



Ray Bradbury tribute planned for June 23

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A tribute to Ray Bradbury will be held June 23 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Ojai Library, 111 E. Ojai Ave.

This free literary event is a conversation with Bradbury's goddaughter E.E. King, whose father and "Uncle Ray" among others, met in her home each Thursday for their weekly writers group. Bradbury would often ask Evie Elizabeth to read him her stories and afterward would offer candid comments such as, "Throw it up in the morning and clean it up in the afternoon!"

In her one-hour talk King will share the imagery and imagination of Ray Bradbury and other classic

short story techniques such as the O'Henry twist and the brevity of Hemingway. She'll discuss how short stories can grow into longer works and illustrate how fact is utilized in fiction, no matter how strange.

King's talk will be followed by readings of Bradbury's classics by community members. Bradbury authored more than 27 novels and 600 short stories. He is best known for his masterpieces, "The Martian Chronicles," "Fahrenheit 451," "Dandelion Wine" and "Something Wicked This Way Comes."