

Message from the CEO



In February, for a special Valentine's Day contest we asked library users to tell us why they love the Ferguson Library. The answers were timeless and I'd like to share a couple with you:

Joan Madison, the randomly-chosen winner, wrote, in part, "I love the Ferguson Library for many reasons. During the pandemic it sponsored . . . many opportunities for learning via

Zoom about racial awareness and racial justice. The online groups that I joined during this time facilitated my networking and developing of working relationships and friendships. It is a wonderful community resource."

Here are a few of my other favorite comments:

"It brings joy!!"

"It is a spiritual salve for my soul. Thank you for the excellence."

"It has so many books for me to read to my baby sister. She likes when I do the voices to the people in the stories."

"I love books about sharks and makes me happy [when] I find them."

—Alice Knapp, CEO

Art at the Ferguson *Celebrating Women in Life and Art*

In recognition of Women's History Month, our spring art exhibit, *Celebrating Women in Life and Art*, opens March 13 at 6 p.m. at the Main Library. An opening reception will follow March 30. The juried show, curated by the Stamford Art Association, features works by local and regional artists. The exhibit will be on view through June 8.

Pictured: *Sunning* by Roxanne Baechler



Library Gets New 3D Printer

Check out our new LulzBot TAD Workhorse 3D printer. Donated with the generous support of a First County Bank grant, the printer will spend a few weeks on the first floor of the Main Library so visitors can learn about its technology and creative potential. This machine uses state-of-the-art CAD software to create everything from architectural renderings to smartphone cases and so much more.

Look for new technology classes for library users interested in creating their own 3D projects.

The new 3D printer is part of a larger effort to engage the community in all the interesting resources our Makerspace and technology programs offer. Our Makerspace collection includes everything from baking pans and sewing machines to microcomputers and ukuleles. For more information, call 203 351-8231 or visit our Makerspace page at fergusonlibrary.org/services/makerspace.

Don't Miss A Novel Affair April 20

pitney bowes



An evening of food and festivities to benefit the Ferguson Library. We're delighted to honor Polly O'Brien Morrow and Pitney Bowes for their service to the library and the Stamford community.

Register at fergusonlibrary.org. Tickets are \$135 until March 30, then \$150.

Featured food and drink:

Acuario	Columbus Park Trattoria
Avellino Family BBQ	Forever Sweet Bakery
Bar Rosso	Harper's House Creations
Boys & Girls Club of Stamford	Nikki Glekas Events
Culinary Program	The Ridges
Capriccio Café	Sunshine Cuisine
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Wine, craft beer and spirits tastings courtesy of BevMax.

Thank you to our major sponsors to date:

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Sponsorships are available by contacting 203 351-8208 or linda@fergusonlibrary.org.

New Passport Hours at Harry Bennett

The Harry Bennett Branch passport office is now open Mondays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in addition to Wednesdays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Passport service at Harry Bennett is walk-in only. The Main Library passport office offers appointments as well as walk-in service. For information and a full schedule of our passport services, visit our Passport page or call 203 351-8298. We take photos at both locations.

DIGITAL LIBRARY: MEDICI.TV

Calling all music lovers! The medici.tv online video collection contains an extensive selection of concerts and documentaries for fans of classical, opera, ballet and jazz. Featuring legendary historic performances and current live-streaming events, medici.tv highlights some of the world's most acclaimed musicians, singers and conductors, all presented with high-quality sound. For those honing their own skills, the collection also includes master classes taught by prominent music educators. To get started, visit the Library's Download & Stream page under Borrowing/Listen on our website and create your free account as a library user.

ML Main Library, DiMattia Building, 203 351-8231
HB Harry Bennett, 203 351-8292
SE South End, 203 351-8280
WMH Weed Memorial & Hollander, 203 351-8286

RR Registration Required


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Book Discussions

If the discussion is held via Zoom, login details are on our online calendar. All are welcome.

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch Book Discussion

Monday, March 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom

The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams

Social Justice Book Discussion

Wednesday, March 8 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at HB

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander

Spanish Book Discussion

Thursday, March 9 from 5 to 6 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Ann M. Sexton Board Room
El color del silencio de Elia Barceló

NEW! Silent Book Club

Saturday, March 11 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at HB

Read the book of your choice in quiet camaraderie with others.

Harry Bennett Branch Book Discussion

Monday, March 13 from 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom

The Missing American by Kwei Quartey

Short Story Book Discussion

Wednesday, March 15 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at HB

Aiyiti by Roxane Gay

South End Branch African & African American Authors Book Discussion

Monday, March 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. at SE; also available via Zoom.

Yellow Wife by Sadeqa Johnson

AARP Tax Assistance

Mondays and Wednesdays, March 1 to April 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at HB

Trained tax counselors from AARP will offer help with basic federal and Connecticut state income tax returns. Bring all 2022 tax documents and a copy of your 2021 tax returns. For more information, including a list of required documents for tax filing and how to file online through SimplifyCT Virtual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, visit our Income Tax Resources page at fergusonlibrary.org/services/income-tax-resources.

Classic Movie Matinees

Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. at HB

Screenings of popular award-winning films to celebrate Women's History Month. All ages welcome.

How to Marry a Millionaire (1957) March 3

Three women set out to find eligible millionaires to marry but find true love instead. Starring Marilyn Monroe, Betty Grable, Lauren Bacall and William Powell. Rated PG.



Mrs. Miniver (1942) March 10

A British family struggles to survive the first months of World War II. Starring Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon and Teresa Wright. Rated G.



Gaslight (1944) March 17

A newlywed is slowly driven to the brink of madness by her deceptively charming husband at their Victorian mansion in London. Starring Ingrid Bergman, Charles Boyer and Joseph Cotten. Rated PG.



Roman Holiday (1953) March 24

A young European princess escapes her guardians during an official goodwill tour of Rome, then falls in love with an American newspaper reporter who serves as her guide. Starring Audrey Hepburn, Gregory Peck and Eddie Albert. Rated G.



The Philadelphia Story (1940) March 31

When a rich woman's ex-husband and a tabloid reporter turn up on the eve of her wedding, she begins to learn the truth about herself. Starring Katharine Hepburn, Cary Grant and James Stewart. Rated G.



Civility in America Series

Richard Haass, President of the Council on Foreign Relations

Monday, March 6 from 6 to 8 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium



Richard Haass will deliver his talk, *Democracy and the Meaning of Citizenship*, and discuss his new book *The Bill of Obligations: The Ten Habits of Good Citizens*. Book sale and signing to follow presentation. **RR** to attend in person; also available via Zoom.

Presented in partnership with The Dilenschneider Group and Hearst Media Group, Connecticut.

Walk-In COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

Tuesdays through Fridays through March 31 from 1 to 5 p.m.

See website for details.

Presented in partnership with Stamford Health and Griffin Health.

Women's History Month Programs

Annual Celebration of Women

Saturday, March 11 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at SE

Commemoration that explores the 2023 theme: Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories, designated by the National Women's History Alliance to recognize women of the past and present who have been active in all areas of media and storytelling. Event will feature speakers and musical performances; lunch will be served.

Presented in partnership with the Women's Mentoring Network.

Documentary Screening:

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Saturday, March 11 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

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This Peabody Award-winning documentary takes an in-depth look at the 1972 presidential campaign of Shirley Chisholm, the first Black woman elected to Congress and the first to seek a nomination for the highest office in the land. **RR.**



Exhibit: Celebrating Women in Life and Art Opening Monday, March 13

Reception Thursday, March 30 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

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A Celebration of International Women's Day

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Estate Planning

Wednesdays, March 1 & 15 from 2 to 5 p.m.

ML, Second Floor Study Room

Create your will for free in as little as 15 minutes with Just In Case Estates, a Stamford-based online estate planning startup.

Presented in partnership with Just In Case Estates.

Mah-Jongg Club

Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at HB

Come out and play mah-jongg with us. Players of all levels welcome.

Death Cafe

Thursday, March 2 from 2 to 3 p.m. via Zoom

A discussion about increasing the awareness of death to help people make the most of their finite lives. Death Cafe is not grief support or counseling.

Person-to-Person Mobile Food Pantry

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at SE

For more information, call 203 724-9111.

English Language Learners



Let's Talk:

Conversation Groups

Registration not required. New students welcome. For meeting information, visit fergusonlibrary.org/lets-talk-events.

Winter Sessions via Zoom

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15 & 22

High intermediate: from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Beginner: from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, March 7, 14 & 21

New students: from 12 to 12:30 p.m.

High beginner: from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Low intermediate: from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Advanced: from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Evening Sessions in Person

Tuesdays, March 7, 14 & 21 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Easy English for Beginners: Side by Side (Part 3)

Mondays and Thursdays, March 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 27 & 30

ML, Third Floor Technology Center

Learn language and life skills by reading, speaking and writing. **RR.** Register at the Second Floor Reference Desk or by calling 203 351-8228. For information, email yelena@fergusonlibrary.org.

Ballroom Dance Workshop

Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Dance like a pro with dance instructor Simone Assboeck, who will lead a four-part workshop covering the basic steps of the sultry rumba and high-spirited swing. Singles welcome; partners will be rotated. No prior dance experience necessary.

Community Mindfulness Project: Meditation

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 12 to 1 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

A brief discussion about meditation practice, a guided meditation, and a chance to share and reflect.

Retro Video Gaming

Saturday, March 11 from 2 to 4 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Have a bit of 8-bit fun playing retro games like Donkey Kong, Tetris, Pac-Man, Missile Command, Galaga and many more. All ages welcome.

Healing Drum Circle

Monday, March 13 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at SE

A meditative gathering dedicated to healing the wounds of racism and supporting equity activism. Facilitated by Evelyn Avoglia.

Lawyers in Libraries

Thursday, March 30 from 6 to 8 p.m.

ML, Second Floor Study Room

Discuss your case with a volunteer attorney. To book a required 20-minute appointment, call 203 351-8221.

Technology

Main Library, DiMattia Building

Third Floor Technology Center

Face masks preferred

▲ **Must be familiar with Windows and able to use a mouse and keyboard**

■ **No prior experience with MS Word necessary**

● **Basic experience with MS Word necessary**

▼ **Basic experience with MS Excel necessary**

Microsoft Word

Basic Microsoft Word ▲ ■

Thursday, March 2 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to navigate MS Word, create and save a document, and format text. **RR.**

Intermediate Microsoft Word ▲ ●

Thursday, March 16 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to add images and tables to documents, use Styles to format a document, and edit the header and footer. **RR.**

Basic Microsoft Excel ▲ ▼

Saturday, March 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to create and save a spreadsheet, enter data, and write formulas. **RR.**

Fundamentals of 3D Printing

Saturday, March 25 from 2 to 3 p.m.

Learn the fundamentals of 3D printing, including using slicing software to prepare a model to be printed on the library's new 3D printer. Teens and adults. **RR.**

Tech Tips for Older Adults

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at SE

Free weekly help on smartphones, tablets, laptops and other devices with our experienced bilingual (English and Spanish) team.

Afternoon of Jazz

Sunday, March 12 from 2 to 4 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

This sixth annual concert celebrating the diversity and global appeal of jazz will feature performances by the Stamford High School Jazz Ensemble, the Joe Corsello Trio and ZuZu Ramos and The OGs. All ages welcome. **RR.** Presented in partnership with the Mayor's Multicultural Council.

Family Program

Harry Bloch Family History Program:

Book Illustrator Jerrard K. Polk

Saturday, March 18 from 2 to 3 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr.

Auditorium

An art and musical presentation by Jerrard K. Polk, illustrator of the book *A Child's Introduction to Jazz: The Musicians, Culture and Roots of the World's Coolest Music*. All ages welcome.

This program is made possible by a generous donation from Louise Stern in memory of her brother, Harry Bloch.



Business & Career

Resume & Transferable Skills Workshop

Thursday, March 9 from 3 to 4 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Technology Center

Create a resume that highlights your transferable skills and learn how to convert it to ATS format to increase application visibility. **RR.** Presented in partnership with Goodwill Careers.

Career Planning

Wednesday, March 15 from 3 to 4 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Technology Center

Identify a career path that suits your qualifications, interests and goals while learning how to research career options. **RR.**

Summer Earn & Learn Enrollment

Wednesday, March 22 from 1 to 7 p.m.

ML, Second Floor Group Study Room

Learn what it takes to be eligible for the Earn & Learn Program, which links youth and young adults to summer employment.

Presented in partnership with The Workplace.

TechXel Stamford Accelerator Series

Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. via Zoom

RR for each session.

Register by 12 p.m. on program date. Zoom invitations will be sent by 1 p.m.

March 2 Software Development

Gary Felberbaum, President, Advanced Decisions Inc.

March 9 Advisory Boards & Governance

Ed Cesare, Managing Director, Pleiad Capital Management

March 16 Term Sheets

Frank Eucalitto, J.D., Lowenstein Sandler

March 23 Capital Tables & Valuation

Charlotte Walker, Venture Investor

March 30 Financial Modeling

Ted Stone, Tech CXO

Documentary Series: *The Black Church*

Saturdays, March 18 & 25 and April 1 & 8 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at SE

Screening of the PBS documentary series *The Black Church: This Is Our Story. This Is Our Song.*, hosted, produced and written by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. This four-part series traces the 400-year-old story of the Black church in America down to its bedrock role as the site of African American survival and grace, organizing and resilience, and autonomy and freedom. Each one-hour episode will be shown on consecutive Saturdays.



Meet Author Rebecca A. Fannin

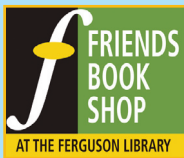
Tuesday, March 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

ML, First Floor New Materials Room

Author and tech journalist Rebecca Fannin will discuss her latest book, *Silicon Heartland: Transforming the Midwest from Rust Belt to Tech Belt*, a look into how tech ecosystems are retooling mid-sized heartland cities and Appalachian towns. **RR.**



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Book Shop News

Save the date for our March Media Madness sale March 25 and 26 at the Main Library Book Shop. Take home all the media you want for \$10 a bag. Mix and match CDs, DVDs and vinyl. You don't want to miss this!

Mini-Golf at the Harry Bennett Branch was a fun time for the whole family!



Teens Can Review Books for Volunteer Credit

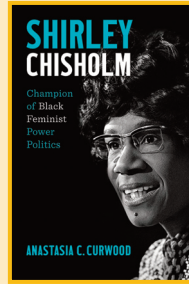
The Ferguson Library is offering volunteer hours to teens in grades 6 to 12 to write book reviews, which will be featured on the library's Youth Instagram page and displayed at the library.

Teens may submit up to two reviews per week. For each review approved by a librarian, teens will earn one hour of volunteer credit. Posted reviews will be edited for clarity and will include the reviewer's first name, last name initial and grade, unless reviewer wishes to be anonymous. For information, call 203 351-8242 or email ferglibraryyouth@gmail.com.



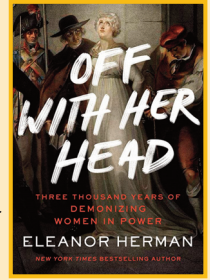
STAFF RECOMMENDS:

Celebrate Women's History Month



Shirley Chisholm: Champion of Black Feminist Power Politics
by Anastasia C. Curwood

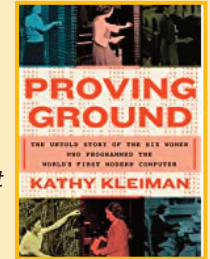
Off with Her Head: Three Thousand Years of Demonizing Women in Power
by Eleanor Herman



Brave Hearted: The Women of the American West 1836-1880
by Katie Hickman



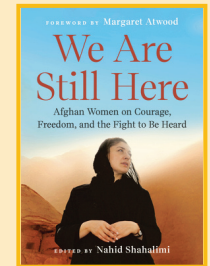
Proving Ground: The Untold Story of the Six Women Who Programmed the World's First Modern Computer
by Kathy Kleiman



Discover Her Art: Women Artists and Their Masterpieces
by Jean Leibowitz



We Are Still Here: Afghan Women on Courage, Freedom, and the Fight to Be Heard
by Nahid Shahalimi (ed.)



Missed one of our programs? Catch up whenever you have a chance. Many of our programs are available on our YouTube channel. Be sure to subscribe.

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
10 to 6
Wednesday 10 to 7
Saturday 10 to 5

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203 351-8280
Monday through Thursday 10 to 5:30
Saturday 10 to 2

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch
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203 351-8285
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10 to 6
Tuesday 12 to 7
Saturday 10 to 5

Bookmobile
Check our online calendar at fergusonlibrary.org/locations-hours/bookmobile

The Friends Book Shops at the Ferguson Library

Main Library
Monday through Thursday 11 to 6
Friday & Saturday 11 to 5
Sunday 1 to 5

Harry Bennett Branch
Monday through Saturday 10 to 5

Passport Services

Main Library Passport Office
Appointments take precedence and are recommended. For more information or to make an appointment, call 203 351-8298.
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MARCH 2023

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Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch: 203 351-8287

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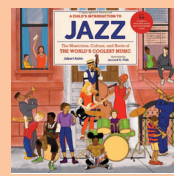
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Ferguson Library's Teen Art Contest 2023

Exploring the upcoming Summer Learning Club theme: **Find Your Voice**
Contest requirements:

FIND YOUR VOICE

- Open to Stamford students in grades 6 to 12.
- Entries should be easily reproducible drawings on 8.5x11 white paper and must be labeled in the back with your name, address, phone number, email, school and grade. Computer-generated images are also accepted.
- **The deadline for entries is April 22.**

The winner will receive a Michaels \$50 gift certificate, and the winning drawing will be displayed on all Summer Learning Club materials.

Submit entries to the Youth Services Department at the Main Library, or mail to Steve Zampino, Ferguson Library, One Public Library Plaza, Stamford, CT 06904.

Drop In and Draw:

An Artist Workshop for the Teen Art Contest

Saturday, March 25 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Learn some drawing basics from artist Debra Hamuka-Falkenham, then work on your piece for the 2023 Teen Art Contest. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**



Stamford students can use their student ID to access our many digital materials, even if they don't have a Ferguson Library card. For access, enter 211800+student ID number (no spaces). If you encounter any problems accessing our e-materials or databases, fill out the form at fergusonlibrary.org/linked-libraries-contact-us-form.



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FERGUSON LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES MARCH 2023

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Follow us on Instagram @ferglibraryyouth for storytimes, songs, fingerplays and more.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

Registration opens six days before each program date where registration is required.

Budding Bookworms

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
from 11 to 11:15 a.m. via South End Branch
Instagram

Bilingual storytime for ages 18 months to 4 years. New content every week.

Harry's Bookworms

Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
from 10 to 10:45 a.m. at HB

Storytime featuring interactive readings, songs, fingerplays, rhymes and other activities. Ages 3 to 5 with an accompanying caregiver. RR.

Curious Minds:

Spanish Story & Activity
Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16,
23 & 30 from 11 a.m. to
12 p.m. at SE

A Spanish-language experience featuring stories, music, movement and fun. Ages 1 to 4 with an accompanying caregiver.



Babytime

Fridays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
from 10:30 to 11 a.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Songs, rhymes, stories and more for babies up to 18 months old with an accompanying caregiver. Siblings welcome. RR.

Cuentos y Cantos Bilingual Storytime

Fridays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at HB

Storytime featuring interactive readings, songs and activities in English and Spanish. Ages 2 to 5 with an accompanying caregiver. RR.

Family Storytime

Saturday, March 4, and Wednesdays,
March 15, 22 & 29 from 10:30 to 11 a.m.
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Saturdays, March 11 & 24 from 10:30 to
11 a.m. at HB

A participatory storytime for the whole family that includes songs, fingerplays, stories and movement activities. Ages 18 months to 5 years with an accompanying caregiver. RR.

Bennett Babies

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28
from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at HB

Songs, rhymes, stories and more for babies up to 18 months old with an accompanying caregiver. Siblings welcome. RR.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

TinkerCAD Workshop

Saturday, March 4 from 2 to 3 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Find out about TinkerCAD, the perfect software for learning the basics of 3D modeling. All levels welcome. Ages 8 to 13. RR.

Spring Flowers Arts & Crafts

Saturday, March 11 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Let's get inspired for spring's arrival. We will look at books about gardens, flowers and plants; design a floral collage; and plant seeds in your own decorated flower pot so you can take it home to watch the flowers grow. Grades K to 5. RR.

Build with Lego®

Wednesday, March 22 from 2 to 3 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Take on one of our building challenges and create anything you want using the library's Lego® collection. Lego® creations cannot be taken home. Grades K to 5. Ages 7 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. RR.

Animal Embassy

Saturday, March 25 from 3 to 4 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Meet a variety of animal ambassadors from around the world, such as a red foot tortoise, an Argentinian horned frog, a carpet python, chinchillas and more. Ages 5 and older.

Book Discussion:

The Silver Arrow by Lev Grossman

Tuesday, March 28 from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

After Katie receives a real steam locomotive on her birthday from her mysterious uncle, she sets off with her brother on a magical adventure with talking animals. Both draw on their resourcefulness to reach their destination and help save the world. Refreshments will be served. Grades 4 to 7. RR.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Retro Video Gaming

Saturday, March 11 from 2 to 4 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Have a bit of 8-bit fun playing retro games like Donkey Kong, Tetris, Pac-Man, Missile Command, Galaga and many more. Ages 10 and older.

Craft Series: Rock Painting

Tuesday, March 14 from 5 to 6 p.m.

ML, Lower Level Makerspace

Design your own small work of art using paint to transform a smooth rock. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

Summer Earn & Learn Enrollment

Wednesday, March 22 from 1 to 7 p.m.

ML, Second Floor Group Study Room

Learn what it takes to be eligible for the Earn & Learn Program, which links youth and young adults to summer employment. Grades 9 to 12.

Presented in partnership with The Workplace.

Make Henna Designs

Thursday, March 23 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Learn how to mix and create designs with henna, a special dye used in South Asia, North Africa and the Middle East as adornment for holidays, weddings and special occasions. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

Fundamentals of 3D Printing

Saturday, March 25 from 2 to 3 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Technology Center

Learn how to use slicing software to prepare a model to be printed on the library's new 3D printer. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

T-MAD Meeting

Wednesday, March 29 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

ML, Third Floor Ann M. Sexton Board Room

Teens Making a Difference (T-MAD) advisory program, where you can learn about upcoming events, share reading suggestions and make a difference in the community. Participation counts as volunteer work. Pizza and other refreshments will be served. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

Review Books for Volunteer Credit

The Ferguson Library is offering volunteer hours to teens in grades 6 to 12 to write book reviews, which will be featured on the library's Youth Instagram page and displayed at the library.

Teens may submit up to two reviews per week at tinyurl.com/m523vnb7. For each review approved by a librarian, teens will earn one hour of volunteer credit.

Posted reviews will be edited for clarity and will include the reviewer's first name, last name initial and grade, unless the reviewer wishes to remain anonymous. For information, call 203 351-8242 or email ferglibraryyouth@gmail.com.

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