

April 2025 Programming

Ives Main Library | 133 Elm Street, New Haven, CT 06510 | (203) 946-8130 x140

Open Hours 3D Printer - 3D Carving Machine - Laser Cutter - Vinyl Cutter

Monday

Tuesday

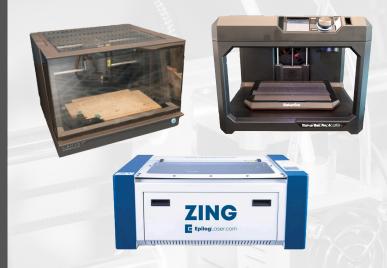
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Friday

Saturday

Equipment Certifications

Sign up for training <u>here</u> or ask at the Switchboard! Can't make a class? No worries! You can watch the training videos on our website!



Looking for new Skill Share Participants!

Skill Share is a volunteer program where participants share their neat skills with others! Ives Squared will even provide the supplies (within reason).

If you are interested in joining, you can ask for an application at the Switchboard desk or contact Rose Simpson at rsimpson@nhfpl.org for more information.

Are you a teacher who wants to bring a class for a tour or to work on a project?

We are happy to provide this opportunity to students! We offer tours in the mornings from 10am-12pm by appointment only. Please call us at 203-946-8130 x 140 to discuss scheduling.

Creative Programs

Drop-In Blackout and Found Poetry

All of April

Blackout poetry is when you take a written piece of text and cross out words to create your very own poetry. Found poems take existing texts, refashion and reorders them, and then present them as poems-almost like a collage. All supplies will be provided.



The Stitch Niche: A Fiber Arts Meetup

Tuesday, April 8, 6-7:30 pm

Bring your current knitting, sewing, crocheting, or other fiber arts projects and meet with other crafters in a casual and friendly setting! No experience is necessary. A small amount of supplies will be available for beginners.





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Finding Your Artistic Lens: A Cell Phone Photography and Editing Series

As cell phone cameras improve, we are taking more photos than ever before! In this four part series, Kim Weston, photographer and owner of the Wabi Gallery, will teach participants not only how to take great photos, but how to edit them to make them shine even more!



Upon completion of the series, one photograph by each participant will be printed and framed for display at the Ives Main Library! This program is hosted jointly by Ives Squared and Adult Services and is funded thanks to a generous grant from the David T. Langrock Foundation. Registration is required for the entire series.

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Session 1: Cell Phone Photography

Saturday, April 5, 2-4 pm

Learn about lighting, how to frame the perfect shot, and what the photography settings on your phone mean before heading out to take pictures around downtown New Haven.

Session 2: Cell Phone Photography

Saturday, April 12, 2-4 pm

Now that you have taken your photos, learn how to upload your photo to the computer and how to use GIMP (a free photo editing software) to adjust your raw file. By the end of this session, participants should be able to do basic editing independently.

Session 3: Cell Phone Photography Saturday, April 26, 2-4 pm

Before this session, please select the photo you will submit to the gallery showing. Use these two hours to ask questions about editing your specific photo and get more individualized help. The final version of your edited photograph must be submitted by Saturday, May 3, 2025. Please include a photo with a minimum resolution of 600dpi, along with your name, and the title of your photograph.







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The Exchange is entrepreneurial hub and coworking space offering small businesses, nonprofits, and community groups a place in which they can meet, utilize our book collections, computers, and database resources, as well as access personal assistance from our librarians during office hours.

Business Librarian

Alexandria Robison received her MLIS from the University of Rhode Island, with a focus in Library Administration and Transforming Communities. She is

passionate about building relationships with Connecticut small business owners and using her communications background to identify and provide the support businesses and nonprofits need to grow and thrive. You may have crossed



paths with Alexandria in her past roles with the New Haven Free Public Library and NHFPL Foundation.

Alexandria is available to help answer many of your business and nonprofit related questions, help you get started and/or grow your business, and put you in touch with other appropriate resources within the Greater New Haven entrepreneurial ecosystem!

Office Hours By Appointment

Tuesdays 3-5 pm

Email arobison@nhfpl.org or book an appointment.

Take the Smart Approach to Launching Your Business

Tuesday, April 29, 6-7:45 pm

Learn the inescapable truths that every aspiring business owner must face. And you'll come away with a checklist for starting your enterprise the right way. Presented in partnership with the Community Economic Development Fund (CEDF). Registration is required: nhfpl.libcal.com/event/14313580

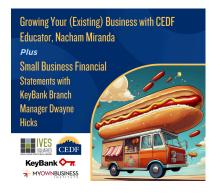


Growing Your (Existing) Business

Wednesday, April 30, 6-7:45 pm

In operation two or more years? How will you raise more capital by showing show lenders or investors that you are a solid bet? We'll review the steps on the staircase that you'll need to climb. Presented in partnership with the Community Economic Development Fund (CEDF). Registration is required:

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