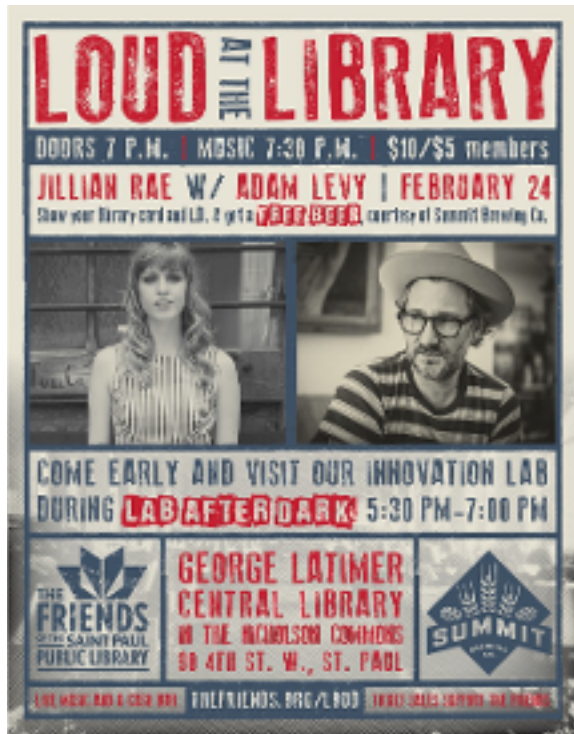


INNOVATION LAB NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2017



Lab After Dark <=> Loud at the Library

We are partnering with Loud at the Library- a concert series of the Friends of the Saint Paul Public Library- to bring you Lab After Dark! This is an after-hours program at the Innovation Lab, 5:30-7:30 PM the last Friday of the month (through March). There will be yarn crafts, paper crafts, show & tell, and musicians are invited to jam-- we don't have to worry about being quiet!

Immediately following Lab After Dark, join us for the concert on the 2nd floor. Music starts at 7:30. Bring a current library card and ID to receive a free beer, courtesy of sponsor Summit Brewing.



Calendar

Advisory Board Meeting

Monday, Feb 6 · 5:30-6:30 PM

Hand Sewing: Darn it!

Saturday, Feb 11 · 1-3 PM

Make Chinese Festival Lanterns

Sunday, Feb 12 · 2-4 PM

Lab After Dark

Feb 24, Mar 31 · 5:30-7 PM

Machine Sewing: Beyond Basics

Saturday, Feb 25 · 1-3 PM

Video 1.0- The Basics

Tuesday, Mar 7 · 10-11:30 AM

Register at joulemn.eventbrite.com

Urban Sketching with Ken Avidor

Sunday, Mar 12 · 1:30-4:30 PM

Machine Sewing Basics with Kathleen

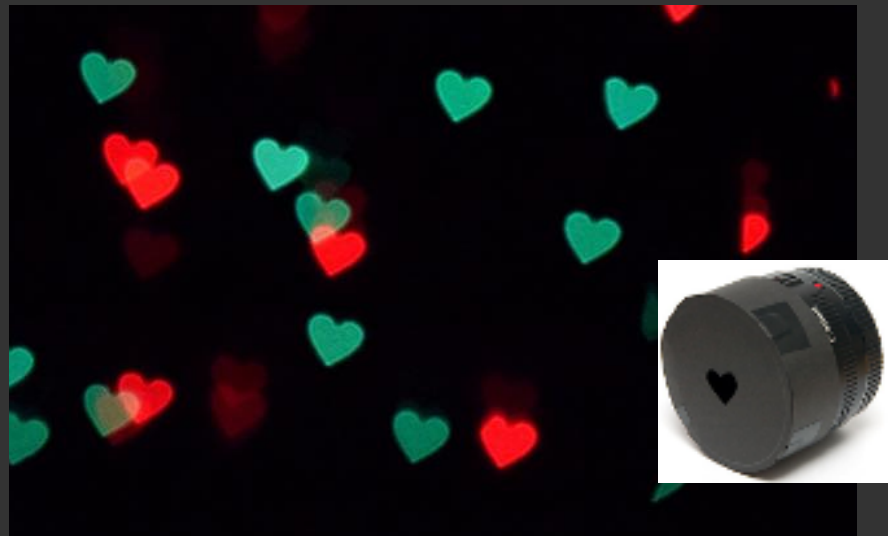
Monday, Mar 20, 5:30-7:30 PM

Coloring and Independent Sketching with Andrea

Tuesday, Mar 21 · 2:30-4:30 PM

To register, call 651-266-7000.

THE BOKEH EFFECT



Lab volunteer Richa Goel, learned about the Bokeh effect from the National Camera Exchange. Bokeh is a focus technique that uses special filters to shape dots of light. Richa used the laser engraver to cut out a heart shape in the center of a paper lens cover and set the camera to its lowest aperture value to get the shot above (*see tutorial here* <http://bit.ly/1kTIaKi>). See more examples, including stars and trees, on display on the 1st floor.

MEET YOUR MEMBERS

ROSE OYAMOT

Describe Yourself in 1 Sentence or Less

Folk-rocker-guitar-playing-jazz-singer turned ukulele-strumming-egg-shaking-Happy-and-You-Know-It-Children's Storytimer.

What projects are you working on or have you recently completed?

I have worked on recording videos featuring simple ukulele tutorials for anyone who presents storytimes- from librarians and teachers to childcare providers and parents. I post these videos on my YouTube channel Ukulele Storytime to provide a

one-stop site for ukulele beginners who can learn easy chords, lyrics, and strum patterns for children's songs. In the Lab, I've also created decorative, personalized guitar picks with the laser engraver.

What has the Innovation Lab enabled you to do?

The Innovation Lab provides a convenient, private space for me to record my video tutorials. It's convenient for me because I work in the Youth Services department of the library. The private space is great, especially since I don't have much time (or quietness) to record at home. When I'm at home, my two little ones keep me too busy to record!

What is your advice for other members?

When recording in the studio, utilize your time by being prepared with what you want to record. In the actual recording process, you may need to record over and over (who is ever happy with their first take?), so have your lyrics, instruments, and other equipment set up and ready. It will make the process that much easier. Then, have fun with it!



SHADOW BOX MAGIC



Staff and lab member, Andrea Herman, created this shadow box of "My Neighbor Totoro" using card stock, the Silhouette Cameo 3 cutter, a multi-color LED strip, and a tutorial a paper craft blog (<http://bit.ly/2kuqSro>). Using the Cameo, you can cut, perforate, or sketch on paper, vinyl sheets, card stock, fabric, heat and rhinestone transfers, and even temporary tattoo paper. Ask Andrea for tips and tricks on making your own shadow box!

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

We're switching to Sprockets, a member database that is more secure and will streamline the current check in process.

Any member that has been inactive for too long or has issues with their library card, may be asked to fill out a new member agreement and attend a refresher orientation. Please speak with staff if you have questions.

Send your ideas and projects to spplwincenter@gmail.com

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