

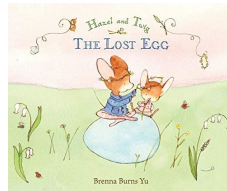
April 2023

Special Programs

Signs of Spring: Make Your Own Field Guide with Brenna Burns Yu

Saturday, April 1, 11 am-12 pm | Fair Haven

Brenna Burns Yu will read from her book, *Hazel & Twig: The Lost Egg*, followed by an art activity based on the book's theme of natural history illustration and observing from nature.



Wonderful Books and Where to Find Them

Saturday, April 1, 11-11:30 am | Ives

In partnership with the Yale Affinity Groups, we'll be reading *Our Favorite Day of the Year* by A. E. Ali. Read about different special days, and write or draw something about your own favorite.



Week of the Young Child with puppeteer Iyaba Ibo Mandingo

Saturday, April 1, 1:30-3:30 pm | Stetson

Join us for a spectacular community helper puppet show led by local puppeteer and artist Iyaba Ibo Mandingo. Free copies of *Fire Chief Fran* by Linda Ashman will be given away as supplies last. In partnership with New Haven Early Childhood Council, The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, and The Children's Building.



Music Together Demo

Wednesday, April 5, 11 am-12 pm | Ives

Join us for a free music and movement class for babies, toddlers and preschoolers (birth-5) with a caregiver. Offered by Musical Folk, this special Music Together program will take place instead of our regular story time that day.



All NHFPL locations will be closed Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8.

Week of the Young Child Storytime: *Planting Stories* by Anika Aldamuy Denise

Wednesday, April 5, 10-11 am | Wilson

Join us for a storytime event and reading of *Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré* by Anika Aldamuy Denise. Suitable for kids and families ages 3-5. Free copies of books will be given away as supplies last. In partnership with New Haven Early Childhood Council, The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, and The Children's Building.



Felt Friends!

Wednesday, April 5, 4-5 pm | Mitchell

Learn some basic sewing skills and make a cute little creature! In partnership with the SCSU Buley Library Makerspace.



STEAM Explorers!

Wednesdays, 4-5 pm | Ives

STEAM Explorers is science and technology exploration for kids together with their caregivers! Let's explore science with fun, hands-on activities.



April 5: Butterfly Migration

April 12: Seeing Sound

April 19: LEGOs

April 26: Stars and Constellations

Funny Fest

Tuesday, April 11, 4-5 pm | Ives

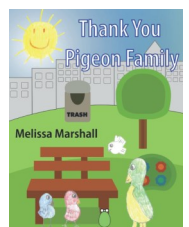
Share your favorite jokes, listen to silly stories and play fun games and activities! Recommended for ages 5+.



Children's Authors and Illustrators Series: Melissa Marshall

Wednesday, April 12, 3-4 pm | Ives

Join author and illustrator Melissa Marshall as she reads from her books *Thank You Pigeon Family* and *Sharing is Caring with The Pigeon Family*, and stay for a fun art activity. Event will take place in the Children's Room (2nd floor).



Special Programs (continued)

Children's Authors and Illustrators Series: Alan Katz

Saturday, April 22, 10:30-11:30 am | Ives

Join local Emmy-nominated comedy writer and author Alan Katz as he discusses his books and shares his humor. A collaborative event with Atticus New Haven, the program takes place in the Children's Room (2nd floor) of the Ives Main Library.



Falling in love with Theatre Workshops presented by SC

Saturday, April 22, 1-2 pm | Wilson

Join us Saturdays, March 25, April 22, and May 13. Have a blast with a fun series of fun feel good workshops where the world of theatre arts is explored! Everyone is welcome, and children and their families are strongly encouraged to attend. No experience is required.



Concert by Music Haven Advanced Students

Saturday, April 22, 1-2 pm | Mitchell

Join us for a concert by Music Haven's advanced student string quartet, The Pomegranates. These young musicians will play pieces by Luis Prado, Florence Price, JS Bach, L.V. Beethoven, and more.



Disability Justice Conversation: Special Education

Monday, April 24, 6-7:30 pm | Mitchell

Join Sha McAllister from the New Haven Festival of Arts and Ideas with her guests for this special panel. The theme for New Haven's One City One Read 2023 is Disability Justice and many may not realize that Special Education is one facet of this topic.



Ongoing Programs

Stay and Play

Mondays, 10-11:30 am | Stetson

Mondays and Wednesdays, 11-11:30 am | Ives

Tuesdays, 11:30 am-12 pm | Mitchell

Stories, songs, playtime for kids, birth-5, with caregiver.



LEGO Clubs

Wednesdays, 3-5 pm | Wilson - ages 5-12

Wed., April 12 & 26, 4-5 pm | Mitchell - ages 5+

Music Room Open Hours

Wednesdays, 5-6 pm | Wilson

Experiment with keyboards, synthesizer, drum machines, guitars, ukuleles, mandolin, accordion and more! Get pointers, sheet music, a quick tutorial or learn to record your own song. No reservation needed.



Youth Chess

Thursdays, 4-5 pm | Ives

Learn basic rules and strategy, play games, and discuss chess in a friendly setting. Join us in the Children's Room. Recommended for ages 7+.



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