

# The Ridgefield Library



## BIBLIOEVENTS

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### The Economic Crisis: Strategies for Successful College Planning

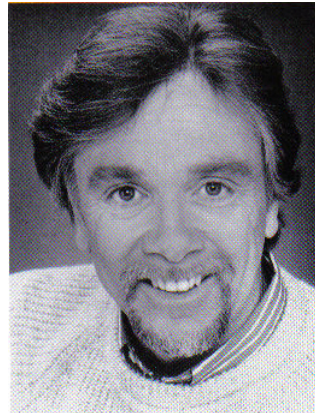


Thursday  
February 5  
7 PM

Deborah B. Davis, President of Davis Education & Career Consultants, will present *The Economic Crisis: Strategies for Successful College Planning*. Learn how private and public educational institutions are responding to the current economy and what you need to know about applying to and paying for college.

**Registration not required.**

### Portraits in Motion



**P**rofessional actor Richard Clark will bring the genius of literary giant Ernest Hemingway to life in his one-man show, *Ernest Hemingway Alive: Life, Language and The Pursuit of Happiness*.

Clark's portrayal, on **Thursday, Feb. 26 at 7 PM**, reveals Hemingway's depth and passion as he reflects on the tumultuous middle years of the 20th century through the writer's eyes.

Other one-person plays in the Library's Portraits in Motion series include *Vincent: A Portrait by Postman Roulin* with Ted Zalewski on March 5 at 7 PM and a family program, *Galileo the Starry Messenger*, with Mike Francis on Saturday, April 25 at 10 AM.

Registration is not required. This program is made possible thanks to the Wadsworth Russell Lewis Fund.

**D**r. Steven Levy will present a program entitled *Job Search Success* on **Thursday, Feb. 12 from 7 – 9 p.m.** This seminar will cover a wide range of topics including ways to increase response rates to employment queries, strategies and tools to help you stay focused, picking the right social networking sites, interviewing basics and much,

### Job Search Success

much more.

Although this program is geared to the mid-level executive who may be making efforts with limited success, and who is seeking new approaches, all job-seekers are welcome and will find value in this fast-paced program.

Participants should bring their resume and business cards, and, if possible, a laptop with wireless internet connectivity, paper and a pad or surface to work on.

Steven Levy founded executive search firm The Acoma Group here in Ridgefield in 2008, following a career in medicine and teaching.

# BOOK GROUPS

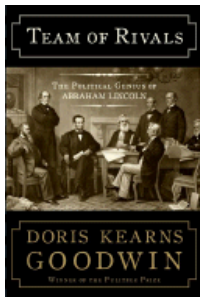
## TUESDAY EVENING NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, Feb. 10  
& March 3  
7 PM

*Team of Rivals: The  
Political Genius of  
Abraham Lincoln*

by Doris Kearns Goodwin

An acclaimed, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian (*No Ordinary Time*) illuminates Lincoln's political genius in this highly original work, as the one-term congressman/prairie lawyer rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals of national reputation to become President.

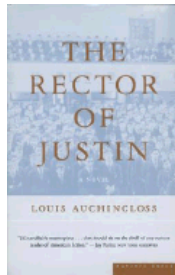


## CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, Feb. 17  
7 PM

*Rector of Justin*  
by Louis Auchincloss

Auchincloss has been called "the Anthony Trollope of America's Mayflower set" by the *Christian Science Monitor* and is a prolific chronicler of New York City's old money elite. Considered one of the author's best works, this novel reconstructs the life of a recently deceased headmaster of a preparatory school through the recollections and impressions of several characters, each of whom had known a different side of his personality.



## A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, Feb. 25  
10 AM

*The Beans of Egypt,  
Maine*  
by Carolyn Chute

Connected stories about the numerous members of the Bean family vividly evoke the black comedy and gritty reality of life on the wrong side of town in a small Maine community.

## Books & Breakfast

Monday, Feb. 9  
10:30 AM



Join us for breakfast and an  
informal book discussion

## POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

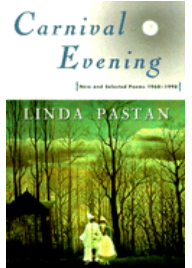
Friday, Feb. 20  
1 PM

*Carnival Evening*  
by Linda Pastan

"There is no fuss in Pastan's neat, trustworthy, and cardinal poems, no elusive imagery or eye-crossing syntax. This substantial volume draws on nine previous collections and presents an array of

powerful new poems, and it is a deep pleasure to trace the path of Pastan's poetic exploration into the nature of a life lived determinedly within the family circle." *Booklist*

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# Hollister Films

Ghost Town (2008)

Rated PG 13, 102 Mins.

A hapless gent is pronounced dead, only to be brought back to life with an unexpected gift: a new found ability to see ghosts. When he crosses paths with the recently departed Frank Herlihy, he gets pulled into Frank's desperate bid to break up his widowed wife's pending marriage to another man.



Tuesday, February 10

1:30 & 7 PM

The Grocer's Son (2007)

Unrated, 96 Mins.

When his father suffers a stroke, Antoine reluctantly returns home from the big city to his small mountain village to help out with the family business, a grocery store that makes daily rounds to the town's elderly inhabitants. But when Antoine's poor manners rub the villagers the wrong way, can the lovely young Claire help smooth things over? **In French with English subtitles.**



Tuesday, February 24

1:30 & 7 PM

## February Exhibit



*"Italy's Corners"*  
acrylic painting by  
7th grader Sandra  
Carpenter

### *For the Love of Art*

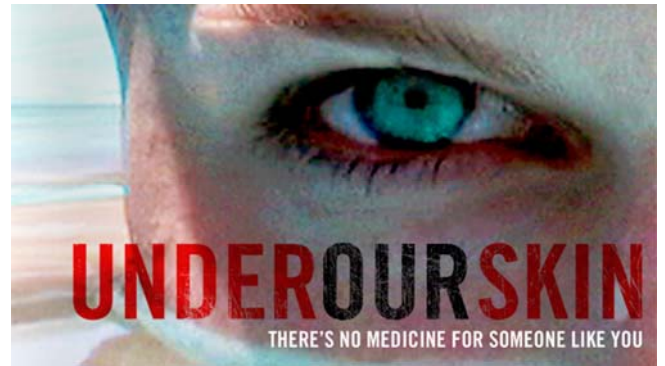
Artwork by students in grades 6 and up are  
presented by RMAC - Ridgefield Music and Arts Council

February 4 - 27, 2009

Artist's Reception,  
Saturday, Feb. 7, 2:30 - 4 PM

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

The Library and The Ridgefield  
Lyme Disease Task Force Present



## A Film Screening

Sunday, February 22

2 PM

Dayton Program Room

Registration is not required

# ARTtalk

Conversation with Aldrich Curator and  
Ridgefield Guild of Artists Exhibition Director



**Radius** Celebrating the tenth year of  
Radius, an artist development  
program co-organized by the  
Ridgefield Guild of Artists and  
Aldrich Contemporary Art  
Museum, two concurrent  
exhibitions entitled, "Full  
Circle: Ten Years of Radius"

and "Radius 11" are on view at the Aldrich and the Guild.  
These exhibitions feature the work of outstanding,  
contemporary artists from Connecticut and Southeastern  
New York.

Taking us behind the scenes to get a better grasp of how  
the works were selected and installed for the "Radius 11"  
exhibition, Monica Ramirez-Montagut, Curator for the  
Aldrich, and Debra Browne, Exhibitions Director for the  
Ridgefield Guild of Artists, will provide a lively  
conversation about how works of art make the Radius cut  
for exhibitions in terms of imagery, materials, vision and

process. This talk will take place at the Ridgefield Library  
on Sunday, February 8 at 2 PM and will be followed by a  
walk-through of this Radius exhibition at the Guild  
afterwards, where light refreshments will be served.

The current "Full Circle" exhibition is made up a diverse  
selection of recent work by exhibiting artists from the first  
decade of Radius. All of the eighty-one artists who  
exhibited their work in the first ten *Radius* exhibitions were  
invited to submit samples of their latest work for review by  
curator Regine Basha from Arthouse at the Jones Center in  
Austin, Texas. From these submissions, Basha selected  
fourteen artists to participate in the exhibition, which is on  
view at the Aldrich. "Radius 11" is made up of finalists  
chosen for the most recent annual Radius cycle and is on  
view at the Guild.

For more information about the "Full Circle" exhibition at  
the Aldrich, please call 438-4519. For more information  
about "Radius 11" at the Guild, please call 438-8863.

**Sunday, February 8**

**2 PM**

**at the Ridgefield Library  
followed by a tour at the Guild  
of Artists on Halpin Lane.  
Refreshments will be served.**



# FEBRUARY 2009

## CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS & EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p><b>February Exhibit</b></p> <p><i>For the Love of Art</i></p> <p>Artwork by students in grades 6 and up</p> <p>Presented by RMAC - Ridgefield Music and Arts Council</p> <p>February 4 - 27, 2009 Artist's Reception, Saturday, Feb. 7, 2:30 - 4 PM</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Lecture: <i>The Economic Crisis: Strategies for Successful College Planning</i></b> with Debbie Davis 7 PM</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p><b>Workshop: <i>Drawn to Line</i> part 2/4 (Class full)</b> 10 AM</p> <p><b>Memoir Writing Group</b> 10 AM</p> <p><b>Artists' Reception: RMAC Exhibit</b> 2:30 - 4 PM</p>
<p>8</p> <p><b>ARTalk: <i>Radius Panel Discussion and Tour</i></b> 2 PM</p>	<p>9</p> <p><b>Books &amp; Breakfast</b> 10:30 AM</p>	<p>10</p> <p><b>Hollister Film Series: <i>Ghost Town</i></b> 1:30 and 7 PM</p> <p><b>Tuesday Evening Nonfictioneers: <i>Team of Rivals by Doris Kearns Goodwin</i></b> 7 PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>A.M. Book Group: <i>Mister Pip</i></b> by Lloyd Jones 10 AM (rescheduled from 1/28)</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Lecture: <i>Job Search Success</i></b> with Steven Levy 7 PM</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Critic's Circle Book Group: <i>The Rector of Justin</i></b> by Louis Auchincloss 7 PM</p> <p><b>The Writers Guild of Ridgefield: A networking group for writers</b> 7 PM</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Poetry Discussion Group: <i>Carnival Evening</i></b> by Linda Pastan 1 PM</p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>Workshop: <i>Drawn to Line</i> part 3/4 (Class full)</b> 10 AM</p>
<p>22</p> <p><b>Film Screening: <i>Under Our Skin</i></b> presented by the Ridgefield Lyme Disease Task Force 2 PM</p>	<p>23</p> <p><b>Meeting: Library Board</b> 7:30 PM</p>	<p>24</p> <p><b>Hollister Film Series: <i>The Grocer's Son</i></b> 1:30 and 7 PM</p>	<p>25</p> <p><b>A.M. Book Group: <i>The Beans of Egypt, Maine</i></b> by Carolyn Chute 10 AM</p>	<p>26</p> <p><b>Portraits in Motion: <i>Ernest Hemingway Alive: Life, Language and the Pursuit of Happiness</i></b>, With actor Richard Clark 7 PM</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p><b>Workshop: <i>Drawn to Line</i> part 4/4 (Class full)</b> 10 AM</p>