



Saturday

April 26

1-3pm

Large Meeting Room
Main Library
151 Library Drive, Houma

(337) 876-5158

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Riders on the Orphan Train is a multimedia living history program that brings to life an important part of Terrebonne Parish history. Songwriter musician Phil Lancaster and award winning author Alison Moore tell the story of the mass relocation from 1854 to 1929 of several hundred thousand children. The children were shipped out on trains from New York City, to be chosen by new families at train depots in every state.

Louisiana adopted its share of orphan train children with about 5,000 brought to the state by ship and rail. The Orphan Trains stopped in New Orleans, Shriever, and Morgan City. Many of the orphans were Catholic by birth, and the Catholic families throughout Terrebonne and surrounding parishes welcomed them into their families.

Is there an orphan train story in your family?

The one hour original storytelling, songwriting and video montage performance will be followed with 30 minutes of audience discussion. The real magic happens when audience members share the orphan train experiences from their own family histories.

For a preview video clip and more information about the award winning performers, see www.ridersontheorphantrain.org



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