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THE NEWSLETTER OF STAMFORD'S PUBLIC LIBRARY

JANUARY 2022

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Message from the CEO



January brings hope. It is a new year and the days are slowly beginning to get longer. Even if you are curling up by the fire this time of year, we have several opportunities for you to get out and about by reading. For those who like to discuss books, I invite you to read *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig, then participate in "Building Bridges with Books: A Community Read Event" on January 11 at 7:30

p.m. (in person or livestreamed). Or if you just want to push beyond the comfortable cozy mystery and try a different genre, subject or theme, we invite you to participate in our 2022 Reading Challenge: fergusonlibrary.readsquared.com. If you enjoy reading with your children, or want to encourage them to expand their reading experience, try ALLCTReads, sites.google.com/view/allctreads/home. Whatever type of reader you are, we're all about helping you expand your horizons. —Alice Knapp, CEO

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A Novel Affair Save the Date: April 7

The Ferguson Library will hold its major fundraiser, A Novel Affair, Thursday, April 7 from 6 to 9 p.m. The library will honor long-time Friends of the Ferguson Library board member Ann Sexton with the Ferguson Award.

A Novel Affair is the Ferguson Library's signature benefit, raising critical funds to help provide library services to the Stamford community. The event will be held at the Main Library. Proof of vaccination is required to attend.

Ann Sexton has been a board

member of the Friends of the Ferguson Library since 1983, serving as president four times. In 1986, she helped launch the Friends' Books for Babies program, which provides a picture book to every baby born at Stamford Hospital, and has since become a national model.

Tickets to A Novel Affair are \$125. The Book Club rate is \$100 and Junior Professional tickets (age 35 and under) are \$75. Registration will open in early February.

For sponsorship information, please contact Linda Avellar at linda@fergusonlibrary.org/203 351-8208.

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There's Still Time to Give to Library's Annual Appeal!

If you've already donated to the Library's Annual Appeal, **Thank You!** If not, there is still time to help. Your donation of any amount helps keep books and vital services like technology training, Englishlanguage learning and children's early literacy programs free and available to all.

Thank you for supporting your public library. Make a secure donation at fergusonlibrary.org or pick up a donation envelope in the library.

Support for Sunday Hours

Many thanks to Judy Block for her generous support of Sunday hours at the Library. Her gift helps underwrite the cost of providing service at the Main Library Sunday, January 9. Sundays are one of our most important days of the week and we are grateful for her support.

If you would like to help us provide Sunday hours at the library, please contact Linda Avellar at linda@fergusonlibrary.org, 203 351-8208.

Digital Navigators

Need help accessing online banking information? Want to stay connected with family and friends? Digital navigators are currently available to help Stamford residents with all their digital needs, whether it is setting up an



email account, filling out an online job application or getting up to speed on Google Classroom or PowerSchool.

Digital navigators will also assess if people need devices or help with internet connectivity, all part of a Ferguson Library effort to address existing digital inequity among those who may lack the tools or skills to effectively access resources online.

Appointments are required, and are available in English, Spanish, Arabic and Haitian-Creole. Call 203 351-8251 to book a time at the Main Library or the South End Branch.

DIGITAL LIBRARY: ENCYCLOPAEDIA JUDAICA

Scholars, students and readers can gain a deeper insight into the Jewish people and Judaism through this exhaustive and organized overview that covers Jewish history, culture, scripture and language, from the Second Temple period to the contemporary State of Israel, from Rabbinic to modern Yiddish literature, from Kabbalah to "Americana" and from Zionism to the contribution of Jews to world civilizations. You can find this resource under Research & Learn/A to Z Resources on our website. Once prompted, log in using your library card number. ML Main Library, DiMattia Building, 203 351-8231 HB Harry Bennett, 203 351-8292 SE South End, 203 351-8280 WMH Weed Memorial & Hollander, 203 351-8286

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at fergusonlibrary.org/events For virtual programs, Zoom login details will be included in registration confirmations. For Zoom programs that don't require registration, visit our online calendar for login details.

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Proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test within 72 hours is required to attend library programs in the Main Library Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium.

Book Discussions

If the discussion is presented via Zoom, login details are on our online calendar. Registration is not required. Book discussions are open to all.

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch Monday, Jan. 10 at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi

Harry Bennett Branch

Monday, Jan. 10 from 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom The Best of Me by David Sedaris

Spanish Book Discussion

Thursday, Jan. 13 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. ML, Third Floor Board Room La chica de nieve por Javier Castillo

South End Branch

Monday, Jan. 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. via Zoom Rainbow Milk by Paul Mendez

Affordable Care Act Enrollment

Mondays to Thursdays until Jan. 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ML, Second Floor Study Room The 2022 open enrollment period for individual and family health plans con-

tinues. Representatives from Access Health CT will be at the library through January 13 to enroll members in the health insurance marketplace.

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Friends Author Series, in Partnership with the Mayor's Multicultural Council, Presents An Evening with Roya Hakakian, Author of *A Beginner's Guide to America: For the Immigrant and the Curious*

Monday, Jan. 31 at 6:30 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium Written as a guide for the newly arrived, A Beginner's Guide to America provides practical information and advice that reveals a portrait of what the new immigrant experience in America is really like. Book sale and signing to follow. RR if attending in person; also available via Zoom.

SAVE THE DATE:

An Evening with Alafair Burke, Author of Find Me, and Erica Katz, Author of Fake. Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m. Registration opens Jan. 2

International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Thursday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. via Zoom An educational experience that explores the framing of our past and present through the viewing of highlights from the documentary, *Final Account*. A conversation with Holocaust survivors and children of Holocaust survivors on complicity, propaganda and responsibility as reflected in the film will follow screening. **RR**. *Co-sponsored by Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County and United Jewish Federation of Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.*

English Language Learners

Let's Talk: Conversation Groups for English Language Learners Winter Sessions *via Zoom*

Registration not required. New students welcome. For meeting information, visit fergusonlibrary.org/lets-talk-events.

Tuesdays, Jan. 11, 18, 25 New students: noon Basic: 12:30 p.m. Low intermediate: 3 p.m. Advanced: 6 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 12, 19, 26 High intermediate: 10 a.m. Beginner: 3 p.m.

Building Bridges with Books:

The Midnight Library by Matt Haig is the selected Community Read book and is available in multiple formats at the library. Presented by United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan & Darien, Jewish Community Relations Council, Interfaith Council of Southwest Connecticut, Mayor's Multicultural Council and the Ferguson Library.

The Midnight Library Book Discussions Harry Bennett Branch Thursday, Jan. 6 at 11 a.m. Main Library, DiMattia Building Third Floor Board Room Sunday, Jan. 9 at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Making Each Chapter Count: Living Your Best Life Panel Discussion *Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 7:30 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium* Featured speakers include Rev. Dr. Michael Christie, chaplain supervisor, Connecticut Department of Corrections; Dr. Marianela Medrano, Palabra Counseling & Training; and Rabbi Moshe Kurtz, Congregation Agudath Sholom. Registration required to attend in person. **RR** at https://tinyurl.com/rtt7jhyd. Also available via Zoom. For more information, contact Sharon Lewis, Director of JCRC at slewis@ujf.org.

2022 READING CHALLENGE

Grab a copy of our challenge list and join us in exploring new book genres, subjects and themes to be entered into a drawing for a literary prize. This challenge is for speed readers and slower readers alike. Whether you read a book a week or one every month—e-books and audiobooks count—there will be a prize drawing for those who finish reading 12 books from the list and another drawing for those who finish 52 books. The challenge ends mid-December 2022. More information, including the challenge list, can be found at fergusonlibrary.readsquared.com.

Business & Career

Stamford 1 Million Cups

Wednesday, Jan. 5 at 8 a.m. via Zoom Presenters: Sofia Sigal-Passeck, CEO of Uniphage, and Ilgar Tali, founder of Smartist Inc. **RR**.

TechXel Stamford Accelerator Series Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. via Zoom

RR for each session. Register before noon on the program date. Zoom invitations will be sent by 1 p.m.

Jan. 12

Leadership and Team Building

Scott C. Nevins, Principal, Bernstein Private Wealth Management Jan. 19

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Business Formation and Contracts

Kelly O'Donnell, Esq., Pullman & Comley, LLC

Jan. 26

Customer Acquisition, Development and Retention

Guy Sullivan, Founder, Silicon Parkway Ventures

Financial Literacy

Main Library, DiMattia Building Third Floor Technology Center RR for all classes.

Budgeting 101

Tuesday, Jan. 4 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Everything you need to know about budgeting, cost-cutting, spending plans and long-term financial tools and strategies.

What Is Credit?

Tuesday, Jan. 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Learn how credit works, the different forms of credit, the price of credit, how a credit score is calculated, and the difference between good and bad credit.

Person-to-Person Mobile Food Pantry

Tuesdays, Jan. 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at SE For more information, call 203 724-9111.

Community Mindfulness Project: Meditation

Tuesdays, Jan. 4, 11, 18 & 25 at noon ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium A brief discussion about meditation practice, a guided meditation, and a chance to share and reflect. Appropriate for beginners and those with long-standing practices.

Notary Services

Wednesdays, Jan. 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 2 to 4 p.m. at HB

Our notary public will be available to notarize your official documents for free. By appointment only. Call 203 351-8292.

Technology

Main Library, DiMattia Building Third Floor Technology Center RR for all classes.

- Must be familiar with Windows and be able to use a mouse and keyboard.
- Basic experience in MS Word is necessary.
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Microsoft Word

Basic Microsoft Word ▲ Saturday, Jan. 8 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to navigate MS Word, create and save a document, and format text. No experience in MS Word necessary.

Intermediate Microsoft Word

Saturday, Jan. 15 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to insert tables and images, use Styles to format the document, and edit the header and footer.

Advanced Microsoft Word $\blacktriangle \bullet$

Saturday, Jan. 22 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to build outlines, manage long documents, and work collaboratively in a document with other people.

Basic Microsoft Excel

Thursday, Jan. 20 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to navigate MS Excel, create and save your spreadsheet, enter data, and write formulas. No experience in MS Excel necessary.

Death Cafe Stamford

Thursdays, Jan. 6 & 20 from 2 to 3 p.m. via Zoom

A discussion about increasing awareness of death to help people make the most of their (finite) lives. With Sahara Farrugio, a licensed funeral director specializing in advanced planning. *Note: Death Cafe is not grief support or counseling.*

How to Start the New Year with More Clarity and Purpose

Thursday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Learn ways to manage stress and anxiety, bring more peace into your life, and gain clarity about what matters to you to make 2022 a great year. Presenter: Dr. Michael G. Christie, chaplain supervisor with the Connecticut Department of Corrections. **RR**.

A StoryWalk® Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Jan. 10–22 at SE

Learn about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as you walk the South End Branch Library book trail. All ages. *The StoryWalk® Project* was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Anne Ferguson.

How Audiobooks Are Made Saturday, Jan. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Board Room Professional narrator Peter Lerman gives an insider's perspective on the production of audiobooks. **RR**.

Wellness Series: Making and Sticking to New Year's Resolutions

Thursday, Jan. 20 via Zoom

Learn how psychology and health behavior theory can help you make and achieve your goals. This session will be interactive; participants are encouraged to share ideas. With Brittany Dube, a behavioral health, health promotion, and emergency response specialist for the City of Stamford's Department of Health. **RR**. *A partnership with the City of Stamford's Department of Health*.

The Writer's Law School: Legal Tips for Writers

Monday, Jan. 24 from 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom A workshop designed for writers that will cover the basics of copyrights, trademarks and key provisions of publishing contracts to make it easier to understand the fine print without having a law degree. Presenter: Jodé Millman, attorney and author of *Seats: New York* and *The Midnight Call.* **RR**.

Lawyers in Libraries: Looking for Legal Advice?

Thursday, Jan. 27 from 6:15 to 8 p.m. ML, Second Floor Study Room

Meet with a volunteer attorney for 20 minutes regarding your case. Please bring relevant materials and documents. Appointment and face masks required; to book a time, call 203 351-8221. Supported by the Connecticut Bar Association.

SAVE THE DATES

Civility in America Series

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium **RR** to attend in person. Also available via Zoom.

Sponsored by The Dilenschneider Group, Hearst Media Group in Connecticut and the Ferguson Library.

Indra Nooyi, Former Chairman and CEO of PepsiCo and Author of *My Life in Full: Work, Family, and Our Future Monday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m.*

This memoir offers insight and a callto-action from one of the world's mostadmired business leaders on how our society can blend work and family—and advance women—in the 21st century.

Andrew Roberts, Author of The Last King of America: The Misunderstood Reign of George III

Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m.

A deft and nuanced portrait of the much-maligned monarch that outlines the king's accomplishments, which have been almost universally forgotten.

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January Sale in the Book Shop

Don't miss this sale! Inventory is priced at 40 percent off from January 2 to 23. And Friends members get an additional 10 percent off. CDs and DVDs are five for \$1. You can't afford not to shop! All proceeds support the library.



2022 Literary Competition is Open

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STAFF RECOMMENDS:

Stories of Survival to Commemorate International Holocaust Remembrance Day January 27, 2022







The Ravine: A Family, a Photograph, a Holocaust Massacre Revealed by Wendy Lower

The Sisters of Auschwitz: The True Story of Two Jewish Sisters' Resistance in the Heart of Nazi Territory by Roxane van Iperen; translated from the Dutch by Joni Zwart

Into the Forest: A Holocaust Story of Survival, Triumph, and Love by Rebecca Frankel

Do Not Disclose; A Memoir of Family Secrets Lost and Found by Leora Krygier

Last Stop Auschwitz: My Story of Survival from Within the Camp by Eddy de Wind; translated from the Dutch by David Colmer

I Want You to Know We're Still Here by Esther Safran Foer







Missed one of our programs? Not to worry – catch up whenever you have a chance. We are recording most of our virtual programs. You can find them on our YouTube channel.







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One Public Library Plaza, Stamford, CT 06904 203 964-1000 Monday through Thursday 10 to 8 Friday 10 to 6 Saturday 10 to 5 Sunday 1 to 5

Harry Bennett Branch

115 Vine Road 06905 203 351-8291 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10 to 6 Wednesday 10 to 7 Saturday 10 to 5

South End Branch

34 Woodland Avenue 06902 203 351-8280 Monday through Thursday 10 to 5:30 Saturday 10 to 2

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch Passport Services

1143 Hope Street 06907 203 351-8285 Monday & Thursday 10 to 6 Tuesday 12 to 7 Saturday 10 to 5

Bookmobile

Check our online calendar at https://www.fergusonlibrary.org/ locations-hours/bookmobile

The Friends Book Shops at the Ferguson Library

Main Library Book Shop Monday through Thursday 11 to 6 Friday & Saturday 11 to 5 Sunday 1 to 5

Harry Bennett Branch Book Shop Monday through Saturday 10 to 5

Appointments take precedence and are recommended. For more information or to make an appointment, call 203 351-8298.

Main Library Passport Office

Monday through Thursday 10 to 7 Friday 10 to 5 Saturday 10 to 4 Sunday 1 to 4

Harry Bennett Passport Office Saturday 10 to 4 (WALK-IN ONLY)

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Main Library: 203 351-8242 Harry Bennett Branch: 203 351-8294 South End Branch: 203 351-8283 Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch: 203 351-8287



Check out our Youth Services page at

fergusonlibrary.org/services/kids for information for kids, teens, parents and educators. You'll find information about our digital books, movies and music, Linked Libraries, digital resources, Wi-Fi service for students in need, and more,



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Stamford students can use their student ID to access our many digital materials, even if they don't have a Ferguson

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Curbside pickup is still available by appointment.



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Girls With Impact

Online weekly classes begin the week of January 10

We're partnering with 10-week mini-MBA pro-



gram. Girls With Impact is the nation's only online business and leadership academy for young women. Teen girls ages 14 to 18 are eligible. The scholarships are funded by Eversource. **RR** at girlswithimpact.org/register. Use the code POWERUP at checkout.



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Children's Programs



Follow us on Instagram @ferglibraryyouth for story times, songs, fingerplays and more.

Budding Bookworms

Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10:30 a.m. via South End Branch Instagram

Storytime for ages 18 months to 4 years. New content every week.



Outdoor Family Storytimes

Thursdays, January 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. at WMH Bring a blanket

and/or lawn chair to these drop-in programs on the lawn. Up to age 4, with a caregiver, weather permitting.

Crafternoons @ Home

Wednesday, January 19 from 4 to 4:45 p.m. via Zoom

A picture book story circle and art project. Bring coloring supplies and have your imagination ready.



For grades K to 5. Families, parents and caregivers are welcome. **RR.** Registration opens January 5.

Kids Book

Discussion

Tuesday, January 25 from 7 to 7:45 p.m. via Zoom

You Don't Know Everything, Jilly P! by Alex Gino. When Jilly's baby sister is born deaf, Jilly connects with a deaf gamer in her online gaming community and discovers that the world does not always treat people

the same way. Grades 4 to 6. **RR.**

Teen Programs

Creative Writing Club Wednesday, January 12 from 5 to 6 p.m. via Zoom

Bring your imagination, paper and writing tools. We'll work on different writing prompts, then



share our work. Grades 5 to 9. RR.

SoulSpeake Alchemy Box Thursday, January 13 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. via Zoom



Join us for a class given by Kim Larkin where you can journal and craft your own 3-D alchemy box to express your hopes and goals for 2022. Come to the Main Library to pick up

the needed supplies which include a box and a variety of craft materials. Grades 6 to 12. **RR**.

Draw Chibi Manga

Thursday, January 20 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. via Zoom

Ever wonder how Pokémon characters are drawn? Here's your chance to meet graphic



artist Debi Hamukah-Falkenham, who will teach you all you need to know about the Chibi style of Manga. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**

Art Café Wednesday, January 26 from 5 to 6 p.m. via Zoom

Join us with your own supplies to draw, paint, write, knit, and create with us—the sky is the limit. Grades 5 to 9. **RR.**



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