



SILAS BRONSON LIBRARY

Something for Everyone

BOOKS AND HAPPENINGS

SUMMER 2018

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SUMMER READING

Whether you're a child, teen, or adult, we have a summer reading program for you! Stop by the library to pick up reading lists or to register for one of our summer reading programs. Participants who complete their summer reading challenge will be eligible to win prizes. Information about our summer reading programs is also available on our website.



FRONT PLAZA REOPENS

Construction on the library's front plaza is finally complete! If you haven't done so already, please stop by to see our new fountain, sidewalks, benches, and lights. We're looking forward to using the new plaza for a full day of music performances on Make Music Day, Thursday, June 21.

NEW KIDSPACE

The second floor of the library is now our KidSpace! The main Children's Room, Digital Media Room, and Picture Book Room have been freshened up to welcome a whole new generation of children. Some time-honored favorites are still in place, including our sturdy Bertoia wire chairs and the wood crocodile, while furnishings showing their age, like the aquarium, have been replaced.



If you'd like to receive email from the library about our upcoming programs, visit our website, bronsonlibrary.org, to join our mailing list.



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NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Readers' Garden Bookstore

Hi, Everyone - June is Annual Membership Month. Our thanks to all who have renewed their membership, and welcome to all our new members. If you are not a member, won't you please consider joining the Friends of the Library. As with the Bookstore, all proceeds support the library's many programs and services.

Summer is around the corner, so it's time to stock up on your summer reads. We will be, once again, adding many more paperbacks at reduced prices of 10 cents and 25 cents, as well as hardcovers for 25 cents and 50 cents. Non-fiction discounted books may be found on our sale tables.

During the summer months, our sale tables will feature, among other things, a full series of craft books, bios of old movie stars, sports, and featured authors. And don't forget to check out our baskets of books which are situated in corners of the bookstore.

The Bookstore is available during library hours. As always, your support is most appreciated.



Book Donations

If you would like to donate books, please call the library at 203-574-8222 to schedule a delivery time.



Join the Friends of the Library

Members of the Friends receive this newsletter in the mail. Membership rates start at \$15/year for students and seniors; \$25/year for individuals; \$50/year for patrons; and \$100/year for corporate memberships. To join, please send a check payable to the Friends of the Silas Bronson Library, P.O. Box 2853, Waterbury, CT 06723 and indicate that it is for a new membership. Membership brochures are available at the library with additional information.

Gifts & Bequests

The Friends of the Silas Bronson Library is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the mission and programs of the Silas Bronson Library. Donations and bequests may be made to the Friends to support the library's programs or to assist with building improvements. Donations to the Friends may be sent to us at P.O. Box 2853, Waterbury, CT 06723.

COMPUTER CLASSES

ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER HELP

By Appointment

Call 203-574-8225 or visit the Reference Desk at the main library to schedule your appointment.



Have a tablet, but don't know how to use it? Need to figure out how to set up an email account? Wondering how to use the library's Wi-Fi? Want to learn how to use our online resources? Schedule a half-hour appointment with one of our librarians to learn the basics of internet technology.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Wednesdays

Computer Classroom

Drop in for these specific classes and bring any related questions to get help with. Classes will utilize Microsoft Office software, Google apps and general computer skills for beginners.



June 6, 1 p.m.	DIY Signs & Flyers
June 13, 1 p.m.	MS Excel for Beginners
June 20, 1 p.m.	MS Word for Beginners
June 27, 1 p.m.	MS PowerPoint for Beginners
July 11, 1 p.m.	Gmail & Google Apps
July 18, 1 p.m.	Free Informational Resources Online
July 25, 1 p.m.	Genealogy for Beginners
August 1, 1 p.m.	Resumes & Cover Letters
August 8, 1 p.m.	Learn Online with Lynda.com
August 15, 1 p.m.	MS Excel for Beginners
August 22, 1 p.m.	MS Word for Beginners
August 29, 1 p.m.	Gmail & Google Apps

*For ages 16 and up. No registration required.
Must be able to use a mouse and keyboard.*

WATERBURY B.R.A.S.S. CLASSES

The Silas Bronson Library offers computer classes for Waterbury seniors through the B.R.A.S.S. program at the Waterbury Senior Center on East Main Street and at the Mount Olive Senior Center. All Waterbury seniors ages 60 and over are welcome to participate.

For more information about the Senior Center, call (203) 574-6746.



The library also offers B.R.A.S.S. computer classes at the Bunker Hill Branch, thanks to a grant from the Connecticut Community Foundation.

Waterbury B.R.A.S.S. is a collaboration between the City of Waterbury, Connecticut Community Foundation, New Opportunities, Inc., and Western Connecticut Area on Aging, working together to engage residents ages 60 and over. B.R.A.S.S. offers a range of opportunities and programs to help Waterbury become a great place to grow older.



B.R.A.S.S. AT THE BRANCH

Tuesdays, 2 p.m.

May 29 - August 28

Bunker Hill Branch

Learn how to use a tablet, smartphone, or computer. You will be assisted in using the internet, Wi-Fi, eBooks, and more! For seniors ages 60 and over. Free parking.

ALL-AGES PROGRAMS

CHESS MEETUP

Tuesdays, June 5 & 19, July 3, 17, & 31, August 7 & 21,
6 - 8 p.m.

Auditorium

Chess players are invited to come to the library to share their love of the game, meet new chess players, and play chess. All ages welcome.



GAMING CLUB

Wednesdays, June 6 & 20, July 18, August 1 & 15,
4 - 5:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Join us for video games, Magic, Yu-Gi-Oh! and board games in our new Gaming Club. Anyone who loves games of any type is welcome. Games may contain mature content.



ART DEMONSTRATION

Friday, June 15, 1p.m. - 5 pm.

Front Lobby

Bridgeport resident Thomas Harrison displays colored pencil seascapes as well as animal portraits - including mammals, birds, reptiles and fish while he does a demonstration of his art in the library lobby. Born in White Plains, NY and raised in Rowayton (Norwalk), CT, Harrison is a self-taught zoologist, horticulturist, artist and musician.



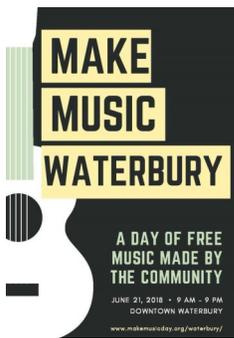
MAKE MUSIC WATERBURY!

Thursday, June 21, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Front Plaza



Join us for a full day of free music performances outside the library and throughout downtown Waterbury. Make Music Day is an international celebration of music on the longest day of the year.



Make Music Waterbury is made possible by a community partnership which includes the Waterbury Symphony Orchestra, Waterbury Public Art Committee, City of Waterbury, and the Connecticut Community Foundation.

MOVIE DAY: BLACK PANTHER

Wednesday, June 27, 3:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Auditorium

All ages are invited to join us for a fun-filled afternoon and evening featuring the blockbuster superhero movie, *Black Panther* (Rated PG-13). Snacks will be provided.

3:30 p.m. Games and activities for kids

4:30 p.m. *Black Panther*

7:00 p.m. Marvel superhero video games and trivia for teens and adults



ADULT PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY JIGSAW PUZZLES

Daily

Main Reading Room

Help finish a puzzle--anyone can join in. Add your skill to those of others and help complete the puzzle.



COLORING FOR ADULTS

Daily

Main Reading Room

Coloring for adults is a way to relax and express creativity. We provide the pages and coloring pencils.

SISTERS TO SISTERS BOOK CLUB

First Monday of the month, 6 p.m.

Mezzanine

June 4: *The Hate U Give*
by Angie Thomas

New members welcome. No meetings in July or August.

Summer reading book for discussion on September 10:
Unforgivable Love by Sophronia Scott.



BRASS CITY TOASTMASTERS

Mondays, June 11 & 25, July 9 & 23,

August 13 & 27, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Auditorium

The Brass City Toastmasters' mission is to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Meetings are open to all interested parties.



FRIENDS OF THE SILAS BRONSON LIBRARY

Tuesdays, June 12, July 10, August 14, 6 p.m.

Mezzanine

Open to all members of the Friends. Find out how you can get involved and help support the library.



CALLING ALL POETS (...and poetry lovers)

Wednesday, June 6, 6:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Poets Luisa and Aaron Caycedo-Kimura will present poetry from an artist's eye and about family.



Open mic signup starts at 6:20 p.m. Participants will be given constructive criticism of original poems. Bring several copies to share. Hosted by Victoria Muñoz.

SCORE BUSINESS MENTORING

Thursdays, 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m.

By appointment only, call 203-574-8225

Mezzanine

Volunteer business counselors are available by appointment to mentor entrepreneurs and small business owners. To learn more, visit our website at bronsonlibrary.org/score.



BRASS BOOK CLUB @ THE BRANCH

Fourth Thursday of the month, 11:30 a.m.

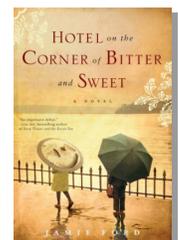
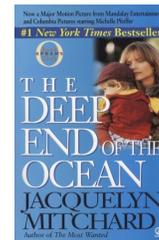
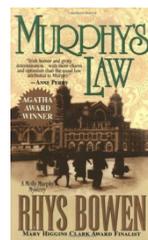
Bunker Hill Branch, 192 Bunker Hill Avenue

For seniors 60+ R.S.V.P. 203-574-8225.

June 28: *Murphy's Law* by Rhys Bowen

July 26: *The Deep End of the Ocean*
by Jacquelyn Mitchard

August 23: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*
by Jamie Ford



ADULT PROGRAMS

PHILIP V. BENEVENTO PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

EDGAR ALLEN POE READING & RE-ENACTMENT

Thursday, July 12, 6 p.m.

Main Reading Room

Meet the master of the macabre, Edgar Allan Poe, for an evening of frighteningly entertaining performance by actor Campbell Harmon. Harmon gives dramatic readings of *The Tell-Tale Heart* and *The Raven* along with a history of the author's life, his mysterious death, and his enduring influence on literature and pop culture.

The Philip V. Benevento Fund for Cultural Program for Adults at the Silas Bronson Library was established in 2016 through the generosity of MacDermid Performance Solutions and their C.O.O., Frank Monteiro, in honor of Waterbury's City Historian and former Silas Bronson Library Board member Philip V. Benevento. The fund continues to grow through individual donations made to the Friends of the Silas Bronson Library.



AARP PRESENTS: A MONTHLY SERIES FOR SENIORS

FRAUD WATCH NETWORK: THE CON ARTIST PLAYBOOK

Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 p.m.

Main Reading Room

Learn the psychology behind ID Theft, Fraud & Scams through actual footage of scammers, insights and advice.



CAREGIVER ROADSHOW FOR CT FAMILIES

Tuesday, August 21, 6:30 p.m.

Main Reading Room

Support for family caregivers includes navigating and connecting with available services, understanding care options and costs, and staying informed on the legislative issues impacting seniors and caregivers.

WHAT I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MY ELECTRIC RATES

Tuesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.

Main Reading Room

Learn how to make informed decisions based on your own unique situation and where to go for the most reliable Connecticut electric supplier.

DISRUPT AGING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Tuesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m.

Main Reading Room

Bridge the gap between generations with thought-provoking discussions and unique activities. Presented in collaboration with Borrow My Glasses.



ADULT PROGRAMS



SUMMER READING FOR ADULTS

Don't let the kids have all the fun -- check out our Summer Reading Program for Adults and share your favorite books with others. Read a book, write a short review, and be entered to win prizes! Choose your own book, or browse our list of staff favorites. Visit the Reference Desk for more information or to submit your book review. Our staff favorites list will also be available on our website.

SUMMER EXHIBITS

JUNE EXHIBITS



PASTELS BY JENNIFER EAST

Gallery

Jennifer East depicts scenes of farm life in rural Connecticut.

DRAWINGS BY THOMAS HARRISON

Display Cases

Thomas Harrison specializes in portraits of mammals, fish, and reptiles.

JULY EXHIBITS

PORTRAITS BY ROBERTA CRISPINO

Gallery

Portraits, insights, wisdom, experience, and beauty by Waterbury native Roberta Crispino.

WOOD ORNAMENTS BY KEN KILLER

Display Cases

Ornaments made from Christmas trees.



AUGUST EXHIBITS



WATERBURY PHOTOGRAPHS BY MINH PHAM

Gallery & Display Cases

Vietnamese-born, California transplant, Minh Pham shares his images of Waterbury today.

TEEN/YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS



LIBRARIES ROCK! SUMMER READING FOR TEENS

Monday, June 4 - Friday, August 3

Read 25+ hours this summer and qualify to win prizes! Sign up at the Circulation Desk. This year's prizes include donations from Monster Mini Golf, Fascia's Chocolates, Boston Red Sox, Sports Center of CT, The Big E, Mohawk Mountain, Ski Mount Southington, IT Adventure Ropes Course, Palace Theater, and more!

TEEN BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays, June 12, July 10, August 14, 3:30 p.m.

Teen/YA Zone



Books Rock! Come join the Summer Reading Book Club. Keep on track with your summer reading goals and let other teens know what you're reading while you design & paint a rock.

TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

First Thursdays, June 7, July 5, August 2, 3:30 p.m.

Teen/YA Zone

Bring your ideas to a brainstorming session on what YOU want at the library. Help us design a new Teen Zone! Let us know what books and DVDs you'd like us to purchase and what programs you'd like us to host! Free snacks provided. All teens are welcome to join!



ANIME CLUB

Wednesdays, June 13, July 11 & 25, August 8 & 22, 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Teens! Share your love of anime and manga with this club. Win a prize! Snacks provided. Recommended for ages 14+.

ANIME CLUB MOVIE NIGHT

Wednesday, August 29, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

MOVIE MATINEES

Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, August 15, 5:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Join us for a free movie matinee.

Snacks provided.

June 20: *John Tucker Must Die*

July 18: *The Outcasts*

August 15: *The Way, Way Back*



TEEN CHOC-OLYMPICS

Tuesday, June 5, 3:30 p.m.

Auditorium

Bring your A game to the 2018 Bronson Library Choc-Olympics. Events include Oreo Stacking, Bowling for Chocolate and the Speed Hershey's Kiss 100.

TEEN MONEY MANAGEMENT III

Tuesday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.

Auditorium

FD Community Federal Credit Union with Erik Anthony presents tips on money management.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

STOMP, SHAKE & ROCK!

Mondays, June 18 - August 13, 10 a.m.

Children's Room

Explore rhythm, memory and movement in this fun program! For ages 2 - 7.

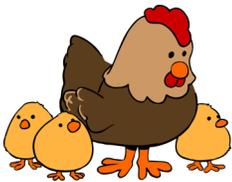


FAMILY MEETUP

Mondays, 11 a.m.

Children's Room

Parents and kids playdate where all can get a chance to meet new friends and socialize.



MINI MUSICIANS ROCK!

Tuesdays, June 5 - August 7, 11 a.m.

Children's Room

Children of all ages will learn the building blocks of music and begin their journey to become mini musicians. Presented by William Parker, musical instructor. No session on July 19.



ROBLOX CLUB

Tuesdays, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Computer Classroom

Roblox players can access games created by other users or create games themselves. Ages 5 to 14.



BABIES AND BOOKS

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Picture Books Room

Enjoy lullabies, nursery rhymes, finger plays, bounces, and sign language. Best with one child per adult. For children age 24 months and under. No registration required.



CODING CLUB FOR KIDS

Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.

Computer Classroom

Children of all ages are welcome to join in this club activity. Come learn coding, including HTML and how to program robots.



MOTHER GOOSE

Thursdays, 10 a.m.

Auditorium

Nursery rhymes, visual and audio technology are used in this modern Mother Goose program.

For children age 4 and under. Groups must register three weeks in advance.



JAMMIE JAMS

Thursdays, 6 p.m.

Picture Book Room

"Pajama" story time for ages 3 - 7; bring your favorite teddy bear, wear your PJs, and jam with music, songs, & stories!



STORY TIME UNDER THE TREE

Fridays, June 8 - August 17, 11 a.m.

Library Park

Story and craft outside under the big tree in Library Park (weather permitting). No registration required, just drop in.



TYPING CLUB 4 KIDS

Fridays, 3:30 p.m.

Computer Classroom

Kids of all ages: Learn a valuable skill - and have fun doing it!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

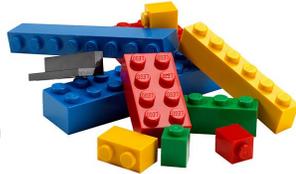
LET'S GO LEGO!

Mondays, June 25, July 30, August 27, 6 p.m.

Children's Room

If you like building with LEGOs, then you'll love "Let's Go LEGO!" Our LEGO club meets on the last Monday of every month.

LEGOs are provided. For ages 6 to 12.



MOVIES THAT ROCK!

Last Wednesday of the month, 5 p.m.

Children's Room

June 27: *Coco*

July 25: *Boss Baby*

August 29: *Captain Underpants*



BRONSON BOOKWORMS

Last Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m.

Mezzanine

A fun book club for ages 9 to 12.

Snacks will be provided.

June 26: *Real Friends* by Shannon Hale

July 31: *Amina's Voice* by Hena Khan

August 28: *The First Rule of Punk*
by Celia Pérez

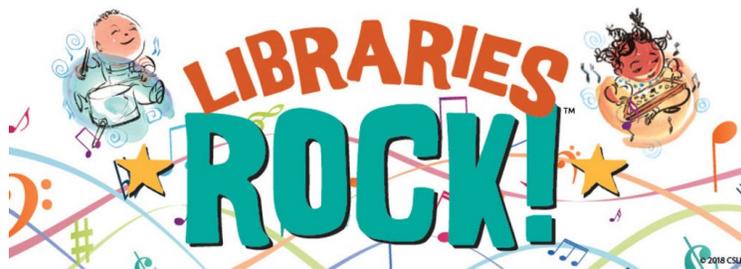


FOURTH FRIDAY FAIRY TALES

Fridays, June 22, July 27, August 24,
4 p.m.

Children's Room

Come join us on the fourth Friday wearing your favorite fairy tale costume. No registration required.



SUMMER READING FOR KIDS

Sign up Friday, June 1 - Friday, August 10

All children from birth to 8th grade are invited to join our Libraries Rock! Summer Reading Program. Children who are not yet readers can still participate if someone reads to them.

To join, fill out a registration form at the library or register online at bronsonlibrary.org/kids. All children will receive incentives and will be eligible for raffle prizes as they progress in their reading.

Completed reading logs due by 3 p.m. on Friday, August 17.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

SUMMER READING KICKOFF!

Friday, June 1, 4 p.m.

Children's Room

Storytelling & music at its best! Join our kickoff with Teresa Whitaker and Frank Schwartz for original stories, traditional tales and songs for families, children and teens!



WATER WIZARD

Friday, June 8, 4 p.m.

Children's Room

Waterbury's Cyril the Sorcerer will present "Water Wizard," an environmental magic show about the wonder of water. There will also be other water-related activities and information. For ages 3-17.



SPIDERS & LIZARDS ROCK

Tuesday, June 26, 6 p.m.

Children's Room

Come rock with spiders, lizards, and insects at this live animal show with Mr. David and Ms. Heather.

ROCK ME ARMADILLO

Wednesday, July 11, 11 a.m.

Children's Room

Visit and read with Andy Armadillo, the Texas Roadhouse Mascot. Light refreshments will be served.



ROCKING, RIDING & READING WITH OUR MOUNTED POLICE UNIT

Friday, July 13, 1 p.m.

Library Park



Join us for a special outdoor story hour. Meet and greet real horses in Library Park. Presented by Waterbury Mounted Police Unit & the Silas Bronson Library.

CRYSTALS ROCK!

Wednesday, July 18, 6 p.m.

Children's Room

Come in and learn about crystals and other rocks.

See a fantastic collection, learn about where crystals are found and hear about the experiences of an avid rock collector.



FIRST RESPONDERS ROCK!

Thursday, July 26, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Library Park

You're invited to drop in at Library Park to meet your rock star first responders. Rock out with police, firefighters, K-9 unit and more.



LIBRARIES ROCK WITH ROCK PAINTING!

Wednesday, August 8, 1 p.m.

Children's Room



Join us for an afternoon of rock painting. A fun event for ages 3 - 12 years. Drop in and be a rock artist!

SUMMER READING FINALE PARTY WITH BEN & JERRY'S ICE CREAM!

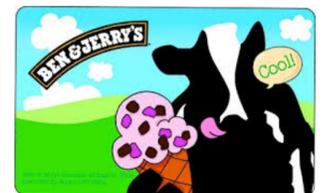
Friday, August 17, 3 p.m.

Library Patio

Celebrate the end of our Libraries Rock!

Summer Reading program with Ben & Jerry's ice cream!

The first 100 people will be served. No registration is required for this free program.



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LIBRARY HOURS

Main Library

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

(Saturday hours return September 8th)

Bunker Hill Branch

Tuesday 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

(Saturday hours return September 8th)

LOCATIONS

Main Library

267 Grand Street
Waterbury, CT 06702

Bunker Hill Branch

192 Bunker Hill Avenue
Waterbury, CT 06708

CONTACT INFORMATION

Main Number: 203-574-8200

Bunker Hill Branch: 203-574-8240

Circulation Desk: 203-574-8206

Children's Division: 203-574-8213

Director's Office: 203-574-8222

Reference Desk: 203-574-8225

TTY/TDD: 203-574-8226

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4

Labor Day, Monday, September 3

Closed Saturdays, May 26 - Sept. 3

PARKING INFORMATION

Main Library

Kiosk parking is available on Grand Street and in the parking lot between the Library and City Hall.

Handicapped spaces are available in the parking lot. Parking rates apply.

Parking rates: \$1 per hour; free after 6:30 p.m.

Bunker Hill Branch

Free parking is available in our lot on Aurora Street.



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