



2020 Summer Reading Workshops – “Imagine Your Story”
February 11, 2020
VTLIB – Barre

- **9:00am-9:30am** ----- Registration & Chatting with Other Attendees
- **9:30am-9:45am** ----- Welcome & Introductions
- **9:45am-10:00am** ----- Brief Overview of 2020 Summer Reading Manual
- **10:00am-12:00pm** ----- “Opening the Circle: Presenting Indigenous Stories & Traditions from Around the World with Awareness & Sensitivity” with Michael Caduto
- **12:00pm-12:30pm** ----- Lunch
- **12:30pm-1:15pm** ----- Demonstrations & presentations – choose:
 - VT Assistive Technology Presentation with Tracy Roux and Leslie Ermolovich
 - VT Fairy Tale Festival Presentation with Jane Ramos, Sherburne Memorial Library
- **1:15pm-2:15pm** ----- Activity Fair – Table Stations & Networking
- **2:15pm-3:15pm** ----- Group Discussion & Brainstorming
- **3:15pm-3:30pm** ----- Group Share & Wrap-Up

“Opening the Circle” Description:

Popular author, master storyteller and educator Michael Caduto will share the magic of stories from around the world as springboards for experiential activities that explore indigenous traditions, literacy connections and Earth stewardship. Michael will engage the audience as we open a window to cultural awareness through storytelling, native instruments, songs and a circle dance. Time will be devoted to questions and discussion about how to evaluate and choose reading materials with regard for the concerns of native peoples. Everyone will receive a handout exploring issues and approaches to consider when sharing with awareness and respect.

Presentation Descriptions:

- **VT Assistive Technology:** Join Tracy Roux and Leslie Ermolovich from the Vermont Assistive Technology Program (VATP) as they discuss tools and resources available through VATP that can make your summer reading program more inclusive and accessible.
- **VT Fairy Tale Festival:** Find out what draws 800-900 people to a festival designed to showcase Vermont's amazing public libraries. I'll share photos of activities and fabulous librarians, give you craft and project ideas to inspire your summer programming, and offer easy and inexpensive fund raising ideas to use anytime during the year to help increase your own programming budget so that you can continue to offer great programs to your community. You'll also find out how to score a free program from one of the best Viking reenactment groups in New England.

Collaboration and Planning: