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Rangeview Library District Announces Grand Opening of New Brighton Library

Theme for the Event is “Experience the Culture of Brighton”

BRIGHTON, Colo.-August 19, 2009-On Saturday, September 12, 2009, residents of Brighton will finally get a chance to see the new, beautiful 20,000-square-foot library building on Bridge Street during the grand opening celebration. All the programs at the library that day will be interactive and highlight the building’s features.

Festivities will begin at 1 pm with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony. From 2:30-6 pm, visitors can sign up for half-hour sessions available throughout the library that afternoon that focus on food, music, dance, art and technology. There will be cooking classes, chalk art demonstrations, and the Kazoo Hullabaloo, where anyone – no matter their musical talent – can participate in a kazoo orchestra. Visitors can also learn to folk, hip-hop and swing dance, or check out some of the newest technologies in the Tech Petting Zoo. The Tikkun Olam tile exhibit will also be on display, courtesy of the Mizel Museum. For a complete schedule of events, go to anythinklibraries.org. Space is limited for each of the day’s sessions; sign-up is required at the check-in table the day of the event. Food from local restaurants and growers will also be available.

Brighton residents are encouraged to ride their bikes to the event and decorate them in red, orange and white. The best decorations will win cool prizes, and free bike tune-ups will be available, courtesy of REI. Handicap parking is available on site; the public is encouraged to park in the municipal parking areas west of the library, east at Valley Bank or in surrounding areas where indicated.

In conjunction with the Brighton Library grand opening, Rangeview Library District is launching its new brand district-wide on September 12. The new brand better reflects the district’s new style of library, which strives to offer a transformative experience to every person who walks through the door.

Anyone interested in volunteering for the event can contact special events/logistics coordinator Lisa Maurer at lmaurer@rangeviewld.org or 720-281-7911.

Event Details:

Brighton Library Grand Opening
327 E. Bridge Street, Brighton, CO 80601

1 pm - Ribbon-cutting ceremony

2 pm - Library opens

2:30-6 pm - Festivities and fun for all ages

Free and open to the public.

Throughout the month of August, while the finishing touches are put on the new library, Temporary Bookmobile Service is available at the old library location, 575 S. 8th Avenue, Brighton, CO 80601. This service is available Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 3-6 pm. The Bookmobile does carry a small supply of books and media for borrowing, and reserved materials can also be picked up there.

Rangeview Library District partners for the new Brighton Library grand opening celebration include:

23 Skidoo
Apple Computers
Berry Patch Farms
BreakEFX
Bright'n Jazz Group
The Brighton Depot
Bubbachinos
Buffalo Wild Wings
Mark Cline of Cline Design
John Common
La Estrellita
Grant Farms

heART of Brighton
KYGO 98.5
Mizel Museum
Mojos Bar & Grill
One World Folk Dancers
Petrocco Farms
Pinocchio's Italian Restaurant
REI
Sticky Fingers Cooking
Valley Bank & Trust
Yaxall Creek Farms
Zolo Grill

For more information or to arrange a tour of the new building, please contact Steve Hansen at 303-405-3287 or shansen@rangeviewld.org. Individuals interested in volunteering for the event should contact Lisa Maurer at lmaurer@rangeviewld.org or 720-281-7911.

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EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE OF BRIGHTON

SEPTEMBER 12, 2009, 1-6 PM

FOOD • MUSIC • DANCE • ART • TECHNOLOGY

Space is limited for each of the day's sessions; sign-up is required at the check-in table the day of the event.

Sticky Fingers Cooking Class - 2:30 pm, 3:15 pm

Instructors from Sticky Fingers Cooking in Denver will teach children ages 2-12 a simple recipe they can make at home. Children ages 2-4 must be accompanied by a parent.

One World Folk Dancers - 2:30 pm

The One World Folk Dancers will teach a half-hour class on ethnic dances from around the world - no experience required! Then guests will be treated to a performance by the group.

Tour Anythink Online - 2:30 pm, 4 pm

Learn the ins and outs of the anythinklibraries.org website - from downloading audio books and viewing awards lists to registering for library cards online and placing holds.

Tikkun Olam Tile Art - 2:30 pm, 3:15 pm

Children, ages 7-17, are encouraged to participate in this tile art project where they will get a chance to share through art what "Heal the World" means to them.

Tikkun Olam Docent Tour - 3 pm, 4 pm

In conjunction with the Mizel Museum, artist Christy Honigman conceptualized and assembled this fascinating exhibit of tiles created by 54 artists in 27 countries that promote the need for intercultural respect and awareness through the simple phrase Tikkun Olam - "Heal the World." Docents from the Mizel Museum will be on hand to provide a tour and information about the exhibit.

Bryce Jackman - 3:15 pm

Children ages 5-12 are invited to participate in Bryce Jackman's unique brand of interactive storytelling, where he will reconstruct fairy tales through audience participation.

Social Media Speed Dating - 3:15 pm, 4:45 pm

Have you heard about things like Facebook and Twitter but still have no idea what they are? Then this session is for you. Library staff will provide a quick overview of six of the most popular social media sites out there, including Facebook, Twitter, and Flickr.

BreakEFX - 3:30 pm

Hip-hop dancers from Colorado's Best Dance Crew, BreakEFX, will teach a half-hour class on the hottest hip-hop moves - and all ages are welcome! Guests will then be treated to a special presentation where they can see the moves in action.

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Kazoo Hullabaloo - 4 pm

Led by John Common, founder of the People's Kazoo Orchestra, guests can participate in a kazoo orchestra, no matter their level of musical expertise. After a half-hour learning session, participants are invited to give a performance to the rest of the grand opening attendees.

Cooking Demonstration by Chef Brett Smith of Zolo Grill - 4:15 pm

From one of the hottest restaurants in Boulder, Chef Brett Smith of Zolo Grill will demonstrate how to create a salsa at home. Attendees will not only get a chance to see the chef at work, but will also have an active part in helping make the dish. Then, learn how to customize your own salsas.

23 Skidoo - 4:30 pm

Now that you have your folk and hip-hop moves down, why not learn how to swing dance, too? Dancers from 23 Skidoo will provide a half-hour swing dance lesson. Guests are then treated to a performance by the dancers.

Bright'n Jazz - 4:30 pm

Accompanying the dancers from 23Skidoo will be Brighton's own jazz ensemble, Bright'n Jazz.

Chalk Drawing Class Presented by Mark Cline - 4:30 pm

Learn tips and techniques for your own chalk drawings during this hands-on class presented by artist Mark Cline of Cline Design. All ages are welcome.

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