

THE NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
5 WASHINGTON STREET, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07102



P R E S S R E L E A S E

August 10, 2009  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
***PRESS only*** CONTACT: Heidi Cramer  
(973) 733-7837; hcramer@npl.org

***Newark Public Library Announces September Programs***

The Newark Public Library presents its programming schedule for September. All library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, patrons should call the number listed with the program description. Program information may also be found at [www.npl.org](http://www.npl.org) for adult programs and at [kidsplace.npl.org](http://kidsplace.npl.org) for children's programs.

The Main Library and all branches will have a holiday closing on Monday, September 7, 2009 in observance of Labor Day. The Main Library and all branches will resume regular hours beginning Tuesday, September 8.

Main Library hours will be:

Mondays: 9:00 am – 5:30 pm; Tuesdays through Thursdays: 9:00 am – 8:30 pm; Fridays and Saturdays: 9:00 am – 5:30 pm; Sundays: closed.

Branch library hours will be:

Mondays and Tuesdays: 9:30 am – 5:30 pm; Wednesdays: 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm; Thursdays and Fridays: 9:30 am – 5:30 pm; Saturdays: 9:30 am – 1:30 pm; Sundays: closed.

The Frances E.W. Harper Literary Society will begin its 2009-2010 season on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. with the film "Men of Honor," the story of Carl Brashear, the first African American US Navy Diver, starring Cuba Gooding, Jr. and directed by George Tillman, Jr.

Beginning September 17, the library will celebrate Hispanic Heritage with an exhibition and programs on Peruvians in New Jersey. The library's Hispanic Heritage Celebration is made possible in part by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts and administered by the Essex County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs.

**A Journey from Ancient Times: Peruvians in New Jersey**  
**Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Second Floor Gallery**  
**Runs September 17 – December 31, 2009**

The exhibition will showcase the history, cultural traditions, and experiences of this immigrant

community, which is one of the fastest growing Latino groups in our state. Public programs will feature Peruvian art, music, theater, film and literature. Curated by Ingrid Betancourt.

The **opening reception** for the exhibition will be held at Main Library at 6:00 pm on September 17 in Centennial Hall, Second Floor.

**Children's Program – Dances from the Land of the Inca**

**Saturday, September 19, 2:00 pm**

**Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Centennial Hall, Second Floor**

Young dancers present a dazzling performance of traditional music and dance from the different regions of Peru while showcasing each area's colorful, authentic, attire. This performance by award-winning members of the Peruvian Arts & Folklore School features interactive elements with the audience, as well as brief explanations about the history and symbolism of the dances and songs presented.

A new exhibition will open in September.

**New Jersey Through Artists' Eyes: Garden State Iconography**

**Runs September 28 – December 31, 2009**

Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Third Floor Gallery.

Curated by Chad Leinaweaver and William J. Dane, this exhibition displays the work of a variety of artists depicting New Jersey scenes using a variety of formats.

The branch libraries are presenting programs for children and teens. The schedule is listed below.

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

**Friday, September 4, 3:30 – 4:30 pm.** B-I-N-G-O – Bing-o is its name-o and it's at the Clinton branch! For children up to 8th grade. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

**Saturday, September 12, 10:30 am.** Celebrate Grandparents Day – In celebration of Grandparents Day, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to a special storytime featuring stories about (you guessed it!) grandparents. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

**Wednesday, September 16, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.** Have Fun with Curious George – Celebrate the birthday of H.A. Rey, the author of "Curious George." Make a Curious George craft! For children up to 8th grade. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

**Friday, September 18, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.** Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month – Children up to eighth grade are invited to make a craft celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. For more information, please call the Clinton Branch at 973-733-7754.

**Madison Branch, 790 Clinton Avenue, 973-733-8090**

**Tuesday, September 8, 10:30 am.** Story Hour – Children are invited to listen to a reading of "Bigmama's" by Donald Crews. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Tuesday, September 8, 3:30 pm.** Welcome Back – All children are invited to the library for a tour and refreshments. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Thursday, September 10, 10:30 am.** Story Hour – All children are invited to a storytime featuring "Cat & Mouse" by Ian Schoenherr. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Friday, September 11, 2:30 pm.** Teen Movie – All teens are invited to come see "Life Support," a true story about AIDS, starring Queen Latifah. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Tuesday, September 15, 10:30 am.** Story Hour – Children are invited to a reading of "Once Upon a Time" by Nancy Loewen. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Thursday, September 17, 10:30 am and 3:30 pm.** Story Hour – We'll read "Biting Buggeroos" by Jeff Day and then identify Biting Buggeroos. All children are welcome. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Tuesday, September 22, 3:30 pm.** Arts & Crafts – Children will participate in drawing a portrait of someone special and frame their portrait with construction paper frames. All materials will be provided. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Thursday, September 24, 10:30 am and 3:30 pm.** Story Hour – The librarian will read "Marie Curie" by Mike Venezia. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

**Tuesday, September 29, 10:30 am and 3:30 pm.** It's Movie Time – All children are invited to come see "Fly Me to the Moon." Refreshments provided. For more information, please call the Madison Branch at 973-733-8090.

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

**Saturday, September 26, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.** College Fair – The Springfield Branch Library will host its seventh annual Fall college fair. Seniors and their parents/caregivers are invited to attend. Students will be able to register for free SAT classes, obtain scholarship applications, and complete SAT and college applications. Recruiters from Seton Hall, Rutgers, Fairleigh Dickinson, Montclair, Kean, William Patterson, University of Tampa, Ramapo, Johnson C. Smith, Morgan,

Cheyney, University of New Haven, Felician, New Jersey City University, Robert Morris, Somerset Christian, Culinary Institute of America, Johnson & Wales University, NJIT, Delaware, Norfolk State, United States Navy, Howard, St. Peter's, College of NJ, and Rider University will attend. 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 2 at 4:00 pm; September 9, 16, and 23 at 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 in the children's room.. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Fridays, September 4 and 18, 4:00 pm.** Spelling Bee – Are you the human dictionary or do you just love to spell? Come down for a rousing afternoon of spelling! Bee there or bee square! For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Wednesdays, September 9 and 23, 4:00 pm.** Arts and 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 the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Friday, September 11, 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 the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Saturdays, September 12 and 26, 10:00 am.** Imagination Station Storytime – All aboard! Come to the Vailsburg Children's Room and let your imagination take you to magical far-off places. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Wednesday, September 16, 4:00 pm.** Word Hunt – Can YOU find scrambled words the fastest? Well, come test your skills, and most of all have FUN. For more information, please call the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Wednesday, September 30, 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 the Vailsburg Branch at 973-733-7749.

**Van Buren Branch, 140 Van Buren Street, 973-733-7750**

**Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, 25, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.** Dungeons and Dragons: the Game – Join the master as he instructs you on how to play this exciting role-playing game. Appropriate for ages 13 and older. For more information, please call the Van Buren Branch at 973-733-7750.

**Saturdays, September 12 and 26, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm.** Saturday Story Hour – Start your weekend with a story. Appropriate for all ages. For more information, please call the Van Buren Branch at 973-733-7750.

# # #