

# April 2025

## Adult Programs

### Featured Adult Programs

#### **Big Read Kickoff**

**Tuesday, April 1, 5-7:30 pm | WILSON**

Join Library staff and friends from the International Festival of Arts and Ideas with a panel discussion about parallels between the book and current events, activities, snacks, and more! Grab a free copy of this year's book, *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury.

#### **Hypertension Awareness & Prevention Program at Yale (HAPPY)**

**Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm, Fridays, 3-4 pm | IVES**

**Saturdays, April 5 and 12, 2-4 pm | IVES**

HAPPY provides free hypertension screenings.

#### **Ives Book Club**

**Wednesday, April 2, 6-7 pm | IVES**

Come join our new adult book club! We will be discussing *The God of the Woods* by Liz Moore.

#### **Book Lovers' Circle**

**Thursday, April 3, 10-11 am | MITCHELL**

Share with other book lovers about the book you're reading or one you've just finished.

#### **Re-Writing Our Climate's Future by Embracing Creativity and Optimism**

**Thursday, April 3, 4-6 pm | IVES**

Presented in partnership with Yale Planetary Solutions. Annalee Newitz will discuss what it will take to create a thriving, sustainable future.

#### **Free Community Yoga**

**Saturday, April 5, 10-11:30 am | WILSON**

Free and open to all! We will come together and practice the eight limbs of the yogic path.

#### **Classic Cinema: *Beauty and the Beast* (Rated: G)**

**Saturday, April 5, 2-3:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Animated musical about a prince who has been cursed by a spell, which can only be broken by finding his true love. Popcorn and soda are on us!

#### **Yale Undergraduate Prison Project (YUPP)**

##### **Resume and Tech Support**

**Saturday, April 5, 2-4:30 pm | IVES**

We hope to support formerly incarcerated individuals and all other community members.

##### **Absolute Pardon Workshop**

**Saturday, April 5, 2:30-3:30 pm | IVES**

**Saturday, April 12, 2:30-4 pm | WILSON**

Are you formerly incarcerated and interested in applying for an absolute pardon in Connecticut?

#### **NHV Health Department Overdose Prevention Navigator Tabling**

**April 7 and 17, 11 am-1 pm | IVES**

**April 10 and 28, 11 am-1 pm | WILSON**

**Monday, April 14, 11 am-1 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Meet with an Overdose Prevention Navigator from the New Haven Public Health Department!

#### **Free for All: The Public Library - An Indie Lens Pop-Up Screening**

**Monday, April 7, 5:30-7 pm | MITCHELL**

**Wednesday, April 9, 2-4 pm | WILSON**

**Saturday, April 12, 2-4:30 pm | IVES**

**Thursday, April 17, 5-7 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

**Wednesday, April 23, 5 pm | STETSON**

Celebrate National Library Week with a free documentary screening followed by a community conversation. Sponsored by the Shubert Theater.

#### **16th Annual Reading by Anne Fadiman and Her Students**

**Wednesday, April 9, 6-7 pm | IVES**

Three undergraduate writers will join Anne Fadiman to read from pieces. Fadiman will read from an essay on teaching via Zoom.

#### **Out of the Abyss Suicide Support Group**

**Wednesday, April 9 and 23, 6:30-7:30 pm | IVES**

This peer led support group allows participants to talk about suicidal thoughts, feelings, or experiences without judgement or hospitalization. For questions, email [ofasoundmind@yahoo.com](mailto:ofasoundmind@yahoo.com)

#### **Humanist Association of Connecticut Book**

##### **Discussion: *Blood Rites* by Barbara Ehrenreich**

**Saturday, April 12, 2:30-4:30 pm | WILSON**

Join a monthly book club hosted by the Humanist Association of Connecticut and discuss *Blood Rites* by Barbara Ehrenreich. All are welcome!

#### **United Way of Greater New Haven Tabling**

**Tuesday, April 15, 11 am-1 pm | IVES**

Local Community Navigators will connect you to the right resources and community partners so you can achieve your financial goals.

#### **Solar Energy Presentation**

**Monday, April 21, 6-7:30 pm | MITCHELL**

If you've heard confusing facts about "going solar," here is a chance to learn all the details. There will be no sales solicitation. This is informational only.

#### **Big Read: Who Am I?**

**Monday, April 21, 6-7:30 pm | IVES**

New Haven Poet Laureate Sharmont "Influence" Little will lead a writing workshop that encourages attendees to think about and share who they are. Registration: [nhfpl.libcal.com/event/14362118](http://nhfpl.libcal.com/event/14362118)

**IVES MAIN LIBRARY**

**133 Elm Street, New Haven, CT 06510 | 203-946-8130 | [www.nhfpl.org](http://www.nhfpl.org)**

### **Garden Exchange & Pollinator Celebration**

**Tuesday, April 22, 5:30-7 pm | WILSON**

Milkweed seedling giveaway, garden swap, seed starting, crafts, live music and more.

### **Big Read Intergenerational Conversation About Book Bans**

**Wednesday, April 23, 6-7 pm | STETSON**

We will discuss *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury, but also other controversial titles. Open to ages 13 and up. Pizza will be served.

### **Author talk: *The Alchemy of Us***

**Thursday, April 24, 6-7:30 pm | IVES**

Join Ainissa Ramirez, Ph.D., an award-winning scientist and science communicator, as she discusses her new book, *The Alchemy of Us*.

### **Gardening Workshop: Tips to Stretch Your Grocery Budget**

**Saturday, April 26, 11 am-12:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Folly Delgado, from Gather New Haven, returns for another workshop to improve your gardening skills.

### **Big Read: Burning Bright - A Writing & Drawing Workshop with KC Councilor**

**Saturday, April 26, 3-4 pm | WILSON**

Participants will explore the power of storytelling and visual expression while reflecting on themes of censorship, individuality, and the value of books.

### **The Morbidly Curious Book Club**

**Monday, April 28, 6-7pm | IVES**

Join this 18+ non-fiction book club exploring the macabre. We will be reading *Waco Rising* by Kevin Cook.

### **New Haven Works Career Fair**

**Tuesday, April 29, 4-7 pm | WILSON**

Meet with New Haven Works partner employers.

### **Breakfast at Tiffany's Screening (1961 / Rated: G)**

**Wednesday, April 30, 2-4 pm | WILSON**

A 1961 American romantic comedy film based on the 1958 novella by Truman Capote.

### **Ongoing Programs**

#### **Meet Your Alders**

Have questions, concerns, or ideas about our neighborhood and city?

**Thursday, April 3, 4:30-6 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Meet with Ward 15 Alder Frank Redente and Ward 9 Alder Caroline Smith.

**Saturday, April 5, 10-11 am | FAIR HAVEN**

Meet with Ward 14 Alder Sarah Miller.

### **Fair Haven Community Management Team Meeting**

**Thursday, April 3, 6-8 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

### **Ask a Lawyer**

**Thursday, April 10, 5:30-7:30 pm | IVES**

Legal questions? Drop in for a free 15-minute consultation with a lawyer. Presented in partnership with the **New Haven County Bar Association**.

### **Adult Writer's Group**

**Mondays, April 14 and 28, 2:30-4 pm | WILSON**

Aspiring and experienced writers are welcome!

### **Technology Assistance**

**Mondays, 11 am-12 pm, Tuesdays, 2-3 pm, and Thursdays, 2-3 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Need technology help? We've got you covered! Help is offered in English or Spanish. Obtenga ayuda en inglés o Español.

### **Mindfulness Matters**

**Mondays, 10:30-11:30 am | WILSON**

Together with peers, practice dropping labels and tuning into yourself. Led by Prabha Makayee.

### **Hearing Voices Weekly Meeting**

**Mondays, 4:30-5:30 pm | WILSON**

The Connecticut Hearing Voices Network provides a space where people can share their experiences of altered states of reality without judgement.

### **Spanish Language Conversation Club**

**Wednesdays, 4-5 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Interested in learning Spanish? Improve your skills in this casual and informal club.

### **English Conversation Club**

**Wednesdays, 4-6 pm | FAIR HAVEN**

Practice speaking English and learn to improve for free in a casual group setting! Families welcome.

### **The Unhoused Activists Community Team (U-ACT)**

**Fridays, 1-3 pm | IVES**

U-ACT is made up of people fighting for the rights and dignity of unhoused people in New Haven. Call or text Billy Bomage at 203-804-0207 for more info.

### **Meditation with Elm Community Insight**

**Saturdays, 10:30 am-12 pm | IVES**

### **New Haven Go Club**

**Saturdays, 2-4:45 pm | IVES**

Come learn and play this exciting strategy game that was invented almost 2,500 years ago!