

SPOTLIGHT ON ► FERGUSON LIBRARY

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► Support the Library's Spring Appeal

Please consider a donation before we end our fiscal year on June 30. Your gift helps us offer programs like children's storytimes, technology workshops for adults, job skills classes and enriching cultural programs for the whole family. Donate securely at fergusonlibrary.org. Thank you for supporting your public library!

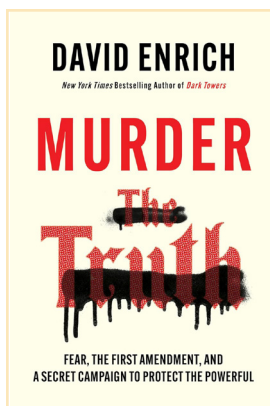


► New York Times Bestselling Author David Enrich June 4

Investigative journalist and bestselling author David Enrich will discuss his latest book *Murder the Truth: Fear, the First Amendment, and a Secret Campaign to Protect the Powerful*, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Harry Bennett Branch. The conversation will be moderated by Lucy Nalpathanchil, Vice President, Community Engagement at Connecticut Public.

In *Murder the Truth*, Enrich, the Business Investigations Editor at *The New York Times* traces the roots and reach of the growing threat to our modern democracy, and lays bare the stakes of losing our most sacrosanct rights.

Book sale and signing by Elm Street Books. Register online.



► The Library Celebrates Juneteenth

The library will commemorate Juneteenth, the federal holiday marking the end of slavery in the United States, with a kids' craft on June 16 at 4 p.m. at the Main Library and a family celebration June 21 at 11:30 a.m. at the South End Branch at Waterside. The gathering will feature Juneteenth stories, refreshments, and a drum-making workshop with Master Drummer Kwame Henry Jones.

The Bookmobile will also be part of the City of Stamford's Juneteenth celebration Saturday, June 14 at Mill River Park. Stop by between 1 and 7 p.m. for book giveaways and crafts.



► Meet with a Social Worker at the Library

The Main Library offers private space to meet with a social worker Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. A case worker from Family Centers is on site Tuesdays from 2 to 6 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The SilverSource social work team is here Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m. to offer services for seniors. Walk-ins are welcome.

The South End Branch at Waterside is extending its Saturday hours for the summer to be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Hours remain the same the rest of the week. Check our website for all branch hours.

Summer Learning at the Library



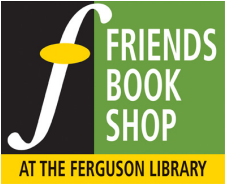
We invite families to read and learn together at the library this summer. Keep the kids engaged by joining our Summer Learning Club, *Level Up*, beginning June 14. We're making it easy to read with lots of incentives and fun activities. Kids can participate by earning points for reading, completing Bingo missions, or by creating and finishing their own summer goals. Register at fergusonlibrary.org or on the READsquared app from your favorite app store. Teens can register for their own Summer Learning Club, too.

Level Up is also the theme for our Adult Summer Reading Club. Pick up a bookmark at any branch and participate in our Adult Challenge, with a chance to win prizes. Check our calendar for information on all our summer programs.



The Main Library will close at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth. Other library locations will operate on a regular schedule.

Friends of Ferguson Library



Book Shop News

It's time for our big semiannual Bag Sale! Join us Saturday, June 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. outside the Main Library on Bedford Street. Stroll around

Arts & Crafts on Bedford, then go home with a bag of books. Great selections of adult and YA fiction, all categories of nonfiction, children's books, CDs and DVDs. For just \$15, you can fill one of our big bags with as many books, DVDs and CDs as you can fit! You can also buy individual items for \$1 each. Cash, checks, credit/debit cards and Apple Pay are all accepted.

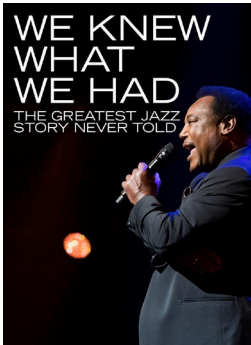


MLK Committee Film Series

The MLK Committee Film Series, sponsored by the Ferguson Library and the Stamford MLK Committee, continues this month with two films. On June 7, join us for the screening of the PBS documentary *Abolition: The Friendship of Frederick Douglass and John Brown*. It's the story of two friends, their accomplishments and conflicts, during the tumultuous decade leading up to the Civil War.

On Saturday, June 28 we present the documentary *We Knew What We Had: The Greatest Jazz Story Never Told*, which traces the history of jazz in Pittsburgh. Using archival footage and photos, it sheds light on the social conditions and historical events that made Pittsburgh one of the world's leading contributors to the legacy of jazz.

Both programs begin at 1 p.m.



Digital Library

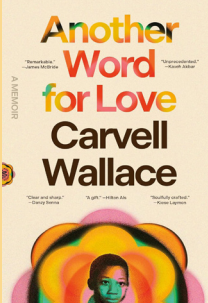
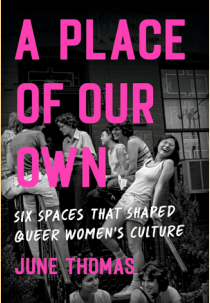
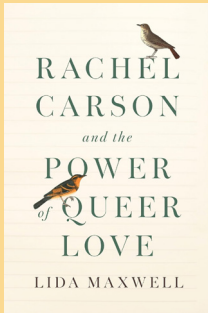
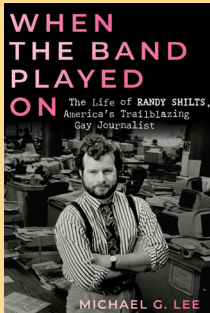
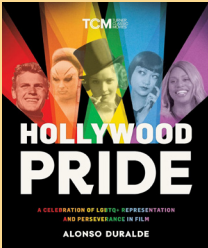
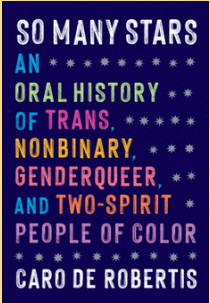
Pronunciator


Is learning a new language or acquiring conversational skills on your bucket list? The library's Pronunciator database, usable on any computer or mobile device, will have you speaking another language in time for your summer vacation. Offering lessons in 163 languages, Pronunciator is the world's largest resource for language learning, and includes a comprehensive selection of ESL courses as well as content for kids, American Sign Language, and even Latin. To get started, visit the library's A-Z Resources page.



Staff Recommends:

Celebrate Pride Month





For library locations, hours and program details, visit fergusonlibrary.org or scan the QR code. Subscribe to our YouTube channel to view progcu missed.

Check out our Youth Services monthly newsletter.