

The Ridgefield Library



BIBLIOEVENTS

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The Final Hubble Mission



Slide Presentation with Astronomer **Dr. Heidi B. Hammel**

On Sunday, September 28 at 2 PM, Dr. Heidi Hammel will give a presentation about the last shuttle mission to the Hubble Space Telescope scheduled for launch on October 8, 2008. With images and videos, she will describe how the astronauts have trained for the Hubble mission. She will show pictures of the new equipment and share what astronomers are most excited about, while explaining what is in store for Hubble in its final years. She will also bring an actual piece of Hubble, a section of the telescope's outer covering that flew in space for over a decade.

Dr. Hammel, a Ridgefield resident, is a long-time Hubble user with over 15 years of experience with this amazing telescope. She led the Hubble team that tracked a comet crashing into the cloud-tops of Jupiter in 1994, has published many scientific papers based on Hubble images, and still uses Hubble to study the atmospheres of the planets Uranus and Neptune.



Registration not required

Ridgefield Folk - F a l l 2 0 0 8



Jez Lowe and the
Bad Pennies
September 21



Kris
Delmhorst
October 5



Rob Messore
and Friends
November 9

Free tickets can be picked up on the day of the concerts starting at 1 PM.

The doors open at 1:30 and the shows all start at 2 PM.

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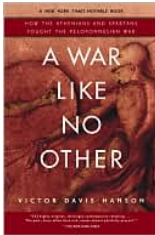
BOOK GROUPS

TUESDAY EVENING NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, September 2
7 PM

*A War Like No Other,
How the Athenians and
Spartans Fought the
Peloponnesian War*
by Victor Davis Hanson

“One of our most provocative military historians, Victor Davis Hanson has given us painstakingly researched and path-breaking accounts of wars ranging from classical antiquity to the twenty-first century. Now he juxtaposes an ancient conflict with our most urgent modern concerns to create his most engrossing work to date.”
Book Description.

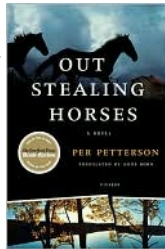


CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, September 16
7 PM

Out Stealing Horses
by Pers Petterson

Trond Sander, a widower nearing seventy, moves to a cabin in a remote area of eastern Norway. A chance encounter brings back a flood of memories from the summer of 1948 that proved to be a pivotal juncture in his life. Translated from the Norwegian, this novel captures the perspectives of a man looking back on his youth and illuminates the beauty of its northern landscape.



POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, September 19
1 PM

Join us for the first in a four-part discussion of the works of W. B. Yeats. The discussions will be led by English professor and poet Dr. Alan Holder. A limited number of copies of *A Yeats Reader* are available at the Circulation Desk thanks to the Friends of the Library.

Dates for Yeats

Discussions:

Friday Sept. 19, Oct 10,
Nov. 21 and Dec. 19,
1 to 2:30 PM

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A.M. BOOK GROUP

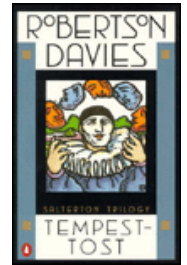
Wednesday,
September 24
10 AM

Tempest-tost

by Robertson Davies

Volume 1 of the Canadian author's Salterton Trilogy is a delightful satirical take on small-town society, academic small-mindedness, young love and the artistic pretensions of amateur theatre enthusiasts.

New members are always
welcome at book groups.



Hollister Films

Definitely Maybe (2008)

2008, Rated PG-13, 112 Mins.

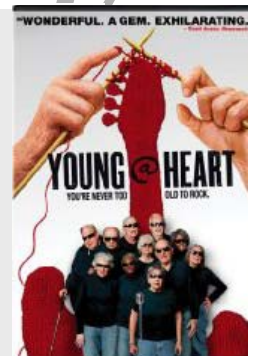


Will Hayes is in the midst of a divorce when his young daughter, Maya, starts to question him about his life before marriage. Will tells Maya his story of relationships with three very different women but leaves it up to Maya to determine which one is her mother. Their conversations force him to come face to face with his past actions and present predicaments.

Tuesday, September 9
1:30 & 7 PM

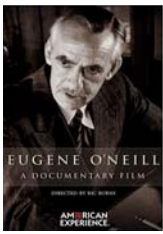
Young at Heart

2008, PG, 108 Mins.



Get ready to rock out with the most entertaining "golden oldies" you will ever meet, a fun-loving senior citizens' choir called Young@Heart. To prepare for a show in their hometown that is only weeks away, the lovable seniors must learn a slate of new songs, ranging from James Brown to Coldplay.

Tuesday, September 23
1:30 & 7 PM



As part of its ongoing focus on Ridgefield writers for the Town's 300th anniversary celebrations, the Library will present a multi-part series on **Eugene O'Neill's *Desire Under the Elms***. This play, which is considered O'Neill's first great tragedy, was written while he lived here in Ridgefield.

The series will include film screenings, a lecture, book discussions and a dramatic performance, all taking place this fall.

A screening and discussion of the 1958 film of *Desire Under the Elms* will kick off the series on **Saturday, September 13 starting at 10 AM**. Film buff Lou Sabini will introduce the film and there will be plenty of time for questions and answers after the screening.

Dr. Mark Schenker, an Associate Dean and lecturer at Yale, will return to the Library on **Thursday, September 18 at 7 PM** to discuss O'Neill and his work. Dr. Schenker lectures throughout Fairfield County on a wide variety of

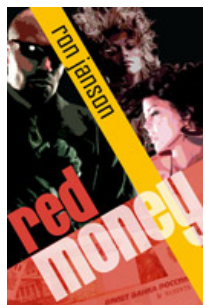
literary topics.

On **Saturday, September 20 at 10 AM** the Library will screen the PBS documentary, *American Masters: Eugene O'Neill*.

Adult Services Librarian Dorothy Pawlowski will lead an afternoon and an evening discussion about the play on **Monday, September 22**. The afternoon session begins at 2 PM and the evening session begins at 7 PM. Please register at the Fiction Desk for one of the book discussions and to pick up a free copy of the play.

As an added bonus, actor Stephen Collins will perform his one-man play *Theater of the 30's, 40's and 50's* on **Thursday, October 23 at 7 PM**. The dramatic performance will include excerpts from plays by Thornton Wilder, Tennessee Williams, Arthur Miller and Eugene O'Neill.

Registration is only required for the book discussions taking place on September 22. This series is made possible thanks to the Wadsworth Russell Lewis Fund.



Ridgefield author Roy Johnson will share excerpts from his recently released book *Red Money* (written under the pen name Ron Janson) on **Thursday, September 4 at 7 PM**. Roy will also do a presentation about the murky world of money laundering - a world in which his thriller about the Russian mob is set.

Copies of *Red Money* will be available for sale and signing after the program.

ARTrip to Yale University Art Gallery



Join us for a guided tour of the exhibit of Van Gogh's *Cypresses* and *Starry Night*.

**Saturday,
September 6
11 AM — 2 PM**

Call Laurie McGavin Bachmann at 438-2282 (x1010) to register for this program and for directions to the Gallery.

Attendees must make their own way to New Haven and meet at the Gallery at 11 AM.

Register now as only a few spots remain!

Photography Exhibit September 3 to October 10, 2008



Traditions of India
By Barbara Paul

**Artist's Reception
Saturday
September 14
2 to 4 PM**

**Come and meet the artist and
enjoy refreshments
including some delicious
Indian food!**



SEPTEMBER 2008

CALENDAR OF ADULT PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
31	1	2 Tuesday Evening Nonfictioneers: A War Like No Other by Victor Davis Hanson 7 PM	3	4 Author Talk: Red Money with Roy E. Johnson 7 PM	5	6 Memoir Writing Group: 10 AM ARTrip: Van Gogh Exhibit at Yale University Art Gallery 11 AM Register	
7	8 Books & Breakfast: Book Chat 10:30 AM	9 Hollister Film Series: <i>Definitely Maybe</i> 1:30 and 7 PM	10	11	12	13 Shutterbugs: Photography Group Monthly Meeting 9:30 AM Film Screening and Discussion: <i>Desire Under the Elms</i> led by Lou Sabini 10 AM	
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