

## **purpose**

To reach out to our diverse community, increasing their awareness of the rich history of the deaf and of the various library resources that will benefit the public — deaf and hearing. By observing **National Deaf History Month**, offer an occasion to celebrate the legacy and many contributions made by people who share the personal, familial or societal deaf experience, as well as instill in our young deaf/hard of hearing students their own legacy and their self worth.

## **schedule**

**Friday, March 27, 2009 | 10 am - 1 pm**  
**Celebrate Deaf Literacy and Legacy at Your Library Awards Ceremony**

Five Point West Branch of Birmingham Public Central Library, 4620 Avenue V Ensley, Birmingham, AL 35208

There will be opportunities to celebrate Deaf/Hard of Hearing students who have achieved success during our awards ceremony. Students and the community will have the opportunity to interact with national and state recognized presenters and to become aware of library resources that will benefit the public — hearing and deaf.

**Saturday, March 28, 2009 | 9 am - 5 pm**  
**Celebrate Deaf Literacy and Legacy Symposium**

McWane Center  
200 19th Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203

## **Confirmed Presenters**

**Gina Oliva** (professor, author)  
**Cherie Wren** (Interpreter, instructor, author)  
**Lois Hoover** (artist)

## **Information**



**Paul William Ellis**  
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Both sessions are OPEN to the public – Deaf and Hearing. All sessions will be presented in ASL and English.

**Friday Session**  
FREE to the public

**Saturday Session** (lunch buffet included)  
\$60 Gen/\$40 Student



RID CEU and ACET credit will be offered. TBD

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## Presenter Spotlight: Cherie Wren

Cherie is an interpreter and instructor at the Georgia School for the Deaf and has contributed a variety of children's stories to the SignWriting Literature Project. Cherie's interest in SignWriting began around 2003, as a more complete way to make notes than the very incomplete system called 'gloss.' Once she started to learn the system, Cherie became more and more convinced that this could be a major component in improving literacy for Deaf children, as well as a way to preserve the legacy of Deaf Culture and literature.

On Friday, March 27, 2009, Cherie will present "Cat in the Hat in American Sign Language"; you will not want to miss this. On Saturday, March 28, 2009, Cherie will present a workshop on "SignWriting: A Bridge to Literacy."

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Select One:

- Deaf                       Interpreter             Student  
 Hearing                     Educator                 ITP

## Lunch

Lunch buffet included during Saturday session only.

## Payment

Sat	\$60 Gen/\$40 Student
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Check here if seeking CEUs (add \$5)

Please enclose your check or money order, made payable to **IIDS**, and mail to:

IIDS/NDHM, P.O. Box 39009, Birmingham, AL 35208

## Cancellation Policy

IIDS will give a refund minus \$10.00 administration cost if a participant cancels at least three days prior to the scheduled start of the Symposium.

By registering for this workshop, you are agreeing to the cancellation policy.