



TLMDA

Achievement of Library Excellence Award Application 2020

Section 6

Conduct a Summer Reading Program; youth, teen, and/or adult.

“Imagine Your Story” encouraged all of our community to get involved in dreaming of their lives, reflecting on stories of the past, and brightening the story of 2020 -a year amid a pandemic. Our Summer Reading Challenge brought fun, engagement, and literacy into the living room of our community. Because the library was closed to patrons for part of the summer, the library staff got creative in finding new ways to reach and engage families and community members of all ages.

The foundation or “command center” for our Summer Reading Challenge was a brand new app called Beanstack. Families were able to download this app and record their minutes, books read, enter drawings for prizes, even earn badges for meeting reading goals, or engaging in library activities and engaging in community events (for example, you might earn a sticker for virtually attending a performance, for picking up an activity kit, or donating to a local food bank). Using Beanstack to help connect people, to the library, in a virtual world, was a huge success!

	Registered	Minutes Read	Badges Earned
Children (birth-12)	169	70,075	1,226
Teens (13-17)	20	17,462	86
Adults (18+)	88	43,040	393

Although this year’s Summer Reading Challenge looked different then it has in years past, the community had a lot of fun, attended virtual programming, engaged in reading and literacy activities.

We kicked the summer off with a Drive-Thru “Summer Reading Kick-Off” event. 119 cars drove through our event to get a goodie bag, frozen yogurt, freebies from community partners, and to start the summer off with the library. The library hosted a virtual magic show, weekly crafternoons for families, virtual storytelling with Master Storyteller and author Toni Simmons, weekly giveaways, coffee and conversation with a

local author, children's "live" concerts, a virtual comedy show, and more. It was a "virtually" fun-filled summer!

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Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, today's libraries are community places with servant leaders who are less about what they have on the shelves and more about what they can do with and for their communities; and

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions where people of all ages, interests and backgrounds can come together and learn alongside one another; and

WHEREAS, libraries of all types are at the heart and soul of their cities, towns, schools and campuses; and

WHEREAS, libraries offer members of the community a welcoming space and opportunities to explore new passions through technology, programs and services; and

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians help patrons find tools and resources to help improve the quality of their life; and

WHEREAS, libraries, which promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, are cornerstones of democracy; and

WHEREAS, libraries strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve; and

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians work to create an equitable society by providing free access to accurate information to all people; and

WHEREAS, libraries are a welcoming resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational programming that transform lives and strengthen communities; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stephen Mason, Mayor of the City of Cedar Hill, do hereby April 19-25, 2020 as

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

in the City of Cedar Hill and during this time, I encourage all residents to virtually visit the library at www.cedarhilllibrary.org and on our social media sites, a place where we can all belong and discover who we are. Because of you, Libraries Transform.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Seal of the City of Cedar Hill, Texas, to be affixed this 14th day of April, 2020.





Stephen Mason, Mayor



IMAGINE YOUR STORY

DRIVE-THRU SUMMER READING KICK-OFF

SATURDAY JUNE 6
10 AM-NOON

Drive thru the library to collect your Summer Reading Challenge materials, giveaways, and free sweet treats provided by Menchie's!


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ZULA B. WYLIE PUBLIC LIBRARY


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Cedar Hill Action Team



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frozen yogurt

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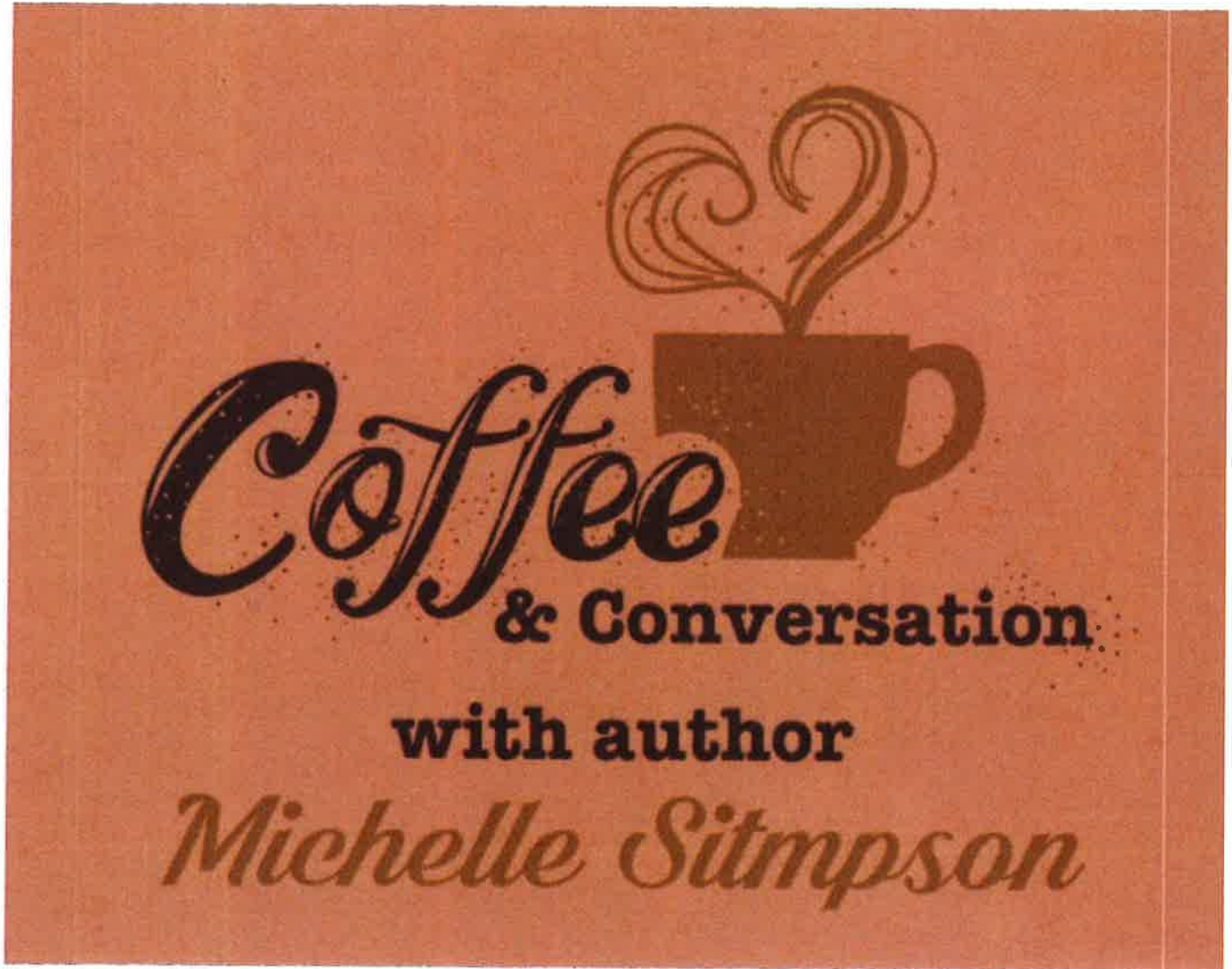
Zula B. Wylie Public Library in Cedar Hill, Texas

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Saturday, July 11 at 6:30 pm: Adults grab your cup of coffee and join us for a virtual conversation via Zoom with local author Michelle Stimpson. Sign up here:

<https://www.cedarhilltx.com/.../Coffee-Conversation-July...> and you will receive the Zoom link.



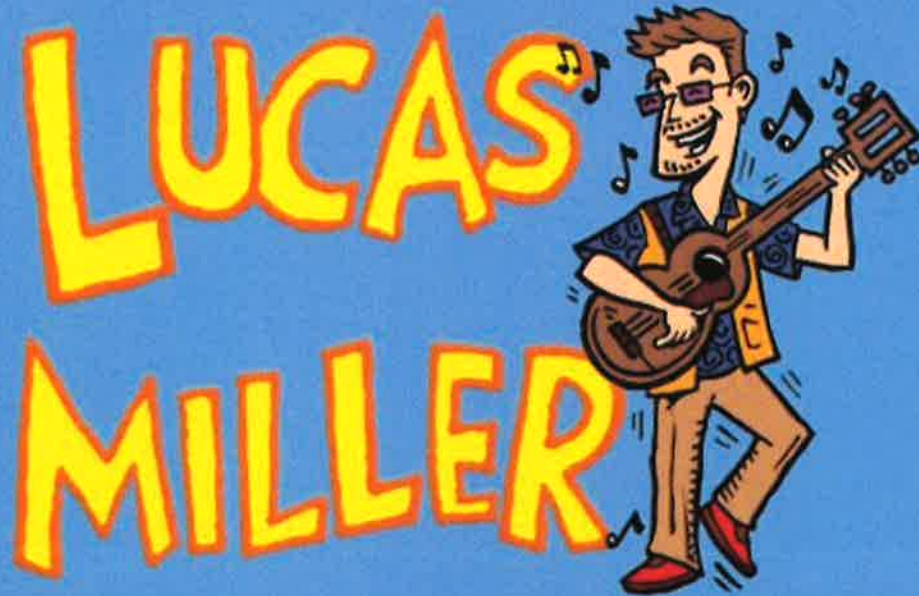


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Lucas Miller, the "Singing Zoologist" will be performing a fun show on our Facebook Live this Thursday, July 9 at 10:30 am. Don't miss it! 🎵



**THURSDAY, JULY 9, 10:30 AM
ON FACEBOOK LIVE**