



57th Street Children's Book Fair

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Buried Treasure at the 2009 Book Fair

The 23rd Annual 57th Street Children's Book Fair will be held on Sunday, September 13th 2009 from 1pm to 6pm.

CHICAGO, April 10, 2009 – The 57th Street Children's Book Fair, a renowned independent book fair that celebrates the love of reading and childhood, announces the theme of the 2009 Book Fair.

In partnership with **The Field Museum**, the theme for this year's fair is:

Buried Treasure: Dig in and Discover Books at the 57th Street Children's Book Fair

The Field Museum's *Real Pirates: The Untold Story of the Whydah from Slave Ship to Pirate Ship* exhibition is open now through October 25, 2009. At the Book Fair, this world famous cultural institution will assist children in designing their own pirate hats using newspaper and making telescopes from paper towel rolls, while sharing literature about their blockbuster exhibition. Other participating non-profit organizations, when possible, are asked to gear their individual crafts or activities to this theme, as well.

Books you're likely to see at this year's fair include classics such as J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan, new favorites such as How I Became a Pirate by Melinda Long and David Shannon, and local gems such as Carolyn Crimi's Henry & the Buccaneer Bunnies. As usual, fair goers will find a wide range of hand-selected titles by our unique group of Chicago area booksellers.

The book fair takes place on 57th Street between Dorchester and Kimbark Avenues and on Kimbark Avenue between 57th and 56th Streets. The 57th Children Book Fair is accessible by public transportation and is free and open to the public.

For more information on **The Field Museum's *Real Pirates*** exhibit visit <http://www.fieldmuseum.org/pirates/>.

For more information on the Book Fair visit www.57cbf.org.

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