

The Gatekeeper
with Kathryn Smith



Author **Kathryn Smith** will discuss her recently released book *The Gatekeeper: Missy LeHand, FDR and the Untold Story of the Partnership That Defined a Presidency*. Books will be available for sale and signing at the event.

Saturday, September 10, 2 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Ridgefield Writers Conference
Open House and Reception

The event features award-winning authors **Hollis Seamon, Sonya Huber, Chris Belden** and **James M. Chesbro**. Also featured will be representatives from the newly launched Norwalk-based **Woodhall Press**, publishers of poetry, fiction and nonfiction. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, September 23, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org



There is Life After College
with Jeffrey Selingo

Jeffrey Selingo will kick off this year's *Raising the Selfie Generation: Instilling Resilience* series with a program called *The World of Work: Getting Your Teen Ready Begins Now*. Selingo is the author of *There Is Life After College: What Parents and Students Should Know About Navigating School To Prepare For the Jobs of Tomorrow*.

Tuesday, September 27, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Architecture's Odd Couple



Hugh Howard will discuss his recently released book *Architecture's Odd Couple: Frank Lloyd Wright and Philip Johnson*, which has been described as an "engaging dual portrait...written with wit and flair and supported by solid research." – **Booklist**

Thursday, September 29, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Net Elections
with John Patrick

John R. Patrick (DHA) will discuss his latest book *Net Elections*. During his talk Dr. Patrick, who was Vice President for Internet Technology at IBM, will discuss how internet voting can lead to a stronger democracy. He will explore how we register and vote in America and discuss Internet security, authentication, privacy, verifiability, and other challenges to online voting.

Wednesday, September 21, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

The College List: Finding the Right Fit
with Debbie Davis



Ridgefielder **Debbie Davis**, founder of Davis Education & Career Consultants, LLC, will help students and their parents make informed decisions on appropriate academic, social and financial fit.

Saturday, September 24, 10 AM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

ARTalks Film Series
with Camilla Cook

Art consultant and independent curator **Camilla Cook** will present a film series about leading American modern artists on the second Thursday of the month from Sept. through Dec. The first film will be about **Georgia O'Keefe**. ARTalks is co-sponsored by the Guild of Artists.

Thursday, September 8, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Candidates Forum
with Ridgefield League of Women Voters

The Forum will feature candidates running for election to represent residents of Ridgefield in Hartford. Candidates for CT State Senate 26th District and CT State Legislature 111th and 138th Districts have been invited to attend.

Wednesday, September 28, 7 PM
No registration

Health and Wellness programs are made possible thanks to the
Noreen L. Papa - Mothers: Live Your Life fund.

Energy Healing Techniques for Everyday Life with JoAnn Inserra Duncan



JoAnn Duncan will present some simple techniques for everyday life to stay grounded, centered and protected. These simple tools can help reduce anxiety, improve focus and concentration and help you understand what triggers there are in your life that affect your energy and well being. Learn how our negative thoughts can be shifted to positive thoughts and help our physical, mental/emotional and spiritual well being. These practical tools are easy to learn and incorporate into your daily life. JoAnn is a Reiki Master and founder of Turning Point Healing Arts & Education Center.

Monday, September 12, 7 p.m.
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org



Shamanic Journeying and Drumming with Deana Paqua



Deana Paqua, MA, LMT, will give an introduction to *Shamanic Journeying and Drumming*. Shamanic journeying is an ancient form of meditation that has been used for thousands of years for obtaining healing, guidance, wisdom and spiritual growth by medicine people across the globe. Learn to journey to the beat of the Drum which represents the heart beat of Mother Earth. Journeying can open up new possibilities for self-healing and self-empowerment. This is a fun, experiential workshop which provides easy instruction and practice for journeying techniques anyone can use. Bring your own drum, small box or shaker!

Monday, September 26, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Mastering the Mental Game with Deena Kastor



Join us for a very special evening with athlete **Deena Kastor** as she shares her thoughts about keeping your mind positive when the going gets tough. Deena's career is earmarked by her groundbreaking 2004 Olympic Bronze Medal in the marathon in Athens, Greece, which shattered a 20-year medal drought for U.S. women in the event. Deena is currently the American Record Holder in the marathon (2:19:36) and half marathon (1:07:34).

Tuesday, September 20, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

The Chekhov Theatre Studio 1939-1942 with Lenka Pichliková



Actor, producer and drama professor **Lenka Pichliková** discusses the Russian-born actor Michael Chekhov, who in 1939 established the Chekhov Ridgefield School in a Connecticut barn. There he taught classes and honed the Chekhov Method, an approach to acting that has influenced actors from Yul Brynner to Johnny Depp. This program is part of the Chekhov International Theater Festival to be held in Ridgefield from Thursday, Sept. 22 through Saturday, Sept. 24.

Tuesday, September 13, 7 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

FILM SCREENING

The Rise of Giants

The Rise of the Giants is documentary film about the growing season of several giant pumpkin growers. Watch the growth of these huge plants from seed to harvest and track the almost daily growth of the giant gourds themselves all the way to the scales of the pumpkin weighoff competitions. Ridgefielder Steve Madden, himself a giant pumpkin grower, will be on hand to answer questions.

Sunday, September 11, 3 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

FINANCIAL

Flying Solo

Join us for an educational event for divorcing, single or widowed women. A panel of professional women will address legal, financial, social, and family issues in *Flying Solo*, a free seminar for single, divorcing or widowed women. Men are also welcome to attend. Co-sponsored by the Ridgefield *Brown Bag Network* and Ridgefield Library.

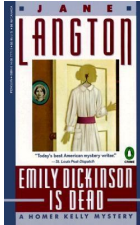
Thursday, September 22, 6 PM
Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

LIBRARY BOOK GROUPS - NEW READERS WELCOME!

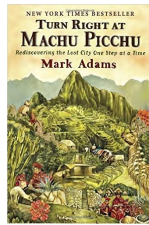
MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, September 1
10:30 AM
Emily Dickinson Is Dead
by Jane Langton

Former police detective and scholar of Transcendentalism Homer Kelly investigates arson and murder at a scholarly conference in Dickinson's hometown of Amherst, Massachusetts.



mysteries and Adams has written such a bold compelling account that I'm sure many of us will soon be trekking up those same outrageous mountains to see them for ourselves. It is a beautiful and profound world that he has entered and his readers are immeasurably the richer for it—Sebastian Junger, author of *The Perfect Storm* and *War*



BOOKS & BREAKFAST

September 12
10:30 AM



Join us for an informal book chat led by Dorothy Pawlowski

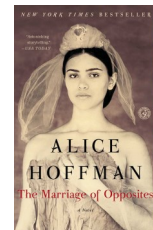
Poetry Discussion Group

Friday, September 23
1:00 PM
Gerard Manley Hopkins
with Dr. Alan Holder
Program made possible thanks to the Friends of the Library

CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, September 20
7:00 PM
The Marriage of Opposites
by Alice Hoffman

This is a fascinating imagining of the life of the Impressionist artist Camille Pissaro's mother, a brilliant and strong-willed businesswoman challenging the cultural mores of the early 19th century in St. Thomas, a safe haven for Jews fleeing persecution in France.



A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, Sept. 28
10:00 AM
Slaughterhouse-five: or, *The Children's Crusade*
by Kurt Vonnegut

Chaplain's assistant Billy Pilgrim survives the firebombing of Dresden, only to be kidnapped by aliens from the planet Tralfamadore in this satire that draws on the author's own World War II experiences and his concern about the new conflict building in Vietnam.

LIVE IN HD @ RIDGEFIELD PLAYHOUSE

Metropolitan Opera, National Theatre of London and the Bolshoi Ballet on the big screen! Ridgefield Library card holders now receive the Playhouse membership rate of \$20 for these events. For a full listing visit - ridgefieldplayhouse.org.

NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, September 6
7:00 PM
Turn Right at Machu Picchu
by Mark Adams

Mark Adams crisscrossed the Andes and has returned with a superb and important tale of adventure and archaeology. The Inca ruins at Machu Picchu are one of the world's enduring

TECH TOPICS

Getting Started with the Library's Digital Resources
- Thursday, September 15, 1:00 - 2:30 PM - Drop in for hands-on assistance from our staff.

Your 24/7 Library

- Tuesday, September 20, 1:00 - 2:30 PM - [Register](#)

3D Printer Orientation - We now offer use of our 3D printer to Ridgefield Library cardholders. Before reserving printer time, we require attendance at this 90-minute orientation.

- Tuesday, September 22, 6:00 - 7:30 PM - [Register](#)

Preserve Your Memories - Convert Your VHS Tapes to DVD - Available to Ridgefield Library cardholders 13 years of age or older. Please reserve one of these two-hour blocks

- Thursday, September 8, 5:00 - 7:00 PM - [Register](#)

- Monday, September 12, 1:00 - 3:00 PM - [Register](#)

- Tuesday, September 13, 3:00 - 5:00 PM - [Register](#)

- Friday, September 16, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM - [Register](#)

- Wednesday, Sept. 21, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM - [Register](#)

- Tuesday, September 27, 2:00 - 4:00 PM - [Register](#)

- Wednesday, September 28, 2:00 - 4:00 PM - [Register](#)

Adult Maker Group - Come join our new Adult Maker Group and tinker with us. This month the group will continue to work with Arduinos and with the SparkFun Thing and delve into how they connect with the *Internet of Things*. This group is for those 18 years of age and over.

- Wednesday, September 28, 6:00 - 7:30 PM - [Register](#)

MAKING STEAM

Felting

with Pat Corrigan

Wednesday, September 14, 1 - 4 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org



Adult Coloring

Friday, September 23, 1 - 3 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

FEATURED EVENTS CALENDAR - SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Exhibition - The Gallery (Lower Level) <i>Two Guys and a Gal</i> : Paintings by Richard Koleszar, Harry Dayton and Emelie Howard September 2 through 29, Reception September 11, 1 - 3 PM Exhibition - Ruggles Fine Arts Reading Room (Upper Level) Sculptures by Justin Pearlman and Lewis Schaffer - Till Sept. 11				1 Murder by the Book: <i>Emily Dickinson Is Dead</i> by Jane Langton 10:30 AM	2	3 Meeting: <i>Memoir Writing Group</i> 1 PM
4 Closed: Summer Sundays	5 Closed: Labor Day	6 Nonfictioners: <i>Turn Right at Machu Picchu</i> by Mark Adams 7 PM	7	8 Founders Hall Book Discussion: <i>Rules of Civility</i> by Amor Towles 3 PM ARTalk: <i>Georgia O'Keefe</i> Film Screening and Discussion with Camilla Cook 7 PM	9	10 Field Trip: <i>Shutterbugs</i> 9 AM Author Talk: <i>The Gatekeeper</i> with Kathryn Smith 2 PM
11 Artists' Reception: <i>Two Guys and a Gal</i> 1 - 3 PM Film Screening: <i>The Rise of the Giants</i> 3 PM	12 Discussion: <i>Books & Breakfast</i> 10:30 AM Holistic Health Series: <i>Energy Healing Techniques for Everyday Life</i> 7 PM	13 Lecture: <i>The Chekhov Theatre Studio 1939-1942</i> with Lenka Pichliková 7 PM	14 Making STEAM: <i>Felting</i> with Pat Corrigan 1 PM Monthly Meeting: <i>Theater Barn Playwrights Collective</i> 6 PM	15 Tech Topics: <i>Getting Started with the Library's Digital Resources</i> 1 - 2:30 PM (drop in)	16 Symposium: <i>Full STEAM Ahead - Friday</i> event sold out!	17 Symposium: <i>Full STEAM Ahead</i> Saturday daytime programs sold out Symposium: <i>The Nature of Wine and Creativity: A Sensory Wine-Tasting Experience</i> \$45 5 - 7 PM
18 Symposium: <i>Full STEAM Ahead Community Day: Hands-on With STEAM</i> free and open to all! 1 - 5 PM at the Library and The Aldrich	19	20 Critics' Circle: <i>The Marriage of Opposites</i> by Alice Hoffman 7 PM Lecture: <i>Mastering the Mental Game</i> with Deena Kastor 7 PM	21 Author Talk: <i>Election Attitude</i> with Dr. John Patrick 7 PM	22 Panel: <i>Flying Solo: Educational Event for Divorcing, Single, or Widowed Women</i> 6 PM	23 Ridgefield Writers Conference: <i>Open House and Reception</i> 7 PM Making STEAM: <i>Adult Coloring</i> 1 - 3 PM	24 Talk: <i>The College List: The Right Fit for Education and Career</i> with Debbie Davis 10 AM
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