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Programs and Events for Adults

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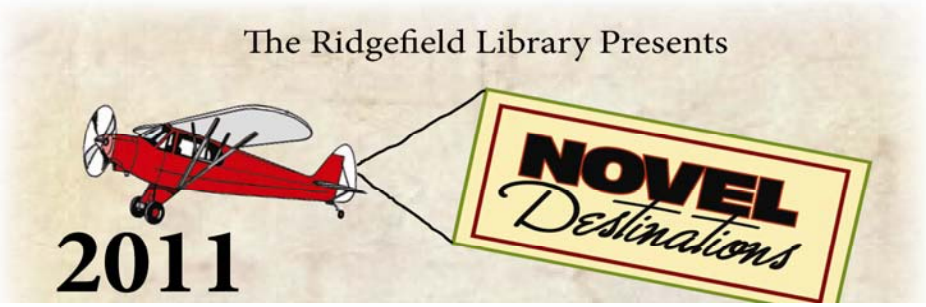

SUMMER READING FUN FOR ADULTS AT THE RIDGEFIELD LIBRARY

This year's Adult Summer Reading theme is ***Novel Destinations!*** The program will run during the same time period as the ever popular Children's and Teens' Summer Reading Programs that begin on June 27 and run through August 6. During this period just read a book or listen to an audiobook and submit an entry to be entered into a drawing for themed prizes. This year participants are encouraged to do their entries online (see the link at www.ridgefieldlibrary.org). Forms can also be dropped off at the Fiction Desk.

In addition the Library will present a whole host of related programs and events for adults over the summer:

- Four-part memoir writing workshop led by Phyllis Ross on Wednesdays, July 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Please register.
- Live music with singer/songwriter (and former Ridgefielder) Laura Zucker on Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m.
- *Enjoy the Great Outdoors – Lyme Free!* on Wednesday, July 20 at 7 p.m. A talk about Lyme prevention co-sponsored with the BLAST program of the Ridgefield Health Department, The Discovery Center of Ridgefield and the Woodcock Nature Center.
- *The Songbirds of New England* presentation with naturalist and musician John Root on Tuesday, July 26 at 6:30 p.m.
- Author talk with Don Morrow and Kevin Moore to discuss their book *Forsaken Heroes of the Pacific War* on Wednesday, August 3 at 7 p.m.
- *Introduction to Tai Chi* workshop with Kathy Brenner on Saturday, August 27 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Please register.
- The Library's monthly book discussion groups continue to meet over the summer (except for the Poetry Discussion Group), and new members are always welcome.
- The Hollister Film series takes place on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month (1:30 and 7 p.m.) over the summer so that people can enjoy the Tuesday concerts in the park as well as catch a great movie. (Note: the first evening film in August will screen on 8/10, the afternoon screening will be on 8/11).
- Nelson Gelfman will exhibit *Nature's Beauty in Photos and Frames* from July 2 to 29, reception, Saturday, July 9, 2 – 4 p.m. *Tina and Friends: A Watercolor Exhibit* will run from August 1 to 30, reception Saturday, Augusts 6, 1 – 4 p.m.

The Summer Reading program is made possible thanks to the Friends of the Library.

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Writing Workshop:

Memoir Writing
with teacher and social worker
Phyllis Ross

Participants in this four-session writing workshop will describe and reflect on their lives, especially in relation to places where they have lived. The class will have time for private writing and for writing to share with the group.

Phyllis Ross has taught writing at Western Connecticut State University and as faculty of the Fir Acres Workshop of Bard Institute for Writing and Thinking. She has facilitated writing groups here at the Ridgefield Library, at the Katonah Village Library, and in private writing groups and workshops. She is also a licensed social worker.

Register - ridgefieldlibrary.org

Wednesday, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 10 - Noon

Live Music:

Live Music
with singer and songwriter
Laura Zucker

"Laura's songwriting skills… are a bit like taking a long walk with a great friend on a winding path: new, yet with comfortable surprises around every turn, words that are penned with the grace and vision that only a good storyteller possesses." -- K.C. Frogge, singer/songwriter.

No registration

Monday, July 11, 7 PM

Presentation:

Enjoying the Great Outdoors - Lyme Free

Co-sponsored with Ridgefield Health Department BLAST Lyme Disease Prevention Program, Woodcock Nature Center and the Discovery Center of Ridgefield. **Speakers are:**

- **Neeta Pardanani Connally**, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biological and Environmental Sciences at Western Connecticut State University. Prior to joining the university she was an Associate Research Scientist at Yale University School of Medicine's Emerging Infections Program.
- **Tessa Oregan**, Certified Master Gardener and Landscape Designer. Tessa has her own design, installation and maintenance business, and has clients in greater Fairfield County. She spends as much time as possible outdoors.

No registration

Wednesday, July 20, 7 PM

Lecture:

Songbirds of the Northeast
with Naturalist and Musician
John Root

Songbirds of the Northeast is a 90-minute presentation featuring both recordings and photographs of our native and introduced songbirds. Audiences learn how to recognize these birds by their songs and calls, and discover the roles of these entrancing vocalizations in birds' lives. Habitat, migration, diets, life cycles, and survival strategies are also explored. Hand-outs with information about bird clubs, nature centers, recommended books, and websites as well as instructions about attracting songbirds will be available at the program.

No registration

Tuesday, July 26, 7 PM

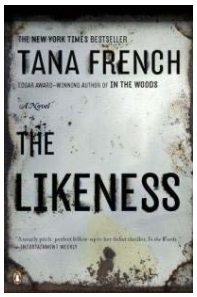
BOOK GROUPS

MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, July 7
1 PM

The Likeness
by Tana French

Dublin detective Cassie Maddox is called upon to assist in a murder case in which the victim bears the same name Cassie used in an undercover operation years before – and also an uncanny physical resemblance to her. *Booklist* says, "*The Likeness* has everything: memorable characters, crisp dialogue, shrewd psychological insight, mounting tension, a palpable sense of place, and wonderfully evocative, painterly prose."



NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, July 5
7 PM
The Day of Battle: The War in Sicily and Italy
by Rick Atkinson
(Page 322 to the end)

"Majestic...Atkinson's achievement is to marry prodigious research with a superbly organized narrative and then to overlay the whole with writing as powerful and elegant as any great narrative of war." - *The Wall Street Journal*

Books & Breakfast

Monday, July 11
10:30 AM

POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

No meeting in July and August. Next meeting will be
Friday, September 16
1 PM

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CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, July 19
7 PM
You Know When the Men Are Gone
by Siobhan Fallon

This debut collection of loosely connected short stories focuses on the military wives and families left behind at Fort Hood, Texas when their men go to war. "Significant both as war stories and love stories, this collection certifies Fallon as an indisputable talent." *Publishers Weekly*

A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, July 20
10 AM
Other Voices, Other Rooms
by Truman Capote

The noted writer's first novel catapulted him to fame with its coming-of-age story about a sensitive Southern boy's search for the father who had abandoned him at birth.

Copies of these books may be purchased at Books on the Common at a 15% discount or inquire about Inter-Library Loan availability.

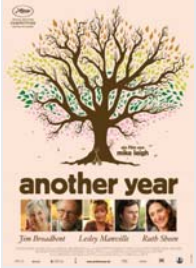
New members always welcome!

Hollister Films

NOTE: WEDNESDAYS OVER THE SUMMER

Another Year (2010)

Rated PG13, 130 Minutes



In *Another Year* director Mike Leigh's gift for finding rich drama and humor in ordinary human lives remains as strong as ever. The film, set in England, portrays Tom and Gerri, a happy and settled couple, who both support and try to fend off the neediness of their less fortunate friends.

Wednesday, July 13

1:30 & 7 PM

Of Gods and Men (2010)

Rated PG13, 123 Minutes

Of Gods and Men is a French drama based on a true story of nine Trappist monks who lived in harmony with the largely Muslim population of Algeria until the Algerian Civil War broke out. The film premiered at the 2010 Cannes Film Festival, where it won the Grand Prix award. *Subtitles.*

Wednesday, July 27

1:30 & 7 PM

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JULY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2 **Memoir Writing Group:** *Monthly Meeting* 10 AM
3 **Library Closed:** *Summer Sundays*	4 **Library Closed:** *Independence Day*	5 **The Nonfictioneers:** *The Day of Battle: The War in Sicily and Italy, 1943-1944* (from page 322) 7 PM	6 **Workshop:** *Memoir Writing* with Phyllis Ross 10:30 AM # 1/4, Register	7 **Murder by the Book:** *The Likeness* by Tana French 1 PM	8	9 **Shutterbugs:** *Monthly meeting of photography group* 9:30 AM **Reception:** *Nature's Beauty in Photos and Frames* by Nelson Gelfman 2 - 4 PM
10 **Library Closed:** *Summer Sundays*	11 **Books & Breakfast** 10:30 AM **Concert:** with Singer/ Songwriter Laura Zucker 7 PM	12	13 **Workshop:** *Memoir Writing* with Phyllis Ross 10:30 AM #2/4, Register **Hollister Film Series:** *Another Year* 1:30 & 7 PM	14	15	16
17 **Library Closed:** *Summer Sundays*	18 **Meeting:** *Library Board* 7:30 PM	19 **Critics' Circle Book Group:** *You Know When the Men Are Gone* by Siobhan Fallon 7 PM	20 **Workshop:** *Memoir Writing* with Phyllis Ross 10:30 AM #3/4, Register **Presentation:** *Enjoying the Great Outdoors - Lyme Free!* 7 PM	21	22	23
24 **Library Closed:** *Summer Sundays*	25	26 **Lecture:** *Songbirds of New England* with John Root 6:30 PM	27 **AM Book Group:** *Other Voices, Other Rooms* by Truman Capote 10AM **Workshop:** *Memoir Writing* with Phyllis Ross 10:30 AM #4/4, Register **Hollister Film Series:** *Of Gods and Men* 1:30 & 7 PM	28	29	30
31 **Library Closed:** *Summer Sundays*	1	2	3			

Exhibit - July 2 - 29

Nature's Beauty in Photos and Frames
Photographs by Nelson Gelfman

Reception: Saturday, July 9, 2 - 4 PM