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## **Local journalist, cartoonist and illustrator teaches ‘Spooky Art’ at library program**

RAPID CITY – September 29, 2008 – It’s that time of year again, when pre-Halloween excitement spurs thoughts of goblins, ghosts and monsters. The younger set especially loves these scary themes and on October 14th, the Rapid City Public Library teams up with Andy Jacobs, from the *Rapid City Weekly News*, to help kids artistically express whatever their imaginations can dream up.

“Spooky Art” takes place on Tuesday, October 14, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the downtown library (610 Quincy Street). It’s part of the library’s Discovery Days program, providing a fun activity for kids on those rare weekdays during the school year when the public schools are closed.

Rapid City residents will know Andy Jacobs as a familiar byline in the *Rapid City Weekly News*, where he is an associate editor and frequent contributor of editorial cartoons. Jacobs brings multi-dimensional creativity to everything he does. He went to college on a theater scholarship, studied poetry writing, literary criticism, music theory and scientific illustration, and now does freelance illustration for clients ranging from the *Mother Earth News* to the Sam Noble Museum of Oklahoma Natural History. He was also recently profiled in *South Dakota Magazine*. Add a big dose of humor as one of Jacob’s many creative assets, plus experience as a parent of two children, and you have the perfect person to help kids create “Spooky Art.” There’s little doubt that a good time will be had by all.

Keep track of library events and programs through the library website or RSS feed. Visit [www.rapidcitylibrary.org](http://www.rapidcitylibrary.org) for more information.

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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 selected the Rapid City Public Library downtown 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/>*