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Earth & Sky — October 18, 4:00p
the Duson Music Endowment features
the Children's & Youth Chorus of Greater Dallas

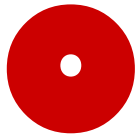
A full house greeted the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas at last year's inaugural concert. Extraordinary music making captivated the audience with the beautiful poetry of Gwen Frostic as set to the music of Dede Duson—a composer whose joy of nature is expressed beautifully in music. The concert this year features the music of Duson, Ruth Watson Henderson, Nelson, Thiman, Barber and Tchaikovsky.

Join us on October 18 at 4:00 p.m. in the Concert Hall at the Mesquite Arts Center. The concert, funded through the generosity of Jean Rogers Winchell and the Duson Music Endowment, is a genuine expression of music making. Young voices shimmer with clarity in the concert hall through quiet passages that describe the wonders of nature. And at other moments, through the sheer force of intensity, a solo child's voice takes your breath away with a beauty rarely heard in this media saturated world — an honesty so overpowering and a child so secure in an art form that celebrates harmony through unchanged voices. There is a delightful, playful expression of wonder and an ever so subtle phrasing of the musical line that simply melts your heart.

Conductors include Linda Harley, Nora Henson and Cynthia Nott. The concert is free although reservations are required. Call 972-216-6444 for more information and to reserve a ticket.



October, the month of *The Big Read Mesquite*



On October 7, Karen Joy Fowler — the New York Times bestselling author of *The Jane Austen Book Club* — will be a keynote speaker for The Big Read Mesquite.

Known for her literary and science fiction writing, Ms. Fowler begins her talk at 7p. The event is free and a reception follows.

Mayor Monaco will proclaim the month of October as The Big Read in Mesquite. State Senator Bob Deuell and Congressman Jeb Hensarling will attend the October 6 City Council meeting to make comments about the National Endowment for the Arts project and recognize The Big Read partners.



Mesquite Fire Department and Mesquite High School Kick-off The Big Read

A Science Fiction Writers Panel will be from 7-8:30p at the Mesquite Library North [2600 Oates Dr., Mesquite 75150] on October 9. Topics and themes in relation to the genre of science fiction

will be discussed.

The Big Read events at Eastfield College take place from October 13-15 and for information email Rufel Ramos at rmos@dcccd.edu.

Don't forget the free movie showings of *Fahrenheit 451* [October 11&13] and *Writer's Block*, featuring John Lewis of SMU and critic for the Dallas Observer on October 12. "Inspired by Bradbury" is on October 23 from 7-8:30p at the Main Library in Mesquite. Panelists include John Cordova and David Hopkins. They will discuss the very personal way in which Bradbury and his work have inspired new generations of writers and readers.

See more of The Big Read calendar on page 3 or click on www.mesquiteartscenter.org



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Mesquite Fire Department and North Mesquite High School kick-off The Big Read Mesquite

The Big Read EVENT Listing & NEA Program Director visits Mesquite

972-216-8122 or www.mesquiteartscenter.org

October



1-31 The Big Read **Five Characters in search of an artist**. The artwork is based on the interpretation by the **Mesquite Library Manga Book Club** of the book "Fahrenheit 451" and will be displayed at the Mesquite Arts Center. For more information contact the Mesquite Arts Council at 972-216-6444 or the Mesquite Public Library at 972-681-0465.

3-4 The Big Read **Java-Inspired Two-Day Read-a-thon**. Friday, October 3rd 7pm-11pm & Saturday, October 4th 7am-11pm. :

One great book and a gourmet cup of coffee. Join members of the community for this two-day Read-a-thon. You can stop by, pick up your FREE copy of Fahrenheit 451 (while supplies last), and order your gourmet to go, or enjoy a bit of leisure reading in this hometown java-inspired venue. Location: Java Ranch 200 S. Collins St., Sunnyvale, Texas 75182 <http://www.java-ranch.com/>

7 **An Evening with Karen Joy Fowler** at 7p at the Mesquite Arts Center, free. Ms. Fowler published her first collection of science fiction stories in 1986 with subsequent novels to follow including the New York Times bestseller "The Jane Austin Book Club." FREE!

9 The Big Read **Science Fiction Writers Panel** Science fiction authors will discuss topics and themes in relation to the genre of science fiction. 7-8:30p at the Mesquite Library, North Branch [2600 Oates Drive, Mesquite 75150] Contact Jane Brown for more information 972-681-0465. FREE

10 The Big Read **Fahrenheit 451 invades Memorial Stadium**. Readers Guides give-away at Poteet vs. West Mesquite High School football game. Watch the jumbo-tron for the Fahrenheit 451 video vignette featuring local celebs.

11 **Movie @ Dusk: Fahrenheit 451** see the 1966 film adaptation of *Fahrenheit 451*. Get Comfortable for a movie during our Big Read program at City Lake Park 403 S. Galloway Ave. It's movie madness with Mesquite Parks and Recreation Department! FREE . Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. The movie begins at dusk. For more information please call 972.216.6260.

13 **Movie @2:30 & 7:30p: Fahrenheit 451** see the film at the Mesquite Arts Center in the Rehearsal Hall. FREE movie, readers guides, popcorn and lemonade while supplies last.

15 **Fahrenheit 451 Film Panel Discussion:** John M. Lewis, Ph.D., film critic for the Dallas Observer will lead the discussion from 7-8:30p in the Rehearsal Hall. FREE

23 **Inspired by Bradbury: Panel Discussion;** Graphic novelist David Hopkins leads the discussion from 7-8:30p at Mesquite Main Library, 300 W. Grubb Dr. 972-216-6220

27 **Fahrenheit 451, the stage reading** begins at 7p and is presented by the Mesquite Community Theater. FREE 972-216-8126.

30 **Speak Out & Speak Up! The Readers Respond**. The roundtable discussion is led by local science fiction writer Patrick Holmes from 7-8:30p at Java Ranch (200 S. Collins St. Sunnyvale, TX 75182).



David Kipen, the program director at the NEA for The Big Read came to Mesquite on September 17. He is driving cross-country in a Ford hybrid aptly named Arts Force One. As he writes on his blog "25 states. 15 days. 8 novels. 2 countries and 1 seriously saddle-sore G-man."

Gary Bingham and the Mesquite Sunrise Rotary Club hosted David during their 7a meeting followed by a radio interview and then lunch at the Arts Center.

Kipen has been a book critic and essayist for the San Francisco Chronicle and National Public Radio's "Day to Day," and is film critic for XM Radio's "Bob Edwards Show." He recently published "The Schreiber Theory: A Radical Rewrite of American Film History," and a new translation of Cervantes' "The Dialogue of the Dogs."

To read all about the travels of David Kipen and the people along the way, go to www.nea.gov/bigreadblog.



Kipen joined Mesquite Arts Council members for lunch during his stop in Mesquite on September 17.



The Mesquite Arts Council hosts an artist reception for the White Rock Weaving Center on October 4 from 6-8p.

See beautiful, woven handwork; hear the cool sounds of Sam Walker & Lucas Weiss and enjoy nibbles & spirits from Go-Diva Catering.

Join the Mesquite Arts Council and become the first to know about upcoming events, artist receptions and performances at the Mesquite Arts Center

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OCTOBER (additional events listed on page 3)

- 4 Reception for White Rock Weaving Center, "A Soft Touch" in Main Gallery, 6-8p. FREE
- 6 Mayor Monaco and City Council kick-off The Big Read Mesquite, City Council Chambers, 3p.
- 11 MSO Pops! The Wild West, 7:30p. For tickets call 972-216-8127.
- 13 The Big Read Movie Matinee: Fahrenheit 451 at 2:30 and 7:30p in the Rehearsal Hall. FREE
- 18 Earth & Sky, Duson Music Endowment Concert features the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas. FREE
- 19 Mesquite Symphonic Band concert begins at 3p. Call 972-216-8125 for tickets.
- 23-11/8 The Clown Prince of Wanderlust is presented by the Mesquite Community Theater. Call 972-216-8126 for time, tickets and reservations
- 27 Mesquite Community Theater presents a stage reading of the play "Fahrenheit 451" in the Black Box Theater at 7p. FREE!



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