

THE NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Newark Public Library Announces Programs for September 2010

The Newark Public Library presents its programming schedule for September. All programs sponsored by the Newark Public Library are free and open to the public. For more information, please call the number listed with the program description. Program information may also be found at www.npl.org for adult programs and at kidsplace.npl.org for children's programs.

The Main Library and all branches will change over from summer to regular hours on Wednesday, September 8. Main Library will be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 8:30 pm, and on Fridays and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm. Branch libraries will be open on Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm, and on Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. All branch libraries will be closed on Saturdays.

The Main Library and all branches will have the following **closings in September**:

Monday, September 6 – Labor Day holiday

Tuesday, September 7 – Furlough day

Monday, September 13 – Furlough day

Tuesday, September 14 – Furlough day

Monday, September 20 – Furlough day

Tuesday, September 21 – Furlough day

Monday, September 27 – Furlough day

Tuesday, September 28 – Furlough day

Frances E.W. Harper Literary Society

Saturday, September 11, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, James Brown African American Room, First Floor. Open registration will be held for this year's series.

Wednesday, September 15, 6:30 – 8:15 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, James Brown African American Room, First Floor. The first meeting will be a viewing of the film "Invictus," the story of a South African rugby team and their goal to win the 1995 Rugby World Cup.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration at Main Library

This year's Hispanic Heritage Celebration will feature the exhibition, Latina Voices and Visions, along with a series of public programs.

Latina Voices and Visions, on view beginning September 15, 2010, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Second Floor Gallery. Part of the library's Hispanic Heritage Celebration, this exhibition highlights the work of historical as well as contemporary Latina artists and explores how Latinas are represented in the broader culture of contemporary American and Latin American society. For information about the exhibition, please call Ingrid Betancourt, exhibition curator, at 973-733-7772, or email ibetancourt@npl.org.

Opening Reception, Wednesday, September 15, 6:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor. Best-selling author Esmeralda Santiago will be the keynote speaker. The reception will also feature a musical performance. In partnership with the Puerto Rican Heritage Statewide Parade, there will also be an awards ceremony to recognize the winners of this year's youth essay contest. For more information, please call 973-733-7772.

Mental Health and the Latino Community: Educational Workshops Series, Saturday, September 18, 3:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Sala Hispanoamericana, First Floor. This workshop will present information about mental health and the Latino community, with an overview of different mental illnesses and a special focus on bipolar disorder. The workshop will be presented in Spanish. Presented by Martha Silva, NAMI NJ en Espanol. For more information, please call 973-733-7772.

"New Muslim Cool," Saturday, September 25, 2:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Auditorium, Fourth Floor. Part of the Latina Filmmaker Series, this documentary (directed by Jennifer Maytorena Taylor) follows Puerto Rican-American rapper Hamza Pérez on his spiritual journey after he converts to Islam. Cynthia Lopez, American Documentary/POV, will introduce and provide commentary.

Beyond the Eyes: Strengthening and Uplifting Minorities Who Are Blind and Visually Impaired, Friday, September 24, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Main Library 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor. Guest Speaker: Councilwoman Mildred C. Crump. Topic: New Moves for New Times. Please RSVP by September 10, 2010 to 973-763-6308 or 973-733-9565.

Exhibition: America by the Numbers: A Look at the Census Bureau, "Factfinder for the Nation," on view through September 25, 2010, Main Library, 5 Washington St., Third Floor Gallery. The library's regional depository librarian, Laura Saurs, has organized this display from the library's vast collection of federal documents to illustrate changes in government data collection since 1790. For more information, please call 973-733-7812 or email lsaurs@npl.org.

Children's Programs at Main Library, 5 Washington Street, 973-733-7797

Friday, September 10, 3:00 – 4:30 pm. <u>Celebrate Grandparents' Day</u> – Come and make a special card for your grandmother, grandfather, or a godparent. All materials will be provided. Suitable for children. For more information, please call the Children's Room at 973-733-7797.

Friday, September 17, 3:00 – 4:30 pm. <u>Games, Anyone?</u> – Come and play a board game, such as Monopoly or Scrabble, with a friend. Suitable for children and early teens. For more information, please call the Children's Room at 973-733-7797.

Wednesday and Thursday, September 29 and 30, 10:30 am. Story Time – Join us to read stories about fall. Appropriate for children ages 3 – 8 years. For more information, please call the Children's Room at 973-733-7797.

Classes at Main Library:

Computer Classes

The library will continue to offer some computer classes each month. Topics will include Microsoft Word, email, mouse skills, and more. Please visit the Web site at http://www.npl.org/Pages/Computers/ for more information.

Newark Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting, Wednesday, September 22, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Auditorium, Fourth Floor. The Board of Trustees will conduct their bimonthly meeting.

Programs at the branches are listed below.

Clinton Branch, 739 Bergen Street, 973-733-7754

Thursday, September 2, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. Celebrate Grandparents Day – In celebration of Grandparents Day, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to a special story time featuring stories about grandparents. For more information, please call 973-733-7754.

Thursday, September 16, 3:30 - 4:30 pm. <u>Have Fun with Curious George</u> – Celebrate the birthday of H.A. Rey, the author of "Curious George." Make a Curious George craft. For children up to eighth grade. For more information, please call 973-733-7754.

Friday, September 17, 3:30 - 4:30 pm. <u>B-I-N-G-O</u> – Bing-o is its name-o and it's at the Clinton branch. For children up to eighth grade. For more information, please call 973-733-7754.

Friday, September 24, 4:00 - 5:00 pm. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month – Children up to eighth grade can take part in a trivia game on Hispanic singers, sports, and tv/movie stars. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. For more information, please call 973-733-7754.

Springfield Branch, 50 Hayes Street, 973-733-7736

Wednesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Free College Preparatory Classes – free sessions will include: Prep for SAT and HSPA; SAT and ACT registration; assistance with completing scholarship and financial aid applications; assistance with personal statements; obtain college applications. Open to high school juniors and seniors. For more information, please contact the Springfield Branch at 973-733-7736, or call Mr. Brown, program coordinator, at 862-368-4261.

Saturday, September 25, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. College Fair – High school seniors and their parents/guardians are invited to meet recruiters from Seton Hall, Rutgers, Bloomfield, Morehouse, Rider, Johnson C. Smith, Cheyney, Delaware State, Montclair, St. Peter's, NJCU, Fairleigh Dickinson, NJIT, Johnson & Wales, Duke, Stanford, Ramapo, College of NJ, University of Tampa, William Paterson, Felician, University of Alabama, Norfolk State, and Savannah School of Art & Design. Students will have the opportunity to obtain scholarship applications, register for the free SAT/HSPA prep classes, and obtain assistance with completing college applications and personal statements. For more information, please call the Springfield Branch at 973-733-7736 or Mr. Brown, program director, at 862-368-4261.

Vailsburg Branch, 75 Alexander Street, 973-733-7749

Wednesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 5:00 pm. Fabulous Fall Movie Night – Leaves are beginning to fall and great movies are coming to call. See Hollywood's best and brightest on our silver screen. Located here in the Children's Room. For more information, please call 973-733-7749. Friday, September 3, 4:00 pm. Spelling Bee – Are you the human dictionary or do you just love to spell? Come on down for a rousing afternoon of spelling. Bee there or bee square. For more information, please call 973-733-7749.

Wednesday, September 15, 4:00 pm. Word Hunt – Can you find scrambled words the fastest? Come test your skills and, most of all, have fun. For more information, please call 973-733-7749. Wednesday, September 22, 4:00 pm. Arts & Crafts – Calling all artists! Come on in and let your inner artist run wild. We have various projects that are demanding your personal creativity. For more information, please call 973-733-7749.

Friday, September 24, 4:00 pm. Cooking with Chef Adam – Study with a master of the culinary arts. Get ready to chop, dice, and sizzle in the world-renowned kitchen, located in the Children's Room. You'll be a chef in no time. For more information, please call 973-733-7749.

Wednesday, September 29, 4:00 pm. ...And BINGO Was His Name-o – It's time to get out of the BIN and GO GO GO. Please come to the Children's Room for a rousing night of library bingo. Come for a night of fun and prizes. For more information, please call 973-733-7749.

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