



learning through listening

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic/
Boston Unit

We
Love
the
Sound
of
Your

Voice!

The Boston Reading Tournament
celebrating the 20th Anniversary
of the Boston Unit and our
10th Anniversary Record-a-Thon

WHO:

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D) is a nonprofit volunteer organization that records academic books for students and professionals whose blindness, learning disability, or physical impairment prevents their use of standard print.

WHAT:

A week of fellowship, great food and fun as we record books for our members in Massachusetts and across the United States. Join our Boston studio volunteers for the rewarding and productive experience of reading aloud in our digital recording booths. All funds raised during the week will support the production of new audio textbooks for students with disabilities and will help place audio books programs in additional Massachusetts schools.

WHEN:

Saturday, May 7; Monday-Friday, May 9-14, 2005

Call to schedule your recording session

**Session are two hours in length,
from 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.**

SIGN-UP DEADLINE FOR TEAMS:

Friday, April 22, 2005

WHERE:

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D)
58 Charles Street, Cambridge, MA 02141

HOW:

- Recruit your team by signing up 2 or more teammates! Use the enclosed sign-up sheet.
- Each recording session is two hours long. Your team members can take turns reading for part or all of the session (most first-time readers find they can easily read 20-30 minutes)
- No training is necessary -- our studio staff and volunteers will be on hand during the event to provide support and assistance to your team.
- The entry fee is \$250* per team.
- When your team is in place, contact us at (617) 577-1111 and speak to Judy Vollmer (ext. 13) or Peggy Loeb (ext. 17) about scheduling a time for your team.

*If you can't form a team this year, sponsor a team of our terrific volunteers!

WHAT WILL YOU READ?

Here are some of the interesting titles that we are recording for our student members:

Places of Their Own: African-American Suburbanization in the Twentieth Century

The Portable Edith Wharton

John James Audubon: Writings and Drawings

The Car Care Book

Presidential Power and the Modern Presidents: the Politics of Leadership From Roosevelt to Reagan

Immigrants and the American Dream: Remaking the Middle Class

Finding Katahdin: An Exploration of Maine's Past

Prentice Hall History of Our World

WHO USES THESE BOOKS?

RFB&D's educational audio books are currently used by more than 137,000 people around the world and by nearly 8,000 students in Massachusetts. Our members range in age from kindergarten students to post-graduate and adult learners. While many of the people who use RFB&D's books are individual members, our services are also an important part of the classroom in more than 300 schools across Massachusetts, where teachers use these resources to provide access to the printed word for children who are struggling with reading because of their visual, learning or physical disabilities.

AND THE WINNER IS...

...The team that records the most material during their session(s).

How can you put together a winning team?

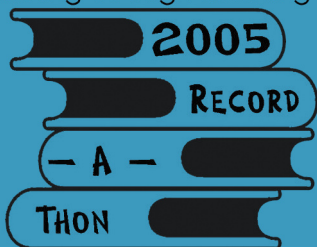
- Recruit as many team members as you can
- If possible, sign up for more than one recording session
- Each team member, read for as long as you can (with speed, accuracy, and clarity)—up to two hours!

Our studio staff will judge teams on the amount of material recorded, calculated in minutes, and declare the 2005 Record-a-Thon champion at the end of the week long event.

The winning team will receive the 2005 Record-a-Thon award for display at your company headquarters. Your team will also be able to designate a school in your community to receive a school membership in RFB&D and playback equipment for use by students with disabilities.

All participating teams will receive a special gift from RFB&D!

Sign up Your Record- a-Thon Team!



FOR MORE INFORMATION...

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