

October 2025

Adult Programs

Featured Adult Programs

Ives Book Club

Wednesday, October 1, 6:30-7:30 pm | IVES

Join us for a discussion of *Monstrilio* by Gerardo Sámano Córdova, a literary horror about a grieving mother who inadvertently creates a monster from her deceased son, and the people who love him in every form he takes.

Flu Vaccine Clinic

Thursday, October 2, 10 am-12 pm | IVES

Sponsored by the New Haven Health Department.

Music Haven's Hispanic Heritage Concert

Saturday, October 4, 11 am-12:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Music Haven's new choir director, Miles Wilson-Toliver, will be joined by pianist Jacob Wang featuring songs from the Harlem Renaissance, classic Broadway tunes, and Mexican folk favorites. The celebration continues with an Instrument Petting Zoo!

Free CPR/AED Class

Saturday, October 4, 1-3 pm | STETSON

Saturday, October 18, 2-4 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Yale-New Haven Health is providing free training for members of the community to learn how to perform CPR and use an AED. Registration is required. Please visit nhfpl.org to sign up.

Common Ground's Farmer's Market

Tuesday, October 7, 3-5 pm | FAIR HAVEN

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

Author Talk with Victoria Buitron

Tuesday, October 7, 6-7:30 pm | IVES

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with award-winning author, poet, and editor Victoria Buitron. We will discuss her memoir, *A Body Across Two Hemispheres* and her upcoming collection of poetry, *Unburying the Bones*.

Resume and Tech Support

Tuesdays, October 7 and 21, 6-7:45 pm | IVES

Saturday, October 25, 12-2 pm | IVES

Drop in to get help with your resume, accessing and understanding the internet, or other tech questions. Provided in partnership with Yale Undergraduate Prison Project (YUPP). No appointment necessary.

Using JobNow for Career Success

Wednesday, October 8, 2-3 pm | IVES

Come learn how to use this FREE database to build your career skills. They have resources to help you navigate all stages of the job search process!

Register: nhfpl.libcal.com/event/15360986

Wednesday Movie Matinee: *Black Sunday*

Wednesday, October 8, 2-4 pm | WILSON

An Italian gothic horror film about a witch who is put to death by her brother, only to return two centuries later to seek revenge upon his descendants.

Book Lovers' Circle

Thursday, October 9, 10-11 am | MITCHELL

Share with us what you're reading, what you've just finished, or a book you read a year ago!

Mitchell Book Club: *Ragtime* by E. L. Doctorow

Thursday, October 9, 2-3 pm | MITCHELL

This month we discuss *Ragtime* by E.L. Doctorow. All readers are welcome and copies will be available to borrow from the Mitchell Branch!

Hill North Community Management Team Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 6-7:45 pm | WILSON

Have a voice in your community. Hear reports and get information from first responders, elected officials representing the Hill neighborhood, and active citizens.

Astronomy!

Thursday, October 16, 4:30-5:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Unlock and learn to use tools like Stellarium to explore the stars, constellations, planets and nebulae visible each night. Learn trivia and stellar anomalies to keep an eye out for this October.

Fair Rent Commission Info Session

Thursday, October 16, 6-7:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Meet with New Haven's Fair Rent Commission's Wildaliz Bermudez to hear about how the Commission takes on cases of tenant complaints.

Gardening Workshop: Fruit & Herb Infusions

Saturday, October 18, 11 am-12:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Gather New Haven's Folly Delgado returns for another workshop to improve your gardening skills. See how to create vinegar and oil infusions for cooking, cocktails, and gift-giving.

Urban Life Experience Book Discussion: *Kingdom of No Tomorrow* by Fabienne Josaphat

Saturday, October 18, 12-1:30 pm | WILSON

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Card Playing Club

Monday, October 20, 3:30-4:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Join us to learn to play card games like Bridge, Setback, Hearts, Gin Rummy and others.

Yale Repertory Theater Community

Conversation: *Spunk* by Zora Neale Hurston

Monday, October 20, 5-7 pm | STETSON

Meet some of the cast of Yale Rep's production of *Spunk* by Zora Neale Hurston. The cast will discuss the play and the works of Zora Neale Hurston.

Cartoonist Club Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, October 21, 6-8 pm | IVES

Join a group of Connecticut cartoonists interested in making comics and graphic novels. Open to any adult, no matter your experience level.

Wednesday Movie Matinee: *Poltergeist* (Rated PG)

Wednesday, October 22, 2-4 pm | WILSON

A suburban family's home is invaded by ghosts that abduct their youngest daughter.

Free Community Yoga

Thursdays, October 23 and 30, 6-7:30 pm | FAIR HAVEN

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

Classic Cinema: *The Bridge on the River Kwai*

(Rated: PG)

Saturday, October 25, 1-3:35 pm | FAIR HAVEN

British POWs are forced by their Japanese captors to build a railroad bridge in World War II.

Humanist Association of Connecticut Book

Discussion: *The Undertow: Scenes from a Slow Civil War* by Jeff Sharlet

Saturday, October 25, 2:30-4:30 pm | WILSON

Discuss *The Undertow: Scenes from a Slow Civil War* by Jeff Sharlet.

The Morbidly Curious Book Club

Monday, October 27, 6-7 pm | IVES

Join this 18+ non-fiction book club exploring the macabre. We will be reading *In the Mouth of the Wolf* by Katherine Corcoran.

Ongoing Programs

Fair Haven Community Management Team Meeting

Thursday, October 2, 6-8 pm | FAIR HAVEN

Discuss your community concerns.

Meet Your Alder

Saturday, October 4, 10-11 am | FAIR HAVEN

Have questions, concerns, or ideas about our neighborhood and city? Meet with Ward 14 Alder Sarah Miller.

Ask a Lawyer

Thursday, October 9, 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

Monday, October 27, 2:30-4 pm | WILSON

Both aspiring and experienced writers are welcome!

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 support groups for people who hear voices, see visions, or experience other altered states of reality.

Technology Assistance

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

Need technology help? Help is offered in English or Spanish. Obtenga ayuda en inglés o Español.

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.

Ask A Gardener

Thursdays, 2-4 pm | WILSON

Stop by for answers and advice from Master Gardeners Faith and Giulia. Learn about community garden plots and check out some free seeds.

The Unhoused Activists Community Team

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 Borage at 203-804-0207 for more info.

Meditation with Elm Community Insight

Saturdays, 10:30 am-12 pm | IVES

Join us for morning meditation led by Elm Community Insight in collaboration with the NHFPL.

New Haven Go Club

Saturdays, 1-4:30 pm | IVES

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

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