

Library Lines

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Art exhibition opens

The opening reception for this month's art exhibition, "Unhung Heroes," is Friday, Oct. 10, from 6-7:30 p.m. The art show features 27 artists who have either not exhibited at the library before, or haven't done so in a long time. The artists will display more than 75 pieces in a full range of medium, styles, and subject matter. The artists themselves represent amateurs, art teachers and full time artists. The exhibition runs through Thursday, Oct. 30 except for Monday, Oct. 13 when the library is closed for Columbus Day. The majority of the works are available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the library. For information: 762-3950.

Computer classes begin

Basic Word will be taught by Mary Anne Franco in hands-on sessions on two different days this week, one on Tuesday evening, Oct. 14, from 6:30-8, and the other on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 12:30-2. Both sessions cover the same material. Participants learn how to create and format a basic document in this free class. Basic computer skills, including mouse proficiency, are required. There is no charge for either class. Registration is required because of the hands-on technique used in the small, personalized class. Students are requested to arrive promptly with no one being admitted 10 minutes past the hour. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Author talks focused on women

Two empowering authors visit the library this week on Tuesday and Wednesday discussing purpose in the workplace and life. Kathy Caprino, author of *Breakdown, Breakthrough*, visits the library on Tuesday, Oct. 14, from 7-8:30 p.m. The subtitle of her book is "The Professional Woman's Guide to Claiming a Life of Passion, Power and Purpose." Laney Katz Becker, discusses her debut novel, *Dear Stranger, Dearest Friend* on Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The author, a breast cancer survivor, tells a compelling story of two women coming together to share their fears, concerns and joys through e-mails. Books for both authors will be available for purchase and signing. Both talks are free of charge and advance registration is highly recommended. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Wilton Reads events

Susan Boyar, the popular book discussion leader of the daytime group, Wilton Library Readers, leads an evening session on Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 7-9, of *The Namesake*, the Wilton Reads book chosen for this year's community read. There is no charge for the program, however registration is recommended. On Sunday, Oct. 19, from 4-5 p.m., author Jhumpa Lahiri will visit the library and take questions about her engaging novel in the culminating event for Wilton Reads. Advance registration is strongly recommended. Pre-registered guests are requested to arrive by 3:45 to be assured seating, at which time wait-listed and walk-in registrants will be admitted. To register for either event: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950. Wilton Reads is sponsored by The Wilton Bank, The United Way of Norwalk & Wilton with media support from The Wilton Bulletin. Please note: The library will open at noon and close at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19 in preparation for the author's visit.

Short stories

Wilton Library welcomes Bill Ziegler in his first turn as a seminar leader of short stories in a five-part series entitled *Aspects of the Short Story* with Bill Ziegler beginning Thursday, Oct. 16, from 10:30-noon. The series is on five consecutive Thursdays: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6 and 13. Participants read and discuss a variety of short stories that illustrate the characteristics of the genre and provide a basis for critical evaluation. The stories are available at the circulation desk. There is no charge for the program. Advance registration is required. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Digital photography class

Michael Franco returns to instruct *Hands-on Digital Photography Class: Photo Editing*, on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Using a photo provided by the instructor, students learn how to use basic tools to enhance their picture. Basic computer skills, including mouse proficiency, are required. There is no charge for the program and advance registration is required. Space is limited to 10 students in the computer lab. Students are asked to arrive on time; no one will be permitted to enter 10 minutes after the start of class. No charge. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events.

Reminder: The library will be closed Monday, Oct. 13 for Columbus Day.