

# The Shanachies Live!

The Shanachies are two European filmmakers, librarians and storytellers who have traveled to libraries around the world collecting and sharing their stories. And they will be coming to New Jersey on Friday, April 3!

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for you to hear about the library that aims to be “The most modern library in the world.”

In late 2007, Erik Boekesteijn and Jaap van de Geer, librarians from DOK, the “library concept center” in Delft, Holland, embarked on a tour across the U.S. that built notoriety and soon sent them around the world. They called themselves the Shanachies (storytellers) and their trek was called the ShanachieTour. Since that first tour, the duo has visited libraries and spoken at conferences in Jamaica, around Europe, and across Australia.

In 2008, they published their first book, *ShanachieTour: A Library Road Trip Across America*. When they heard how our librarians are working to create compelling stories and to produce digital videos, they agreed to make a stop here on their next U.S. visit.

This event is sure to be inspirational, informational, and lots of fun. Erik and Jaap will be talking about DOK’s Agora project, “the storyboard of your life.” This is an innovative concept where customers create stories about their families that will be displayed on huge screens in the library. Library staff members use DOK’s mobile video studio to help with the production, sending a camera crew to interview relatives and friends, visiting places they lived and worked, helping combine music and art to create a cross-media tribute to a person and a time. You’ll hear about DOK’s mobile studio, with cameras, sound systems, editing programs, and everything else needed to make documentaries and do videocasts and how it is helping to bring teens to the library. These lively Dutchmen will be telling their own stories about libraries they have visited and showing some of their videos. (For a preview, go to <http://www.shanachietour.com>.)

These experienced videographers will also support New Jersey's Solving Life's Problems campaign by answering questions you might have about your own promotional video projects. Use their information and inspiration to improve your own videos!

This event will be at Monmouth University in the Young Auditorium. Directions: [http://www.monmouth.edu/about\\_monmouth/at\\_a\\_glance/directions.asp](http://www.monmouth.edu/about_monmouth/at_a_glance/directions.asp)

Monmouth's campus map: [http://www.monmouth.edu/about\\_monmouth/abo\\_glance\\_campusmap.asp](http://www.monmouth.edu/about_monmouth/abo_glance_campusmap.asp)

There will be a tour of Monmouth's library starting at 1:15. Please indicate your interest on the registration form so we have an approximate count in order for staff to accommodate everyone.

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## Registration Form

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Filmmakers, authors, library celebrities.... The Shanachies are two librarians from the Netherlands who have traveled the world to learn and tell stories about libraries. This is a very special event and is sure to be educational, informational, and inspirational.

**When:** April 3, 2009, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Where:** Monmouth University  
West Long Branch, NJ  
www.monmouth.edu  
Young Auditorium

**Other:** Parking spaces have been reserved in front of auditorium.

**Coffee and Registration: 9:30 - 10 a.m. Presentation: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Lunch is included. Book signing and optional tour to follow**

NJLA Members: \$20. Non-members: \$30 Students: \$10

Registration closes March 25. Seats are limited. Call NJLA at 609-394-8032 for further information. Send registration form with payment (check, credit card, or PO) to:  
NJLA, PO Box 1534, Trenton, NJ 08607 or fax to 609-394-8164

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LIBRARY: \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Member  Non-member  Student

Payment: Check  Library Voucher/PO

If paying by credit card: Visa  MasterCard  American Express

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**I am interested in touring Monmouth's Library after the presentation: YES  NO**

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