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## Register Today for Youth Literature Conference

The Indianapolis Youth Literature Conference is being hosted for librarians, school library media specialists, and other adults who are interested in children's and young adult literature. Included among the conference's **full schedule of**

**events** throughout the day are three keynote presenters, including: Brian Pinkney, award-winning author and illustrator of numerous books for young people; Andrea Pinkney, trade book editor for Scholastic and author of over 20 books for children; and Patricia McCormick, author of four notable books for young adults.

This unique conference is taking place at the Central Library of Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library on January 29, 2011 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. The cost is just \$75 per person for this day-long event, but register early because space is limited.

More information about the conference is available online or by contacting **Carri Genovese**. This conference has been approved for LEUs.


## Foundation Offering Grants for Rural Libraries

 **The Libri Foundation: Books for Children Grants**

The Libri Foundation, a nationwide non-profit organization which donates new, quality, hardcover children's

books to small, rural public libraries, has donated over \$4,600,000 worth of new children's books to more than 3,000 libraries in 49 states since 1990. This year, the Foundation is offering "Books for Children" grants of up to \$700 for rural libraries. In an effort to encourage and reward local support of libraries, the Libri Foundation will match any amount of money raised by your local sponsors from \$50 to \$350 on a 2-to-1 ratio. This could amount for up to \$1,050 worth of new children's books. After a library receives a grant, local sponsors (such as formal or informal Friends groups, civic or social organizations, local businesses, etc.) have four months, or longer if necessary, to raise their matching funds.

Grantees will be able to select books from a booklist provided by the Foundation. The 700-plus fiction and nonfiction titles on the booklist reflect the very best of children's literature published primarily in the last three years. These award-winning titles for children ages 12 and under have received starred reviews in library, literary, or education journals. The booklist also includes a selection of classic children's titles.

 **Indianapolis Youth Literature Conference**

## Indiana Library Jobs

View job postings from around the state via **Jobs in Indiana Libraries** on WebJunction Indiana

## UPCOMING EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

### Advanced Cataloging for Evergreen Indiana

When: Friday, Jan. 14

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Where: State Library

### Advanced Cataloging for Evergreen Indiana

When: Tuesday, Jan. 18

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Where: Paoli Public Library

### Evergreen Indiana Admin/Reports Training

When: Thursday, Jan. 20

10:00 AM - Noon

Where: State Library

### Outreach & Programming Roundtable

When: Friday, Jan. 28

10:00 AM - Noon

(RSVP by Jan. 24)

Where: New Castle Public Library

### Indianapolis Youth Literature Conference

When: Saturday, Jan. 29

8:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Where: Indianapolis-Marion County Public Central Library

### Deadline for Big Read Grant Applications

When: February 1

### ILF Legislative Day

When: February 8

Where: Indiana State Library

### Teen Tech Week

When: March 6-12

**South Bend Tribune**  
[Museum rolls up to Elkhart school](#)  
**South Bend Tribune**  
[Racial slur gone in new 'Huck Finn'](#)

**Your library making news?**  
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Libraries are qualified on an individual basis. In general, county libraries should serve a population under 16,000 and town libraries should serve a population under 10,000 (usually under 5,000). Libraries should be in a rural area (generally 30 miles from a city with a population over 40,000), have a limited operating budget, and an active children's department.

Application deadlines in 2011 for the "Books for Children" grants are (postmarked by) January 23rd and April 15th. Grants are awarded January 31st and April 30th. Consider applying for a January grant if you want your books in time for summer reading programming. Application guidelines and forms may be downloaded from the Foundation's website at [www.librifoundation.org](http://www.librifoundation.org). For more information about the "Books for Children" program, contact Ms. Barbara J. McKillip, President, The Libri Foundation, at 541-747-9655 or [libri@librifoundation.org](mailto:libri@librifoundation.org).

**Money Smart Week**


When: April 2-9

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