

# September 2019

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Featured Events

#### Democracy in Crisis: Conversations with New Haven Scholars

Join us for a second year of this series presented in partnership with Public Humanities at Yale. Monthly discussions will take place at Ives and Wilson Libraries.

#### **What Is Neoliberalism?**

**Tuesday, September 3, 6 pm | IVES**

#### **Frederick Douglass: Prose Poet of Democracy**

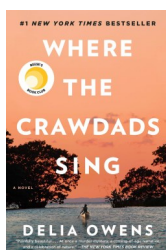
**Tuesday, September 17, 6 pm | WILSON**



#### **Mitchell Afternoon Book Club**

**Monday September 9, 1 pm**  
**MITCHELL**

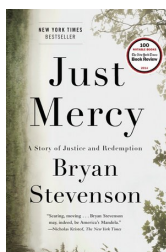
Join us for a discussion of *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. This book club meets monthly.



#### **Fair Haven Book Club**

**Monday, September 9, 2 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Join the Book Club for an informal discussion of *Just Mercy*. Part memoir, part unflinching call for much-needed reform to the American criminal justice system, Bryan Stevenson is the activist lawyer who founded the Equal Justice Initiative, an Alabama-based organization responsible for freeing or reducing the sentences of scores of wrongfully convicted individuals. Copies available to check out. Light refreshments.



#### **Downton Abbey Autumn Tea Party**

**Monday, September 16, 6 pm | MITCHELL**

Celebrate the premiere of the long-awaited Downton Abbey movie with an autumn tea party! Bring your knowledge of the Grantham family's melodramatic escapades and watch the trailer for the new movie, opening in theaters on Friday Sept 21. Share your predictions for the film. Enjoy tea and refreshments. Play some fun icebreaker and trivia games to get to know your fellow Downton fans. Enter to win our raffle for free movie passes!

#### Windham Campbell Literature Prizes 2019

We are thrilled to partner with the Windham Campbell Literature Prizes at Yale University for the 6th year!

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Search our catalog under "Windham Campbell" to find titles to borrow from this year's authors. Join us for these two sessions at Ives Main Library:

#### **On Becoming a Reader**

**Thursday, September 19, 12 pm | IVES**

#### **Approaching Police Violence:**

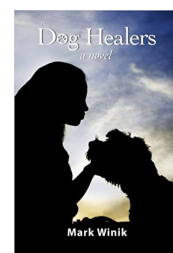
#### **A Writers' Conversation**

**Friday, September 20, 12 pm | IVES**

#### **Mark Winik: *The Dog Healers***

**Thursday, September 19, 6 pm | IVES**

Join award-winning author and filmmaker Mark Winik for a discussion of his novel *The Dog Healers*. Mark's book has been described as, "an amazing adventure and spiritual journey that captures the enduring bond between humans and our four legged friends." His film of the same name was voted "Best Short Film" at the 2019 New Haven Docs Film Festival.



#### **CT Bail Fund Information Session**

**Saturday, September 21, 1 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Connecticut Bail Fund allows people fighting criminal charges to return home, keep their jobs, and maintain custody of their children. Learn more and ask questions about the work they do and how the public can utilize their services.

#### **Body and Soul**

**Tuesday, September 24, 6 pm-8 pm | WILSON**

Program Directors Carolyn Roberts, Assistant Professor of History, History of Science and Medicine, and African American Studies at Yale University; Kenneth Morford, an Assistant Professor at Yale School of Medicine; and students facilitate presentations and conversations on how to be healthier versions of ourselves!

#### **Art Workshop Series for Teens and Adults**

#### **Sketching from Life**

**Saturday September 28, 2 pm | MITCHELL**

Learn some of the basic principles of drawing from observation with gesture and contour, using beautiful natural objects as models. No experience needed, all materials will be provided. Workshop will be taught by Haley Grunloh, MFA graduate of Pratt Institute in NYC, and Library Technical Assistant at the Mitchell Branch.

**Featured Events Continued**

**ESL Conversation Club**

**Wednesdays, 4 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Practice speaking English in a casual group setting with our wonderful tutors. Families welcome!

**Community Garden**

**Thursdays, 4 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Come help us care for our community garden! Whatever your age or ability we can use your help planting, watering, harvesting, weeding, etc. Thanks to you our garden will be even bigger this year!

**Film Screenings & Discussions**

**Friday Movie Matinees**

In September watch best selling books turned into movies!

**Fridays in September, 2-4 pm**

**IVES**

**September 6 | Ready Player One**

**September 13 | Crazy Rich Asians**

**September 20 | To Kill a Mockingbird**

**September 27 | Wonder**



**Film Screenings with Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ)**

**Whose Streets?**

**(Screening & Discussion)**

**Monday, September 9**

**5:30 pm | MITCHELL**

This documentary shows a first hand account of the Ferguson uprising and how the killing of 18-year-old Mike Brown inspired a community to fight back and sparked a global movement. Film screening and discussion presented by local chapter of Showing up for Racial Justice (SURJ).



**Film Screening and Discussion with**

**Director Steve Hamm**

**Shift Change: Community**

**Policing in New Haven**

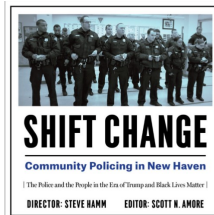
**Thursday, September 26**

**6 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Join filmmaker Steve Hamm as we screen his documentary Shift

Change. New Haven Police Department has made a commitment towards building ties and working with members of the community. Hamm's camera follows the police on the job and in interviews along with commentary from members of the community.

How is the strategy working in light of high-profile incidences of violence associated with policing around the nation? The film is 60 minutes. Afterward stay for a question and answer session with the director.



**World Cinema: The Secret in their Eyes**

**Saturday, September 28, 1 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Hoping to put to rest years of unease concerning a past case in Argentina, retired criminal investigator Benjamín Espósito (Ricardo Darín) begins writing a novel based on the decades-old unsolved mystery of a newlywed's rape and murder. With the help of a former colleague Benjamín attempts to make sense of the past. Juan Jose Campanella's crime drama won the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film. Rated 'R'.



**Screening and Discussion with**

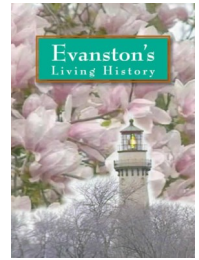
**filmmaker Craig Dudnick**

**Evanston's Living History**

**Saturday, September 28**

**2 pm | WILSON**

Join us for a screening of the documentary, Evanston's Living History, a close look at an African American community's struggle for justice that extends back to the town of Abbeville, South Carolina and the horrific lynching of one of its prominent citizens, Anthony Crawford. Mr. Crawford's descendants migrate to Evanston, IL, a place "up north" where racism still has to be fought.



**NHFPL Galleries**

**Art Opening**

**Saturday, September 21, 3 pm**

**MITCHELL**

Group show featuring painting, drawing and collage by local artists Greg Aime, Eduardo Alvarez, Tyreece Gray, Darnell Phifer, and Tim Reimer.



**Queer Joy: LGBTQ Portraits in Pairs**

**Works by Cate Barry**

**Opening Reception: October 2, 5:30-7 pm**

**September 21 – November 15 | IVES**

This exhibit focuses on LGBTQ and gender non-conforming subjects and explores performance, queer representation, and "breaking" (involuntarily showing vulnerability) in front of the lens. It explores how and why subjects feel "seen" in photographs, the ways in which we front, and what happens when we lose control.

