

September 2023

ADULT PROGRAMS

Featured Adult Programs

Free Friday Films

Fridays, 2-4 pm | IVES

This month's theme is in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

September 1 - *Strawberry and Chocolate*

The story of two men who are opposites; and how they come to love each other. Rated: R

September 8 - *Ways of Being Home*

Portrait of two small towns about the experience of Mexican immigrants living and working in rural America.

September 15 - Double Feature

Palante, Siempre Palante! Documentary surveying Puerto Rican history through the Young Lords, an activist group.

Antonia Pantoja iPresente! Documentary about

Dr. Antonia Pantoja, a visionary Puerto Rican leader.

September 22 - *Wild Tales*

Six short stories that explore the extremes of human behavior involving people in distress. Rated: R

September 29 - *Virus Tropical*

Animated coming-of-age film following the life of a young Latin American woman struggling for independence.

Gather New Haven DIY Gardening Workshop

Saturday, September 9, 11 am-12:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Folly Delgado returns with another helpful session to improve your gardening skills!

Fair Haven Book Club

Monday, September 11, 2-3 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Join the club for a discussion of *The Family Chao*. In Lan Samantha Chang's novel, the overbearing patriarch of a Chinese family's restaurant in Wisconsin is found dead. The family reunites in the aftermath.

QPR & Suicide Prevention Training

Monday, September 11, 5:30-7 pm | IVES

Join for a free training with Lorena Mitchell, City of New Haven's Coordinator for Community Mental Health Initiatives. Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) is a practical and proven suicide prevention training.

Fair Rent Commission Info Session

Thursday, September 14, 6-8 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Learn more about the Fair Rent Commission's work with Wildaliz Bermudez.

Mitchell Branch Open House and Art Reception

Saturday, September 16, 2-4 pm | MITCHELL

Meet new Director and City Librarian, Maria Bernhey. Stay for an art reception featuring the work of Linda Dempsey, receive information about the Westville businesses, and enjoy free snacks.

Humanist Association of Connecticut Book Discussion: *The Sewing Girl's Tale...* by John Wood Sweet

Saturday, September 16, 2:30-4:30 pm | WILSON

Join a monthly book club hosted by the [Humanist Association of Connecticut](#) and discuss great books. All are welcome!

Free Watercolor Class for Seniors

Monday, September 18, 6-8 pm | MITCHELL

[Arts In CT](#) is hosting a free watercolor class for seniors to learn techniques, explore color mixing and blending, and create depth. All skill levels welcome!

Fair Haven Branch Open House

Tuesday, September 19, 10 am-6 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Join us for a day of fun community events and meet our new Director, Maria Bernhey.

Wilson Branch Open House

Tuesday, September 19, 12-8 pm | WILSON

Join us for a day of fun community events and meet our new Director, Maria Bernhey.

Democracy in America: Matthew Jacobson on Sammy Davis, Jr.

Tuesday, September 19, 6-7 pm | IVES

Professor Matthew Jacobson of Yale University will speak about his new book, *Dancing Down the Barricades: Sammy Davis Jr. and the Long Civil Rights Era*, with Professor Robin D. G. Kelley of UCLA.

BYOB (Bring Your Own Book) Book Club

Wednesday, September 20, 6-7 pm | IVES

Join a book group with a twist! Readers are invited to discuss books and share recommendations. Just show up with the 1-3 book(s) you want to share! This month's suggested theme is Hispanic Heritage Month.



New Haven Free Public Library

Ives Main Library Open House

Saturday, September 23, 10 am-5 pm | IVES

Join us for a day of fun community events and meet our new Director, Maria Bernhey.

CT Kid Governor Visits - 11 am-12 pm

Ellie Mendez discusses her platform and term in office.

Community Resource Fair - 11 am-4 pm

Visit with local community agencies to address your needs.

Make Your Own Buttons - 11 am-4 pm

Join us to design your own buttons and leave with a completed product.

Collage Workshop - 1-4 pm

Join staff member/artist Kenzie Morrison.

New Haven Go Club - 1-4 pm

Providing demonstrations and introductions to the game of Go.

Machuca (Chile 2004) Screening - 2-4 pm

Discussion to follow screening.

Stetson Branch Open House

Saturday, September 23, 10 am-5 pm |

STETSON

Join us for a day of fun community events and meet our new Director, Maria Bernhey.

Community Meet and Greet - 12-1:30 pm

Meet our new Librarian Director, Maria Bernhey, along with Stetson staff.

Shubert Theater Presents a Free Mariachi Workshop - 2-3 pm

Join us for a workshop inspired by Latin Grammy-nominee, Mariachi Herencia de México.

Welcome Back Chase Taylor

Chase Taylor will read from his *Letter Critter* series and teach participants how to illustrate.

Milkweed Harvest and Craft Night

Tuesday, September 26, 5:30-6:30 pm |

WILSON

Help promote pollinators, food security and climate resilience! Harvest seeds from Swamp Milkweed plants growing at the Wilson Branch pollinator garden. Light snacks and pollinator-themed crafts will be available for attendees.

Women's History Screening: *The Janes* (2022)

Thursday, September 28, 5-7 pm | IVES

Celebrate International Safe Abortion Day with a free screening of *The Janes* (2022), about a network of women in 1972 helping others find safe, affordable abortions.

September Joint Library Book Chat: *Educated* by Tara Westover

Thursday, September 28, 7-8 pm | ZOOM

A monthly virtual book chat for the patrons of the New Haven Free Public Library and the Prospect Public Library. Register: nhfpl.libnet.info/event/7898688

Classic Cinema: *Alien*

Saturday, September 30, 1-3 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Come see a classic film. Popcorn and soda are on us! A mysterious transmission from a distant moon is picked up by a commercial spaceship. Investigating the call, the crew discovers a strange nest of eggs that reveals an alien life form! Rated: R

Ongoing Programs

Fair Haven Community Management Team Meeting

Thursday, September 7, 6-8 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Ask a Lawyer

Thursday, September 14, 5:30-7:30 pm | IVES

Every second Thursday of the month in partnership with the [New Haven County Bar Association](https://www.nhbar.org/).

Common Ground Mobile Market

Tuesdays, 3-5 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Our friends from Common Ground return with fresh produce set-up on the front lawn. Pay with SNAP, farmers market checks, cash, or credit.

Small Business Help with Doreen Abubakar

Tuesdays, 4:30-6 pm | WILSON

Discuss your small business ideas. Register: calendly.com/talkwithdoreen30min

English Conversation Club

Wednesdays, 4-6 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Music Room Open Hours

Wednesdays, 5-6 pm | WILSON

Liberty Community Services Assistance

Thursdays, 12-4:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Meditation with Elm Community Insight

Saturdays, 10:30 am-12 pm | IVES

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