

Literacy Learner's Letter Inspires Author Visit

Yolano Sixto was volunteering at a migrant education program when she realized that to be more effective she needed to hone her own reading skills. Last year she returned to the Library's Adult Literacy Program and was matched with her literacy tutor, Beth Franks. In her quest for improving her reading, Yolanda read her first book in English, The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child, by Francisco Jimenez. It was difficult to start the book and challenging for her to read. But once she got going, Yolanda recalls, she couldn't stop. With Beth's encouragement she entered

the literacy program's Writer to Writer Challenge and wrote a letter to Jimenez, the author who inspired her so much. Her letter was instrumental in the choice of *The Circuit* for the Library's Book-to-Action program, and in bringing Francisco Jimenez to Solano County in December. Yolanda and Beth will be helping to facilitate the Book-to-Action discussions in June.

In his book, *The Circuit*Jimenez chronicles the life
of his family as migrant farm
workers. Early, he learns the
importance of the library and
education in his life. With
scholarships, he attends Santa
Clara University, where he is a
professor today.

Dear Mr. Francisco Jimenez.

My name is Volanda Sixto and I am a Student and a active member of the Solano County.
Library Literancy Program in the City of Vacaville California.

As a part of one of my goals and with the big support of my wonderful tutor Miss. Beth Franks. I finally Can read for first time in my life the english version of the best book I ever knew. It was your book THE CIRCUIT.

At first when I started to read.

Inch. honestly I spend mere than 2 weeks to try to understend the aror pages if for I feel very concerted with your book.

It feel very concerted with your book, like you I came to USA with my family and like you I had to work so hard and now I start to see the light.

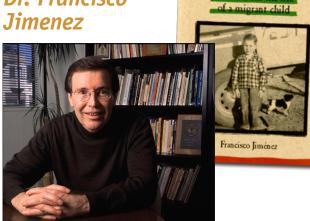
I feel Inspired with your story. I spend and in a lot of time in order to finish, but I feel I had because the ending you show me was so sade what happened? Action me how you got your goals. Now How did you don't show me how you got your goals. Now

Get Involved!

"Harvesting Solano's Bounty" Fairfield Civic Center Library

Thursday, Aug 8, 6:30 p.m.

Meet Dr. Francisco Jimenez



Fairfield Civic Center Library Thursday, December 5, 2013 6:30 p.m.

Discuss the Book

Fairfield Civic Center Library

Wednesday, June 19, 6:30-p.m.

Rio Vista Library

Thursday, June 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Vacaville Public Library-Town Square

Tuesday, June 25, 6:30p.m.

Vacaville Public Library-Cultural Center

Thursday, June 27, 6:30-p.m.

John F. Kennedy Library, Vallejo

Monday, June 24, 6:30-p.m.

Use it Don't Lose It: Free Summer Reading Games and Events

June 10-August 10

RIO VIST	TA LIE	BRARY
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All events on Wednesdays at 3 p.m.

except 7/3, 7/13, 8/1 & 8/7*

Act!vated Story Theatre
June 5

Nikola Clay: World Dance June 12

X-treme Science Magic with Don O'Brien June 19

Animals, Pots and Plants
June 26

Make 'n' Take Crafts July 3 All Day*

Magical Moonshine Theatre:
Puppylocks and
the Three Bears
July 10

Live Birds from U.C. Davis Raptor Center Saturday, July 13 at 11 a.m.*

Owen Baker-Flynn Juggling July 17

> Magic Dan July 24

Sandi Sings Stuffed Animal Concert August 1 at 7:00 p.m.*

Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Drop off, Thursday, August 1 at
8:00 p.m., Pickup Friday morning at 10 a.m.*

Make 'n' Take Crafts
August 7 All Day*

FAIRFIELD CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

All events on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. except 7/10*

Dig Into Gardening June 12

The Keith Show Comedy and Juggling June 19

Germar the Magician
June 26

Make a Patriotic Firecracker Hat July 3

Wildlife Associates
July 10 at 2:30 p.m.*

Storyteller John Weaver July 17

Fratello Marionettes: Aladdin July 24

Cool Insects from the Bohart Museum of Entomology July 31

The Bubble Lady
August 7

FAIRFIELD CORDELIA LIBRARY

All events on Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Garden Crafts with the Master Gardeners June 14

> Daffy Dave June 21

Puppet Art Theater: Tale of the Dragon's Tail June 28

Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! July 5

> Python Ron July 12

Magic Dan July 19

X-treme Science Magic with Don O'Brien July 26

> Bonnie Lockhart: Songs You Can Dig August 2

End of summer party and talent show No sign-up necessary. August 9

SUISUN CITY LIBRARY

All events on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Owen Baker-Flynn Juggling and Jokes June 12

Suisun Marsh Natural History Association June 19

X-treme Science Magic with Don O'Brien June 26

> Make A Flag Day July 3

Bonnie Lockhart: Songs You Can Dig July 10

> Puppet Art Theater: Billy Goats Gruff July 17

> > Daffy Dave July 24

Big Messy Art Day July 31 There's just one fly in the sweet lemonade of summer. With so much else to do out there, it's easy to neglect reading. Reading is a skill that has to be practiced regularly to stay sharp. If kids lose their edge over summer, it's harder to catch up when school starts again.

That's why we're encouraging children to play the reading game, **Dig Into Reading.** There are prizes and events to keep the reading party going all summer. In **Beneath the Surface**, teens are encouraged to set personal goals to pursue their reading and creative interests.



The **Dig Into Reading** and **Beneath the Surface** summer reading programs, along with free events throughout the summer are generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

SPRINGSTOWNE LIBRARY, VALLEJO

All events on Tuesdays at 3 p.m.

Magic Dan June 18

Ane Carla Rovetta
June 25

Fratello Marionettes: Vaudeville Follies July 2

> Daffy Dave July 9

Owen Baker-Flynn July 16

Wildlife Associates: Animals of the Rainforest July 23

> Busy Bee Dogs July 30

Ice Cream Social August 6

JOHN F. KENNEDY LIBRARY, VALLEJO

All events on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. except 6/18, 7/16, & 7/24*

> Magic Dan June 12

Master Gardeners
Tuesday, June 18 at 3 p.m.*

Bonnie Lockhart: Songs You Can Dig! June 19

> Magic Circus June 26

Busy Bee Dogs July 3

Magical Moonshine Theater: The Golden Armadillo July 10

Bugs with Bohart Museum of Entomology Tuesday, July 16 at 2 p.m.*

> Owen Baker-Flynn's Inspired Silliness July 17

Suisun Wildlife
July 24
at 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.*

Fratello Marionettes: Aladdin July 31

Oklin Bloodworth Music August 7

VACAVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY-CULTURAL CENTER

All events on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. except 6/26*

The Magic of Timothy James
June 11

Puppet Art Theater: Cinderella June 18

> Busy Bee Dogs June 25

Stuffed Animal Sleepover Drop off June 26 at 6:30 and pick up on June 27 at 11 am

> Flag Day July 2

John Carter July 9

Images in Motion Puppets: What in the World? July 16

> Bubble Day July 23

X-treme Science Magic with Don O'Brien July 30

> Chalk Day August 6

VACAVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY-TOWN SQUARE

All events on Thursdays at 4 p.m.

Summer Kick-off: Cake & Ice Cream June 13

> Suisun Wildlife June 20

Al Skinner-Magician June 27

> Petting Zoo July 11

Stuffed Animal Sleepover and Pancake Breakfast
Drop off at 4 pm on July 18 and pick up on July 19th at 10 am during the pancake breakfast.

X-treme Science Magic with Don O'Brien July 25

Fratello Marionettes: Peter and the Wolf August 1

Germar the Magician August 8



FAIRFIELD CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

All events on Tuesdays, 3:30-5 p.m.

Every week a contest for "Quotable Notables"

Winner announced at the end of the summer Hobbit Party

Kick Off: Archaeology Dig Party June 11

Make a Personal Time Capsule
June 25

Hobbit PartyAugust 6

FAIRFIELD CORDELIA LIBRARY

Weekly Wii and Board Games Wednesdays 3-4 p.m. all summer

What's on Your Bucket List?
Add to the bucket all summer

Take Home a Worm Farm June 20, 3-4:30 p.m.

Graffiti at the Library!?
July 18. 3-4 p.m.

Volunteers are "JAWSOME!" August 1, 3-4:30

RIO VISTA LIBRARY

All summer:

Beneath the Surface Quiz. Answer trivia and win prizes.

Xtreme Science Magic with Don O'Brien Wednesday, June 19, 3 p.m.

Get beneath the surface at our dig site in the library. U.C. Davis Raptor Center Saturday, July 13, 11 a.m.

Archaeology Dig Saturday, July 27 1-4:30 p.m.

Pinch Pot Crafts and Plants
Part 1. Wed, July 31, 3 p.m.
Part 2. Wed, August 7, 3 p.m.

SUISUN CITY LIBRARY

All events on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. except 8/1*

Romp 'n Stomp with Recycled Stuff June 13

Acoustic Guitar Fills the Air: Jeff & Cheryl

June 20

Theater Games & Comedy:
Rats in the Alley
June 27

Jazz Evening: AMO Combo July 11

Belly Dance for Life: Emeralds of the Nile July 18

> African Drums: Benjamin Ofori July 25

Local Authors Poetry NightAugust 1

JOHN F. KENNEDY LIBRARY, VALLEJO

All Events, Wednesdays, 3-5 except 8/7

Ongoing Underground Music Listening Parties

Tuesdays, June 25 - August 6, 4-5 p.m.

Graffiti at the Library!?

June 26

Worry Stones
July 10

Personal Time Capsules

July 31. Pre-registration required, email maflowers@ solanocounty.com

Gaming Day August 7, 2-5 p.m.

SPRINGSTOWNE LIBRARY,

Craft: Bead Bracelets Friday, June 7, 2:30 p.m.

Beneath the Surface Kick-Off Party

Tuesday, June 11, 3 p.m.

Ongoing:

Mineral of the Week

Quote of the Week Display

Mineral Word Search

Recommendations: What are you reading?

Teen Art Display

VACAVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY-CULTURAL CENTER

All events Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Make Your Own Time Capsule
June 19

Teen Beading WorkshopJuly 10 Sign up at info desk.

Shark Week Snack Attack August 7

VACAVILLE TOWN SQUARE LIBRARY EVENTS

All events on Fridays, 12-2 p.m. except*

*Creative Writing

Every other Monday beginning June 17, 3:30 –4:30 p.m.

Library Mystery
June 21

Snow Day July 12

Model Making July 23

Jewelry Making August 7

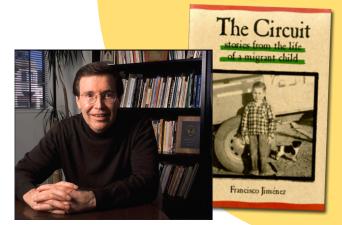




discuss with a book group



BOOK-TO-ACTION builds on the traditional book club concept, but in addition to providing an opportunity to collectively **READ** and **DISCUSS** a book, Book-to-action enables readers to put their newfound knowledge into **ACTION** by engaging in a community service project related to the book's topic. For more information about *The Circuit* and Solano County Library's Book-to-Action program visit **solanolibrary.com**.



ACT volunteer in your community

Fairfield Civic Center Library

Thursday, December 5, 2013 • 6:30 p.m.



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Rio Vista Library 44 S. 2nd Street Rio Vista, CA 94571

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Vallejo-John F. Kennedy Library

505 Santa Clara Street Vallejo, CA 94590

Vallejo-Springstowne Library 1003 Oakwood Avenue Vallejo, CA 94591

Vacaville Public Libary-Cultural Center 1020 Ulatis Drive Vacaville, CA 95687

Vacaville Public Library-Town Square

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