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## County libraries schedule Lullaby Concert Series

The Sarasota County library system's very popular Lullaby Concert Series will offer three live concerts with musicians playing classical music in a child-friendly library setting for babies, toddlers and young children along with their parents and grandparents.

The three musical concerts for children are free and will be held:

- Saturday, Aug. 28 at Venice Public Library, 300 S. Nokomis Avenue, Venice
- Saturday, Sept. 11 at North Port Public Library, 13800 S. Tamiami Trail, North Port
- Saturday, Sept. 25 at Fruitville Public Library, 100 Coburn Road, Sarasota

The concerts, which have been offered since 2002, are provided this year through a grant from The Community Foundation of Sarasota County's Sarahart T. Loeb and Jack W. Loeb Endowment Fund for Family Literacy Outreach.

The Lullaby Concert Series is a component of the Born to Read program which encourages parents to read daily to their children, tell them stories, play music and sing songs. All the activities provide the stimulation essential for healthy, active brain development and can improve children's school readiness, literacy, and language skills.

Music provides stimulation for children similar to that created by reading aloud. The Lullaby Concert Series was created to introduce young children to different types of live music, to encourage parents to include music in their children's development and to increase awareness of the library's vast resources.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 and ask about the Lullaby Concert Series.

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