

## The Illustrative World of Maurice Sendak: Let the Wild Rumpus Begin!



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This fall the Library presents a series called *The Illustrative World of Maurice Sendak: Let the Wild Rumpus Begin!* The series will include lectures, a field trip, film screenings, panel and book discussions, and more to celebrate the artistic and literary legacy of Maurice Sendak. The series is made possible thanks to the Friends of the Ridgefield Library. Special thanks also goes to the

Maurice Sendak Foundation and the University of Connecticut Maurice Sendak Collection.

### Upcoming programs for adults:

- ◆ **Saturday, Oct. 5 @ 3 PM** - *Where the Wild Things Are* Film Screening for all ages - No registration
- ◆ **Sunday, Oct. 6 @ 2 PM** - *Maurice Sendak's Truth in Fiction* with Jen Mathy
- ◆ **Wednesday, Oct. 9 @ 6:30 PM** - *Sendak Books Merit Grown Up Conversation* with Kristina Lareau

**Thursday, Oct. 10 @ 6 PM** - *Tell Them Anything You Want*, documentary screening and discussion with **Lynn Caponera, Dr. Jonathan Weinberg, Arthur Yorinks and Jennifer Mathy**

Please register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## Ridgefield's Rich Architectural History — What's Here and How to Protect It with Phil Esser

The Ridgefield Historical Society, the Ridgefield Historic District Commission, and the Library are co-sponsoring this program with the goal of providing Ridgefield homeowners with more information about the town's architectural styles "from the humble beginnings of the town, through the high-style and post-World War II era through the turn of the 21st Century." Following Mr. Esser's talk, representatives from the Historic District Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office, and the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation will be available to answer questions.

**Saturday, October 5, 10 AM**

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## ARTalk—How the Mind's Eye Works: Creativity and Visual Thinking with David Dunlop



The Library and the Guild of Artists welcome painter and teacher **David Dunlop**, Emmy award-winning host and writer of the 13-show national PBS television series, *Landscapes Through Time with David Dunlop*, and visiting artist/lecturer at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Silvermine Arts Center. In his ARTalk, he will discuss how visual thinking enables us to be more creative. From Galileo to Newton to Edison to Einstein, these innovators visualized solutions to the problems they set before themselves.

**Sunday, October 27, 2 PM**

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## Cloudspotting For Beginners with Gavin Pretor-Pinney

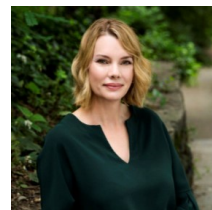
**Gavin Pretor-Pinney**, founder of the Cloud Appreciation Society, takes you on an illustrated tour of the sky. He shows you how to recognize many of the varied and beautiful cloud formations, from the fair-weather cotton tufts of cumulus to the UFO shapes of lenticularis clouds and the surreal undulations of fluctus clouds.

This program is co-sponsored by the Library and The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum and **takes place at The Aldrich**. Admission is \$12.00 and \$10.80 for Aldrich members.

**Friday, October 11, 7 PM @ The Aldrich**

Please register at [aldrichart.org](http://aldrichart.org)

## The Chelsea Girls—An Author Talk with Fiona Davis



Ridgefield Library and Books on the Common are pleased to welcome bestselling author **Fiona Davis** to discuss her latest novel, *The Chelsea Girls*.

Fiona Davis is the nationally bestselling author of *The Dollhouse*, *The Address*, and *The Masterpiece*. She lives in New York City and is a graduate of the College of William & Mary in Virginia and the Columbia Journalism School.

**Tuesday, October 29, 7 PM**

Please register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

# Ridgefield Independent Film Festival 2019

## RIFF @ the Library



The Ridgefield Independent Film Festival (RIFF) celebrates independent films from around the world that enlighten, entertain, and inspire moviegoers through compelling visual storytelling. Venue partners include Keeler Tavern Museum & History Center, Ridgefield Playhouse, Ridgefield Library, Ridgefield Theater Barn, & The Boys & Girls Club.

### Highlights @ the Library:

**Friday Oct 11, @ 10:30 AM & Monday Oct 14, @ 2:30 PM**



*When All That's Left is Love* (Friday Q and A with the filmmaker **Eric Gordon**) With unprecedented, behind-the-scenes access, the film reveals the toll that Alzheimer's takes on families coping with the disease, while also showcasing the power of love that sustains both patients and caregivers.

**Saturday, October 12 @ 11:30 am—FREE!**

*Best of "Born to Explore"* with Mercedes Velgot, Beardsley Zoo Animal Ambassadors, and Jim Knox. (Children must be accompanied by adults or caregivers). Join ABC/PBS series Executive Producer, **Mercedes Velgot** in a visual trip around the world! Also meet some animal ambassadors from the Beardsley Zoo.

**Sunday, October 13, 2019 10:30 AM *Skid Row Marathon*** (with a fun



run before thanks to Ridgefield Running Co.) On Skid Row, in Los Angeles, a criminal court judge organizes a running club for recovering addicts, homeless people, ex-cons, and others who are working to get their lives back on track. As they train together to run marathons in far-flung locations such as Ghana and Rome, the club provides its members with a renewed sense of purpose. This documentary film screening sponsored by the Noreen L. Papa series and Ridgefield Running Co.

**Thursday, October 10 through Monday, October 14**

For a full schedule and for tickets visit [riffct.org](http://riffct.org)

## Programs for Parents

### What Makes a Kid Resilient

with Donna Volpitta, Ed.D



Donna Volpitta, Ed.D, popular speaker and Director of The Center for Resilient Leadership, will discuss the simple brain science behind resilience and strategies to foster resilience in children and teens.

The *Parenting the #Selfie Generation* series of is a community-wide collaboration with Ridgefield Public Schools, Ridgefield Council of PTAs, Ridgefield Library, Ridgefield Youth Commission, Books on the Common, Project Resilience, Town Vibe, and Silver Hill Hospital.

**Monday, October 7, 7 PM**

Please register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

### Identification and Early Intervention for Struggling Readers, & Dyslexia Awareness

with Caroline Wilcox Ugurlu



Why do some children struggle with reading? What is dyslexia? Are all struggling readers dyslexic? What can parents, caregivers and communities do to intervene, provide support, share information and create solutions for struggling readers/dyslexic children? We'll

answer these questions and more during this discussion. **Caroline Wilcox Ugurlu** is a researcher, teacher, and Oliver Wolcott Library's library assistant with a focus on early literacy. This evening is sponsored by **The Couri Education Series**. Light refreshments will be served.

**Thursday, October 24, 6:00 PM**

Please register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

### Navigating Injury Prevention and Care for the Young Athlete

with Dr. Edton Ganal



More American children are competing in sports than ever before. Sports help children and adolescents keep their bodies fit and build self-confidence and self-image. However, there are some important injury prevention tips that can help parents promote a safe, optimal sports experience for their child. Dr. Ganal is currently a team physician for the US Men's and Women's Ski and Snowboard teams and New Milford High School.

**Thursday, October 3, 7 PM**

Please register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

### Floral and Garden Photography

with Lester Lefkowitz



The Ridgefield Library and Ridgefield Garden Club present a talk by photographer **Lester Lefkowitz** who will give a lecture and workshop on floral and garden photography. In his own words, Lester Lefkowitz has been a photographer since "before he was born." He has supplied photographs to many Fortune-500 companies and major publications throughout the world, including *National Geographic*, *The New York Times* and *Time Magazine*. He is also the author of four books on photography.

**Tuesday, October 29, 10 AM**

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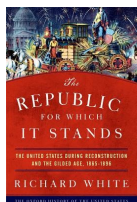
# Library Book Groups - New Readers Welcome!

## NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, Oct. 1 & Nov. 5  
7:00 PM

***The Republic for Which It Stands: The United States During Reconstruction and the Gilded Age, 1865-1896***

By Richard White



“Before the Civil War, Americans commonly said that “the United States are.” After the war, despite

grousing from fussy pedants, it gradually became standard usage to say that “the United States is.” That grammatically anomalous and long-contested transition in popular speech to conceiving the nation in the singular rather than the plural serves as an apt metaphor for the compelling story that Richard White tells in *The Republic for Which It Stands*.” David M. Kennedy, Editor. “In a work as dramatic and colorful as the era it covers, White narrates the conflicts and paradoxes of these decades of disorienting change and mounting unrest, out of which emerged a modern nation whose characteristics resonate with the present day” — *LearningAlly*.

## MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, October 3  
10:30 AM

***The Poisoner's Handbook: Murder and the Birth of Forensic Medicine in Jazz Age New York*** by Deborah Blum

This book is about the untold true story of how poison rocked Jazz Age New York City. A pair of forensic scientists began their trailblazing chemical detective work, fighting to end an era when untraceable poisons offered an easy path to the perfect crime.

of interlocking fables that range from antebellum New York to the late twentieth-century Timber Wars of the Pacific Northwest and beyond, exploring the essential conflict on this planet: the one taking place between humans and non-humans.

which he tries to attain through his daughter's marriage into an aristocratic family. Silas's morality does not fail him. He loses his money but makes the right moral decision when his partner proposes the unethical selling of the mills to English settlers.

## FOUNDERS HALL BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, October 10  
3:00 PM

***Commonwealth***  
by Ann Patchett

## CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, October 15  
7:00 PM

***The Overstory***  
by Richard Powers

This sweeping, impassioned novel of activism and resistance is also a stunning evocation of and paean to the natural world. *The Overstory* unfolds in concentric rings

## BOOKS & BREAKFAST Monday, October 14 10:30 AM

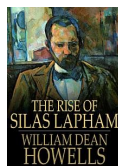


Join us for an informal book chat led by Dorothy Pawlowski.  
**Breakfast is served!**

## A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, October 23  
10:00 AM

***The Rise of Silas Lapham***  
by William Dean Howells



This story follows the rise of Silas Lapham from rags to riches and his ensuing moral susceptibility. Silas earns a fortune in the paint business, but he lacks social standing,

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT: A CULINARY BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, October 28  
2:00 PM

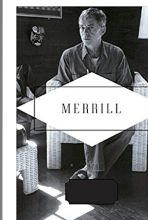
***Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir***  
By Ruth Reichl

In this captivating blend of culinary history and popular culture, the award-winning author of *Perfection Salad* shows us what happened when the food industry elbowed its way into the kitchen after World War II, brandishing canned hamburgers, frozen baked beans, and instant piecrusts.

## Poetry Discussion Group

Friday, October 25, 1 PM

***Poems*** by James Merrill



## Tech Topics & STEAM Workshops

***A Taste of GIMP*** - with Tom Gerhard

Gimp is a powerful, free image and photo editing software.

Tuesday, October 8 @ 6:00 –7:30 PM - [Register](#)

***Introduction to iPad*** - for seniors with Dawn DeCosta

Wednesday, October 16 @ 11:00 AM–12:00 PM - [Register](#)

***iPhone Introduction*** - for seniors with Dawn DeCosta

Thursday, October 17 @ 2:00–3:00 PM - [Register](#)

***How to Build Your Network in LinkedIn*** with Kate Fitzpatrick

Tuesday, October 22 @ 6:00–7:00 PM - [register](#)

***Facebook 101*** with Kate Fitzpatrick

Friday, October 25 @ 10:30–11:30 AM - [Register](#)

***Help! Downloading the Library's eBooks***

***and eAudiobooks—Bring Your Own Device***

***Bring Your Own Device***

Saturday, October 19 @ 10:00–11:00 AM - Drop-in

Thursday, October 24 @ 1:00 PM–2:00 PM - Drop-in

***Convert Your VHS Videos to DVD*** - Check

[ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org) for details and available time slots.

***Make a Penny Rug*** with Pat Corrigan

Wednesday, October 23 @ 1:30 PM–4:00 PM - [Register](#)

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## Featured Events Calendar - October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p><b>Friends of the Ridgefield Library Fall Book Sale:</b></p> <p><b>Children's Books Sale:</b> Friday, Oct. 11 through Monday, Oct. 14</p> <p><b>General Book Sale:</b> Friday, Oct. 18 through Monday, Oct. 21</p> <p>For times and other information please visit <a href="http://ridgefieldlibrary.org">ridgefieldlibrary.org</a>.</p>	<p><b>1</b> <b>Meet the Candidates Forum</b> presented by the League of Women Voters 7 PM</p> <p><b>Nonfictioneers:</b> <i>The Republic for Which It Stands</i> By Richard White 7 PM</p>	<p><b>2</b> <b>Health:</b> <i>Chair Yoga</i> 1 PM</p> <p><b>Divorce Transition:</b> <i>Family, Finance, and Future</i> 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>3</b> <b>Murder by the Book:</b> <i>The Poisoner's Handbook</i> By Deborah Blum 10:30 AM</p> <p><b>Presentation:</b> <i>Navigating Injury Prevention and Care for the Young Athlete</i> with Dr. Edton Ganai 7 PM</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Games on Tap</b> 6:30 PM</p> <p><b>LYL!—Love Your Library All Around Town!</b></p>	<p><b>5 LYL!</b> <b>Language:</b> Italian Discussion 12 PM</p> <p><b>Lecture:</b> <i>Ridgefield's Rich Architectural History — What's Here and How to Protect It</i> with Phil Esser 10 AM</p> <p><b>Movie:</b> <i>Where the Wild Things Are</i> 3 PM</p>	
<p><b>6</b> <b>Lecture:</b> <i>Maurice Sendak's Truth in Fiction</i> with Jen Mathy 2 PM</p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>Presentation:</b> <i>What Makes a Kid Resilient</i> with Donna Volpitta 7 PM</p>	<p><b>8</b> <b>Tech Topics:</b> <i>A Taste of GIMP for Image Editing</i> with Tom Gerhard 6 PM</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Talk:</b> <i>Sendak's Books Merit Grown Up</i> <i>Conversation</i> with Kristina Lareau 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>10</b> <b>Workshop:</b> <i>Poetry on the Path</i> 10:30 AM</p> <p><b>Founders Hall Book Discussion:</b> <i>Commonwealth</i> by Ann Patchett 3 PM</p> <p><b>Film &amp; Panel:</b> <i>Tell Them Anything You Want</i> 6 PM</p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>Film Festival:</b> <i>RIFF at the Ridgefield Library</i> 10:30 AM—4:30 PM visit <a href="http://riffct.org">riffct.org</a></p> <p><b>Lecture at The Aldrich:</b> <i>Cloudspotting for Beginners</i> with Gavin Pretor-Pinney 7 PM</p>	<p><b>12</b> <b>Fieldtrip:</b> <i>Shutterbugs Photography Group</i> 9 AM</p> <p><b>Film Festival:</b> <i>RIFF at the Ridgefield Library</i> 10:30 AM—7 PM visit <a href="http://riffct.org">riffct.org</a></p>
<p><b>13</b> <b>Film Festival:</b> <i>RIFF at the Ridgefield Library</i> 10:30 AM—5 PM visit <a href="http://riffct.org">riffct.org</a></p>	<p><b>14</b> <b>Discussion:</b> <i>Books &amp; Breakfast</i> 10:30 AM</p> <p><b>Film Festival:</b> <i>RIFF at the Ridgefield Library</i> 11 AM—4:30 PM visit <a href="http://riffct.org">riffct.org</a></p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>Critics' Circle Book Group:</b> <i>The Overstory</i> By Richard Powers 7 PM</p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>Tech Tricks:</b> <i>Introduction to iPad</i> with Dawn DeCosta 11 AM</p> <p><b>Language:</b> French with Anette Roth 12 PM</p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>Medicare Workshop</b> 10 AM—1 PM</p> <p><b>Tech Topics:</b> <i>Introduction to iPhone</i> with Dawn DeCosta 2 PM</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>Book Sale:</b> Friends Fall Sale 10 AM—8 PM (10—Noon \$10 Early Bird Fee)</p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>Write In:</b> <i>Fairfield County Writers Group</i> 1—4 PM</p> <p><b>Book Sale:</b> <i>Friends Fall Sale</i> 9 AM—6 PM</p>
<p><b>20</b> <b>Book Sale:</b> Friends Fall Sale 10 AM—5 PM</p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>Book Sale:</b> Friends Fall Sale 8 AM—6 PM \$5/grocery bag — bring your own bag</p>	<p><b>22</b> <b>Medicare Workshop</b> 10 AM—1 PM</p> <p><b>Tech Tricks:</b> <i>How To Build Your Network in LinkedIn</i> with Kate Fitzpatrick 6 PM</p>	<p><b>23</b> <b>AM Book Group:</b> <i>The Rise of Silas Lapham</i> by William Howells Dean 10 AM-</p> <p><b>Health:</b> <i>Chair Yoga</i> 1 PM</p> <p><b>Italian Film:</b> <i>Investigation of a Citizen Above Suspicion</i> 4 PM</p>	<p><b>24</b> <b>Workshop:</b> <i>Poetry on the Path</i> with Barb Jennes 10:30 AM</p> <p><b>Medicare Workshop</b> 10 AM—1 PM</p> <p><b>Presentation:</b> <i>Identification and Early Intervention for Struggling Readers</i> with Dr. Wilcox 6 PM</p>	<p><b>25</b> <b>Tech Topics:</b> <i>Facebook 101 for Business</i> with Kate Fitzpatrick 10:30 AM</p> <p><b>Poetry Discussion Group:</b> James Merrill with Dr. Alan Holder 1 PM</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27</b> <b>ARTalk:</b> <i>How the Mind's Eye Works</i> with David Dunlop 2 PM</p>	<p><b>28</b> <b>Food for Thought:</b> 2 PM</p> <p><b>Health:</b> Meditation 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>29</b> <b>Presentation:</b> <i>Garden Photography</i> with Lester Lefkowitz 10 AM</p> <p><b>Author Talk:</b> <i>The Chelsea Girls</i> with Fiona Davis 7 PM</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b> <b>Medicare Workshop</b> 10 AM—1 PM</p>	<p><b>Medicare Workshops</b> Ridgefield Social Services is offering free confidential Medicare prescription drug counseling sessions from <b>October 15–December 7</b>. Call Karen Gaudian at 203-431-2754 or <a href="mailto:municipalagent@ridgefield.org">municipalagent@ridgefield.org</a></p>	