



WRITING WORKSHOPS

The Art of Editing Saturday, December 6 at 10 AM

Writer and editor Adele Annesi will present a program called The Art of Editing in Writing. "To be published in today's competitive market, your writing must be at its best," said Ms. Annesi. During this workshop writers will learn to use the six "Rs" of editing — reading, revising, rewriting, reconstructing, research and rereading to make your writing its creative best. The workshop will include a short critique session.



Adele Annesi

This series made possible thanks to the Friends of the Library and the Wadsworth Russell Lewis Fund.

Registration is not required.

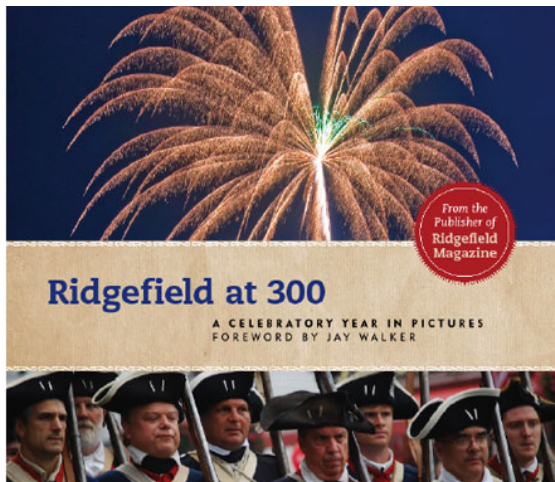
Breaking In: How to Get Published in the 21st Century

Wednesday,
December 10 at 7 PM

The panel will be moderated by **Jessica Bram** of Westport who is a National Public Radio commentator, owner of the Westport Writers Workshop and author of *Happily Ever After Divorce: Notes on a Joyful Journey*. Additional panelists include: **Lucy Hedrick** of Old Greenwich who has written five nonfiction titles; **Prill Boyle** of Westport, author of *Defying Gravity: A Celebration of Late-Blooming Women*; **Nina Nelson** of Fairfield, author of *Bringing the Boy Home*; and **Denise Marcil** of Stamford, President of the Denise Marcil Literary Agency.



Prill Boyle, Jessica Bram, N.A. Nelson, Lucy Hedrick and Denise Marcil



Copies will be available for sale after the program.

Ridgefield's 300th Anniversary Book and Video Presentation with Ridgefield Magazine Editor Geoffrey Morris and Videographer Ed Simmons

Thursday, December 4, 2008
7 to 8:30 PM
Dayton Program Room

Library programs are made possible thanks in part to donations made to our annual appeal.

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BOOK GROUPS

TUESDAY EVENING NONFICTIONEERS

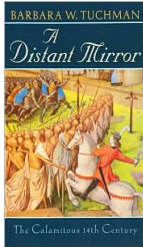
Tuesday, December 2
7 PM

*A Distant Mirror, The
Calamitous 14th Century*

by Barbara Tuchman
(Part 1 will be discussed on
November 11 and part 2 on
December 2)

“The 14th century gives us
back two contradictory
images: a glittering time of
crusades and castles,
cathedrals and chivalry, and
a dark time of ferocity and
spiritual agony, a world
plunged into a chaos of war,
fear and the Plague. Barbara
Tuchman anatomizes the
century, revealing both the
great rhythms of
history and the
grain and
texture of
domestic life as
it was lived.”

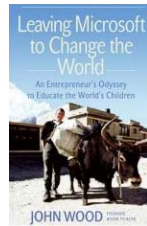
Book Jacket



TUESDAY EVENING NONFICTIONEERS

January 6, 2009
7 PM

*Leaving Microsoft to Save the
World: An Entrepreneur's
Odyssey to Educate the
World's Children*
by John Wood



CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

No Meeting in December

Next Session is on

Tuesday, January 20
7 PM

Title TBD

A.M. BOOK GROUP

No Meeting in December

Next Session is on

Wednesday, January 28
10 AM

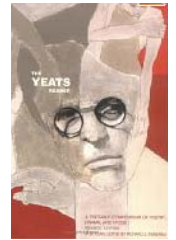
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POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, December 19
1 PM

Join us for the final session
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.

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Next Meeting of:



Monday,
January 12
10:30 AM

Breakfast

Join us for an informal discussion about
new and recommended books.

Hollister Films

The Band's Visit (2008)

Rated PG 13, 87 Mins.



A small Egyptian Police band
arrives in Israel. They are sup-
pose to play at an initiation cere-
mony but instead are left
stranded at the airport. The band
tries to make their way on their
own, only to find themselves in a
desolate, small Israeli town,
somewhere in the heart of the
desert. A lost band in a lost town.
In English, Arabic and Hebrew
with English subtitles.

Tuesday, December 9
1:30 & 7 PM

Coming in 2009:

(1/13)

Man on Wire

PG 13, 94 mins.

MAN ON WIRE
"EXHILARATING"

(1/27)

The Dark

Knight

PG 13, 151 mins.



December Exhibit



Place of Happy Population

Paintings by Diana Oliveira

December 6 - 31, 2008

The exhibit can be viewed during normal Library hours when the room is not in use for another program.

Place of *Happy Population* is the name of a vibrant new exhibit that will be on display at the Ridgefield Library during December. The artist, Diana Oliveira, was born in Ceara, Brazil and comes from a long line of artists. She paints vivid landscapes and still lifes using nature's colors as her inspiration. She has studied art in Brazil and at Western Connecticut State University and has exhibited her work in Brazil, New York and Connecticut. She says of her work, "I show the peasant life in a new and happy way. I use the ever present blue sky and sunshine of my native land as inspiration. I feel most at home among the jars of paint and brushes in my studio." An opening

Artist's Reception

Sunday, December 7, 2 - 4 p.m.

ARTalk

Co-sponsored by the Ridgefield Guild of Artists



Come and visit *Festive Home*, an annual event during which the Ridgefield Guild of Artists dresses its galleries to resemble a resplendent home filled with objects for living and giving, will take place December 6 -21. This year's theme is EVER green and was inspired by the 200 year old Norway maple

Festive Home
Talk and Walk-through
Sunday, December 14 at 2 PM
Meet at the Guild of Artists
34 Halpin Lane, 438-8863

Environmental Program in 2009

Cut the Catalogs and Your Carbon Footprint




Tired of receiving catalogs you no longer want? Don't know how to stop the barrage of unwanted catalogs that cram your mailbox every day?

Then start saving the address pages of those catalogs and bring them to the Library on **January 10 between 9 and noon**. While you enjoy some coffee and donuts, Boy Scout Troop 431 and members of the Ridgefield Action Committee for the Environment will help you register with the online service Catalog Choice to eliminate all those unwanted mailings. Please email lalambton@ridgefieldlibrary.org or call 438-2282 to register.



DECEMBER 2008

CALENDAR OF ADULT PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2 Tuesday Evening Nonfictioneers: <i>A Distant Mirror, The Calamitous 14th Century</i> by Barbara Tuchman (Part 2) 7 PM	3	4 Presentation: <i>300th Book and DVD Preview</i> with Ed Simmons and Geoffrey Morris 7 PM	5 Friends Holiday Boutique: Gift quality, used books and media for sale 10 - 5 PM	6 Memoir Writing Group: 10 AM Writing Workshop: <i>The Art of Editing</i> with Adele Annesi 10 AM Friends Holiday Boutique: Gift quality, used books and media for sale 9 - 5 PM
7 Friends Holiday Boutique: 1 - 5 PM Artists' Reception: <i>Place of Happy Population</i> by Diana Oliveira 2 - 4 PM	8	9 Hollister Film Series: <i>The Band's Visit</i> 1:30 and 7 PM	10 Panel Discussion: <i>Breaking In: How to Get Published in the 21st Century</i> 7 PM	11	12	13 Shutterbugs: Monthly Meeting of Photography Group 9:30 AM
14 ARTalk: Festive Home Talk and Walk-through - At the Guild of Artists on Halpin Lane 2 PM	15	16 The Writers Guild of Ridgefield: A Networking Group for Writers 7 PM	17	18	19 Poetry Discussion Group: <i>A Yeats Reader</i> with Alan Holder 1 PM	20
21	22	23	24 Library Closed	25 Library Closed	26	27
28	29	30	31 Library Closes at 4 PM Happy New Year!			Exhibit <i>Place of Happy Population</i> Paintings by Diana Oliveira December 6 - 31, 2008 Reception Sunday, December 7 2 - 4 PM