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## **LFPL's new Southwest Regional Library offers variety of programs**

**LOUISVILLE (October 13, 2014)** – On Sunday, October 5, LFPL opened the doors to the new Southwest Regional Library—a 40,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility located at 9725 Dixie Highway. It's the largest public library built in Louisville in 45 years, and one of three regional libraries outlined in the Louisville Free Public Library's Updated Master Plan.

The new library not only offers a stunning, eco-friendly space with more than 120,000 books and 100 new public computers, but also a plethora of free adult and children's programs to go with it. Coming up next:

### **Valley High to Hollywood with actor Conrad Bachmann**

Wednesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.

Martin Sheen, Tommy Lee Jones, Bing Crosby, Ben Kingsley, Dustin Hoffman, Morgan Freeman, Charlize Theron – these are just a few of the Oscar-winning actors Conrad Bachmann has worked with in his more than forty year career in Hollywood. If you don't know Bachmann, he's not surprised. The native Louisvillian describes himself as the most popular Hollywood actor you've never heard of. A graduate of Valley High School – where a new auditorium bears his name – Bachmann began his acting career with an appearance on the *Dobie Gillis* series. Since then he has gone on to do hundreds of TV episodes and commercials, twenty feature films, and numerous stage productions. His most enjoyable roles in film are that of Jim-The Doctor in *Tremors* alongside Kevin Bacon, and Secretary of Defense Wyatt in *Rules of Engagement* with Tommy Lee Jones, Ben Kingsley, and Samuel L. Jackson. He says his most interesting role was when he doubled and performed the stunt work for Bing Crosby in the remake of *Stagecoach*. And co-starring in *Portrait of A Killer* with Jack Palance and Rod Steiger was a highlight in his career.

You can meet Conrad Bachmann and hear about his journey from ***Valley High School to Hollywood*** at the new Southwest Regional Library, this Wednesday, October 15, at 6:30 p.m. The program is free and open to the public. To learn more, call (502) 933-0029.

### **More upcoming programs at the new Southwest Regional Library:**

- **Job Fair:** Every Monday in October, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- **Children's Storytimes:** Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. (Babies), 10 a.m. (Toddlers), & 11 a.m. (Preschoolers)

- **Everyday Learning: A National Center for Families Learning Reading Workshop:** October 15, 22, & 29, 6 p.m.  
A special interactive preschool program for families excited about learning together. Meal provided as part of program. Space is limited; call (502) 933-0029.
- **Louisville Mandolin Orchestra:** October 16, 6:30 p.m.
- **JCPS School Readiness Event:** October 23, 6 p.m.  
Activities and workshops to help parents get children kindergarten-ready. Refreshments provided.
- **KentuckianaWorks KCAC presents: Defaulted Student Loan Workshop:** October 23, 6 p.m.
- **Share A Story:** October 25, 10 a.m. - Noon  
A celebration of reading with local celebrity book readings, activities, free books for children and families, and more! In partnership with National Center for Families Learning, the *Courier-Journal*, and WHAS11.
- **Reading ROCKs:** November 1, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Join us and the National Children's Study Regional Operations Center (ROC) Central with author "Super Reader" Floyd Stokes for this free family event. Activities will include book readings, parent workshops, children's crafts and book giveaways. Call 933-0029 to RSVP by October 25.
- **Healthy Eating for the Family:** November 5, 6:30 p.m.  
Presented by Norton Healthcare for children and parents. Call 933-0029 to register.
- **Mobile Planetarium:** November 8, 2 p.m.  
Tour the night sky with the University of Louisville's Portable Planetarium
- **Tribute to Our Veterans:** November 11, 6 p.m.  
Enjoy a musical tribute to our Veterans from the 113<sup>th</sup> Army Band Dragoons.
- **GED Ready Test with JCPS Adult Education:** November 12, 5 p.m. –or– November 14, 9:30 a.m.  
The test is free. For more info call (502) 485-3400.
- **KentuckianaWorks KCAC presents: Career Interest Workshop:** November 13, 6 p.m.  
Discover your career interests through career exploration, testing and interpretation.
- **Southwest History with Tom Owen:** November 13, 6:30 p.m.
- **Southwest How-to Fest:** November 15, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Learn 30 things in 3 hours! An A-Z of topics including cooking, gardening and more! All ages.
- **Paying for College 101:** November 22, 1 p.m.  
KHEAA will outline the nuts and bolts of the financial aid application process.
- **ACT Practice Test:** December 6, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Free fully-proctored ACT practice test administered by Sylvan Learning Center. Registration required. Call 933-0029 to register.

- **Winter Wonderland Train Show:** December 22 - January 2

These programs are free and open to the public. For a full list of programs, visit the Library's online [calendar](#) or call (502) 933-0029.

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