

February 2016

ADULT PROGRAMS

Featured Events

Long Wharf Theatre Songwriting Master Class with Benjamin Scheuer of *The Lion*

Thursday, February 4, 4-6 pm | Ives

Join us for this master songwriting class with Benjamin Scheuer of *The Lion*. Four local songwriters will workshop their song with Scheuer for an audience!

International Festival of Arts & Ideas

Town Hall Event

The Power of One: Individuals Effecting Communal Change

Saturday, February 6, 3-4:30 pm

| Ives

Moderated by CT State Senator Gary Winfield

Continuing last summer's Town Hall discussion of active citizenship in New Haven, this community gathering will provide a forum in which to pose and address important questions about our responsibilities and participation in improving our city. In her best-selling book *A Path Appears: Transforming Lives Creating Opportunity* (2014), the 6th Visionary Leadership Awardee Sheryl WuDunn, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, asserts that all of us, whatever our income or social class, should be strategically altruistic.



2016 Healthy Body, Healthy Mind

Introduction to Reiki

Saturday, February 6, 10:30 am

| Mitchell

Guided Meditation

Saturday, February 13, 10:30 am

| Mitchell

A winter series to help you feel your best in the New Year! Presented by Westville resident Patricia Rodriguez. To register call: 203-946-8117.



Artists' Studio @ Fair Haven!

Monday, February 8, 4 pm | Fair Haven

Stop by and meet this month's visiting artist Megan Czekaj! All ages welcome!

The Art of Daycations

Monday, February 8, 6 pm | Ives

Join travel blogger Nina Lesiga for fresh ideas about how to have exceptional vacation days without an overnight stay! Learn about different day trips, research strategies and upcoming events close to New Haven. Expand the possibilities!

Connecticut Small Business Development Center

Tuesdays, February 9 & 23, 10 am-3 pm | Fair Haven

Business Advisor Valeria G. Bisceglia is providing no-cost, confidential business advising services to small business owners and entrepreneurs in every stage of business development and growth. Take advantage of this excellent service!

Long Wharf Theatre & NHFPL Community Conversations:

Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters' First 100 Years

Having Our Say

Director Jade King Carroll

Tuesday, February 10, 6 pm

| Ives

Collective Storytelling with Mae Gibson Brown & New Haven Story Project

Saturday, February 13, 2 pm | Fair Haven

I See Color Author Bob Pellegrino with Anne Green

Saturday, February 20, 2 pm | Mitchell

History Slam

Tuesday, February 23, 6 pm | Wilson

Diva's Digest & Stetson Book Clubs Discuss

Having Our Say

Saturday, February 27, 2 pm | Stetson

Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters' First 100 Years touches upon the concept of the American Dream, as the 101 and 103 year old African-American Delany Sisters narrate the twists and turns of the 20th century in America. Each program begins with actors performing a scene from the play. New Haven residents may borrow a theater pass with their library card for free tickets to LWT as available!



Music Haven Residency at NHFPL!

Studio Recitals

Wednesday, February 10, 6 pm

| Stetson

Thursday, February 11, 6 pm |

Fair Haven

Celebrate Black History Month with the Haven String Quartet

Friday, February 12, 2 pm | Ives

Join us for a musical performance (or two!) from the talented students of Music Haven! Friday's program is a family-friendly concert and instrument petting zoo for kids who want to try one out!



**Yale Science Diplomats presents
Science in the News 2016 at NHFPL!**

**From Brain to Mind to Behavior
Thursday, February 11, 6:30 pm | Ives**

The Yale Science Diplomats presents a “Science in the News” public lecture series in four parts! Stay tuned for more in March April and May!

**Sewing Collective
Saturday, February 13,
1-5 pm | Mitchell**

Meet other people who love to sew and create! We will sew, exchange ideas, tips & offer help to those at all levels. To register call: 203-946-8117.



**Essays on Work & Play: 10th
Annual Evening of Readings
by Yale University’s Anne
Fadiman & Students
Wednesday, February 17,
6-7 pm | Ives**

Anne Fadiman has been Yale's Francis Writer-in-Residence since 2005. Anne will read along with students: Brett Davidson, Emma Goldberg and Adam Mahler.

**Quilting Black History
Wednesday, February 17, 5 pm-7 pm | Stetson**
Use your artistic abilities and dedicate a quilting a square to a prominent figure in Black History. Pieces will be quilted together and displayed at Stetson!

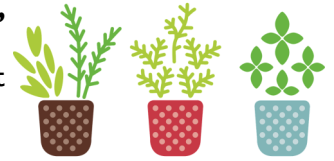
**Chicago Dinners Series:
Open Conversations about Racism & Privilege
Wednesday, February 17, 5:30-7:30 pm |
Stetson**

These events are sponsored by the Multicultural Advisory Council of the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, NHFPL, Connecticut Mental Health Center Committee on Diversity and Health Equity, and Connecticut Mental Health Center Citizens Collaborative. RSVP to elizabeth.flanagan@yale.edu or 203-764-7592.

**Résumé Seminar, Q&A, and Book Signing
Wednesday, February 17, 6:15-7:30 pm | Ives**
The NHFPL is proud to welcome Scott Bennett, author of Amazon.com’s best selling résumé writing book: *The Elements of Résumé Style: Essential Rules for Writing Résumés and Cover Letters that Work*. More in March and April!

**Winter Gardening Workshops with
New Haven Land Trust**

**Thursday, February 18,
5:30-7 pm | Fair Haven**
Stop by and learn all about winter gardening in an urban setting! All ages.



Recovery Speaks February 23, 4 pm | Ives
Recovery Speaks, a program of the CT Mental Health Center, is a presentation created and performed by people with real life experiences of mental illness, addiction and incarceration. Performers spread the message that recovery is real and possible. Through photographs and storytelling, speakers share how they contribute to their communities and offer practical advice for supporting people in recovery.

**“It’s a Family Affair”
Planters Christian Music Academy
Celebrates Black History through Gospel Arts
Wednesday, February 24, 5-8 pm | Stetson**
Join the celebration in honor of Black History Month!

**Gettin’ Around New Haven
Thursday, February 25, 5 pm | Fair Haven**
Want to know how to get around greater New Haven affordably? Join bus expert Denis DeMartin and learn how to get to where you need to go.

**Technology Workshop: Buying Online
Thursday, February 25, 6 pm | Fair Haven**
Learn to safely and confidently make Internet purchases. Gain a better understanding of the pros and cons of buying goods and services online, and best practices for ensuring your financial information is secure. Hablamos Español.

**Urban Life Experience Book Discussion Series:
The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace
By Jeff Hobbs
Saturday, February 27, 12 pm | Wilson**
Join the Urban Life Experience Book Discussion Series at Wilson for their third read. Borrow it and join the conversation!

**Dignity Music Concert Series
Monday, February 29, 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 to bring classical music to homeless shelters, breakfast programs, soup kitchens and other New Haven venues. Ravenna is joined by flutist Elaina Thoma and Neal Fitzpatrick on guitar.