

Minnesota Library Association Annual Conference

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I am happy to report that I had a fun and educational time at this year's conference. The pre-conference workshop and session I attended were terrific. The workshop was "How to Build Sensational Story Times" with Susan Bard. I accompanied our own children's librarian, Erin Smith, to this workshop. It was especially helpful that I went, as Erin is expecting a child in January. Rather than cancelling the library's story times, I will be filling in for Erin while she is on maternity leave. I got a few tips and pointers that I will be able to use during those weeks. We also both won a few books and a giraffe puppet for the collection.

The session I attended was called, "Putting the You in YouTube." The presenters were terrific, each explaining how their libraries have used YouTube in special teen programs and to promote awareness of their libraries. We then broke up into groups to film our own short videos that may be posted to YouTube as well. I have not seen the finished product posted as of yet, but I will be looking into it.

Thank you very much for the support to make my attendance at this conference possible. I am looking forward to the opportunity to attend many more in years to come.

Sincerely,

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