

“Tunes for Tots” Featured at Rock Island Library’s Hug-A-Book Event

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Rock Island, IL: As part of its goal to support children’s early learning needs, this year’s Rock Island Public Library Hug-A-Book event will feature “tunes for tots” by a Rock Island musician.

Musician Chris Dunn, of Rock Island, will provide music for children ages two to five from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on Thursday, August 22 at the Rock Island Main Library, 401 19th Street. Each child attending the event will also receive a free children’s book and Hug-A-Book bag to keep, courtesy of the Merrill Harris Hug-A-Book Memorial Fund of the Rock Island Public Library Foundation.

Each Hug-A-Book event includes an educational program designed to support the early learning needs of two-to-five-year-olds. According to Susan Foster, Rock Island Library Children’s Service director, music was chosen because of its role in helping children activate language skills. “Music helps very young children practice language, recognize sounds and develop reasoning ability, which are all skills that help children become more ready to read and to learn.”

Hug-A-Book is free and open to the public. For more news about library events and hours, visit the library website at www.rockislandlibrary.org, sign up for an email newsletter, follow the library on Facebook or Twitter, or call [309-732-7323](tel:309-732-7323)

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