

Susan Flacks: (11:04) Thank you for all the great ideas.

Vicki Wright: (11:04) Thank you, tamara!

Lisa Sedita: (11:05) Thank you! Great ideas.

Danielle Kootman: (11:05) Thanks, Tamara. Lots of ideas churning in my head now.

Matt Kirschner: (11:05) And thanks Tamara for a really great, inspiring webinar :)

Sophie Brookover: (11:05) Thanks for joining us, everyone!

Edith Sutterlin: (11:05) echo the love the magic tree house book club idea

elizabeth maggio: (11:05) Thanks :)

Sophie Brookover: (11:05) We'll be archiving this webinar on our website shortly.

Malathi Parthasarathi 2: (11:05) thank you so much!!

Katie Bruce: (11:05) Thank you! Very inspiring

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (11:05) Thank you Tamara, this was great!

Edith Sutterlin: (11:05) thank you, Tamara.

Edith Sutterlin: (11:05) date set yet? for youth forum?

Edith Sutterlin: (11:06) ;- ) Fall, put that on the calendar \*\*lol\*

Edith Sutterlin: (11:07) that's okay, just chuckling

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:07) The thing I was mentioning before was Capstone interactive books that I was wondering if anyone subscribes too. It looks great but I would like to speak to someone with practical user experience

Vicki Wright: (11:07) Off to begin my vacation officially. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the YSF!

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:08) Its an online subscription. Not tumblebooks Branded

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:08) Probably more in school libraries esp with Common Core

Katie Bruce: (11:08) We just subscribed to some but have not been set up yet

Edith Sutterlin: (11:09) Has anyone done a NEW JERSEY history related story time?

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:09) I know a lot of people who are. I can talk to our school librarians, but thanks.

Edith Sutterlin: (11:10) Do you have any recommended fiction books to mix in with the nonfiction for that (local NJ?)

Edith Sutterlin: (11:10) I was also interested in NJ Civil War books -- for Children

Edith Sutterlin: (11:10) since it is the 150th anniv Gettysburg

Edith Sutterlin: (11:11) I had planned to, but Orange library closed indefinitely on Apr 17\

Edith Sutterlin: (11:11) and I'm job hunting but I had built up the Civil War collection.

Edith Sutterlin: (11:11) long story -- reason given was for PEOSHA safety violations /repairs//but not enough funding

Edith Sutterlin: (11:12) and remaining 2 librarians let go

Edith Sutterlin: (11:12) the other staff is assigned to work at other libraries ...

Edith Sutterlin: (11:12) im more worried about the public than my own job.

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:12) Did the closings affect Donna Bode too?

Edith Sutterlin: (11:13) S. Orange, W. Orange, E. Orange not affected; this was strictly in City of Orange.

Dawn Bladzinski: (11:13) I hope your neighboring communitis are welcoming you. Perhaps bus companies could negotiate discounted fares?

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (11:13) Nicky fith books by Funari-Willever are in NJ, for a grade 3-5 book program

Edith Sutterlin: (11:13) each is separate. Some are acceptig, but some have voted not to recognize ReBL stickers, since no guarantees library will reopen.

Edith Sutterlin: (11:13) Thanks Jennifer, I'll look for them.

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (11:14) Around NJ, but one features Rockaway Township where I am

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney: (11:14) The children from one of our elementary schools are mentioned by name

Edith Sutterlin: (11:14) I'm meanwhile voluntering with one school, and job-hunting, and taking WEBINARS like this good one, and a coursera.org class on Inspiring leadership through emotional intelligence -- Highly recommended

Edith Sutterlin: (11:15) coursera.org free courses, univ level