ARTIST INTERVIEW: JENNY OSTRAFF

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Q: What was it like growing up in a family of artists? Do you feel that you inspired or drew inspiration from each other?

A: I don’t think I realized that I was growing up in a family of artists when I was a kid. My dad is an artist so we spent a lot of time making art with him and going to museums and galleries. Making art was just something we all did and then continued to do as we got older.

When I was probably 6 or 7 my dad won a big award for his art and after they announced he’d won, I said, “We won!” really loudly. Everyone laughed and I was really embarrassed, but I still think I was correct. Art is often a collaborative process in my family and this time had been no exception as my dad’s paintings incorporated drawings that my brothers and I had done. We still collaborate often and discuss ideas and themes for our work.

Q: Tell us a little about your process for creating a work of art.

A: The pieces in this show are a blend of collage and paint. I used the plants in my own home and garden as inspiration and then used paper to recreate the plant shapes I was seeing. Each piece is comprised of many layers alternating between collage and paint which was largely an intuitive process of addition and subtraction using glazes to add and sandpaper to subtract until I was happy with the result.

Q: What’s your advice for how to interact with and appreciate art?

A: Viewing art is like having a great conversation where you are both an attentive listener and a thoughtful contributor. You’ll get the most out of a piece of art by thinking about what the artist is trying to say and by also adding your own interpretation and experiences to the art.

Q: What advice do you have for people who are just getting started as artists?

A: Make a lot of art.

(for infants and pre-walking babies with their caregivers) is held at 10:00 on Fridays, with a program break through August.

Knowledgeable individuals and businesses have consulted on the remodeling project: Catherine Strange (BYU Supervisor of Design), Lindsay Ross (Interior Designer), Nicole Davis (Former Ass. BYU Library Facilities Manager), Becky Angus (Eclectic Design), Brian Christensen (BYU Professor of Sculpture), Larry Bess (Barlow’s Wood Classics), Performance Audio, and Craftsman Upholstery & Interiors.

KID ZONE RULES

To ensure that all have a safe and positive experience at the Kid Zone the following rules have been established:

Adult supervision required. Children must be accompanied by an adult, not an older sibling.

Show respect for others, toys, and books.

Play safely — no running, CLIMBING, or rough play.

Use inside voices.

ARTISTS CIRCLE- A sense of community, consistency, and collaboration.

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Offering what the New York Times calls “a garden of cinematic delights,” Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world’s best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema with collections from Kino Lorber, Music Box Films, Samuel Goldwyn, The Orchard, The Great Courses, PBS, and thousands of independent filmmakers. With the motto of “thoughtful entertainment,” Kanopy provides Orem Public Library patrons with access to films of unique social and cultural value, films that are often difficult or impossible to access elsewhere.

In addition to its vast collection of films for adults, Kanopy also has a children’s section. Kanopy Kids highlights entertaining and educational videos, including TV series, language learning videos, animated storybooks, and movies for the whole family. Kanopy has partnered with Common Sense Media, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping families make smart media choices by providing independent age-based ratings and reviews for all types of media. Together Kanopy and Common Sense Media have curated age-appropriate titles for Kanopy Kids. Parents can set controls to limit what their families can see on Kanopy.

HERE’S HOW A KANOPY ACCOUNT WORKS:

> Each account gets 10 play-credits a month. Each credit is good for one film. Once you’ve activated a credit to watch a film, you can watch that film as many times as you’d like for three days.
>
You can watch Kanopy on most operating systems and devices including Apple, Android, Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire, and Chromecast. Just download the app and sign in with your Kanopy account.

IF YOU’D LIKE TO TRY KANOPY, SIMPLY:

Go to oremlibrary.kanopy.com.
Click Sign Up.
Create a free account:
> Fill in your name and email address and create a password.
> Choose Orem Public Library as your library and enter your library card number and PIN.
Kanopy will send you a verification email to the email address you entered. Go to your email to verify that address. (If the email doesn’t come through within a few minutes, check your spam folder.)
Open the email from Kanopy and click the verification link. You will be sent to back Kanopy’s website. Enter your library card number and PIN to activate your account.

TEEN SCAVENGER HUNT

Go on a library odyssey of your own, and seek out an example for each of the following in the Teen section of the library. Fill out the page and take a picture to submit online via the summer reading website (read.orem.org) to earn the Scavenger badge for your summer reading crew!

1. A BICENTENNIAL BOOK
2. A BOOK WRITTEN BEFORE THE 1900S
3. A GRAPHIC NOVEL
4. A BOOK THAT WAS MADE INTO A MOVIE
5. A BOOK FROM THE GREAT AMERICAN READ
6. A BEEHIVE AWARD BOOK
7. A BIOGRAPHY
8. A BOOK WITH A NUMBER IN THE TITLE

A BOOK THAT THE LIBRARIAN ON DUTY ENJOYED WHEN HE OR SHE WAS A TEENAGER
**JULY & AUGUST 2018 CALENDAR & EVENTS**

**Library closed for Maintenance**

6:30 PM Media Auditorium
Film Screening: *Red River* (NR, 1948)

**National Youth Storytellers**
7:00 PM Storytelling Wing
Join us for tales from some of our country’s best young storytellers as they hone their craft for the Timpanogos Storytelling Festival.

**SAVOR THE PARK**

City Center Park

**Provo River Day: Birds of Prey Show**
Come and meet some feathered friends as we learn about Utah’s beautiful birds of prey.

6:00 PM Media Auditorium
Film Screening: *Flower Drum Song* (NR, 1961)

**Provo River Day: Activity Hour**

Learn about the Provo River Watershed, hydropower, and much more during an hour of hands-on activities featuring an erosion table.

6:00 PM Storytelling Wing
Film Screening: *The General* (NR, 1926)

**Provo River Day: Live Animal Show**
Meet live animals from the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium as we learn all about Utah wildlife around the Provo River.

6:30 PM Media Auditorium
Film Screening: *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* (G, 1954)

**Provo River Day: Family or for auditions. Bring your own recording device and make friends at the library.**

6:00 PM Storytelling Wing
Film Screening: *A Wrinkle in Time* (PG, 1987)

**Provo River Day: Cuentos bilingües para familias en la tarde**

Family Evening Storytime

6:30 PM Storytelling Wing
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JULY 10, TUESDAY
2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Summer Reading: Teen NASA Spacelab
The Teen NASA Spacelab is an exclusive teen event that will feature hands-on projects to increase your knowledge about outer space. Learn about the sun, comets, craters, telescopes, and much more using thermal cameras, solar telescopes, and other tools.

4:30 PM  Children's Mezzanine
Krafty Kids
Join us for an hour of crafting fun! Children ages 8-12 are welcome to make a fun craft project. Register before coming at http://bit.ly/kraftykids.

JULY 11, WEDNESDAY
2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
PERC Game Day
Kids and teens are invited to join the PERC staff for an afternoon of board games. Don't miss this opportunity to have fun, learn some new games, and make some friends.

JULY 13, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Midnight Special (PG-13, 2016)

JULY 14, SATURDAY
2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Family Flix: Azur & Asmar: The Princes' Quest (PG, 2006)
Two infants from very different backgrounds become friends through circumstance, only to become rivals as adults. When the pair work together on a quest to find their princesses, will their true friendship once again shine through? Originally a Mexican animated film, dubbed in English.

JULY 16, MONDAY – JULY 21, SATURDAY
Storytelling Wing
Summer Reading: Teen Mission to Mars
Teens, we're sending you on a mission to Mars! Come to the library any time during open hours to learn about Mars by mapping it and designing and constructing your own probe. Then build a scale model of a Martian base to live in once you've mastered a Mars landing simulation.

JULY 16, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Inception (PG-13, 2010)

JULY 17, TUESDAY
2:00 PM  Storytelling Wing
Summer Reading: Children's Milky Way Libray
Have a blast as you explore the Milky Way Libray, a collection of interactive NASA and space-themed experiments that help you uncover the science behind the many mysteries of space.

JULY 18, WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Orem Library Book Club: Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney
Inspired by ad writer Margaret Fishback, Rooney imagines an extraordinary walk through the streets of New York City on the last night of 1984 by fictional ad woman and octogenarian Lillian Boxfish. Books are available at the main floor general reference desk.

JULY 19, THURSDAY
6:30 PM  Storytelling Wing
Family Evening Storytime
Storytellers EJ and Anita will lead a bilingual storytime and “Pijama Party.”

JULY 20, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: The Prestige (PG-13, 2006)

JULY 21, SATURDAY
4:00 PM  Fireplace
Death by Aria, Part 2
This is our operatic version of American Idol! Participate as an audience and vote for your favorite performer as 30 young singers from around the world fire off dazzling opera arias to a raving crowd. Three non-opera-loving judges and a live audience will determine which performers will survive until the next round and live to sing another day.

JULY 23, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: The Manchurian Candidate (PG-13, 1962)
7:00 PM  City Center Park
Summer Concert Series: Malibu Revue
Malibu Revue has been playing concerts and dances since 1975, celebrating music from the golden decade of Rock'n'Roll from Elvis to the Beatles.

JULY 24, TUESDAY
LIBRARY CLOSED

JULY 25, WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM  City Center Courtyard
Summer Reading Finale: Splash Down Party
Mission Accomplished! Celebrate the homecoming of the OPL Odyssey at the summer reading splash down party. There will be activities for all ages, including a water fight with over 4,000 water balloons! Plus, we'll announce the winning entries from our Teen Creative Contest, and of course the finale giveaway featuring gift cards to local restaurants, library T-shirts, model rockets, a drone, and the summer reading grand prize—a telescope! Remember, only flight crews who've earned at least 15 badges by 11:59 PM on July 21 will be entered in the giveaway.

JULY 27, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: The Fountain (PG-13, 2007)

JULY 30, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Contact (PG, 1997)

AUGUST EVENTS

AUGUST 2, THURSDAY
6:30 PM  Storytelling Wing
Family Evening Storytime
Enjoy a storytime on “Marvelous Musicians” with Julie Olsen.

AUGUST 3, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Vertigo (PG, 1958)

AUGUST 6, MONDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Cool Hand Luke (PG-13, 1967)
7:00 PM  City Center Park
Summer Concert Series: B. D. Howes Band
The B. D. Howes Band is a respected local source of blues and classic rock, led by lead vocalist and songwriter B. D. Howes.

AUGUST 6, MONDAY – AUGUST 13, MONDAY
Storytelling Wing
Provo River Day: Utah's Outlaws
Help keep our community safe by locating and identifying the invasive species that are hidden throughout the library. This is a self-directed activity that may be completed at the library any time during open hours.

AUGUST 7, TUESDAY
7:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Families Talking Together
Helping parents have conversations with their children about sex.

AUGUST 8, WEDNESDAY
2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
PERC Game Day

AUGUST 10, FRIDAY
6:30 PM  Media Auditorium
Film Screening: Twelve O’Clock High (NR, 1949)

AUGUST 11, SATURDAY
11:00 AM  Fireplace
International Piano Festival
Join us for this rare opportunity to hear some of China's most talented young pianists. These performers have won numerous awards at international music festivals. The concert will feature classical favorites as well as Chinese folk music.

2:00 PM  Media Auditorium
Family Flix: Huevo: Little Rooster’s Egg-Cellent Adventure (PG, 2015)
Toto, a young chick born the runt of the litter, rises to the occasion when a rancher threatens his home and his family. Originally a Mexican animated film, dubbed in English.

AUGUST 13, MONDAY
10:00 AM  Storytelling Wing
Provo River Day: Storytime
Join H2Joe and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District for a special storytime, “It Starts With A Raindrop.”