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Learn Create Share @ Your Library during Teen Tech Week

Rapid City, S.D. – Feb. 24, 2010 – Teens are invited to tune in and use their creativity to win big at the library during Teen Tech Week March 7-13, 2010. To celebrate this year's theme, "Learn Create Share @ Your Library," the Rapid City Public Library is hosting a YouTube Film contest with prizes including a digital camera with filming capabilities, an MP3 player and a \$50 Best Buy gift certificate.

The week's activities kick-off on Friday, March 5 with a YouTube and Video Production workshop. Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to learn how to make a film and burn it to CD, as well as how to make a movie using creative commons and public domain elements found on the internet. The workshop will take place from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the downtown library and 1 to 2:30 at the north library.

Teens, whether at the workshop or not, have until March 10 to submit a 5 minute or shorter film in one of two categories: "Learn, Create, Share @ Your Library," or create your own book trailer. The top three finishers in both categories will receive prizes. Rules for the contest and entry forms can be found online at www.rapidcitylibrary.org/teentechweek.

Teen Tech Week will end in style with a star-studded premiere on Friday, March 12 at 7 p.m. at the downtown library. At the Teen Tech Week Film Premiere all entries will be featured and prizes for the top three winners in each category will be awarded. Food and refreshments will be a part of the festivities and the public is invited.

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association aimed at teens, their parents, educators and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of technologies, especially those that are offered through libraries. Teen Tech Week encourages teens to use libraries' non-print resources for education and recreation, and to recognize that librarians are qualified, trusted professionals in the field of information technology. Teen Tech Week is held annually the second week of March.

Find out more about library resources, services and events at www.rapidcitylibrary.org. For more information on Teen Tech Week at the Rapid City Public Library visit www.rapidcitylibrary.org/teentechweek.

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The Rapid City Public Library has served the Rapid City area since 1879, and now has two locations, the downtown library at 610 Quincy Street and the north library within General Beadle Elementary School at 10 Van Buren St. Both offer print and electronic resources for adults, young adults and children as well as computers and Internet access and a variety of programs and events. In March 2008, USA Today named the Rapid City Public Library's downtown library as one of the nation's 10 greatest places to "Find a Nook and Read a Book."

Find video footage of RCPL events at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/rapidcitylibrary>

Find photos of RCPL events at: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/rcpl/>