

Did You Know? The first magazine exclusively for kids was published in Hartford in 1789 under the title "The Children's Magazine." Roughly a century later, HPL's Caroline Hewins would become a pioneer in children's library services.



Upcoming

Instagram Workshop: Lighting for your Skin Tone

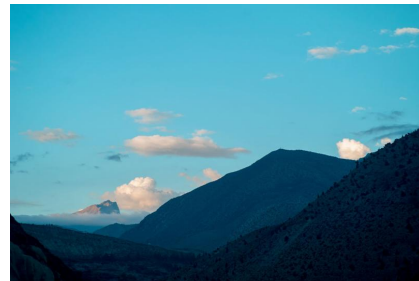
Thursday, October 25, 6:30 PM
Dwight Library

Two Theaterworks Lighting professionals will bring lighting equipment for demos, a presentation about the history of lighting and race, and hands on training.



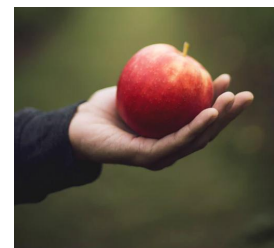
New ArtWalk Exhibit "Equanimity" by Andrew Reardon Opening Reception Friday, October 19, 5:30 pm Downtown Library, 3rd Floor

Local videographer and photographer Andrew Reardon presents visual impressions drawn from his artist's residency in Nepal. Equanimity will be on view at the ArtWalk through December 2, 2018. See more [here](#).



All About Apples! Wednesday October 24, 5:00 pm Camp Field Library

Join us after Family Story time for a sweet autumn treat and explore a bounty of cookbooks featuring recipes using apples.



WET: A DACAmended Journey Monday, October 22, Reception at 5 pm, Show starts at 5:30 pm Downtown Library, Center for Contemporary Culture

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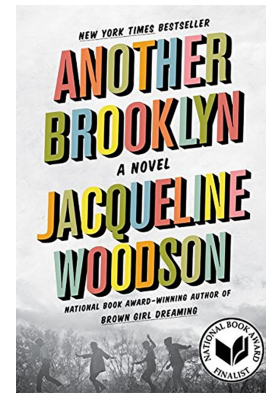
mental, emotional, and psychological hardship had to endure while navigating a broken U.S. immigration system. Free and open to the public. Find out more [here](#) and read a great article on the show at [Hartford Courant](#)



Another Brooklyn: A Reading on the Terrace

Wednesday, October 24, 11 am - 2 pm
Downtown Library

Please join us for a live public reading of the acclaimed novel, "Another Brooklyn," on the terrace of on Wednesday, October 24, from 11 am – 2 pm at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street, Hartford. The book's author, Jacqueline Woodson, will be the featured speaker at Beyond Words, the library's annual fundraiser on Friday, December 7. For more information, [click here](#).



Piano Lessons from the Masters

12 - 4 pm
Saturday, October 20 (Teacher: Taino Pacheco)
Friday, October 26 (Teacher: Sarah Rose)
Saturday, November 10 (Teacher: Orice Jenkins)
Downtown Library

Here's your chance to take a free piano lessons on the Hartford Public Library grand piano! The classes will be taught by some of Hartford's greatest piano players. All levels are welcome. Registration required! Reserve early! Email Liz Castle at lcastle@hplct.org or 860-695-6320.



YOUmedia Birthday Party

Hartford Public Library's YOUmedia center will be celebrating its 4th anniversary with a birthday party on Friday, October 19, from 5:30 - 8:30 pm. A Halloween Party with pizza, candy and a costume contest is planned for Wednesday, October 31, starting at 4:30 pm. For a full calendar of YOUmedia events in October, [click here](#)



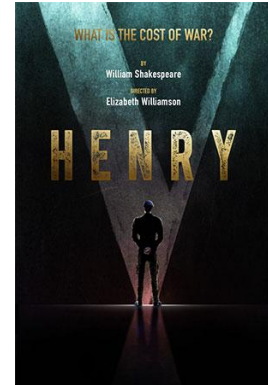
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News

Tickets Now Available **Henry V at Hartford Stage** October 11 - November 11

Free passes are now available at HPL branches for Hartford Stage's production of William Shakespeare's classic, Henry V. For show dates and times and more information, go [here](#).



New Park Street Library Project Launch

Good crowd at the update on the construction of the new Park Street Library on Monday, October 15. Mayor Luke Bronin thanked the many children who attended the event and said their enthusiasm for the library had made construction of the new library possible. More photos on the [HPL Facebook Page](#)



Park Street Community Walk

On Thursday, October 18, Park Library Manager Graciela Rivera and Maria Ortiz of the Hispanic Health Council led a walk down Park Street from the library to Main Street and back in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and to promote the "Honoring Latina Women and their Children" celebration at the Downtown Library from 5 - 7 pm on Tuesday, October 30.



HPL Annual Meeting 2018

HPL Board Member Steve Harris presented Juanita Giles

with the Corporator of Distinction Award at the library's Annual Meeting on Thursday. For more on the meeting, go to [Facebook](#).



New Exhibit by Bill Costen

Collector, balloonist and photographer Bill Costen shows off just 2 of the hundreds of African American history items in the exhibit he is creating outside the Hartford History Center on the 3rd floor of the Downtown Library. The exhibit will run from October 22 - December 14, with a opening reception on November 14.



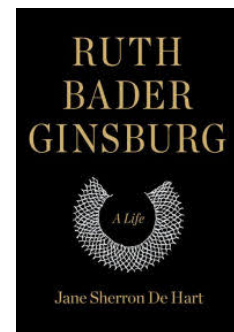
Banner for New Park Street Library is Up!

On Tuesday, October 16, Downes Construction, the general contractor for the new Park Street Library, installed a banner at the site of the new facility announcing that construction will begin in the Spring of 2019. On hand for the event were HPL Director of Human Resources Diana Smith, HPL CEO Bridget Quinn-Carey, and HPL Director of Facility Operations Mark Parrino.



New Books!

The first new major biography of Frederick Douglass in over 25 years, a far-ranging examination of the sea and land campaign that ended the American Revolution, a charming Christmas tale set on a remote Scottish island and a biography of ground-breaking Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader-Ginsburg are now on the shelves at HPL, along with a novel about J. Robert Oppenheimer and many other fascinating books.



Activities

Monarch Butterfly Puppet Making Workshop

Monday, October 22, 4 - 5 pm: Camp Field Library

Wednesday, October 24, 4 - 5 pm: Dwight Library



Journey through a monarch butterfly's migratory path while learning how to make their own caterpillar & butterfly puppets that come to life in a final dance. Presented by Sova Dance and Puppet Theatre courtesy of Arts for Learning CT. (Ages 6-12)

Computer Class: Back-to-Basics

Tuesdays, October 23 & 30, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
Camp Field Library

Learn basic computer skills in 30-minute sessions! Topics include keyboarding, creating, saving, and locating files; using email; exploring the Internet, and other computer-related functions or questions. Available in English and Spanish. Registration required, in person or by calling 860-695-7440.



Autumn Festival

Thursday, October 25, 3:30 – 4:30 pm:
Albany Library
Thursday, October 25, 4 – 5 pm: Park Library
Thursday, October 25, 3:30 – 4:30 pm:
SAND/Ropkins Library
Monday, October 29, 4 – 5 pm: Barbour
Tuesday, October 30, 3:30 – 5 pm: Downtown Library



Celebrate all things fall with autumnal stories, crafts and spooky treats! Decorate your own mini pumpkin to take home. (Ages 6-12)

CT Humanities Book Voyagers Series at Hartford Public Library

Thursdays, October 25 and Nov. 1, 5:30 pm
Children's Room (3rd Floor), Downtown Library

Join us for discussions on how you can turn obstacles into opportunities, based on the wisdom of great books. Slated for discussion are *Sylvester and the Magic Pebbles* (Oct. 11); *Chicks & Salsa* (Oct. 25) and *A Chair for My Mother* (Nov. 1). Find out more [here](#).



Pasos & Connections Salsa Dancing Classes

Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Jan. 3, Feb. 7, March 7, April 4
Downtown Library, Atrium

Pasos & Connections uses Latin partner dances like Salsa, Merengue, and Cha Cha as a means of developing healthy relational connections. Find out more [here](#).



Save the Date!

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beyond words

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