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## PRESS RELEASE

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REFLECTIONS ON THE

**RIVER**



The Library Celebrates  
**TALL STACKS**

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### Reflections on the River

#### The Library Celebrates Tall Stacks

As magnificent riverboats cruise along the banks of the Ohio River, *Tall Stacks Music, Arts & Heritage Festival*, October 15-19, marks the grand finale of Ohio's Bicentennial celebration, 1803-2003. Amid the churning of the "big wheels," the sounds of the calliopes, and the bustle of the riverfront—with its expanded family activity area—this year's event will generate more excitement than ever before. Daily entertainment, fireworks, and hot air balloon races, will celebrate the music, arts and heritage of the Ohio River.

*Reflections on the River*, a series of free programs and exhibits from late August through October, is your Public Library's tribute to the river. Designed for all ages, books, photographs, artwork, historic documents, and maps from the Library's collection will be displayed this fall at the Main Library and various branches around Hamilton County.

#### Visit the Library's Booth at Tall Stacks

For an interactive literature experience, stop by McGuffey's Circle from October 15–19. Located in Sawyertown on the riverfront, the education and family fun area of Tall Stacks, here you can learn more about Cincinnati history through three voices from the past featured on the Library's digital exhibit, *Reflections on the River*. While there take in chalk art and writing. Make newspaper hats. Listen to a Mark Twain interpretation and storytelling. Visit a Pilot House stamp station. And, have fun by watching history come alive.

For more information on *Reflections on the River* visit the Library's website at [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/tallstacks/](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/tallstacks/).

**Dedication of Library's Bicentennial Historical Marker**

Join us for a morning of nostalgia as The Ohio Historical Society recognizes the Public Library for its significant contribution to Ohio history by awarding the Main Library an official Ohio Historical Marker. As part of the Library's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, a dedication ceremony to commemorate the event will feature local celebrities and officials, as well as live music from students of The School for Creative and Performing Arts.

Saturday, October 4–Main Library, Vine Street Entrance–10:00 a.m.

√**Information about events at the Main Library and 41 branch libraries is available on the Internet site: [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org).**

√**Interpreter available upon request for the hearing impaired. Please call 369-6944 (TDD 369-6946) at least one week before program.**