

## Listen Up!

Storytelling is a great way to encourage young children to love reading, whether you do it at home as a bedtime ritual, or venture out for public readings. This month, these three exciting storytelling events will entice book lovers:

### ■ Jerry Pinkney Read-Ins

The High Museum / Nov. 3 and 10 (and future dates), 3 p.m.  
Notable special guests visit the High on select Sundays to read stories illustrated by artist Jerry Pinkney in the exhibit entitled *Witness: The Art of Jerry Pinkney*, which features more than 140 of the Caldecott Meda-winner's watercolor illustrations created during his 50-year career. On Nov. 3, Virginia Hepner, President and CEO of the Woodruff Arts Center, leads the storytelling session. Future guest readers include Valerie Jackson (host of WABE 90.1 FM's popular literary program "Between the Lines" and Pearl Cleage, (award-winning author and playwright); among others. 1280 Peachtree St. NE, Atlanta. 404-733-4400. [www.high.org/Programs](http://www.high.org/Programs). Adults, \$19.50; children 6-17, \$12; children 5 and younger, free.

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### ■ Family Reading Festival

MJCCA / Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Family Reading Festival, part of the 22nd annual Book Festival of the Marcus Jewish Community Center, offers a day of literary fun. Families meet and explore themed hands-on activities with storytellers and authors of Jewish children's books, cheer with Atlanta Hawks cheerleaders, and sing with the Shabbat dinosaur. Hanukkah-themed activities for the very young include a handprint menorah craft, and older children can create a plexiglass menorah holder in concert with a reading of Rabbi Jamie Korngold's book, *Sadie's Almost Marvelous Menorah*. 5342 Tilly Mill Rd., Dunwoody. 678-812-4054. [atlantajcc.org/bookfestival](http://atlantajcc.org/bookfestival). \$10; parents and children; 6 months and younger, free.



### ■ Savannah Children's Book Festival

Forsyth Park / Nov. 16, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

This free festival celebrates the joy of reading with dozens of authors and illustrators from throughout the Low Country and Southeast region, arts and crafts, costumed storybook characters, a graphic/comics area, and a variety of food and entertainment. An interactive book walk leads families through the park, and older kids will enjoy a visit from Robin Bridges, author of *The Gathering Storm* and the rest of the Katarina trilogy. Drayton St. and Gaston St., Savannah (rain location: Savannah Civic Center). 912-652-3600. [liveoakpl.org/scbf/](http://liveoakpl.org/scbf/). Free.