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## **Library Will Host How-To Festival**

*Learn 50 Things in 5 Hours for free Saturday, May 12*

**(Louisville, KY) April 18, 2012 -----** For those who want to learn to juggle, swing dance, kayak, raise chickens, pick a winning horse at the track, knit, make beer, start a conversation, fold origami – and much more -- the Louisville Free Public Library will become a one-stop How-To extravaganza **Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Main Library, 301 York Street.**

Throughout the library's free five-hour **How-To Festival**, attendees can also learn about keeping bees, packing a small suitcase for a big trip, cooking a perfect omelet, composting, Zumba, or saving money with coupons.

Dozens of local experts will join the library in a lively series of lessons, hands-on experiences and panels – from a 5-minute demonstration of how to use chopsticks to 45 minutes of salsa dancing or tai chi.

The **How-To Festival** is part of the Library's ongoing mission of lifelong learning.

“We all learn from books and websites, but this event will offer lively camaraderie and social connections that add to the experience,” said Library Director Craig Buthod. “Bringing learning alive makes it more fun.”

Some presenters are recognizable including long-time *Courier-Journal* columnist Bob Hill who will talk about how to write well. Spalding University president and adventurer Tori Murden McClure will share how to assemble the perfect survival kit. Cindi Sullivan from 84WHAS will talk about how to feed a family from a garden. Louisville Public Media news director Gabe Bullard and reporter Erin Keane, emcees of Louisville's performances of The Louisville Moth StorySLAM, will talk about how to tell a great story.

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Other presenters with a passion will demonstrate how to teach dogs new tricks, run a great meeting, try yoga, cook fish, pick great wines on a budget, barbeque like a champion, improve a jump shot, repair a bike, bird-watch, skate like a Derby City Roller Girl, win at Scrabble, publish a book, commute to work on your bike or fix a flat on your bike. . . even create an art car.

And there will be plenty of how-to presentations that showcase technology and online resources, including planning travel online, how to borrow eBooks from the Library, how to get started with online dating, how to use Skype and how to sell your stuff online.

Workshops and sessions will be located throughout the Main Library and outside on the grounds. In the Bernheim Gallery, artists with work on display will share how they made their pieces. (optional)

For more information, including a list and schedule of How-To Festival sessions, go to [LFPL.org](http://LFPL.org).

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