

# WAPL UPDATE



## Join us in Wisconsin Rapids May 6th - 8th

### Conference Registration is Now Open!

To register online follow this <u>link</u>, or fill out the paper registration form included with this notice.

The advance registration deadline is: **April 24th.** 

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

#### **Hotel Mead Wisconsin Rapids**

451 E Grand Avenue Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Telephone: 800.843.6323

Room Rate: \$89 single/double

Current state sales tax of 5.5% and lodging tax of 13.5% on rooms only.

To make reservations, you can either call 1.800.843.6323 and refer to the Wisconsin Library Association room

block or visit **Hotel Mead**.

Announcing Conference Luncheon Speakers:

Thursday May 7th
Author: Karen McQuestion



Native Wisconsinite Karen McQuestion is the bestselling author of books for all ages.

Some of her titles include Hello Love, Life on Hold, The Long Way Home, and the Edgewood series.

Her publishing story has been covered by the Wall Street Journal, Entertainment Weekly, and the national NPR show The Story with Dick Gordon.



She has also appeared on ABC's World News Now and America This Morning. McQuestion lives with her husband and kids in Hartland, Wisconsin.

The title of Karen McQuestion's luncheon talk is:

#### Publishing: Old vs. New

Karen McQuestion got her start in selfpublishing, which opened the door to a publishing contract and translations of her books to German, Polish, Korean, and Turkish.

Along the way, she's observed how the rapid rise of digital self-publishing has created challenges for both authors and the traditional publishing industry.

Karen will give a brief overview of her experience and share her insights on the changing publishing landscape.

Copies of Karen's latest book, a young adult novel, From a Distant Star, will be given away in a drawing after her talk.

Friday May 8th Author/Illustrator: Tom Lichtenheld



Tom Lichtenheld is a children's book author and illustrator. He doodled his way through school then worked as a sign painter, set designer, printer and advertising art director.

After a successful career in advertising he gradually made the switch to creating children's books.

Tom's books, many of which are New York Times Best Sellers, are consistently praised for their humor, expressive characters, and rich – sometimes hidden – detail. He's known for creating books that appeal to children and adults alike, and his wide portfolio of books offers something for every age.

Slated for 2015 release are "Stick and Stone" (in collaboration with Beth Ferry), "I Wish You More" and "Friendshapes (both in collaboration with Amy Krouse Rosenthal).

Tom lives in the Chicago area. In his spare time he likes to get other peoples' kids all wound up then send them home to their parents.

For more information visit tomlichtenheld.com

## Watch for more Information Coming Soon!





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WLA Member:	(1) full conference \$9	95; (2) Thursday only \$7	75; (3) Friday only \$60	
Non-Member:	(1) full conference \$	130; (2) Thursday only S	\$105; (3) Friday only \$	85
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The purpose of the Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries (WAPL) shall be to provide opportunities for members of the Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) who are interested in and involved in public library services to meet for discussion of issues relating to public library service and to take action to improve public library service.

The responsibilities of the WAPL Division are:

- To study, improve and implement public library service in Wisconsin within the framework of WLA.
- To cooperate with other Divisions and units of WLA and with other library and mediaoriented agencies and groups.
- To update and encourage use of public library standards.
- To develop and recommend means for all persons in the state to have full access to knowledge and information through libraries.
- To encourage the professional growth of library staff, cooperate in establishing opportunities for continuing education, and stimulate participation in professional organizations by public library staff.

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