

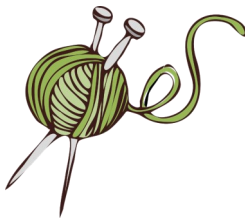
# December 2015

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Featured Events

#### Bilingual Business Counseling Tuesdays, December 1, 15 & 29 10 am-3 pm | Fair Haven

Join business advisor Valeria Bisceglia from the Connecticut Small Business Development Center as she provides FREE business advice in English and Spanish.



#### Scarf Making Program Thursday, December 3, 4 pm Fair Haven

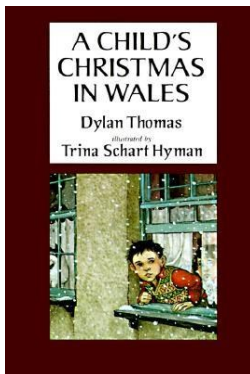
Learn how to knit or crochet a beautiful scarf for yourself or to give away as a present. All ages!

#### E. Jizzo Gospel Concert Saturday, December 5, 12:30-1:30 pm | Wilson

Come listen to E. Jizzo - Gospel Rapper for his concert and CD Release Party. Free and open to the public.

#### A Child's Christmas in Wales Monday, December 7, 6-7 pm | Ives

It's one of America's favorite holiday stories. It's a wistfully funny memory of Christmas in the 1930's. It has music and song. It's A Child's Christmas in Wales, by Dylan Thomas as told for the sixth straight year by the acclaimed duo Colin Lane and Rebecca Zaretsky.

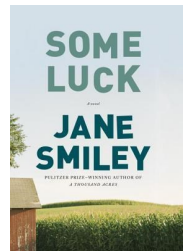


#### Chicago Dinners Series: Open Conversations about Racism & Privilege Monday, December 7, 5:30-7:30 pm | Ives Upcoming:

- Wednesday, February 17, 5:30-7:30 pm | Stetson
  - Thursday, April 28, 12 – 2 pm | Fair Haven
- Events are sponsored by the Multicultural Advisory Council of the CT Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the New Haven Free Public Library, the CT Mental Health Center Committee on Diversity and Health Equity, and the CT Mental Health Center Citizens Collaborative. Please RSVP to [elizabeth.flanagan@yale.edu](mailto:elizabeth.flanagan@yale.edu) or 203.764.7592.

#### Fair Haven Book Club Tuesday, December 8, 1:30 pm Fair Haven

Join the Fair Haven book club! This month they will be discussing *Some Luck* by Jane Smiley.



#### New Haven Guitar Quartet Thursday, December 10, 6 pm | Ives

The New Haven Guitar Quartet is a newly-formed ensemble of guitarists from Yale University dedicated to exploring the expressive possibilities of the guitar quartet. Members Daniel Corr, Katrin Endrikat, John Kossler, and Trevor Babb perform both original and transcribed works, ranging from the Renaissance to the Contemporary.



#### Student Art Opening and Exhibition! Thursday, December 10 4-6 pm | Mitchell

Celebrating the artistic accomplishments of our adult art students and their instructor, Dorie Petrochko. Students took part in an 8 week course titled: Drawing and Painting for the Complete Beginner, sponsored by a grant from Lifetime Arts and Institute of Museum and Library Services.

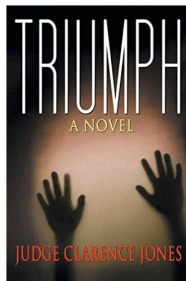
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**Featured Events (continued)**

**Reading & Discussion:  
Triumph: A Novel by New Haven Author**

**Judge Clarence Jones**  
**Saturday, December 12, 1 pm**  
**Ives**  
 Raised in Montgomery, Alabama, educated at Tuskegee University and Howard Law School, Judge Clarence Jones creates characters with stories inspired by actual cases over which he presided as a Connecticut Superior Court trial judge. Judge Clarence is the former president of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Court, former president of the Connecticut Judges Association and former tutor in clinical studies at the Yale Law School.



**Holiday Poetry Slam**  
**Saturday, December 19, 2:30 – 5 pm | Wilson**  
 Join us and share your voice during this free and open for a festive poetry slam!



**Dignity Music Concert Series**  
**Monday, December 21, 10:30 am | Ives**

*A Program of Bach, Beethoven, Mozart and Albrechtsberger*

**Upcoming:**

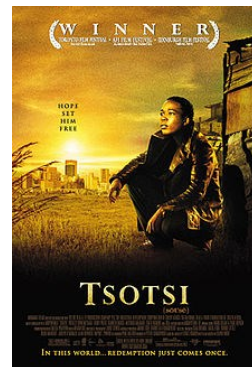
- Monday, January 18, 10:30 am | Ives
  - Monday, February 15, 10:30 am | Ives
- Ravenna Michalsen, a cellist and active participant in the CT musical scene, received a Mayor's Community Arts Grant for the Dignity Music concert series which brings classical music to homeless shelters, breakfast programs, soup kitchens and other New Haven venues. Bethany Wilder joins her for the December concert on viola and violin.

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**Film Screenings & Discussions**

**Tsotsi**  
**Saturday, December 19**  
**2 pm | Mitchell**  
 Running time: 94 minutes | Zulu with English subtitles  
 Based on the novel by award winning author, Athol Fugard. Discussion led by Westville resident and film buff, Debby Evans will follow.



**Coming Attractions**

**Damascus with Love**  
**Saturday, January 9,**  
**2 pm | Ives**

Running time: 95 minutes  
 Arabic with English subtitles  
*Damascus with Love* is a 2010 Drama film by Syrian director Mohamad Abdul Aziz, first screened in the Dubai International Film Festival. A discussion will follow via Skype with Syrian-Canadian Ghada Alatrash, an international public speaker, poet, storyteller, educator, and translator.



**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
**NHFPL Foundation's Mardi Gras Festival 2016!**

**Tuesday, February 9, 5:30 pm | Ives**  
 The New Haven Free Public Library is the place to be for Mardi Gras! Guests will be greeted with the live the musical rhythms of Mardi Gras. Enjoy locally-sourced, internationally-inspired cuisines and signature cocktails. Don't miss our silent auction and customized photo booth! Tickets for Mardi Gras start at \$75 and will go on sale at the end of December. Stay tuned!

