

Reference Statements

"It is always a treat to have Bobbie Smith Bryant present a program! Bobbie makes participants feel as though they are part of her family as she shares stories and recipes. I compare her programs to those wonderful long-awaited visits with a favorite cousin...you know the ones where you laugh, eat and remember together - pure enjoyment!"

Sandy Linn
Calloway County Public Library
Murray, Kentucky

Ms. Bobbie,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your great program titled "*Cooking the Kentucky Way*" presented at our September 22nd Humanities event. Your stories of Kentucky life, family traditions, living off the land and making do with the resources you have on hand, were issues many in the audience could relate to. I love the fact that one of our audience members was from up North and had never had banana pudding. He loved it, and he will always remember seeing it made and tasting it from a Kentucky author named Bobbie Smith Bryant in a humanities program in his new hometown, Lawrenceburg, Kentucky.

Our community looks forward to having you return to Lawrenceburg with your program titled "*Quilting-A Legacy of Love.*" Your eloquent presentation, Kentucky charm, and approachable personality make your program exciting and the audience wanting to hear more and more. See you next September!

Gratefully,

Jacqueline Zeller, Director
Anderson Community Education

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We had an enjoyable time with Mrs. Bobbie Smith Bryant on the evening of August 27th, 2015 here in Wayne County at the Wayne Historic Theater in downtown Monticello. Just a few days before our annual Contented Hearts Quilt Show, Mrs. Bryant presented to us 'Quilting: A Legacy of Love' which is a lovely tribute to the art form that is quilting. Her presentation included photos of the beautiful quilts made by the women in her family along with the history behind them. She also presented her newest

book to us 'Passions of the Black Patch: Cooking and Quilting in Western Kentucky' that has over 200 family recipes, family quilts, and delightful stories. And, to which I can attest, has stayed checked out from our library ever since.

Olivia Anderson
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"Author Bobbie Smith Bryant provided the April 23, 2015 Evenings Upstairs @ Your McCracken County Public Library program. This program was in conjunction with American Quilter's Society Quilt Week in Paducah, Kentucky. Thirty-nine persons attended the presentation, **Quilting : A Legacy of Love**, which was co-sponsored by The Kentucky Humanities Council & The Friends of The Library.

Bryant was well prepared, focusing on the value of family tradition and quilting, sharing from her own experiences. Quilters were in attendance from Missouri, South Carolina, Illinois, Canada, Maine, Scotland, Australia and more".

Bobbie Wrinkle
Adult Services Librarian
McCracken County Public Library

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Dear Bobbie,

Just wanted to let you know I am still getting calls and from guild members telling me what a great program you provided in March. You really hit a cord. Some mentioned the genealogy piece, some the black patch piece, some the family piece, and some the quilting piece. I also think it has a lot to do with your great presentation skills and the program you have put together. (Apr 1, 2014)

Thanks Again
Mary Ellen Coty
Nine Patcher's Quilting Guild
Hardin County, Kentucky