

Events @ The White Plains Public Library

November/December 2003




Unless otherwise noted, registration is not required for Library programs. All programs at the Library are free.

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November **1**
10:00 – 11:30am

Introduction to the Internet

 Learn the basics of the Internet at an informative lecture-demonstration presented by professional Library staff in the Auditorium.

Sunday, November **2**
2:00 - 4:00pm

SALAAM: An Arab-American Portrait Museum Gallery Opening

Join us for an opening reception with photographic artist Andrew Courtney. The exhibition will be on view through January 18, 2004.

Monday, November **3**
2:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Murder on Film

Rear Window (1954 - 1hr. 50 min.)



Our intriguing mystery book and film discussion series, **Murder, They Wrote—Murder on Film**, continues with this Hitchcock classic starring James Stewart as the wheelchair-bound

photographer who spies on his courtyard neighbors, discovering a sinister murder plot in progress. With Grace Kelly, Raymond Burr, Wendell Corey and Thelma Ritter, nominated for 4 Academy Awards. Discussion will follow screening.

Tuesday, November **4**
Library Closed (Election Day)

Thursday, November **6**
10:00 am

Online Tools for Finding Foundation Funding



Learn effective search techniques to make full use of FC Search, the Foundation Center's database on CD-ROM, a user-friendly tool that includes entries on 72,000 grantmakers. A tour of the Foundation Center's web site will also be included. Presented by Judi Margolin, VP for Public Services of the Foundation Center.

Saturday, November **8**
2:00 – 4:00 pm

American Arab Artists: Contributions in Visual Arts

A slide-lecture with Salwa Mikdadi Nashashibi, author of *Forces of Change: Artists of the Arab World*, highlighting works produced by American Arab artists in the past decade.

Tuesday, November **11**
Library Closed (Veteran's Day)

Wednesday, November **12**
2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Murder, They Wrote!

Our exciting book discussion series continues with these intriguing selections from the acclaimed anthology, *The Best American Mystery Stories of the Century* (Houghton Mifflin, 2000), available at the Reference Desk for loan or reading in the Library. Registration not required.

"An Error in Chemistry" by William Faulkner (1946)

"The Parker Shotgun" by Sue Grafton (1986)

"The Dark Snow" by Brendan DuBois (1996)

Sat. & Sunday, November **15 & 16**
Friends of the Library Weekend Book Sale "Ah Sweet Mystery..."

During Library hours, browse and buy from a great selection of hardcover and paperback mysteries, science fiction and religion.

Saturday, November **15**
2:00 – 4:00 pm

The History of Palestinian Embroidery

Join us for a discussion of the development of traditional Palestinian costume through the ages and the influence of Arab textile arts on costume in Medieval Europe. Examples of patterns found in Palestinian embroidery and antique costumes will be displayed. This presentation is based on the Hanan and Farah Munayer Collection, which has appeared at the United Nations, the Washington National Cathedral and other prestigious venues.

Sunday, November **16**
2:30 pm

Gershwin Tribute Concert

The Lonnie Leibowitz Trio presents jazzy renditions of favorite Gershwin show tunes, including "Embraceable You" and "I've Got Rhythm" from *Girl Crazy*, and "Nice Work if You Can Get It" from *Damsel in Distress*.



Wednesday, November **19**
2:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Murder on Film

Mildred Pierce (1945 - 1 hr. 50 min.)




Joan Crawford won an Oscar for her powerful portrayal of a housewife who finds success in business, but loses control of her spoiled, ungrateful daughter played by Ann Blyth. Directed by Michael

Curtiz, nominated for 6 Academy Awards, with Jack Carson, Eve Arden and Zachary Scott. Discussion will follow screening.

Saturday, November **22**
10:00-11:30am

Internet Básico / Internet Basics in Spanish

 Informativo, educativo-demostrativo presentado por un personal de la biblioteca en español. *Learn the basics of the Internet at an informative lecture-demonstration presented in Spanish by Library staff.*

Sunday, November **23**
3:00 pm

Mainstreet Brass Quintet

Join us for a delightful program of classical, jazz & popular selections from Bach to Bernstein, from Sousa to Gershwin, featuring a dynamic musical ensemble of French horn, trombone, tuba and trumpets.



Library Board of Trustees Meetings
Tuesday, November 18 and Tuesday, December 16 at 7 pm (regular meetings)

Meetings are open to the public. Call 422-1407 for more information.

Monday, November **24**
2:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Murder on Film

Rebecca (1940 – 2 hrs. 10 min.)



Artful Hitchcock adaptation of the Daphne Du Maurier novel about a young girl (Joan Fontaine) who marries a British

nobleman (Laurence Olivier) and moves into his mansion, haunted by the memory of his late first wife. A David O. Selznick production, winner of Best Picture and Cinematography Oscars, with George Sanders, Judith Anderson, Nigel Bruce and Leo G. Carroll. Discussion will follow screening.

Wednesday, November **26**
Library Open 10-6 (Thanksgiving Eve)

Thursday, November **27**
Library Closed (Thanksgiving)

DECEMBER

Monday, December **1**
6:00 – 9:00 pm

Arabic Music, Poetry & Food Night

Musicians and poets featured in our Museum Gallery exhibition "Salaam: An Arab American Community" will perform live works. Music will include use of the accordion and the "oud" – the Arabic guitar. Samples of ethnic foods from many Arab countries will be served.

Wednesday, December **3**
2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Murder, They Wrote - Exciting Book Discussion Finale!



We welcome **Lee Child**, our **Mystery-Writer-in-Residence**, who will discuss his best-selling Jack Reacher thrillers. Please read his gripping novel *Echo Burning* for this session, with copies available to borrow at the Reference Desk. A selection of the author's books will be provided for sale and signing.

Sunday, December **7**
2:30-4:00 pm

The Oscars

Back by popular demand! **New York Cabaret Unlimited**, an ensemble of four singers, a pianist, a bassist and narrator, presents a show devoted to the lyrics of Oscar Hammerstein with music by Sigmund Romberg, Jerome Kern and Richard Rodgers. Featuring selections from *Show Boat*, *Carousel*, *Allegro*, *South Pacific*, *King and I*, and more. Funding for this program is provided by the White Plains Library Foundation.



Every Thursday from 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Experienced counselors from SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) offer one-on-one free guidance and small business advice. No appointment necessary.

Monday, December **8**
2:00 pm and 7:00 pm (note later evening starting time)

Murder on Film - Grand Finale!



Join us as we welcome **Film-Scholar-in-Residence, Art Feinglass**, President of Mostly Murder Inc., who will take us on an intriguing Hollywood film journey, discussing classic film-noir, thriller, and detective genres, with film clips to enhance our appreciation.

Wednesday, December **10**
7:00 – 9:00 pm

The Faiths of Abraham in Arab Lands

The Center for Jewish-Christian-Muslim Understanding presents a panel discussion with a rabbi, priest and imam who will offer perspectives on their religions in Arab lands. A Q&A session will follow.

Sat. & Sunday, December **13 & 14**
Friends of the Library Weekend Book Sale Give the Gift of Reading

During Library hours, get a jump on your holiday gift giving with our selection of gently used items, including coffee table, art, music and travel books, CDs and videos.

Sunday, December **14**
1:30 pm and 3:30 pm (two seatings)


An Afternoon of Klezmer

Enjoy a lively and nostalgic musical journey, featuring Old World traditions and New World influences, with acclaimed clarinetist Ken Maltz of Kapelye and renowned accordionist Gennady Gutkin.



Wednesday, December **17**
7:00 – 8:30pm

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Wednesday, December **24**
Library Open 10-1 (Christmas Eve)

Thursday, December **25**
Library Closed (Christmas)

Wednesday, December **31**
Library Open 10-1 (New Year's Eve)

Thursday, January **1**
Library Closed (New Year's Day)

Coming in the New Year....

Tuesdays in January 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm
Comedy Favorites from the 1970s Film Series

Join us for a screening of a comedy film favorite from the 1970s every Tuesday in January. Film titles to follow.

Thanks to the Friends of the Library for once again sponsoring this series!

