



Historic Odessa Foundation
presents
Storybook Trees: A Celebration of Reading

A love of books and reading is a lifelong treasure and adventure, young children who are read to by family and others become lifelong readers. Older children who read for pleasure develop inquiring minds that benefit them throughout their lives. Adults who have the habit of reading look back at the books they read as children with joy and pleasure. A love of books passed from generation to generation creates strong family bonds and memories that are priceless.

The Historic Odessa Foundation celebrates children's literature and a love of reading by showcasing trees decorated by community and school groups in the National Historic Register Wilson-Warner House. By exhibiting the trees in these beautiful period rooms a new and larger audience will be exposed to the preserved beauty of Odessa, its architecture, historic importance and natural charm. The exhibit will run from November 14th through December 30th, 2023 and will be open as part of *Christmas in Odessa*.

If your family, school or organization would like to design and decorate a tree with the theme from your favorite children's book, please fill out the following registration form and mail to the Historic Odessa Foundation, PO Box 697, Odessa, DE 19730. **Deadline for registration is November 3rd, 2023.**

Name of Family or Organization _____
Contact Person _____ Email/Phone _____
Address _____
Book Selection /Author _____

Trees and lights will be provided by the Historic Odessa Foundation. (Please circle your preference)

3ft Tree

7ft Tree

Decorations cannot be made of food items!!

Please provide a tree skirt, copy of your book and a sign for your tree, with your school/organization/family name and story information.

Trees may be decorated on November 9th, 10th, 11th from 10:30am to 4:30pm or by reservation. To schedule a date/time, contact us at Stephanie.brown@historicodessa.org

Please circle your preferred date: November 9th 10th 11th

Your decorations will be bagged and available for pick-up from January 10th to January 13th.

Decorations not picked up by January 28 will be donated to the Holiday Resale Shop!