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Call for Applications for Entrepreneur-In-Residence and Creative-In-Residence Submission Deadline: June 30, 2019

NEW HAVEN – The New Haven Free Public Library, an anchor institution of the Elm City Innovation Collaborative, seeks applications for two five-month in-residence opportunities, starting September 2019 in Ives Squared, the main library's innovation commons. The two in-residence appointments are:

- Entrepreneur-In-Residence (EIR). The EIR embodies the spirit of innovation and the transference of practical information. The EIR might share their skills by initiating workshops and classes (drawing upon their personal knowledge or their professional network); conducting one-on-one sessions to guide emerging entrepreneurs in the development/launch of their concepts; and creating an active community of inquisitive professionals.
- Creative-In-Residence (CIR). The CIR helps connect library users to local creatives, artists and makers with the
 New Haven community. The CIR will bring the Ives Squared Tinker Lab makerspace to life -- sharing their skills
 and knowledge by initiating workshops and classes (drawing upon their personal knowledge or their
 professional network); exploring ideas in a public context; and creating a collective project.

Martha Brogan, City Librarian and Director of the New Haven Free Public Library, noted "these appointments connect New Haven residents with the people, tools and resources to advance their ideas and provide a gateway to other organizations and partners in the innovation ecosystem of the city."

Information about these appointments – including guidelines and application forms – is available through the library website at http://nhfpl.org/ives-squared/. Applications are due by midnight on Sunday, June 30, 2019 for the 5-month appointments from September 2019 – January 2020.

About the Ives Squared

Ives Squared is the New Haven Free Public Library's reimagined "third place" for entrepreneurship, innovation and new technologies, offering 21st-century interactive learning opportunities to all residents for workforce development and creativity in the gig economy. Ives Squared is made possible with support from CTNext, the Elm City Innovation Collaborative, and the City of New Haven.

About the New Haven Free Public Library

The New Haven Free Public Library welcomes more than 850,000 visitors annually through our front doors and digital portal, realizing its mission of fostering lifelong learning, inspiring curiosity, and building community through shared access to resources, experiences, and opportunities for all. The library system includes the lves Memorial Library on the historic New Haven Green, 24/7 online services, the Readmobile bringing books to early childhood learning centers, and four neighborhood libraries: Fair Haven, Mitchell, Stetson and Wilson. Now and tomorrow, the New Haven Free Public Library will transform lives and contribute to creating a strong, resilient, and informed community where everyone can thrive.