

Kim Peek

Eidetic Memory:

As one of the world's most prolific savants, Kim possesses a near perfect memory (also known as Eidetic Memory). According to his father, Kim remembers more than 98% of everything he has read.



"Rain Man" Inspiration:

In 1984, script writer Barry Morrow met Kim. The result of the meeting was the 1988 movie *Rain Man*. The character Raymond Babbit, played by Dustin Hoffman, was inspired by Kim. Although the character in *Rain Man* was portrayed as having autism, Kim does not actually have that condition.



Kim's Differences:

Scientific examination has found that Kim lacks the network of fibers that connect the two hemispheres of the brain (the Corpus Callosum). Some of Kim's differences, however remain a mystery.



Educational Efforts:

Kim and his father, Fran, work tirelessly to educate people about Savant Syndrome, memory, and acceptance of people with differences. Since they began appearing before the public, Kim's social skills have improved dramatically. Always in their possession is the 1989 Oscar for Best Original Screenplay which screenwriter Barry Morrow gave to Kim.



Ohlone College Ψ Psychology Club Speaker Series

Future Events Planned:

- Dr. Eugenie Scott (Evolution vs. Creationism)
- Dr. William C. Dement (Stanford Sleep Researcher)
- James "The Amazing" Randi (Investigator of Paranormal Claims)



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Psychology Club
Presents

Kim Peek

"The Real Rain Man"



Date: Friday, 10/30/09

Time: 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$10.00

Ohlone College Smith Center
43600 Mission Boulevard
Fremont, CA 94539-5847
Box Office: 510-659-6031
www.smithcenterpresents.com



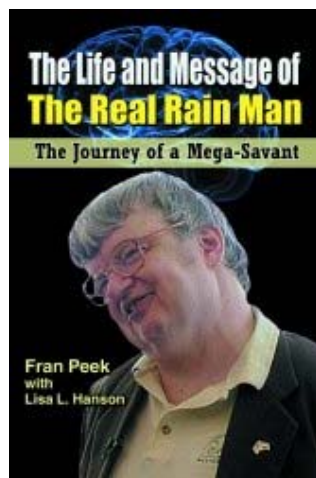
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Books by Fran Peek:

- *The Real Rain Man*



- *The Life and Message of the Real Rain Man*



You have to promise me one thing about this guy. Share him with the world.
-- Dustin Hoffman

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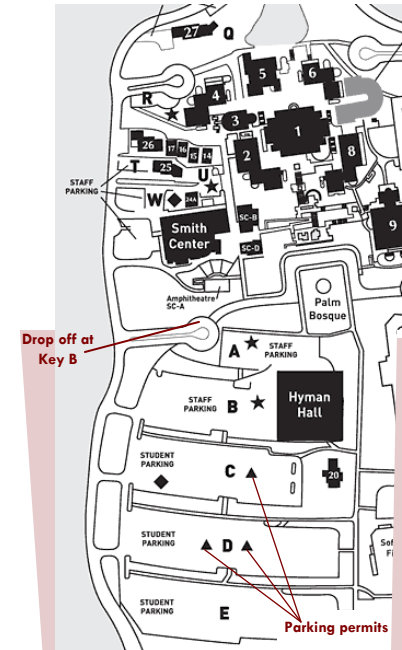
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- *The local library is Kim's favorite place in the world. He devours books on anything and everything, as many as eight in a day.*
- *Kim averages a 98.7% recall of whatever he reads and he reads a book's left page with his left eye, and its right page with his right eye.*
- *Kim's reading speed is much faster than average, in 10 seconds covering what would normally take 3-5 minutes.*
- *In 1951, doctors wanted to place Kim in a mental hospital in American Fork. His father, Fran, was determined that Kim would not live in an institution, but would be raised at home as a normal child.*
- *Kim has 15 subject areas of interest, but unlike the character that he inspired in "Rain Man" he cannot reason out mathematical problems.*

PARKING

The most convenient parking for the Smith Center is in lots C, D, and E. It is possible to drop your party off closer to the theatre at Key B, and then return to them after you have parked. Please **do not** park in Key B. Disabled parking is located in Lot U above the Smith Center.

Parking permits are **required** Monday through Friday, including evenings. Permits are \$2.00 each and available from vending machines in the parking lots.



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Box Office Hours:

Tues-Thurs: 12:00 noon—7:00pm

Fri-Sat: 12:00 noon—5:00pm

Box Office opens one hour prior to show time, closes 30 minutes after start of show.

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