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John Clark to Speak at IDADA First Friday Event at the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library

INDIANAPOLIS – On Friday, October 7th, John Clark will be speaking at 6 p.m. at the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library as part of the IDADA First Friday arts series. Clark will tell the story of how a 1991 encounter with his literary hero Kurt Vonnegut led -- through a series of plot twists worthy of an early Vonnegut short story -- to the famous author's contribution of a rare, personalized drawing and message to Clark's fledgling magazine *pLopLop*. A slideshow will illustrate Vonnegut's influence on local independent do-it-yourself publishing focused not on making money but on "making one's soul grow." Clark will open up the microphone to members of the audience who would like to share a poem or share a story about Vonnegut.

Clark is a writer, artist, photographer, editor and a founding member of the Big Car arts collective. He established GeekSpeak Unique Press in 1990. In 1991 he met Kurt Vonnegut and also published the first issue of *pLopLop Magazine*. Clark's writing appears in a variety of independent micro press publications and his paintings are frequently included in group shows at the Indie Indy art gallery.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the library via phone at 317.652.1954, e-mail info@vonnegutlibrary.org, or visit the web site at <http://www.vonnegutlibrary.org/>. The KVML is located at the Emelie Building, 340 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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About the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library

The KVML is a public-benefit, nonprofit organization championing the literary, artistic, and cultural contributions of the late writer, artist, and Indianapolis native Kurt Vonnegut. The library serves as a cultural and educational resource facility, museum, art gallery, and reading room. It supports language and visual arts education through programs and outreach activities with other local arts organizations to foster a strong arts network for both the local and national community.

