

Winter Wonder @ HPL

As the temperature outside cools, the winter season becomes the perfect time to cozy up with a good book, take a class, or enjoy an afternoon of art, music and film at the Library – join us!

FALL ARTS & CULTURE EVENTS

GLOBAL LENS 2013

Sundays, November 3, 2013 – January 12, 2014, 2 p.m.,
Center for Contemporary Culture

The critically-acclaimed Global Lens film series, hosted in partnership with the Wadsworth Atheneum, showcases ten award-winning narrative feature films from Brazil, Chile, China, Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Mexico and Serbia. All library films are free and open to the public, and a facilitated discussion will follow. Visit the Center for Contemporary Culture online for dates and film titles.

ARTWalk: Winter Art Exhibitions at Hartford Public Library

David Borawski: December 13, 2013 – January 17, 2014
Opening Reception Friday, December 13 at 6 p.m.

Carlos Hernández Chávez: February 7 – March 15, 2014
Opening Reception Friday, February 7 at 6 p.m.

Hartford Public Library's ARTWalk is in full swing this winter, beginning with Hartford artist David Borawski's exhibition, "at the start of the end of history," followed

by "Dialogues," an exhibition of recent works by Carlos Hernández Chávez. Inspired by the artist's travels to a Puerto Rican rainforest, the work represents the artist's dialogues with all his surroundings in the tropics, from animals to nature, music and people.

ISLAMIC ART: MIRROR OF THE INVISIBLE WORLD

Tuesday, December 3, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.,
Center for Contemporary Culture

Explore the richness of Islamic art from great palaces and mosques to the exquisite beauty of ceramics, carved boxes, paintings and metal work. Nine countries are featured, spanning 1,400 years of artistic heritage. Facilitators: Aida Mansoor, Muslim Coalition of CT, and Janet Bauer, Associate Professor of International Studies at Trinity College.

BABY GRAND JAZZ

Sundays, January 5 – April 27, 2014, 3 p.m., Atrium

Recording and performance artist Meg Okura opens the 11th season of this wildly successful series on January 5th with a unique blend of world chamber jazz.

Information on other winter season headlining acts will be available at www.hplct.org.

LIFT UP THE GIFT: DECORATIVE QUILTS BY LINDA F. MARTIN

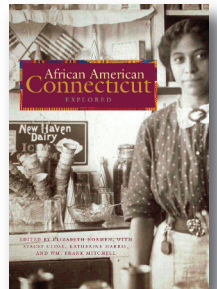
On display through January 6, 2014,
Hartford History Center 3rd Floor Corridor Gallery
Hartford native and fiber artist Linda F. Martin has created over 30 decorative quilts that are now on display (and for sale) to the public. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Hartford Public Library.



A BLACK HISTORY MONTH CONVERSATION WITH BUTCH LEWIS: THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY IN CONNECTICUT

Sunday, February 23, 1 – 3 p.m.,
Hartford History Center

Hartford Public Library, in partnership with the magazine *Connecticut Explored*, presents a Black History Month discussion recalling the Black Panther Party in Connecticut during the turbulent 1960s and 1970s featuring Butch Lewis, 1960s activist and co-founder of the Hartford Chapter of the Black Panther Party. *Connecticut Explored* also celebrates the launch of its newest publication, *African American Connecticut Explored*. Books will be available for purchase.



BRANCH OUT:

Find these great youth programs at our branches:

POETS KWANZAA - POETRY SLAM WORKSHOP:

Ages 8 and up. Express yourself through poetry! Share well-known African poetry and African proverbs, or create an original work based on Nguzo Saba, The Seven Principles of Kwanzaa. Youth branch representatives will be selected to participate in our read-aloud at our Downtown Kwanzaa celebration at the end of the year.
Blue Hills Branch, Wednesday, December 11, 4:00 p.m.



SMART START STEM

Ages 3-5, with adult friends. Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematical concepts through picture books, games, songs, and crafts.
Downtown - Children's Library Friday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.



DIVERSI-TEA

Ages 5 and up. Join us in celebrating the 45th anniversary of the Coretta Scott King Book Awards, an annual award given to outstanding African American authors and illustrators of children and young adult books. Discover teas from around the world and help create a "Leaves of Diversity" mural.
Mark Twain Branch, Wednesday, January 22, 4:00 p.m.

LIBRARY OLYMPICS

Ages 6 and up. In honor of the 2014 Winter Olympics, the branch library will host its very own Library Olympics. Come participate in our speed read challenge, upside-down reading challenge, and our shot-book challenge.
Albany Branch, Thursday, February 6, 4:30 p.m.



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Public Library**
A place like no other.

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500 Main St.
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ALBANY
1250 Albany Ave.
860-695-7380

BARBOUR
281 Barbour St.
860-695-7400

BLUE HILLS
649 Blue Hills Ave.
860-695-7420

CAMP FIELD
30 Campfield Ave.
860-695-7440

DWIGHT
7 New Park Ave.
860-695-7460

GOODWIN
460 New Britain Ave.
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ADULT LEARNING

Affordable Health Care: What You Need to Know



Make informed decisions! Meet with a certified library assister and receive support enrolling in a variety of health insurance coverage options including subsidized health insurance, Medicaid and Husky programs. **By appointment only, weekdays, evenings, and weekends, Downtown Branch** Call 860-695-6334, or email assister@hplct.org

Prepare for your GED

Join this one-hour orientation to learn about a free online GED course along with other prep tools, and register for the course. You can then access the program anywhere, anytime. *A Library card is required to register.* **Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 12:00 and 5:00 p.m., Downtown Branch**

NEW DVDS

Before Midnight

On a writer's retreat in Greece, Jessie and Cline look for a night of passion, but instead endure a test of their relationship and a discussion of what the future holds for them. (Sony Pictures Classics)



Girl Most Likely

A failed New York playwright awkwardly navigates the transition from Next Big Thing to Last Year's News. (Lionsgate)



The Heat

An uptight FBI Special Agent is paired with a foul-mouthed Boston cop to take down a ruthless drug lord. (20th Century Fox)

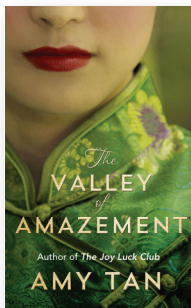


NEW BOOKS

Adult Fiction

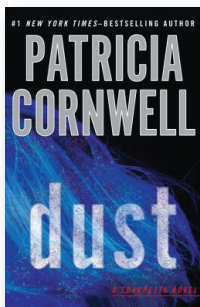
Valley of Amazement

by Amy Tan (Ecco, 608 pages) The *New York Times* bestselling author and international sensation returns with her long-awaited novel, a magnificent family saga of fate and identity that moves from the lavish parlors of Shanghai courtesans to the fog-shrouded mountains of a remote Chinese village.



Dust

by Patricia Cornwell

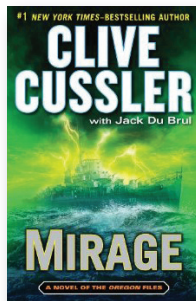


(Penguin, 512 pages) From the world's number-one best-selling crime writer - Massachusetts Chief Medical Examiner Kay Scarpetta investigates a scandalous case that soon leads deep into the dark world of designer drugs, drone technology, organized crime,

and shocking corruption at the highest levels. A thrilling read filled with high-tension suspense and the latest in forensic technology

Mirage

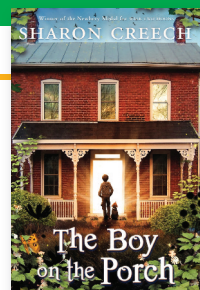
by Clive Cussler (Putnam Adult, 416 pages) In October 1943, a U.S. destroyer sailed out of Philadelphia and supposedly vanished, the result of a Navy experiment with electromagnetic radiation. The story was considered a hoax—but now Juan Cabrillo and his Oregon colleagues aren't so sure. An exciting adventure story packed with action.



Youth Fiction

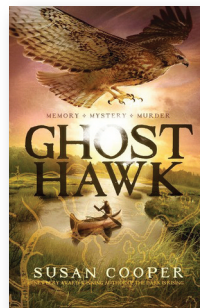
The Boy on the Porch

by Sharon Creech (Harper Collins, 160 pages) When a young couple finds a mysterious boy asleep on their porch, their lives take a surprising turn. As their connection and friendship with Jacob grow, the three of them blossom into an unlikely family and begin to see the world in brand-new ways.



Ghost Hawk

by Susan Cooper (McElderry Books, 336 pages) The very different lives of 11-year-old Little Hawk, a Native American, and young English apprentice John Walkeley, are surprisingly intertwined as each begin their own adventures and journeys into manhood.



NEW CDS

Paradise Valley

by John Mayer Mayer's sixth studio album is a mature combination of blues, rock, and soul, including collaborations with Katy Perry and Frank Ocean. (Columbia Records)



3.0

by Marc Anthony The celebrated latin vocalist makes his first return to salsa music in 10 years. (Sony Music Latin)



Songversation

by India Arie Arie returns from a 4-year hiatus with an album full of acoustically-rendered R&B, heartfelt lyrics and unbridled optimism. (Motown Records)



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