

# December Events @ Weston Library

## Holiday Hours

The library will be open 9AM-6PM Monday, December 21 through Wednesday, December 23, and will be closed on December 24 and 25, as well as New Year's Day (January 1).

## Lunch and Learn: eBay for Intermediate Users

Thursday, December 3 at 12 Noon

Do you have a garage full of unwanted things that you would like to try to sell? The Library is pleased to host eBay for Intermediate Users, presented by Russell Wayne. Mr. Wayne is a Certified Financial Planner who has been teaching eBay at the continuing education programs in Wilton and Fairfield for the last 10 years. This workshop will build off the previous Introduction to eBay class. Join us to learn how to make the most out of your eBay account. Attendees are invited to bring a lunch.

## Seasons Readings with Play With Your Food

Friday, December 4 6:30 – 8PM

Registration for this event is full. This is a reminder for those who have already signed up for it. If your plans have been changed since registration, please let Catherine Revzon know as soon as possible via email ([crevzon@gmail.com](mailto:crevzon@gmail.com)) so that we can accommodate those on the waitlist. To join the waitlist, please sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d4badad22a20-seasons>

## Lunch and Learn: The China Collectors

Monday, December 7 at 12 Noon

Join us for a Lunch and Learn discussion about the collectors who bought, borrowed an stole to bring the east and west together. Thanks to Salem sea captains, Gilded Age millionaires, curators on horseback, and missionaries gone native, North American museums now possess the greatest collections of Chinese art outside of East Asia itself. How did it happen? Shareen Blair Brysac and Karl E. Meyer will come to give us the account of a century-long treasure hunt in China from the Opium Wars and the Boxer Rebellion to Mao Zedong's 1949 ascent. Attendees are invited to bring a lunch.

## New Yorker Roundtable

Tuesday, December 8 at 11:45AM

Sponsored by the Friends of the Weston Public Library, the New Yorker Roundtable is a community discussion group where participants talk about news events, arts, politics and more! Moderated by Diana Loevy. Issues and reading selections are available at the Library.

## **BOOK GROUPS**

### **Thursday Morning Book Club - *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee**

Thursday, December 10 at 10:30AM

The unforgettable novel of a childhood in a sleepy Southern town and the crisis of conscience that rocked it, *To Kill A Mockingbird* became both an instant bestseller and a critical success when it was first published in 1960. It went on to win the Pulitzer Prize in 1961 and was later made into an Academy Award-winning film, also a classic.

Compassionate, dramatic, and deeply moving, *To Kill A Mockingbird* takes readers to the roots of human behavior - to innocence and experience, kindness and cruelty, love and hatred, humor and pathos. Now with over 18 million copies in print and translated into forty languages, this regional story by a young Alabama woman claims universal appeal. Harper Lee always considered her book to be a simple love story. Today it is regarded as a masterpiece of American literature.- *From Amazon*

### **Wednesday Evening Book Group is not meeting in December**

The Wednesday and Thursday Book Clubs are sponsored by Friends of the Weston Public Library.

### ***A Song of Ice and Fire* Book Discussion Group**

Fans of George RR Martin's *A Song of Ice & Fire/A Game of Thrones* meet monthly to discuss the book series, the show and the many theories circulating in the international online community. Next meeting is on Sunday, December 6 at 1:30 pm at the Weston Public Library. For more information, contact Eve Applebaum-Dominick at [eapplebaum@mindspring.com](mailto:eapplebaum@mindspring.com) (Put "ASOIAF Book Discussion Group" in the subject line).

### **Movie Night Feature Film: *Ricki and the Flash* (PG-13)**

Thursday, December 17 at 7PM

Synopsis: It's been a roller-coaster ride for Ricki Rendazzo, a one-time wife and mother of three who left her family behind to follow her dreams of rock 'n' roll stardom in California. Now, the singer and guitarist must face the music when she returns home to Indiana to reconnect with ex-husband Pete, troubled daughter Julie, engaged son Josh and younger son Adam. Filled with regret, Ricki hopes to find redemption for all of the bad choices that she made in the past.

## **Children's Programs**

Come in and meet our new Children's and Young Adult Librarian, Pamela Wilonsky. She is starting some new and exciting programs!

### **Reading to Rover**

Saturday December 12 from 11AM-12 Noon

Weston Youth Services Director, Michelle Albright, will bring her ROAR (Ridgefield Operation Animal Rescue) certified therapy dog, Nellie, to the Weston Public Library! Stop in for a 15 minute session with Nellie!

## **Animal Embassy**

Saturday, December 12 from 4PM-5PM

Meet a diversity of live “Alien Invaders!” Our “aliens” are animals that were once family pets, but somehow were released into the wild. With this program, we will learn about some of the challenges that these aliens face in foreign lands, as well as the problems they create. Find out how Tuck, a Monk parakeet, a feathered friend who should live in Brazil, came to live wild in Connecticut. Discover how Cane Toads made their way into the sugar cane fields of Florida and how Rain, a Green Iguana came to be high in a tree in Bridgeport, Connecticut! Finally, we’ll uncover how a turtle called a “Red-eared slider” made it all the way from the southern U.S. to a pond in Greenwich, CT.

## **Building With Literature for Grades 3 & 4**

Every Thursday at 3:45 PM

During these sessions we begin with a great story selected for more mature listeners from grades 3 & 4. We then build a coordinating piece of art work that complements the story. This session will meet weekly on Thursdays @ 3:45 pm. New stories and creations will be featured each week to ensure creative learning and fun at the Weston Public Library.

## **T is for Toddle Time**

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30AM

Parents, Caregivers, Babies, and Toddlers; please join us every Tuesday and Thursday @ 10:30 am for music, movement, and creative story-times. This is a great way to foster early literacy. No Registration.

## **Wiggle Giggle Wednesday for 3 and 4 Year Olds**

Every Wednesday at 11:30AM

Families and caregivers, please join us every Wednesday @ 11:30 am for singing, dancing, and stories geared for children ages 3 & 4 years olds. No registration required for this type of fun.

## **Recycling Through Literature for Grade K-2**

Every Tuesday at 4:30PM

School aged children from grades K-2 please join us every Tuesday @ 4:30pm for more sophisticated stories and a coordinating craft project which promotes the use of recycled and natural items. No registration required.

## **Partners in Art for Grades 5 and up**

Wed., Dec. 9, 6:00PM

Tweens from grades 5 and up will partner with high school students to make a cool and colorful kaleidoscope using ingenuity and recycled items. This groovy project couples creativity with peer connection. Reserve your spot by calling 203-222-2651.