

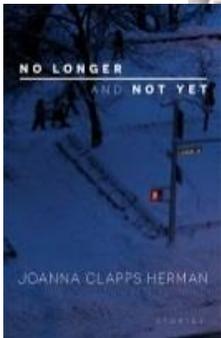
Music of the Americas

Tuesday, April 22, Children's Room

Sirius Coyote is a multitalented group of musicians, storytellers and instrument makers. They perform over thirty different ancient and modern instruments.

Local Authors Series

Women on the Page: Reading



Joanna Clapps Herman, Mary Donnarumma Sharnick & Dr. Ruth Glasser

Silas Bronson Library – 267 Grand St. – Waterbury, CT

Wednesday, April 23 - 6:30 p.m.

Waterbury native turned NYC Upper West Sider Joanna Clapps Herman will read from her new book *No Longer and Not Yet*, a compilation of stories of small-town life on New York City's Upper West Side. The stories explore the ways our lives are lived in the split seconds between

what is no longer but is still not yet.

Herman teaches creative writing in the MFA Graduate Program at Manhattanville College and at the Center for Worker Education (CUNY). She has authored/co-authored three books.

Joanna Clapps Herman's grandparents were from the same Italian town as Mary Donnarumma Sharnick's. Mary's grandfather, a butcher, bought meat from Joanna's grandfather, who owned one of the last farms in Waterbury.

Sharnick, who teaches writing and chairs the

English Department at Chase Collegiate School, will read her short story about her aunt Lee Donnarumma, who, as a buyer of women's clothing for two large department stores, inspired Sharnick to become a career woman.

Brooklyn-born Dr. Ruth Glasser, teaches Urban and Community Studies at the Waterbury campus of the University of Connecticut. She will present some of her findings from her ongoing study of farming in Waterbury, which includes the farm of Herman's Grandpa Becce.

She will present a longer version of her work at the library this summer as part of the **Connecticut at Work** series, a program presented in conjunction with the Mattatuck Museum and the Smithsonian Institution.