Congressman Jim Himes stopped by the Library recently to learn about our Entrepreneur-in-Residence program. If you’re an early stage entrepreneur looking to grow your business, we can help. Call 203 351-8224 to make an appointment with Entrepreneur-in-Residence Hugh Seaton.

Congressman Himes Visits the Library

The Ferguson Library partners with many organizations throughout the Stamford community. One of them is the Stamford Art Association, which curates art for ongoing shows at the Library. Our summer exhibit, Memory of Stories, opens May 17 with a reception at the Main Library at 6 p.m. This theme is especially appropriate since we have just finished phase one of an oral history project to collect and preserve Stamford stories.

Our partnerships help us provide richer and more varied service. For example, last month we partnered with SilverSource to show the film “Edith + Eddie,” followed by a discussion of aging and elder rights. We often bring our book discussions to the Senior Center and Boys and Girls Club. Our Bookmobile travels throughout Stamford to pre-schools and other locations. Currently, the Ferguson Library partners with over 80 organizations throughout the community. – Alice Knapp, President

Friends Author Series: Lisa Genova

New Date—May 24

Don’t miss bestselling author Lisa Genova Thursday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. Join us for an evening of food, wine, and conversation with the author of Still Alice. Lisa will talk about her new book, Every Note Played, a powerful story about ALS, that explores regret, forgiveness, letting go, and redemption. Tickets are $15 and include a wine and appetizer reception. Register at fergusonlibrary.org.

Art at The Ferguson

Join us for the opening of our summer art exhibit, Memoir of Stories, Thursday, May 17 at 6 p.m. in the Ferguson’s Auditorium Gallery. The juried show, curated by the Stamford Art Association, will run through September.

The Ferguson will also participate in the ARTWALK Friday, June 22, with art and special musical performances. More details soon.

Art:

• Sea Change: Home by Maria Frisina

Foundation Center

Looking for information on grants and grantmakers? The Ferguson offers Foundation Center databases for use in the Library. Databases include Foundation Directory Online, Foundation Grants to Individuals and Foundation Maps.

These resources have comprehensive information on programs that fund non-profits as well as students, artists and researchers. You can find it under FC Funding Information Network on the Learn & Explore page of our website. For more information, call Linda Avallar at 203 351-8208 or lindaa@fergusonlibrary.org.
# The Ferguson Library Youth Services MAY 2018 Programs

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**All programs are drop-in unless indicated otherwise.**

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| HB | Harry Bennett 203 351-8294 |
| SE | South End 203 351-8283 |
| WMH | Weed Memorial & Hollander 203 351-8287 |
| RR | Registration Required |
**Children’s Storytimes**

**ML** Main Library, DiMattia Building
**HB** Harry Bennett Branch
**SE** South End Branch
**WMH** Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch
**RR** Registration Required

**Budding Bookworms**
Books, songs and movement. Ages 18 months to 4 years with adult.
- **ML** – Fridays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Fridays at 11:15 a.m.
- **SE** – Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
- **WMH** – Mondays at 11:15 a.m.

**Baby Time**
Traditional verses, bouncing rhymes, board books. Pre-walking babies with an adult.
- **ML** – Fridays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Fridays at 11:15 a.m.
- **SE** – Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
- **WMH** – Mondays at 11:15 a.m.

**Family Storytime**
Families with children ages 5 and under can drop in for this weekend storytime.
- **Saturday, May 12 at noon at HB

**Mother Goose**
Rhymes, picture books, flannel boards. Walking babies with an adult.
- **ML** – Fridays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Mondays at 10:15 a.m.
- **SE** – Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
- **WMH** – Mondays at 11:15 a.m.

**Introduction to Every Child Ready to Read**
Children and their caregivers will be introduced to the *Every Child Ready to Read* initiative with songs, fingerplays, stories, movement and other early literacy activities. Ages 2 to 3½ with a participating adult. Supported by The Ferguson Library Foundation’s Harvey Fund. Registration is closed.
- **ML** – Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Step Ahead**
A preschool program with stories, music and movement using puppets, flannel boards and videos. Ages 3 to 5. Groups must call ahead to reserve a space.
- **ML** – Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Every Child Ready to Read**
Before children can learn to read, they must develop a range of skills. In this research-based early literacy initiative, kids and parents will have fun practicing the five skills necessary to become readers. Ages 3 to 5 with an adult. Supported by The Ferguson Library Foundation’s Harvey Fund. Registration is closed.
- **ML** – Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Toddler Time**
Songs, fingerplays, stories and movement activities. Walking babies up to age 3 with an adult. Registration is closed.
- **WMH** – Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Picture Us Reading Book Club**
Read aloud and discuss. Ages 7 and up.
- **ML** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Sing & Stomp**
A song and dance party! Toddler to 3 years with adult.
- **ML** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Two’s Company**
A special toddler program that features picture books, rhymes, fingerplays, music and movement. Two year olds with an adult. Registration is closed.
- **ML** – Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.
- **HB** – Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

**Drop-in Storytime**
Songs, fingerplays, movement activities, and stories for walking babies up to age 5 with an adult.
- **ML** – Tuesday, May 29 at 10:15 at WMH

**Mo Willems Storytime**
Saturday, May 5 at 2 p.m.
- **ML** Third Floor Auditorium
Join us as we celebrate the 99th annual National Children’s Book Week at this special storytime featuring the stories of Mo Willems, with guest appearances by two of his most beloved characters. Ages 3½ to 8 and families.

**Sing Along with Dr. Ev**
Monday, May 7 at 1 p.m.
- **ML** Third Floor Auditorium
Music-making and movement with Dr. Ev. Ages 5 and under with adult.

**Calm: Mindfulness for Kids**
Mondays, May 7, 14 & 21 at 4:30 p.m. at HB
A mindfulness program for kids to take a breath and create. Grades 1 to 5.

**Mother’s Day Craft**
Thursday, May 10 at 4 p.m.
- **SE** – Thursdays at 4 p.m.

**Read to Skylar**
Saturday, May 12 at 11 a.m.
- **ML** Lower Level Program Room
Practice reading with Skylar, a certified therapy dog. Ages 6 to 8. RR. Register online at fergusonlibrary.org/event.

**Hindu Storytime**
Thursday, May 17 from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.
- **WMH**
Join us for an interactive storytime featuring songs and stories in Hindi and English. Walking babies up to age 3 with a caregiver.

**May Storycraft**
Saturday, May 19 at 11 a.m.
- **ML** Third Floor Auditorium
We’ll celebrate some of the bugs and crawlies of spring and finish with a “bugaloon” craft you can take home! Ages 3 to 5. Families welcome.

**Family Program: Haitian Flag Day**
Saturday, May 19 from 4 to 6 p.m.
- **SE** – Saturday, May 19 from 4 to 6 p.m.

**Kids’ Book Discussion**
Tuesday, May 29 from 7 to 8 p.m.
- **ML** Lower Level Program Room
Ready Player One by Ernest Cline – In 2044, people escape their dismal reality living into “the Oasis.” There is a way to escape this hopeless life. Grades 6 to 12. RR. Register online at fergusonlibrary.org/event.

**Garden Party**
Saturday, May 12 from 2 to 3 p.m.
- **WMH**
Come for a spring-themed storytime and stay to help us plant our vegetable garden. (In case of inclement weather, storytime will be indoors.) Ages 18 months to 6 years.

**HoliDAYS**
The Library will be closed Monday.
- **May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.**