

# *Seven Days of Storytelling For All Ages*

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to attend!*

*23 great*

*storytelling events*

*at convenient venues*

*throughout*

*the NY State*

*Capital Region!*

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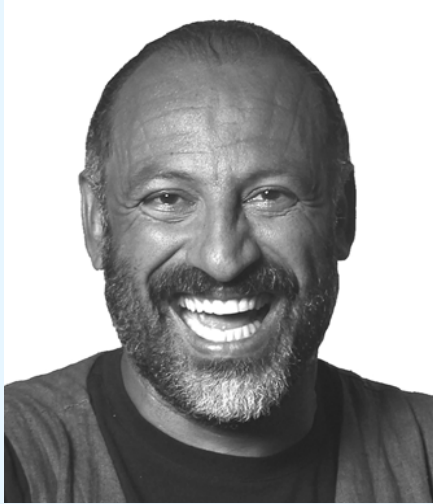


*Family storytelling  
concerts,  
ghost story concerts,  
stories for adults,  
workshops,  
a showcase,  
story swaps,  
and  
lots more!*

## *Riverway Storytelling Festival*

### *Featured Storytellers*

#### *Derek Burrows*



Derek was born in the Bahamas where storytelling was a vital part of the tradition. His programs include Caribbean songs, American folk songs, Sephardic music, medieval music, folktales, myths and legends of Africa, the Caribbean, and America, as well as original tales and personal stories.

He is the recipient of a Massachusetts Artist Foundation Fellowship for Storytelling. He has received other grants for his folk research work and funding from the Mass. Foundation for the Humanities for his compelling program *Reflecting Stories* about AIDS.

Derek was recently one of four national storytellers invited to be a part of the first National Book Festival sponsored by the White House and First Lady Laura Bush.

#### *Susan Klein*



Susan Klein, a native of Martha's Vineyard, is noted for a variety of presentations involving Story. She tours her one woman shows internationally in theaters, at conferences and at special events. Her highly acclaimed storytelling and memoir writing workshops are held on Martha's Vineyard, around the nation, and in Europe.

Susan's substantial repertoire includes selections from the world body of folklore and myth, literary stories, rites of passage, and love stories for adults of all ages.

In 2001, Susan received a Circle of Excellence Award presented by the National Storytelling Network.

Find out more online about the festival at

[www.riverwaystorytellingfestival.org](http://www.riverwaystorytellingfestival.org)

## *Riverway Storytelling Festival*

### *Regional Storytellers*

#### *Regi Carpenter*



Since 1993, Regi has been featured at schools, libraries, museums, festivals, and family and community venues. She delights both children and adults with storytelling programs, workshops, and school residencies. A New York State certified teacher, Regi is adept at weaving the arts into the curriculum while fulfilling teaching standards. As a nationally acclaimed performer and educator, Regi has received the Parents' Choice Gold Award, the Parent's Guide to Children's Media Award, and the Leonard Bernstein Fellowship for Artists in Education.

Jonathan Kruk grew up in the Hudson Valley of New York State on tall tales and daydreams. His storytelling began as an effort to entertain his kid brother at bedtime. Now he gives almost 300 performances and workshops each year. Jonathan is noted for his lively interactive children's fairy tales, Hudson River Lore, and curricular-based school performances. Using varied voices, movement, and language of the senses, his performances feature heroes of the American Revolution, finger fables, rainbow dragons, and witches who knot their noses to stop them from running.

#### *Jonathan Kruk*



Photo by Tom DiMauro

#### *Motoko*



Award-winning Japanese storyteller Motoko captivates children of all ages with ancient tales, original stories, lyrical movement and traditional songs. A student of late master mime Tony Montanaro, Motoko is nationally known for her appearance on "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood," and has been featured on the Exchange Place Stage at the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, Tennessee. She has been awarded numerous grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and New York State BOCES. Her debut CD, *The Promise of Chrysanthemums*, was released in June 2002.

### *Local Storytellers*

*Barbara Chepaitis*

*Miki Conn*

*Kate Dudding*

*Gert Johnson*

*Bill Cliff*

*Joe Doolittle*

*Marni Gillard*

*Tales 'n Tunes*

## Riverway Storytelling Festival Schedule

<b>Monday, April 4</b>		<b>7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>Pine Hills Branch</b> Albany Public Library	(518) 482-7911	<b>Stories to Put Spring in Your Step!</b> <i>Barbara Chepaitis and Joe Doolittle</i>	
<b>Petersburgh Public Library</b> Petersburgh Town Hall	(518) 658-2927	<b>From Up There and Down Here</b> <i>Miki Conn and Kate Dudding</i>	
<b>Tuesday, April 5</b>		<b>7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>Rensselaerville Library</b>	(518) 797-3949	<b>Stories to Put Spring in Your Step!</b> <i>Barbara Chepaitis and Joe Doolittle</i>	
<b>Cheney Library</b> Hoosick Falls	(518) 686-9401	<b>Stories for All Ages: From 3 to 93</b> <i>Gert Johnson and Tales 'n Tunes Stories</i>	
<b>Wednesday, April 6</b>		<b>7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>East Greenbush Community Library</b>	(518) 477-7476	<b>Stories From Up There and Down Here</b> <i>Miki Conn and Kate Dudding</i>	
<b>William K. Sanford Town Library</b> Colonie	(518) 458-9274	<b>Stories for All Ages: From 3 to 93</b> <i>Gert Johnson and Tales 'n Tunes</i>	
<b>Thursday, April 7</b>		<b>7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>Sand Lake Town Library</b>	(518) 674-5050	<b>Trickster Tales</b> <i>Regi Carpenter</i>	
<b>Voorheesville Public Library</b>	(518) 765-2791	<b>Imps on the Hudson</b> <i>Jonathan Kruk</i>	
NOTE: ASL interpreter services are available for some of the above programs. Please contact Frank Wind (518) 458-1781 by March 15 if ASL interpreter services are desired.			

<b>Friday, April 8</b>		<b>Upper Hudson Library System, Albany</b>	
<b>10:00-11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Workshop: Building a Community of Storytellers (and Writers)</b> <i>Marni Gillard</i> (see workshops table below for description)		<b>Adult \$20</b>
<b>1:00 - 2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Workshop: Sharing Stories From Other Cultures</b> <i>Derek Burrows</i> (see workshops table below for description)		<b>Adult \$20</b>

**Directions:** *Directions from the West:* Take I-90 eastbound to exit 5 (Everett Road). Turn right at the top of the exit ramp, turn left at the next light onto Watervliet Avenue Extension. Pass the Clarion Hotel. Turn right at the next light and then left onto Essex Street. UHLS is the fourth building on the left. *Directions from the East:* Take I-90 westbound to exit 5 (Everett Road). Turn left at the top of the exit ramp, go over I-90 and through one stoplight. At the next light, turn left onto Watervliet Avenue Extension. Follow directions above. (518) 437-9880

<b>Friday, April 8</b>		<b>Guilderland Public Library</b>	
<b>7:00–8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Things That Go Bump in the Night: Ghost Stories for Families</b> ASL Interpreted <i>Regi Carpenter, Jonathan Kruk and Motoko</i>		
<b>8:30–10:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Tales to Keep You Up All Night: A Ghost Story Concert</b> ASL Interpreted <i>Derek Burrows, Regi Carpenter, Jonathan Kruk and Motoko</i> (Recommended for ages 12 and up)		
NOTE: While these are free concerts, the seating is limited and tickets are required. These tickets may be picked at the Youth Services Department at the Guilderland Public Library. Some tickets may be available that night. (Full festival tickets include both concerts. No additional tickets are needed.)			

**Directions:** *Directions from the North:* This library is minutes from the southern end of the Northway (I-87). Take Rte. 20 West at the end of The Northway (Rte. 87). The library is located at 2228 Western Ave., one mile west of the intersection of Rte. 155 and Rte. 20, on the left, opposite the Elementary School. *Directions from the South and West:* Take Exit 24 off I-87 (NYS Thruway). Follow the signs for Rte. 20 West. Follow directions from Rte. 20 as above. *Directions from the East:* Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to the NYS Thruway. Take Exit 24 off I-87 (NYS Thruway). Follow the signs for Rte. 20 West. Follow directions from Rte. 20 as above. (518) 456-2400

<b>Saturday, April 9</b>				<b>Albany Public Library</b>	
<b>9:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.</b> <b>Registration</b>	<b>9:30 – 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:30 – 11:00 a.m.</b>			
	<b>Workshop: Movement for Storytellers</b> <i>Motoko</i> (Adult \$20, Student \$10)	<b>Workshop: Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 1</b> For intermediate or advanced storytellers with at least 5 years of professional experience. <i>Susan Klein</i> (Adult \$20)		<b>10:00 – 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>
				<b>Student Tellers from Maple Hill Middle School (Schodack)</b>	
			<b>11:15 a.m. – noon</b>	<b>Free</b>	
			<b>Showcase</b> <i>Six regional tellers will each tell one of their best stories</i>		
			<b>Noon – 1:00 p.m.</b> Lunch		
			<b>1:00 – 2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>	
			<b>Passport to Adventure: World Stories for Families</b> <i>Derek Burrows and Motoko</i> ASL Interpreted		
			<b>2:15 – 3:45 p.m.</b>	<b>2:15 – 3:45 p.m.</b>	
			<b>Workshop: Storytelling Tips and Techniques</b> <i>Derek Burrows</i> (Adult \$20, Student \$10)	<b>Workshop: Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 2</b> <i>Susan Klein</i> (Adult \$20)	
			<b>4:00 – 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Free</b>	<b>4:00 – 4:30 p.m.</b>
			<b>Story Swap</b>	<b>Free</b>	<b>Story Swap</b>
<i>Story Swaps are where anyone can tell a story (but not read a story). Do feel free to tell unpolished tales. Length of stories: under 7 minutes.</i>					

**Directions:** *From I-787:* take Empire State Plaza exit. After driving through two tunnels, bear right onto Swan Street. Follow Swan Street several blocks to Elk Street. Turn left onto Elk Street. In second block on Elk Street, turn left into the Albany Public Library parking lot. Free parking is also available on street.

<b>Saturday, April 9</b>		<b>Saint Joseph Hall, College of St. Rose</b>	
<b>7:00 – 8:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Laughin' Night: Stories That Make You Giggle and Grin</b> ASL Interpreted <i>Derek Burrows and Susan Klein</i> (\$9 Adults, \$4 Children under 12)		
<b>Directions:</b> <i>From the North:</i> Take I-87 south to Exit 1, Rte. 90 East. See below <i>From Rte. 90 East.</i> <i>From the South, East and West:</i> Take the New York State Thruway (I-90) to exit 24. After the tollbooth, take the exit for Rte. 90 East. See below <i>From Rte. 90 East.</i> <i>From Rte. 90 East:</i> Proceed on I-90 to Exit 5, Everett Rd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Everett Rd. At the end of Everett Rd., turn left onto Central Ave. Continue through four lights and then turn right onto North Main Ave. Continue for four traffic lights, crossing Western Ave., then turn left onto Madison Ave. Saint Joseph Hall is at 985 Madison Ave. Park across the street in the Music West Lot, 1000 Madison Ave. (at stoplight), nearby in the Lally Lot, 432 Western Ave. (at stoplight), or on the street. See "Locations" on our web site for a map of the area.			

<b>Sunday, April 10</b>		<b>William K. Sanford Town Library (Colonie)</b>	
<b>3:30-4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Susan Klein Live!</b> ASL Interpreted <i>Susan Klein</i> (All tickets \$6, recommended for ages 12 and up)		

**Directions:** *Directions from the South:* Take Northway Exit 4. Turn left at the bottom of the ramp and enter the right-hand lane of Wolf Rd. Turn right onto Albany Shaker Rd. The library is about 100 yards ahead on the left. *Directions from the North:* Take Northway Exit 4 and enter the right-hand lane of the exit ramp. At the traffic light, turn left onto Rte. 155, toward the Albany Airport. At the junction with Albany Shaker Rd., turn left onto Albany Shaker Rd. and proceed across Wolf Rd. The library is about 100 yards ahead on the left.

# Riverway Storytelling Festival Workshops

**Friday, April 8, 10:00-11:30 a.m.** Upper Hudson Library System

**Building a Community of Storytellers (and Writers) with Marni Gillard** (Adult \$20)

A storytelling workshop for librarians and teachers. We are ALREADY storytellers! Any librarian or teacher can use this natural ability to help young people or adults gain confidence, create community, or write with more focus, structure and skill.

**Friday, April 8, 1:00-2:30 p.m.** Upper Hudson Library System

**Sharing Stories From Other Cultures with Derek Burrows** (Adult \$20)

A storytelling workshop for librarians and teachers. This workshop examines through hands on work ways of dealing with issues that arise when telling multi-cultural stories.

**Saturday, April 9, 9:30-11:00 a.m.** Albany Public Library

**Movement for Storytellers with Motoko** (Adult \$20, Student \$10)

Come prepared to move and have fun! Using mime, movement, and improvisation, Motoko will guide you through exercises that will enhance your "physical eloquence." Whether you tell professionally, in the classroom or at home, this workshop will help you "activate" your storytelling! This workshop is designed for students and adults.

**Saturday, April 9, 9:30-11:00 a.m.** Albany Public Library

**Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 1 with Susan Klein** (Adult \$20)

Crafting Stories from Any Genre for the Stage. You are asked to bring a story, story idea, or kernel to work on - from the realms of folklore, myth, history, biography, the literary world, or your autobiography. Workshop format includes lecture, example, and exercises tailor-made to organize your material, creative visualization, and working in the Active Quiet. For intermediate or advanced storytellers with at least 5 years of professional experience.

**Saturday, April 9, 2:15-3:45 p.m.** Albany Public Library

**Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 2 with Susan Klein** (Adult \$20)

See description above under Part 1. You must take Part 1 of this workshop in order to take Part 2.

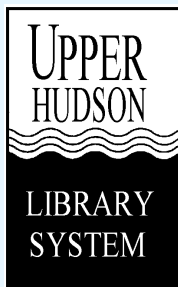
**Saturday, April 9, 2:15-3:45 p.m.** Albany Public Library

**Storytelling Tips and Techniques with Derek Burrows** (Adult \$20, Student \$10)

Derek shares storytelling techniques to help aspiring storytellers improve their skills and bring their stories to life. This workshop is designed for students and adults.

Continuing Education credit will be available through  
The Greater Capital Region Teacher Center

## Riverway Storytelling Festival Sponsors



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## Ticket Information

Tickets can be purchased as follows:

- Send order form with check or money order made out to UHLS (Upper Hudson Library System) to:

Riverway Storytelling Festival  
105 Seaman Ave.  
Castleton, NY 12033

**FREE TEE SHIRTS for first 50 full festival tickets !!!**

- Purchase tickets at each event.

Ticket requests received after March 15 will be held at the Registration Table for each event.

Ticket information and order form can be found at:

[www.riverwaystorytellingfestival.org](http://www.riverwaystorytellingfestival.org)

For more information about the tickets, please call (518) 732-4212.

### Saturday Box Lunch

Includes a 6" hero (submarine), a bottle of water, a bag of chips, an apple and a cookie.

NOTE: You may also bring your own lunch. There are no restaurants/delis/fast food outlets which are open on Saturday and are near the Albany Public Library.

### Accommodations

A variety of motels and hotels are in the Albany Metro Area. See the Albany County Convention and Visitors Bureau's web site [www.albany.org](http://www.albany.org) for more information about accommodations.

## Riverway Storytelling Festival Order Form

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Qty	Description	Price	Total
<b>Full Festival</b> (includes all programs and 4 workshops, does <i>not</i> include Saturday Box Lunch)			
	Adult	\$80	
<b>Friday Workshops</b>			
	<i>Building a Community of Storytellers (and Writers):</i> Adult	\$20	
	<i>Sharing Stories From Other Cultures:</i> Adult	\$20	
<b>Saturday Morning Workshops</b> (select only one/person)			
<i>Movement for Storytellers</i> *			
	Adult	\$20	
	Student	\$10	
<i>Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 1</i> *			
	Adult	\$20	
<b>Saturday Box Lunches</b>			
	Chicken Breast Hero	\$7.50	
	Italian Hero	\$7.50	
	Tuna Salad Hero	\$7.50	
	Vegetarian Supreme Hero	\$7.50	
<b>Saturday Afternoon Workshops</b> (select only one/person)			
<i>Storytelling Tips and Techniques</i> *			
	Adult	\$20	
	Student	\$10	
<i>Storytelling From the Inside Out: Part 2</i> * <i>You must also take Part 1</i>			
	Adult	\$20	
<b>Saturday Night Family Program: Laughin' Night</b>			
	Adult	\$9	
	Child under 12	\$4	
<b>Sunday Afternoon Adult Program: Susan Klein Live!</b>			
	All Tickets	\$6	
<b>TOTAL</b>			

\* NOTE: These workshops are concurrent - please select only one.

Name		
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Continuing Education credit desired for workshops attended?  
Yes\_\_ No\_\_

How did you hear of Riverway? \_\_\_\_\_