

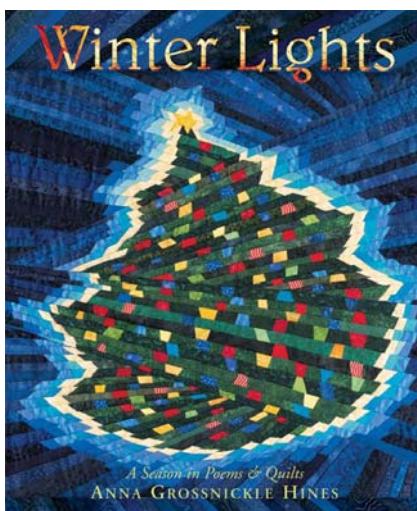
→ *Life in a Jar Performance* ←

Monday, January 30, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

Hear the powerful story of Irena Sendler, a Polish Catholic woman, who quietly saved the lives of 2,500 Jewish children during World War II. Her story was re-discovered in the course of a history project by students at Uniontown High School in Kansas. The students created the play, *Life in a Jar*, about Sendler's heroic efforts. The students have received national acclaim for their research and dramatic presentation. Their work has been highlighted in hundreds of newspapers and magazines and on radio and television. You can learn more about Irena and the amazing "Life in a Jar" by visiting Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project Web site at <http://www.irenasendler.org/>.

Life in a Jar, which has enjoyed phenomenal success and has been performed 170 times in locations around the world, is coming to Wichita on Monday, January 30, 2006, and will be performed at 6:30 p.m. at Stucky Middle School, 4545 N. Broadview Circle (located just west of Oliver off of 45th Street North). There is no charge to attend. The Wichita performance is sponsored by Arts Partners and the Mid-Kansas Jewish Federation. For further information, contact the MKJF at 686-4741.

Children's Book of the Month



Winter Lights

A Season in Poems & Quilts

With poetry and miniature quilts, Anna Grossnickle Hines celebrates winter lights and the holiday season. She highlights the lights of Santa Lucia, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and the Chinese New Year, as well as the lights of the winter solstice, the aurora borealis, and winter in general. *Winter Lights* was published in 2005 by Greenwillow Books, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers. (ISBN: 0-06-000817-2)

Quotation of the Month

**"Art is a place kids travel to where they feel good about themselves.
Keep their passports current."**

Fred Babb, American artist and author

Web Site of the Month:

Celebrate Black History: Inventors and Patents

http://target.com/target_group/community_giving/black_history.jhtml

Since one of our artists, storyteller Tasleem Muqtasid, does a Black Inventors workshop, we were intrigued to find a Web site on the subject. Developed by Target Stores, it includes a timeline, quiz, and other resources for teachers.



Mark Your Calendars!

Teacher Workshop

Saturday, February 11, 10:00 a.m.-noon

Successions: Prints by African American

Artists from the Jean and Robert Steele Collection



Some of the artists included in the exhibition on which the workshop is based are Faith Ringgold, Benny Andrews, Romare Bearden, Jacob Lawrence, and William T. Williams. To register for this free workshop, contact the Wichita Art Museum at 268-4929.

Book of the Month

Readers Theatre for Beginning Readers

This is the book that Arts Partners artists Pamela Lamont and Bambi Stofer use in their workshop of the same name. It includes folktale and fable scripts for more than 20 tales from around the world. The book is designed for grades 1-4. The brief introduction provides an overview of readers theatre and includes information about getting started. The publisher, Teacher Ideas Press, has approved library media specialists and teachers making copies of the scripts in the book. (ISBN: 1-56308-136-9)

Additions to the *2005-2006 Arts Partners Program and Community Resources Directory*

***A Kaleidoscope of Nature: the Art of Lou Stovall* ♦ January 20 - April 2006**

This exhibition at the Kansas African-American Museum features the work of internationally known and preeminent master printmaker Lou Stovall. Stovall's passion for printmaking and his innovative techniques have attracted innumerable commissions from artists such as Josef Albers, Alexander Calder, Gene Davis, Sam Gilliam, Jacob Lawrence, and Peter Blume.

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