MOVIES & MEMORIES: DEMENTIA FRIENDLY CINEMA IN KC

Age Positive Conference 2018
TODAY’S PRESENTERS

• April Roy, Kansas City Public Library Plaza Branch Director
• Deborah Shouse, Author and Dementia Advocate, The Creativity Connection
• Ron Zoglin, Author and Dementia Advocate, The Creativity Connection
WHAT IS MOVIES & MEMORIES?

An intergenerational movie series for individuals living with dementia, their families, friends, and care partners.
WHY MOVIES?

Awaken memories

Excite the senses

Foster conversation

The Library continues its special, intergenerational movie series for individuals with dementia, their friends, and families with the amiable, computer-animated musical Sing.

Lauded by Newsweek as “a genuine crowd-pleaser with sparkling characters, feel-good tunes and a big-hearted spirit,” the film revolves around an optimistic koala (voiced by Matthew McConaughey) who stages a grand singing competition for animals in an effort to save the once-elegant theater he inherited from his father. It features more than 60 songs, from Leonard Cohen’s “Hallelujah” to Dolly Parton’s “9 to 5” and Van Halen’s “Jump.”

The afternoon starts with live music and popcorn. Besides taking in the movie, attendees can participate in a guess-the-voice contest and a hands-on craft project.
A TASTE OF MOVIES & MEMORIES

Turn to your neighbor and share a movie memory

Who were you with? What was the movie? What made it memorable?
OUR TEAM

• April Roy – Kansas City Public Library Plaza Branch Director
• Bethany Turner – Kansas City Star
• Deborah Shouse – Author and Dementia Advocate, The Creativity Connection
• Katy Scott – Kansas City Public Library AmeriCorps VISTA
• Michele Niedens – Alzheimer's Association Heart of America Chapter Director of Education & Programs
• Ron Zoglin – Author and Dementia Advocate, The Creativity Connection
• Veronica Elliot Loncar – KC Film Fest Executive Director
MORE THAN JUST MOVIES

• Musical entertainment
• Hands-on projects
• Conversation starters
• Take home gifts
• Fresh popcorn
• Fun and fellowship
• FREE!
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CHALLENGES
“THANK GOODNESS FOR THIS PROGRAM. THERE ARE SO FEW PLACES MOM AND I CAN ENJOY GOING TOGETHER THESE DAYS.”

- A Movies & Memories patron after our “Going to the Oscars” event
OUR IMPACT

• Increased interest in dementia friendly programming among other libraries
• Kansas City Public Library and Kansas City Zoo interested in dementia friendly training for staff
• Inspiration to ask individuals with dementia and their care partners to participate in KCUR's StoryCorps programming
• Development of Memory Café

And we're just getting started!
MOVING FORWARD: MEMORY CAFÉ

Third Tuesdays
10:30 am – 12 pm
Plaza Library
It's not about what you do, it's about how much love you put in the doing.

-Mother Teresa

WHAT'S NEXT?
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
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