

JOIN THE PARTY!

The Big Read: The Great Gatsby Town-wide Reading Event This Fall



Join The Ridgefield Playhouse for Movies and the Performing Arts and the Ridgefield Library this fall as we organize a community-wide reading initiative of *The Great Gatsby* under the auspices of *The Big Read*, which is a program of the National Endowment for

the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest. The program is also made possible with support from Liz and Steven Goldstone.

Enjoy lectures, movie screenings, book discussions, live music and more. For a full listing of events and for information on how you or your group can get involved visit the Library's website.

October 10 to November 23

More information at www.ridgefieldlibrary.org

HEALTH TALK

How to Have a Healthy Life and Still Enjoy What You're Eating with Meredith Mulhearn



Meredith Mulhearn, Nutrition Therapist and founder of Cucumber & Chamomile will share the one secret to drastically improve how you feel in your life with a solution that will take you less than five minutes a day.

This program is part of the Discover... @ The Ridgefield Library Adult Summer Reading program and is made possible thanks to the Friends of the

Ridgefield Library.

Thursday, August 14, 7 PM

Please register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

EXHIBITION & ARTWALK

What's the Buzz About Biomimicry by Karyn Reynolds

Biomimicry is a design discipline that seeks innovative and sustainable solutions to complex human problems by imitating nature's time-tested patterns. Local artist **Karyn Reynolds** explores Biomimicry with interpretive works in book sculpture, assemblage and collage in the Lower Level Gallery through September 10.

Karyn Reynolds is a mixed-media artist whose portfolio spans a wide variety of materials and processes. She has won awards in local and regional juried shows and is a member of the Ridgefield Guild of Artists and the Center for Contemporary Printmaking.

Meet the Artist Day is Saturday, August 23 at the Ridgefield Library from 12 - 4 PM. This exhibition is part of the Town's *Art Walk* program.

Aug. 4 - Sept. 10, Reception Aug. 22, 5 - 7 PM

No registration

WALK AND TALK

The Garden of Ideas with Joe Keller

Joseph Keller of the Garden of Ideas, an outdoor community center and garden sanctuary in Ridgefield, will talk about looking to the past for clues about the future of agriculture. He examines texts from the 1st century in Rome, the 19th century in China, and the 20th century in Japan for farming practices and solutions to problems that transcend time and technological progress. He will lead a tour of the Garden of Ideas afterwards. This special day will be structured like this:

11 AM - Talk at the Library

11:45 AM - Car pool over to the Garden of Ideas

12 PM - Please bring a lunch to enjoy

12:30 PM - Tour of the Garden.



Friday, August 22, 11 AM

Please register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Coming in September

AUTHOR TALKS



Amy Newmark
Chicken Soup for the Soul: Living with Alzheimer's & Other Dementias

**Wednesday, September 3
7 PM**

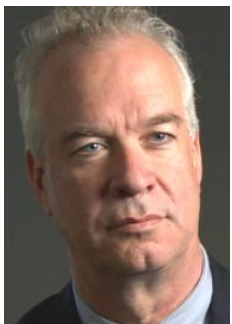
Co-sponsored by Laurel Ridge
Register ridgefieldlibrary.org



Jane Stern
Eat Your Way Across the USA: A New Take on Regional American Food

**Tuesday, September 9
7 PM**

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Todd Brewster
Lincoln's Gamble: The Tumultuous Six Months that Gave America the Emancipation Proclamation and Changed the Course of the Civil War

**Wednesday, September 17
7 PM**

Register ridgefieldlibrary.org



Peter Spiegelman & Carol Ann Davis

Opening event of Ridgefield Writers Conference
For more information about the Writers Conference visit ridgefieldwritersconference.blogspot.com

**Friday, September 26
7 PM - No registration**



RIDGEFIELD FOLK FALL SERIES



Cantrip

September 7



**Sheri
Miller**

September 14



**Kris
Delmhorst**

November 23

Free thanks to the Friends of the Library. Tickets available @ the door at 1:00 PM on day of show, doors open at 1:30 PM, concerts begin at 2:00 PM

LIBRARY BOOK GROUPS - NEW READERS WELCOME!

NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, August 5
7 PM

*Catherine the Great:
Portrait of a Woman*
by Robert K. Massie

The Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Peter the Great*, *Nicholas and Alexandra*, and *The Romanovs* returns with the extraordinary story of an obscure German princess who became one of the most remarkable, powerful, and captivating women in history.

Next Month's Selection

Tuesday, September 2
*Bismarck: The Man and
the Statesman*
by A. J. P. Taylor

A study of one of the most influential figures in Germany's history. Treating Bismarck as a man of his time, A.J.P. Taylor surveys his political policy and actions as well as investigating the psychology of a man whose life and achievements continue to be controversial.

MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, August 7
1 PM

Twelve Red Herrings
by Jeffrey Archer

A collection of short stories that feature false clues and twisted endings, from the incredibly prolific and popular British author and former Conservative member of Parliament once himself jailed for perjury and corruption.

Next Month's Selection

Thursday, September 4
Skin Tight
by Carl Hiaasen

Retired PI Mike Stranahan is forced back into investigative action after a Mafia hitman with a gun breaks into his house, with gruesome and hilarious consequences for the intruder. Hiaasen's tales of South Florida crime and mayhem are known as much for their biting satire and laugh-out-load humor as for their suspense.

FOUNDERS HALL BOOK GROUP

Thursday, August 14
3 PM

The Dovekeepers
by Alice Hoffman

Note: This session will be held at the Ridgefield Library and will include a tour of the new facility. Open to members only

CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, August 19
7 PM

The Orphan Train
by Christina Baker Kline

Vivian is a 91-year-old Irish immigrant, and Molly is a survivor of the foster care system. An unlikely bond forms between the two as Vivian reveals her past, when she was orphaned as a young girl and put on a train to the Midwest with hundreds of other children. This novel about the search for family illuminates a forgotten chapter of American history.

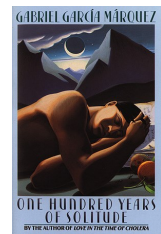
A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, August 27
10 AM

*One Hundred Years of
Solitude*

by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

The lush and lyrical family saga from the late Nobel laureate that introduced an entire generation to magical realism and to Latin American literature.



POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

The Poetry Discussion Group does not meet over the summer. The next meeting will be on Friday, September 19 at 1 PM

The Poetry Discussion Group is made possible thanks to the **Friends of the Library.**

TECH TOPICS

Taking Better Photos: Digital SLR Cameras with Mark Edwards

Many people buy their first Digital Single Lens Reflex Cameras because they're told by friends or salespeople that those cameras are needed to take the best pictures -- but people often don't use many of the functions, treating the camera as a high quality point-and-shoot. This talk will cover the range of creative control that a DSLR gives the user, and tips on how to utilize the camera to take great photos. Mark Edwards teaches film and media studies at Sacred Heart University. This program is part of the Library's *Adult Summer Reading* program and is made possible thanks to the Friends of the Library.

Saturday, August 9, 1 PM
No registration

Using Gmail with Dorothy Pawlowski

Do you have a Gmail account but find yourself overwhelmed by all the tabs and options displayed on the interface? Join us in the Library's new Donofrio Technology Center for an overview of how to navigate a Gmail account. Topics covered in this hands-on training include settings preferences for your account, formatting and sending messages, organizing your inbox, archiving mail and utilizing some of the special features available on Gmail. Limited to 11 participants - registration required.

Wednesday, August 20, 1 - 3 PM
Register at www.ridgefieldlibrary.org

EVENTS CALENDAR - AUGUST 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3 Closed: Summer Sundays!	4 Exhibit: <i>What's the Buzz</i> <i>About Biomimicry</i> by Karyn Reynolds - Runs through September 10 - in the Lower Level Gallery	5 Game Night for Teens and Adults 5 to 7 PM The Nonfictioners: <i>Catherine the Great</i> by Robert K. Massie 7 PM	6	7 Murder by the Book: <i>Twelve Red Herrings</i> by Jeffrey Archer 1 PM	8	9 Meeting: <i>Shutterbugs</i> 9 AM Tech Topics: <i>Taking Better Pictures with Digital SLR Cameras</i> with Mark Edwards 1 PM
10 Closed: Summer Sundays!	11 Discussion: <i>Books & Breakfast</i> 10:30 AM	12	13	14 Founders Hall Book Discussion: <i>The Dovekeepers</i> by Alice Hoffman 3 PM Health Talk: <i>How to Have a Healthy Life and Still Love What You're Eating</i> with Meredith Mulhearn 7 PM	15	16
17 Closed: Summer Sundays!	18	19 Critics' Circle: <i>The Orphan Train</i> by Christina Baker Kline 7:15 PM	20 Tech Topics: <i>Using Gmail</i> with Dorothy Pawlowski 1 - 3 PM	21	22 Walk and Talk: <i>Garden of Ideas</i> 11 AM Artist's Reception: <i>What's the Buzz about Biomimicry</i> with Karyn Reynolds 5 - 7 PM Live Music: <i>Songs @ Six</i> with RMAC - Live Music on the Library Lawn, 6 - 8 PM	23 Meet the Artist: <i>What's the Buzz about Biomimicry</i> with Karyn Reynolds 12 to 4 PM
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