



Books and Happenings

The Newsletter of the Friends of the Silas Bronson Library

JANUARY 2015



Sisters to Sisters

Book Club discusses

Destiny's Captive

by Beverly Jenkins

Library Mezzanine



Monday, January 5th – 6:00 p.m.

The Yates men play hard and live hard. And when they find that special woman, they fall hard.

Beverly Jenkins is the nation's premier writer of African-American historical romance fiction. She is the recipient of numerous awards and was named one of the top Fifty Favorite African-American Writer's of the 20th century by AABLC, the nation's largest on-line African-American book club.

Admission and evening parking are free.

Calendar of Events

January 1 Library closed **New Years Day**

January 5 6 pm **Mezzanine Room**
Sisters to Sisters Book Club

January 12, 26 5 p.m. **Auditorium**
Brass City Toastmasters

January 13, 20, 27 10 a.m. **Auditorium**
Storytime Plus

January 13 4 p.m. **Mezzanine Room**
Friends of the Library Meeting

January 15 6 p.m. **Children's Room**
"Music and Games from Latin America" with Lorena Garay from the group "Sucari"

January 15, 22, 29 10 a.m. **Auditorium**
Mother Goose

January 19 Library Closed **Martin Luther King Day**

January 27 4 p.m. **Mezzanine Room**
Board of Agents meeting

January 29 6 p.m. **Children's Room**
"Heroes of the Underground Railroad" with Brightstar Touring Theatre

Lobby Display Case

Ron Crowcroft, an English artist currently residing in Woodbury, will exhibit his work in the library's display case during January and February. Mr. Crowcroft works in a variety of media, including improvised abstract and surreal drawing and painting, sculpture/assemblage/constructions, conceptual art, performance art events, video, photography, poetry, soundwork/music, and humor.

Inspired by Yoko Ono, Dada, Fluxus and Surrealism, he attended Leeds Polytechnic Fine Art Department from 1973-76, at the time touted as the most radical art college in Europe. He came to the U. S. in 1982, debuting a one-man show at The Anthrax Gallery, Stamford, in 1985. His work has been archived at The California Institute Of The Arts, the University of California in Los Angeles, The National Library of Australia, and The Museum of Modern Art in New York .

Gallery Wall

The photography of Waterbury native Robert Velez is being exhibited in the library Gallery during January. Mr. Velez, who has a B.A. in Photography from Southern Connecticut State University, has been taking pictures for about 5 years, specializing in portraits.

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS BOOKSTORE

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WISH YOU AND YOURS HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAYS, AND GOOD HEALTH AND PROSPERITY IN THE NEW YEAR.

If you are looking for stocking stuffers, we still have a few small holiday books remaining, paperback and hard cover, for 25 cents or 50 cents.



"Heroes of the Underground Railroad"

With Brightstar Touring Theater

Thursday, January 29, 2015

6:00 p.m. Children's Room



From the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center to schools across America, our most requested show returns for its 9th year! Join Harriet Tubman, Levi Coffin, Henry "Box" Brown, John Parker and more in an empowering look at the figures behind America's Underground Railroad. From the secret signs along routes to the Abolition Movement, this play leaves few stones unturned.

This engaging production has routinely been called the "best assembly we've ever had" by educators across America. *Heroes of the Underground Railroad* sells out every year.

Chill Out and Read Cozy Up with Us "Snowball Readers"

Winter Reading Program

Beginning December 1, 2014

and ending

January 31, 2015



This winter participate in Silas Bronson Library Children's Services "Snowball Readers" 2014. Signup from Monday, December 1, 2014 through Saturday, January 24, 2015. "Snowball Readers" is a winter reading program, which is open to children (babies through 8th grade). Program begins Monday, December 1, 2014 and ends Saturday, January 31, 2015.

Children will be required to read, or be read to, for a total of 25 hours. Books will be given to every child that completes 25 hours of reading. At the end of "Snowball Readers," participants will be able to enter a raffle to win a prize. The prizes will be awarded after January 31, 2015. Bring your completed score card with your full name and phone number to enter the raffle.

Stop by the second floor to sign up and receive your reading score card starting Monday, December 1st. Only one score card per child.

RECENTLY PURCHASED BOOKS

JUVENILE

- "Blizzard"John Rocco (JP Rocco, J)
"Cartboy Goes to Camp"L. A. Campbell (J Fic. Campbell, L.A.)
"Dinosaur Parade"Shari Halpern (JP Halpern, S.)
"Fleabrain Loves Franny"Joanne Rocklin (J Fic. Rocklin, J)
"The Girl Who Fell Beneath Fairyland and Led the Revels there"
.....Catherynne M. Valente (J Fic. Valente, C.)
"The Last Changeling" ...Jane Yolen & A. Stemple (J Fic. Yolen, J)

YA FICTION

- "Double Exposure"Bridget Birdsall (Fic. Birdsall, B)
"Kiss Kill Vanish"Jessica Martinez (Fic. Martinez, J)
"No Place to Fall"Jaye Robin Brown (Fic. Brown, J)
"Sex & Violence"Carrie Mesrobian (Fic. Mesrobian, C)
"Top Ten Clues You're Clueless"Liz Czukas (Fic. Czukas, L)
"Watched"CJ Lyons (Fic. Lyons, CJ)



10 a.m., Tuesdays, Auditorium

Storytime Plus is a program for preschoolers from birth to five years every Tuesday from 10am to 11am. Children and caregivers will enjoy story time, listening and singing to music; marching and playing in a band; doing finger games, and creating a craft in this community-building program.

All are welcome

GROUPS MUST REGISTER 3 WEEKS IN ADVANCE

"Mother Goose"



Thursdays, 10 a.m., Auditorium

Nursery rhymes, visual and audio technology are used in this modern Mother Goose program for Children age's four and under.

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"Take Your Child to The Library!"



February 7, 2015



Join us for a contest; craft; and giveaways

"Music and Games from Latin America"

With Lorena Garay from Sucari

Thursday, January 15, 2015

6 p.m.

Children's Room



Lorena will be doing interactive games and songs, based on the musical styles and traditions of the Andes, The Spanish Caribbean, Central and South America, Spain and Mexico.

Silas Bronson Library

40th Annual Poetry Contest

Starts Monday, March 2nd

Ends Saturday, April 18th, 2015



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203-574-8226 TTY/TDD		Tues. 1pm – 8pm	
Mon. thru Thurs. 9am - 8pm		Thurs. 10am - 5:30pm	
Friday 9am - 5:00pm		Friday 1 pm – 5:00pm	
Saturday 9am - 4:45pm		Saturday 1pm - 4:45pm	

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2015

February 2 6 p.m. Mezzanine Room

Sisters to Sisters Book Club

February 3, 10, 17, 24 10 a.m. Auditorium

Children's "Storytime Plus"

February 5, 12, 19, 26 10 a.m. Auditorium

Children's "Mother Goose"

February 9, 23 5 p.m. Auditorium

Brass City Toastmasters

February 10 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room

Friends of the Library Meeting

February 12 6 p.m. Children's Room

"President Abraham Lincoln" with Lewis Dube

February 13 Library Closed Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

February 16 Library Closed President's Day

February 21 12 p.m.—4 p.m. Auditorium

"Dog Whisperer"

February 24 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room

Board of Agents meeting

SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARY - JOIN THE FRIENDS

The Friends are dedicated to promoting Library services by providing equipment and programs, especially those for children.

New members are most welcome. Friends meet February, April, June, August, October, and December at the Main Library on the second Tuesday, at 4:00 p.m.

Individual membership: \$25.00 per year; patrons \$50.00; seniors \$15.00

Mail application plus check to :



The Friends of the Silas Bronson Library

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SILAS BRONSON HOMEPAGE

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