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A Musical Story Time Presented by the Young Voices of the Santa Fe Opera

Gracie Lee Community Room
Placitas Community Library
453 Highway 165
Placitas, NM 87043

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What do you do when an octopus captures Grandma? You put on your superhero cape and rescue her!

Join us for a lively and exciting musical story time featuring *Octopus Stew* by Eric Velasquez, award-winning Afro-Latino author and illustrator. The story will be read by Amy Owens, Director of the Young Voices of the Santa Fe Opera. Throughout the program, the Young Voices will perform songs that bring energy, excitement, and a touch of opera magic to this delightful tale.

This special event is presented as part of the Opera Makes Sense program, designed to introduce children ages 3–11 (and even older!) to the joy of opera through storytelling and music.

The Placitas Artists Series is sponsoring this free event for children and their families. The Children's Committee of the Placitas Community Library is proud to partner with PAS to bring this engaging program to families in Placitas, Rio Rancho, Albuquerque, and surrounding communities.

Past productions have included *Pete the Cat and the Great Leprechaun Chase* by James Dean and *Groundhog's Runaway Shadow* by David Biedrzycki — and we promise the same fun and excitement this time!

Seating and parking at the library are limited, so please arrive early to secure a seat. RSVPs are appreciated at childrens@placitaslibrary.com. Please include the parents' full names and the number of children and adults attending. Carpooling is encouraged when possible.

We look forward to seeing you at the Placitas Community Library — *Una Placitas Para Todos*.

