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**LIBRARY HOSTS OREGON CHAUTAUQUA PROGRAM:
*MAGIC CARPET MADE OF STEEL: SONGS OF AMERICA'S
RAILROADS***

Music historian Jeni Foster entertains

The Springfield Public Library is pleased to host music historian Jeni Foster in an Oregon Chautauqua program from the Oregon Council for the Humanities, titled "Magic Carpet Made of Steel: Songs of America's Railroads." This free public program will take place on Saturday, November 17 at 1:00 in the Library Meeting Room at Springfield City Hall, 225 5th Street.

The glory days of the great American railway system are long gone, but hundreds of folk and popular songs remain to tell the story of our once-great romance with the rails. Ms. Foster will discuss the folk music that served as a soundtrack and emblem for the golden era of railway travel in her absorbing interactive presentation.

Jeni Foster's program is sponsored by the Springfield Public Library Adult Services Department with funding from the Oregon Council for the Humanities, a nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

What: Magic Carpet Made of Steel: Songs of America's Railroads

When: Saturday, November 17 at 1 p.m.

Where: Springfield Public Library Meeting Room

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