

# ADULT

November 2015

### CURIOUSER & CURIOUSER

### 150 Years of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Join us this November as we celebrate 150 years since the publication of Lewis Carroll's classic work. For more information about programs, including programs for children, visit ridgefieldlibrary.org!

**Lecture:** The Wonder of Wonderland: Lewis Carroll's Alice in the 19th Century and in Our Own Time with Dr. Mark Schenker, Yale College.

Tuesday, November 3, 7 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

**Book Discussion:** Alice's Adventures in Wonderland & Through the Looking Glass led by Mary Rindfleisch. Copies of the book available at the Circulation Desk.

> Tuesday, November 10, 7 PM Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Book to Movie Screening and Discussion: Tim Burton's Alice in Wonderland - Discussion led by Mark Edwards, Sacred Heart University.

Saturday, November 14, 1 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Author Talk: Witches, White Rabbits and Wild Things with Gregory Maguire, author of Wicked, After Alice and Making Mischief: A Maurice Sendak Appreciation.

### BOOKS BUILDING BRIDGES

#### Catcher in the Rye

Intergenerational book chats on J.D. Salinger's classic, The Catcher in the Rye. Two sessions will take place, both open to high school students, college students and adults on the following dates:

Wednesday, November 18 at 6 PM at Ridgefield High School's Library Learning Commons - Register Monday, November 23 at 6 PM in the Ridgefield Library's Main Program Room - Register

In addition Dr. Mark Schenker will present a lecture titled Is There A Catch in The Catcher in the Rye? on Tuesday, November 24 at 7 PM at the Library - Register

#### Sunday, November 22, 2 PM Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

### LIVE MUSIC

Ridgefield Folk with The Ana Egge Trio



Ridgefield Folk continues with The Ana Egge Trio. Anna will appear with Alex Hargreaves on fiddle and David Moss on

Concerts are free thanks to the Friends of the Ridgefield Library.

Sunday, November 8, 2 PM Free tickets at the door starting at 1 PM

### ARTALK

### Innovation + Inspiration and the **Design Process** with Alexander Isley

Alexander Isley will talk about innovation and inspiration in the design process. Isley is the Creative Director for the design and communications firm Alexander Isley, Inc., which helps companies and organizations communicate with intelligence, wit, passion and purpose. ARTalks are co-sponsored by the Library and the Ridgefield Guild of Artists.

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

Sunday, November 1, 2 PM

### PARENTING PROGRAMS

### Helping the Worried Child with Dr. Barbara Rickler

Adolescent psychiatrist Dr. Barbara Rickler will discuss signs and symptoms of anxiety disorders prevalent among children and teens, school refusal, and how to help young people cope more effectively with social and academic stressors. This is part of a series called Parenting the Selfie Generation: Raising Successful Adults and is a collaboration among Ridgefield Public Schools, the Ridgefield Council of PTAs, Project Resilience, Silver Hill Hospital and the Library.

Thursday, November 5, 7 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

### **AUTHOR TALK**

### Green Witches, White Rabbits and Wild Things

with Gregory Maguire

New York Times-bestselling novelist **Gregory Maguire**, author of *Wicked* and *After Alice* and three dozen other books for adults and children, will speak on the place of childhood reading and writing in his growth as a writer, with special appreciation for his friend and mentor, Ridgefield's own Maurice Sendak. Maguire's *Wicked* inspired the Broadway blockbuster musical of the same name. He is also the author of *Making Mischief: A Maurice Sendak Appreciation*.

Sunday, November 22, 2 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

# Poor Man's Feath Alore Story of Courter, And The Courter, Story of Courter, Story of Courter, And The Courter, Courter,

### **Poor Man's Feast** with Elissa Altman

In Poor Man's Feast: A Story of Comfort, Desire, and the Art of Simple Cooking Elissa Altman expands on her award-winning blog of the same name and shares her upbringing as a foodie focused on only the finest dishes—until she met the woman who changed her entire perspective on both food and life. The book is tender and often

hilarious, a story of finding sustenance and peace in a world with unlimited excess and inauthenticity.

Monday, November 16, 7 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

#### FOR NON-PROFITS

# Effective Communications with Prospects and Donors with Judi Margolin

This workshop explores the who, what, why, and when of "donor-centric" communication with special attention to nonprofit newsletters, web sites, and grant reports. Interactive exercises are included to supplement what is learned.

Additional workshops for non-profits: Effective Social Media for Non-profits with Kate Fitzpatrick on Tuesday, November 10 at 10:30 AM (register) and Foundation Center Resources with Christie Mitchell on Friday, November 13 at 11 AM (register).

Friday, November 6, 9 AM - 12 PM

Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

### **MEDICARE**

### Medicare Workshops with Medicare CHOICES Counselors

Should you be reviewing your coverage and costs during the Open Enrollment period (October 15 to December 7)? The answer is YES... Ridgefield's own Medicare CHOICES counselors are available to help you understand your Medicare coverage and healthcare options.

Let a CHOICES counselor help you through this process at the Ridgefield Library. Call Karen Gaudian at Ridgefield Social Services 203-431-2754 or email at municipalagent@ridgefieldct.org to set up an appointment.

Partners: Ridgefield Social Services, Ridgefield Library, Western CT Area Agency on Aging/WCAAA.

**Multiple Sessions Offered** 

203-431-2754 or municipalagent@ridgefieldct.org

#### **COLLEGE FINANCE**

### Paying For College Without Going Broke with Stephanie Mauro



This seminar led by Stephanie Goldberg-Mauro, Founder of College Planning 101, will focus on the financial aid system and how it works. Mauro will explain in detail what the EFC (Effective Family Contribution) formulas are, the differences between them and what assets do and do not increase the EFC.

Monday, November 9, 7 PM Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

### LOANS AND REAL ESTATE

### First Time Homebuyer & Credit Education Seminar

The following topics will be covered in this two-hour seminar:

- The Mortgage Process with Joseph Chelednik, Certified Mortgage Planning Specialist for the Fairfield County Bank.
- Low Down Payment and Dap Assistance with Rita Bellinger, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA).
- No Down Payment, 100% Financing with Mary Alice Dinho, Housing Development Fund (HDF).
- What Is the Role of my Attorney? with Attorney George Cohan
- Credit Education and Restoration with Stephen Roberts, Bedrock Credit and Restoration.

Thursday, November 19, 5:30 Refreshments, 6 PM Seminar, Register at ridgefieldlibrary.org

### LIBRARY BOOK GROUPS - NEW READERS WELCOME!

#### **NONFICTIONEERS**

Tuesday, November 3,
7:00 PM

The End of Your Life
Book Club
by Will Schwalbe

"A profoundly moving memoir of caregiving, mourning, and love—The End of Your Life Book Club is also about the joy of reading, and the ways that joy is multiplied when we share it with others."

(Amazon Book Description)

Next Month's Selection
Tuesday, December 1
& January 5, 7:00 PM
The Great Bridge: The
Epic Story of the
Building of the Brooklyn
Bridge
by David McCullough

in this series featuring handsome young Max Tudor, who has traded in a career as an MI5 agent for life as an Anglican priest in an English village but still gets involved in solving murders, including in this case the death of the bullying head of the Woman's Institute who has alienated nearly everyone in Nether Monkslip.

### BOOKS & BREAKFAST

Monday, November 9 10:30 AM



Led by Dorothy Pawlowski

#### MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, November 5 1:00 PM Wicked Autumn by G. M. Malliet

The classic cozy mystery moves into the 21st century

### FOUNDERS HALL BOOK GROUP

Thursday, November 12
3:00 PM
All The Light We
Cannot See
by Anthony Doerr

### CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, November 17
7:00 PM
Station Eleven
by Emily St. John Mandel

This audacious novel is set in the days of civilization's collapse and tells the spellbinding story of a nomadic group of Shakespearean actors risking everything for art and humanity. Don't be scared off by the theme, this finalist for the National Book Award was chosen by many as one of the best books of 2014.

#### A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, Nov. 18
10:00 AM
The Custom of the
Country
by Edith Wharton

Undine Spragg is beautiful yet ruthlessly ambitious in her campaign to rise to the top of New York Gilded Age society at any cost in this sharp-eyed portrayal by the author of the *The House of Mirth* and *The Age of Innocence*.

### POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, November 20
1:00 PM

Where I Live: New and
Selected Poems,
1990 - 2010 Now
by Maxine Kumin

The Poetry Discussion Group, led by retired English professor Dr. Alan Holder, is made possible thanks to The Friends of the Library.

## RIDGEFIELD PLAYHOUSE LIVE IN HD PROGRAMS

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 all of these wonderful programs.

For a full listing of visit ridgefieldplayhouse.org.

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#### TECH TOPICS FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

- *Using Pinterest* Kate Fitzpatrick will walk you through the essentials of using Pinterest.
  - Monday, November 9 @ 3:00 4:00 PM Register.
- *Effective Social Media for Non-profits* Join us for this workshop with Kate Fitzpatrick.
  - Tuesday, November 10 @ 10:30 11:30 AM Register
- *Orientation to 3D Printing* Before printing your own 3D design on the Library's printer attendance is required at this orientation. (Under 18 must be with an adult.)
  - Wednesday, November 11 @ 1:00 2:30 PM Register
  - Saturday, November 14 @ 3:00 4:30 PM Register
  - Thursday, November 19 @ 6:00 7:30 PM Register
- Get Started with the Library's Digital Resources Library staff will help you get started with our digital resources including OverDrive (eBooks and audiobooks), Zinio (digital magazines), Hoopla (eBooks, audiobooks, and streaming music and video), or lynda.com?
  - Thursday, November 12 @ 5:00 7:00 PM Drop-in
  - Monday, November 30 @ 3:00 5:00 PM Drop-in

- Foundation Center Resources This hands-on workshop about the Library's Foundation Center resources on grants and fundraising is led by Christie Mitchell.
  - Friday, November 13 @ 11:00 12:30 PM Register
- Intro to 3D Design Using Blender Join us for this introduction to 3D design using Blender, a computer-aided design) program. (Under 13 must be with an adult.)
  - Saturday, November 14 @10:00 12:00 PM Register
- How to Build Your Network on LinkedIn in 14-Minutes-a-Day - with Kate Fitzpatrick.
  - November 18 @ 12:00 1:00 PM Register
- *Makers Meet-Up* For anyone who likes to tinker, design and build things. (Under 13 must be with an adult.)
  - Wednesday, November 18 @ 5:00 6:30 PM Register
- Formatting a Document in Word: The Basics
  - Friday, November 20 @ 1:00 2:30 PM
  - Register



### **EVENTS CALENDAR - NOVEMBER 2015**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 ARTalk: Innovation + Inspiration and the Design Process with Alexander Isley 2 PM	Course: European Paintings from Leonardo to Rembrandt to Goya Part 1/7 1 PM Sorry - this series is now full!	3 Lecture: Lewis Carroll's Alice in the 19th Cen- tury and in Our Own Time with Dr. Mark Schenker 7 PM Meeting: Writers Guild 7 PM Nonfictio- neers: The End of Your Life Book Club by Will Schwalbe 7 PM	4	5 Murder by the Book: Wicked Autumn by G. M. Malliet 1 PM  Talk: Helping the Worried Child and the Child Who Won't Go To School with Dr. Barbara Rickler 7 PM	6 Workshop: Effective Communication with Prospects and Donors with Judith Margolin 9 AM - 12 PM Workshop: Medicare 10 AM Discussion: Helping the Worried Child 12 PM	7 Meeting: Memoir Writing Group 1 PM Artist's Reception: Ultramarine by Natasha Karpinskaia 2 - 4 PM
8 Ridgefield Folk with The Ana Egge Trio 2 PM	9 Discussion: Books & Breakfast 10:30 AM Course: European Paintings Part 2/7 1 PM Talk: How To Pay for College Without Going Broke with S. Mauro 7 PM	10 Workshop: Effective Social Media for Non- Profits 10:30 AM Discussion: Alice's Adven- tures in Won- derland and Through the Looking Glass 7 PM	11 Meeting: Playwrights Collective 7 PM	Founders Hall Book Discussion: All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr 3 PM	13 Workshop: Foundation Center Resources with Christie Mitchell 11 AM Workshop: Coloring, Chat, and Coffee 1 PM	14 Meeting: Shutterbugs Photography Group 9 AM Screening and Discussion: Alice in Wonderland with Mark Edwards 1 PM
Community Sing-Along: Let's Sing! 3 PM	Course: European Paintings Part 3/7 1 PM Workshop: Medicare 1 PM Author Talk: Poor Man's Feast with Elissa Altman Meeting: Library Board 7:30 PM	Critics' Circle Book Group: Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel 7 PM Entertaining Conversa- tions: Chris Herren @ Ridgefield Play- house 7:30 PM	A.M. Book Group: The Custom of the Country by Edith Wharton 10 AM Intergenera- tional Book Discussion: Catcher in the Rye 6 PM @ RHS	19 Seminar: Buying Your First Home 6 PM	20 Poetry Discussion Group: Where I Live: New and Selected Poems, 1990 - 2010 by Maxine Kumin 1 PM	21
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29 Library Days at Books on the Common	30 Course: European Paintings Part 5/7 1 PM	November Exhibition in The Gallery: Ultramarine by Natasha Karpinskaia November 1 Through November 29 Reception: Saturday, Nov. 7, 2 - 4 PM On view during normal Library hours				

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