

Reading APPALACHIA

Voices from
Children's Literature



Developed by the **Knox County Public Library** and the **East Tennessee Historical Society**, this traveling exhibition explores how children's literature serves as a window to Appalachia, commenting on and/or reflecting the region's culture. Large, two-sided graphic panels introduce visitors to Appalachian authors, past and present, and encourage them to re-examine their own definition of what it means "to be Appalachian."



Reading Appalachia offers the following programmatic opportunities: children's literacy, storytelling, Appalachian history/culture, among others.

The exhibition has been designed for display in both museums and libraries.



EXHIBITION COMPONENTS

Seventeen (16) two-sided panels, each 30" w x 80" h and supported by a life-size character cutout

Content divided into the following sections: Introduction (4), Early Voices (1), Storytelling (1), Fox Fire (1), Folklore (2), Nature Writing (1), Appalachian Voices (4), Books to Movies (1), Conclusion (1)

Three (3) videos: Interview with Ray Hicks; interview with George Ella Lyon; clips from movies based on Appalachian children's literature

Each panel contains **text and/or activities developed to engage children**

Museums and libraries are encouraged to **augment the exhibition** with items from their collections, such as copies of books and children's toys

PR examples and other support materials will be provided

RENTAL PARAMETERS

Size: Approximately 1,000 square feet (exhibition can be modified to fit smaller spaces)

Security: Low

Fee: \$250

Shipping: Borrower responsible for cost of incoming shipping

Installation: Provided by lender



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READING APPALACHIA
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, including bibliography:

www.knoxlib.org/readingappalachia

www.eastTNhistory.org/exhibits/reading-appalachia

FOR INSTALLATION IMAGES:

<http://bit.ly/ReadingAppalachia>

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