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A Peer-Created Community

## What is <u>Storytime Underground</u>?

Motto: Literacy is not a luxury.

We support each other.

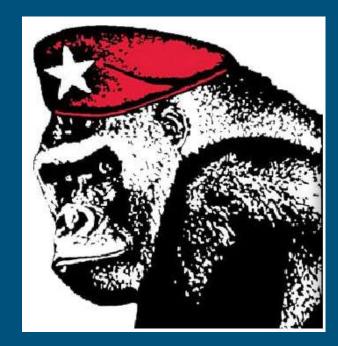
We promote each other.

We train each other.

Community

**Training** 

Advice



# Storytime Underground History

Cory the idea genius

Started with Guerrilla Storytime

Amy and Kendra joined to create SU

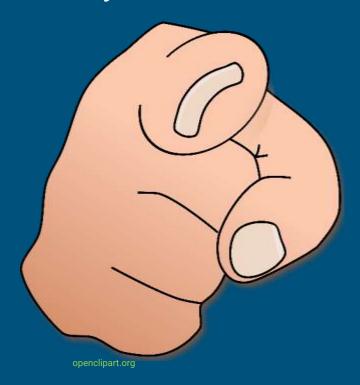
Advocacy, training, encouragement for ALL



# Who is Storytime Underground?

7 Joint Chiefs

Community: YOU





Cory!



Kendra!



Soraya!

## How can you be involved?

Ask a Ninja

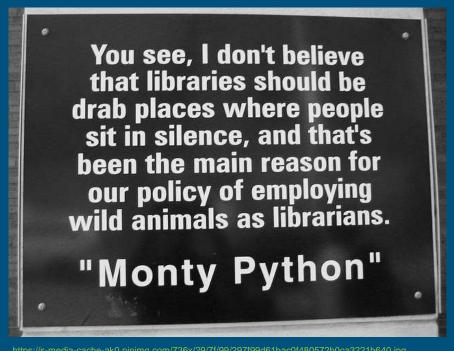
**Guest Blogger** 

**Storytime University** 

Facebook and Twitter

**Guerrilla Storytime** 

State Representatives



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## <u>Ask a Ninja</u>

Users can pose questions

We send them to our "ninjas" to answer

Responses are chosen each week and posted to the blog

Recognizes professionals in the field



## Blog Posts and Guest Blogging

Ask a Ninja

**Coolest Things** 

Fast Facts
Advocacy
Resources
Hey, Why Don't You

Storytime University

Rants and Guest Bloggers!



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## Storytime University

How to enroll

"Register" link on website

Benefits

**Validation** 

Tracking

Skills expansion

**FUN** 





## Storytime University

## **Digital badges for:**

Flannel Friday

Grasshopper: Learning

Watch a Webinar

Guerrilla: Guerrilla storytimes

Ninja: Ask a Ninja

Resolve to Rock

Samurai: Coolest Things

Sensei: Teaching

Storytime ABCs

Thrive Thursday

Warrior: Guest blogging



### Social Media



http://www.cullodenbaptist.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/facebook-logo-2.png

#### Facebook:

Over 4,600 early literacy related members

Libraries, schools, day cares, preschools, museums, ALA, non ALA, EVERYONE

Dozens of questions asked every day

Whole range of experienced responses!

Community support and engagement

#### Twitter:

Building on platform

Opportunity to connect resources and blog

## Guerrilla Storytime

Peer-to-Peer skill sharing

Early literacy prompts for group responses

So. Much. FUN.

Props, fingerplays, songs, books, early literacy activities and more

Theory + Practice

Anyone can do it!

Guerrilla Storytime Kit

<u>Recaps</u>



## State Representatives

District reps

State chapter reps

Local reps



## Where Is Storytime Underground?

Website: storytimeunderground.org

Facebook:/groups/storytimeunderground/

Twitter: <a>@StorytimeU</a>



http://reactiongifs.me/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/jimmy-fallon-elmo-happy-dance-saturday-night-live.gi

## Questions?

Contact us: storytimeunderground@gmail.com

### **Joint Chiefs:**

Cory Eckert, Kendra Jones, Soraya Silverman-Montano

#### **New Joint Chiefs:**

Julie Crabb, Brytani Fraser, Mary Kuehner,

Holly Storck-Post