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Press Release

Entertain Your Brain @ Your Library

ReadQuest 2008: 35th Annual Summer Reading Program for Kids and Teens (June 1 through July 31)

Kids Kick-Off Party on May 31: From 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 31, kids ages 12 & under are invited to decorate a canvas backpack—a nice carryall for holding Library books. All 41 Library locations!

Teens Kick-Off Parties on June 6: Teens ages 12 & above can enjoy electronic gaming, food, music, and other activities on Friday, June 6 from 4:00–6:00 p.m. at the Bond Hill, Oakley, Westwood branch libraries, and the Main Library’s TeenSpot or from 6:30–8:30 p.m. at the College Hill, Mariemont, and Walnut Hills branch libraries. The Harrison Branch will be hosting Tonks and the Aurors, a Harry Potter inspired rock band from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Overall Program for Kids & Teens: Looking for an entertaining way to challenge your kids this summer? From June 1 through July 31, jumpstart their minds through an exciting adventure offering a unique twist on reading and learning. Through ReadQuest, children and teens can participate in hundreds of engaging activities and earn incentives just for reading and joining in on the fun during the 35th annual summer reading program of the



Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County. This year’s action-packed theme, *Entertain Your Brain*, offers a brain-boosting line-up of poetry slams, readers’ theater, storytelling, music, and dance as well as gaming events, FX workshops, movie days, drama workshops and lots more. It’s all available for free at all 41 Library locations around Hamilton County. For more details, log onto the Library’s ReadQuest website at www.cincinnatiLibrary.org/summerread/.

Sponsors: Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County, The Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County Foundation, The Kersten Fund, and Executive Women International.

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PHOTO CAPTION: Several kids and teens from around the area were recorded in CET’s studios for a Public Service Announcement highlighting *ReadQuest: Entertain Your Brain*—this year’s summer reading program (to be held June 1 through July 31) at all 41 locations of the Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County. The 30-second “braincast,” produced by CET for the Library, will air on Time Warner Cable and CET starting May 23. Kick-off parties for kids will be held on May 31 at all locations and for teens on June 6 at selected Library locations. For more details, log onto www.cincinnatiLibrary.org/summerread/.

From left to right first row: Seated: Kaia McKenney (age 8, attends Sands Montessorri and lives in College Hill); Alex Moorman (age 16, attends Moeller H.S. and lives in Reading). Back Row standing: Daniel Moorman, age 10, attends Hilltop Elementary and lives in Reading; Theo Ramos (age 9, attends Sands Montessorri and lives in Walnut Hills); Lily Snape, (age 10, attends Donald E. Cline Elementary and lives in Cold Spring, KY) and Meena Thatikunta, (age 17, attends Sycamore H.S. and lives in Sycamore Township).