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Contact: Jennifer Knight, Youth Services Librarian
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Re: Get Silly with Jim Gill!

Toddler and preschoolers get ready to dance! Nationally renowned children's musician, author, and performer Jim Gill will visit the Port Angeles Main Library Saturday, November 17 at 10:30am. The program is free and open to the public.

Gill's six award-winning CDs of music play for young children are favorites in family rooms, classrooms and playrooms. Jim Gill is also the author of two children's books. His latest, ***A Soup Opera***, is a sing-along opera inspired by concerts Gill performs with symphony orchestras. The book was named a Notable Book in 2010 by the American Library Association. A child development specialist, Gill's music is designed to create playful interactions between a child and a caring adult.

"Jim Gill is one of our favorite musicians," says Youth Services Librarian, Jennifer Knight. "We love to use *Silly Dance Contest* in storytimes. Gill's music is easy to work with and he does an amazing job incorporating humor and movement into his songs."

While in Port Angeles, Jim Gill will also teach a workshop, *Songs to Read, Books to Sing*, for librarians and childcare providers, on Friday, November 16, from 2-5pm. Youth Services librarians and childcare providers will learn new ideas to enhance story times and children's programming as Jim will shares music and play that can be utilized in storytimes for preschoolers as well as with infants, toddlers, and parents. Pre-registration is required; call (360) 417-8502 or email jknight@nols.org for more information.

The event is made possible through a grant from the Washington State Library and with the generous support of the Port Angeles Friends of the Library.

The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 S. Peabody Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362. For information about this and other programs for families, contact the Port Angeles Main Library at (360) 417-8502 or email youth@nols.org.



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