

# July 2016

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Featured Events

#### A Book in Your Beach Bag Summer Reading Contest for Adults (18 and Over)

June 27-August 27 | Wilson

Read a book or listen to an audiobook, write the author, title, and summary of the book on a form available at the Wilson Library and turn in the completed entry form. Each entry must include name and telephone number. Only one weekly prize to a person. Grand prize winner will be announced September 6, 2016!



#### Diva's Digest Book Club

Wednesdays, July 6 & 20, 6-7:30 pm | Stetson  
Diva's Digest is Stetson's all-women book club. Please come in to sign up.



#### Yale School of Music Morse Summer Music Academy July Concert Series

July 12, 14, 21, 26 and 28, 10-10:45am | Ives  
As a part of the Yale Music in Schools Initiative, Morse Summer Music Academy takes place for four weeks in July with over 100 New Haven Public School students convening daily for intensive classes, rehearsals, and lessons. One of the hallmarks is its numerous performance opportunities: over four weeks, Morse students participate in over thirty concerts across the New Haven community. Come see them at the Library!



#### Beecher Park Summer Concert Series & Hi-Fi Pie Contest

Mondays, July 18 & 25 and August 1, 8 & 15, 6 pm | Mitchell

Co-sponsored by Westville Village Renaissance Alliance  
The Beecher Park Summer Concert Series is an annual, music series showcasing talented local artists. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and picnic with the whole family! Weekly food truck and pie contest! Stay tuned for the full series line-up! More info at [www.westvillect.org](http://www.westvillect.org).



#### Résumé Seminar, Q & A, and Book Signing Wednesday, July 20, 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*.

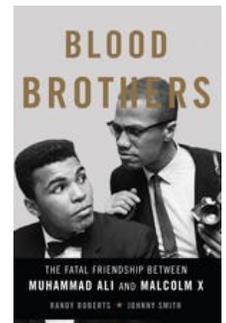
#### Urban Life Experience Book Discussion Series

##### Blood Brothers:

*The Fatal Friendship Between Muhammad Ali and Malcolm X*  
by Randy Roberts and Johnny Smith

Saturday, July 30, 12 pm  
Wilson

Join the Urban Life Experience Book Discussion Series at Wilson Library for their next read.



#### Film Screenings & Discussions

##### Family Movie Matinees

Wednesdays in July & August, 1-3 pm | Wilson

July 6 | *Good Dinosaur*

July 13 | *Space Jam*

July 20 | *Peanuts*

July 27 | *Air Bud*

August 3 | *Zootopia*

August 10 | *Kung Fu Panda 3*

Get out of the heat and come in to enjoy movies! No registration required. For all ages!



## Film Screenings & Discussions (continued)

### Friday Movie Matinees

Fridays in July, 2-4 pm | Ives

July 1 | *Slap Shot*

July 8 | *Moneyball*

July 15 | *Concussion*

July 22 | *Tin Cup*

July 29 | *Creed*

Hockey, baseball, football, golf, boxing - join us for a month full of sports films on Friday afternoons!

### Midsummer Middle East Mini-Film Series

Special thanks to AFD/Typecast Films, First Run Features, Fruitful Films, and The City of New Haven Peace Commission.

Thursday, July 28 | Ives

6 pm | *Speed Sisters*

Running time: 78 minutes

Arabic with English subtitles

The Speed Sisters are the first all-woman race car driving team in the Middle East. Grabbing headlines and turning heads at improvised tracks across the West bank, these five women have sped their way into the heart of the gritty, male-dominated Palestinian street car-racing scene. [Speed Sisters](#) takes you on a surprise journey weaving together their lives on and off the track. Directed by Amber Fares.



Thursday, August 4 | Ives

6 pm | *On the Banks of the Tigris: The Hidden Story of Iraqi Music*

Running time: 79 minutes

Arabic, English with English subtitles

When Majid Shokor escaped Iraq he discovered the songs he loved as a child in Baghdad have a hidden history. [On the Banks of the Tigris](#) follows Majid's journey from Australia to Israel, Europe and Iraq to meet Iraqi musicians, hear their music and stories, and unite them in a concert for peace and reconciliation. Directed by Marsha Emerman.

Saturday, August 13 | Mitchell

2 pm | *Falafelism: The Politics of Food in the Middle East*

Running time: 50 minutes

Arabic, Hebrew, English with English subtitles  
[Falafelism](#) follows the iconic Palestinian croquette made from ground chickpeas and fava beans as it rolls its way through world history, cultural identity, class struggle, and international politics. Filmed in

North America, Europe and the Middle East, with leading scholars, restaurateurs, and everyday people, *Falafelism* follows as filmmaker Ari Cohen gains 20 pounds in search of cultural coexistence between Israel and Palestine, Jews and Arabs.

3:15 pm | *On the Banks of the Tigris: Hidden Story of Iraqi Music*

Running time: 79 minutes

Arabic, English with English subtitles

## NHFPL Galleries

*Thoughts of Ruins* | Work by Albert Mortali

July 9 – August 27 | Mitchell Library

Opening Reception: Saturday, July 16, 3 -5 pm

Albert Mortali's work is a layered mixture of paint, paper, and a mélange of repurposed materials. Abstract at first glance, upon a second look his work reveals architectural references and shadows of narratives past or possibly fictive.



His collages and low-relief sculpture are frequently overlaid with natural elements such as twigs and leaves that are wrapped, painted, or sometimes raw. His color palettes vary from earthy, rainy tangles to clean and sometimes bright concoctions of hues. Mortali draws artistic inspiration from Homer's *Odyssey*, the Renaissance, and his coming up in the midst of New Haven's urban renewal. As a New Haven youngster in the 1950s and 1960s, he lived first in the Hill, then Westville, and then returned to the Hill for his high school years. The construction of New Haven's Route 34 changed the lively bustle of Legion Avenue, a frequent haunt of Mortali's teenage crew, as well as the city at large, and in turn altered the patterns of its residents, especially its youth.

### Art Exhibition:

Ryan Norman Cyr and Jaime Kriksciun

May – July | Fair Haven

Artist Reception: Saturday, July 16, 2-4 pm

Ryan Norman Cyr is a multi-dimensional artist, interested in processing the chance happenings of everyday sight and sound, and documenting the results. Learn more at [www.ryancyr.com](http://www.ryancyr.com). Jaime Kriksciun is interested in the artistic interpretation of her surroundings in an attempt to better understand them. In particular, nature has been a huge source of curiosity and investigation. Learn more at [www.jakriksciun.com](http://www.jakriksciun.com).