

## Ready for DeaFestival-Kentucky?

It's summer in Kentucky and we're building up steam for DeaFestival-Kentucky 2014, Aug. 30 at the Kentucky Center in downtown Louisville. The theme for this edition of DeaFestival is "A World of Pure Imagination" and will surely be a sweet treat for everyone in attendance.

All the familiar favorite programs will return for this 11th edition of DeaFestival — the Children's Program, Spotlights, Jam Tent and the Visual Artist Studio — and we are very excited to add another unique program to our DeaFestival lineup.



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This year marks the debut of the DeaFestival Filmmaker's Showcase. We have extended an invitation to deaf and hard of hearing filmmakers all over the world to submit their short films to be shown in the Kentucky Center's 100-seat movie theater.

Adrean Mangiardi, director of film/video productions with the Deaf Performing Arts Network (DPAN), will host this new feature of DeaFestival. Mangiardi is an award-winning filmmaker in his own right, having won in the best experimental film category at the Toronto International Deaf Film & Arts Festival for his graduate thesis film "Deprivation and Stimulation." He has shot numerous music videos, including "Let's Mambo" for Sean Forbes, which also starred Academy Award-winning actress Marlee Matlin.

The addition of this program to our regular DeaFestival lineup is an important one because so many of our deaf and hard of hearing youth are finding their way to this highly creative outlet, telling their original stories. We are confident you will enjoy this addition to DeaFestival and that it will become a feature you look forward to in the years to come.

Another change to the DeaFestival-Kentucky lineup is to our popular Children's Program. For the first time ever, the program will be held inside, using the Kentucky Center's Bomhard Theatre. The first 100 kids through the door will receive golden tickets good for a special surprise.

During the Children's Program, which was written by emcee Peter Cook in collaboration with the Lexington Children's Theatre (another first for DeaFestival),

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*America met France at DeaFestival 2012. Who will YOU meet in 2014?*

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the audience will be taken on a magical tour of Willy Wonka's iconic chocolate factory. This will be true interactive theatre!

At noon, DeaFestival will have a brief opening ceremony, and our Marquee Sponsor Teltex will hold a drawing for door prize. Then at 1 p.m. the Bomhard stage will transform from the Children's Program to Spotlights and Peter Cook will pass the hat to emcee Jeremy Quiroga for that fun-filled, diverse program of entertainment from an all-star lineup of performers.

This year, DeaFestival is partnering with Louisville's WorldFest, which runs from Aug. 29-Sept. 1 on the Belvedere outside the Kentucky Center. In that spirit of partnership, we are sharing the WorldFest stage near the beer garden for our Jam Tent program.

Our partnership with WorldFest is important because our respective missions share a common goal — to bring to the forefront the distinctiveness of cultures the general public may not often be exposed to. It's a celebration of our differences as well as a recognition of the ties that bind us together.

In that spirit of education and awareness, I encourage you to enjoy DeaFestival *and* WorldFest. Take in the sights, flavors and sensations of WorldFest. Invite WorldFest participants to join in our programs at DeaFestival, to show them the wonderful display of deaf culture.

Along with those familiar entertainment programs, we are once again bringing you the Elizabeth "Cookie" Williams Visual Artist Studio. As in years past, the participating artists will have their work on display all DeaFestival day inside the Kentucky Center. Additionally, some artists may be choosing to exhibit their work outside on the Belvedere as part of the four-day Louisville WorldFest (more on that in a moment). If you are planning on coming to Louisville a few days ahead of DeaFestival, make sure you stop by those artists' booths to check out their work.

All day Friday we are excited to bring you a special iPad app training session from Teltex, our Marquee Sponsor. There will be three training sessions, one each for the deaf and hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and speech impaired. If you have received, applied for or are interested in applying for an iPad through KCDHH's Telecommunications Access Program (TAP), you won't want to miss this. Teltex will offer training on using the iPad and its applications. The time will be announced later on our DeaFestival Facebook and Twitter pages. Contact us now if you are interested in attending.

So mingle. Taste a new food. Learn a new foreign word. Show someone what the sign for that word is. Shake hands with a stranger. Most important...smile and have a good time!


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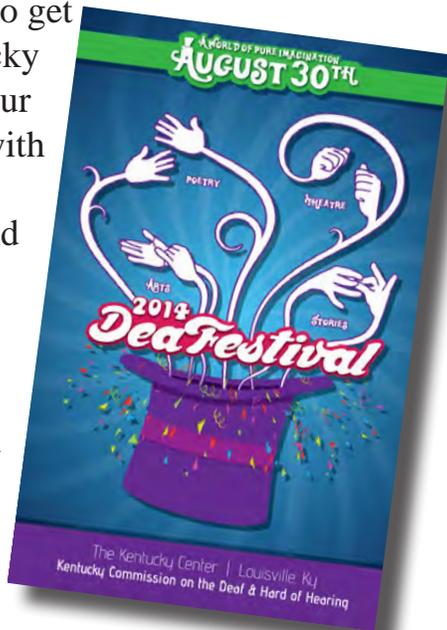
# 2014 DeaFestival

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Our DeaFestival poster is chock full of useful information about the day's events, how to get to the Kentucky Center, and our partnership with Louisville's WorldFest and our sponsors.

Join us on Aug. 30 at the Kentucky Center for DeaFestival 2014!



Or request a poster by mailing us:  
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Peter Cook

### Children's Program 10 - 11:45 a.m. • Bomhard Theatre

Fun for the whole family! Join emcee **Peter Cook** as we begin our adventure of pure imagination featuring storytelling, comedy, puppets, singing and dancing.

Performers include The Anderson Twins, Tammy Ellis and Ethan Cook.



### Opening Ceremony 12-1 p.m. • Bomhard Theatre

Help us kick DeaFestival-Kentucky 2014 off with a bang! Meet our sponsors, special guests, and stick around for the Golden Ticket drawing. You may win a fantastic prize!



Jeremy Quiroga

### Spotlights 1 - 5 p.m. • Bomhard Theatre

Variety is the spice of life in the world of pure imagination. Let emcee **Jeremy Quiroga** introduce you to comedy, magic, dance and stories. Come check out the talent! Performers include Sean Forbes, Austin Andrews, Matthew "Magic" Morgan, T.L. Forsberg, Wink Smith, Antoine Hunter, Andrew Fisher, WaWa Snipe and Hector Reynoso.



Mindy Moore

### Jam Tent 6 - 8 p.m. • On the Belvedere

As the sun goes down on DeaFestival-Kentucky 2014, the Jam Tent goes up and underneath it, emcee **Mindy Moore** will introduce you to the most rockin', hip-hop acts in show business. Let's make some noise! Performers include Sean Forbes, T.L. Forsberg, WaWa Snipe and Beethoven's Nightmare Band.



Adrean Mangiardi

### Short Films Showcase 6 - 8 p.m. Kentucky Center Theatre

Join emcee **Adrean Mangiardi** for the inaugural DeaFestival Short Films Showcase, featuring cinematic works by deaf and hard of hearing directors.

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The Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is still seeking volunteers for DeaFestival-Kentucky, Aug. 30 at the Kentucky Center in Louisville.

Volunteers who put in four or more hours will receive a FREE DeaFestival-Kentucky 2014 T-shirt!

For information about volunteering, contact KCDHH.

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