

SPOTLIGHT ON FERGUSON LIBRARY

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South End Branch Reopens



The Ferguson Library's South End Branch at the Lathon Wider Community Center is now open. The community center held a grand opening last month to welcome back all the organizations who are housed there. Stop by and say hello!

A Novel Affair April 16



Don't miss **A Novel Affair**, an evening of food and festivities to benefit the library April 16 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. We're delighted to welcome so many great restaurants, including Barcelona Wine Bar, Dhabewala Indian Shack, Ninja Bubble Tea and Sunshine Cuisine. We are proud to honor Edward and Susan Greenberg for their service to the library and the Stamford community. Register online.

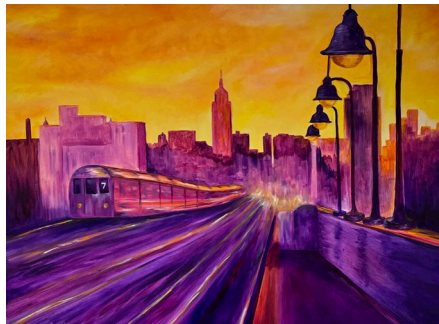
Our online auction opens April 9. There are a lot of exciting items up for bid, including a weekend in New York City with Manhattan Theatre Club tickets and a cocktail party with live music!

The library will close at 4 p.m. on April 16. A big thank you to all our sponsors.

Art at the Ferguson: *Urban Landscapes*

Our spring art exhibit, *Urban Landscapes*, opens Thursday, April 9 at 5:30 p.m. with a reception in the Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium at the Main Library. The juried show, curated by the Stamford Art Association, features works by local and regional artists. The display will be on view through August 27.

The Rebel by Katie Gallo



Registration is Open for CrimeCONN



Don't miss CrimeCONN 2026, Saturday, May 16 at the Main Library. This day-long conference for mystery/crime writers and fans of the genre is presented by the Friends of Ferguson Library and the Mystery Writers of America/NY Chapter. The theme this year is *Pick Your Poison*. Tickets are \$50 until April 17, then \$60 after that. Tickets for MWA members, Friends members, seniors and students are \$45. There will also be a Zoom option for \$25. Register online.

Save the Date: Joe R. Sexton Lecture May 5

Author Becky Aikman will visit the Harry Bennett Branch on May 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. to discuss her book *Spitfires: The American Women Who Flew in the Face of Danger During World War II*. The program is part of the Joe R. Sexton Lecture Series.

Drawing on diaries, letters and interviews, Aikman brings to life the remarkable stories of nine women pilots who risked their lives ferrying aircraft during the war. Reception to begin at 6 p.m., followed by the program at 6:30 p.m. Book sale and signing by Elm Street Books. Registration required online.

Generously supported by Mel Klugman and the Friends of Ferguson Library.

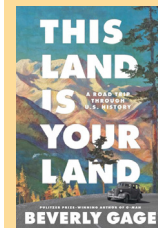


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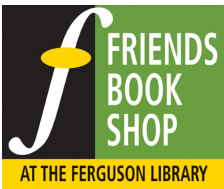
Pulitzer Prize Winner Beverly Gage



Join us April 23 at 6:30 p.m. as part of our celebration of the nation's 250th anniversary for an evening with historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Beverly Gage as she discusses her new book, *This Land is Your Land: A Road Trip Through U.S. History*. In her book, Gage travels the country to see the museums, historic sites, roadside attractions, reenactments and souvenir shops where Americans learn—and fight—about our history. Gage's earlier book *G-Man: J. Edgar Hoover and the Making of the American Century* received the 2023 Pulitzer Prize for Biography. Register online.

The Main Library will be closed Sunday, April 5 for Easter.

Friends of Ferguson Library



Annual Collectible Sale

Don't miss the Friends Book Shop's annual Collectible Sale Saturday, May 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, May 3 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Main Library. The sale will feature a curated selection of collectible and vintage books at great prices, including first and special editions, signed copies, leather-bound sets and children's books. You can also pick up art books, comics, ephemera, vinyls and other treasures. Prices start as low as \$3.

Independent Book Store Day

Did you know that the Friends Book Shop is the only independent bookstore in Stamford? Come visit us at our Harry Bennett Branch and Main Library shops on Saturday, April 25 to celebrate Independent Bookstore Day and get 10% off your purchase.



Literary Competition

Winners of the 2026 Literary Competition will be notified in late April. An award ceremony will be held on May 31 at the Main Library.

Bilingual and Spanish Storytimes

The library offers a variety of bilingual and Spanish language programs that reflect the diversity of the Stamford community. Kids can enjoy programs like *Bebés Bilingües* and *Bilingual Storytime*, which introduce early literacy through songs, stories and movement in both Spanish and English.

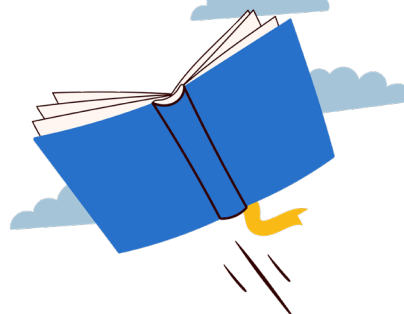
Through events, performances and educational programs—along with resources from our Multicultural Center—the library offers opportunities to explore languages, traditions and cultures from around the world. Our next Spanish book discussion will be held on April 9, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Harry Bennett Branch, and will feature *No es un río* by Selva Almada. Register for all events online.



Digital Library

Books in Print

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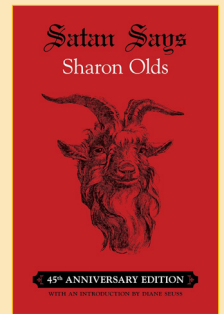
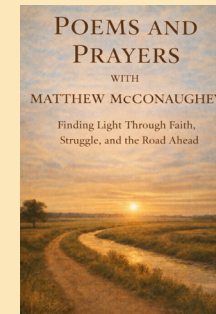
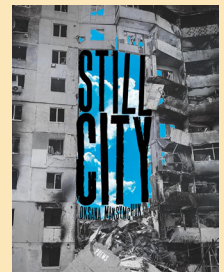
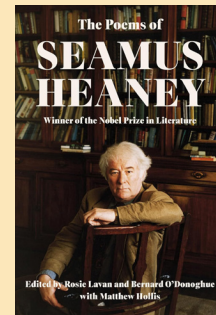
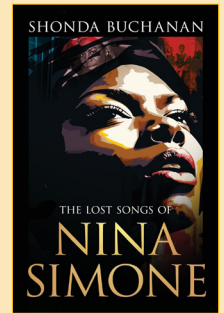
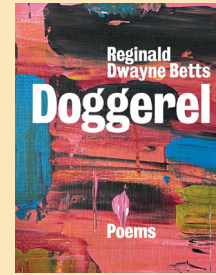


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Staff Recommends:

National Poetry Month



Getting a head start on reading!

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