

# This Month on Martine

## *News from the White Plains Public Library*



### **Yes, We Keep on Changing**

If you've been in to visit us lately, you'll note that we've made some improvements to the Library's first floor. Consider this a warm-up to The Hub, our big renovation project which we hope will commence later in the year (and which will bring us new space for adults plus a cafe).

The biggest improvement is that all of our new books are there to meet you as you enter the Library—and they're all displayed face-out, for easy browsing. It's exciting to stand back and see all the great new material the Library has purchased.



The circulation area is in the lobby, on the left, while the reference area is back on the right, where we can more easily help people working on computers.

As Winston Churchill wrote: "To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often." By his measure, we've almost reached perfection!

*Brian Kenney*  
*Library Director*

**Lego Club's Buildings on Display at Lyndhurst**

Children in The Trove's Lego® Club built White Plains, all in Lego®! The project will be on display at Lyndhurst Mansion in Tarrytown during the Lyndhurst Family Fun Day scheduled for April 16 - 17, 2016. The project has previously been on display at the White Plains City Hall.

Children in grades 2 through 6 began building models of 18 notable White Plains buildings last summer and completed them in the fall with minor restorations made during the winter. The buildings include the Jacob Purdy House, Kensico Terrace, the County Center, Armory, City Hall, and the Library.

As exhibitors, the children and their families will be receiving free tickets, courtesy of Lyndhurst, to attend the event. This is a wonderful opportunity to display their work and participate in some exciting Lego® activities in a grand and historic setting.



*Future architects constructing the Woman's Club*

## Join Us for an Afternoon of Sonatas

This year's **Clarice Wilson Memorial Concert** will feature pianist Adam Kent and violinist Alejandro Mendoza performing works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Johannes Brahms, and Cesar Franck. The performance is scheduled for **Sunday, April 17 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Library's Auditorium.

Clarice Wilson was the music specialist in the Library from 1974-1999. Mrs. Wilson supported gifted young musicians at the start of their performance careers.

**Adam Kent** has performed in recital, as soloist with orchestra, and in chamber music throughout the United States, Europe and South America. A winner of the American Pianists Association Fellowship and Simone Belsky Music Awards, Dr. Kent also is a recipient of the Arthur Rubinstein Prize and the Harold Bauer Award.

**Violinist Alejandro Mendoza** has toured North America, South America and Asia performing both as a recitalist and soloist with orchestras. He has been greeted with standing ovations from audiences around the world and has received critical acclaim from the press as well.



*Adam Kent, pianist*

The Clarice Wilson Memorial Concert is supported by the White Plains Library Foundation.

## April in the Trove: Reader's Fair, Sculpey

Look forward to a busy month in The Trove, our library for children.

On **Sunday, April 10** the Trove will host a **Readers Fair** from 1 to 5 p.m. This family fund day will feature activities on the Library Plaza, including the Hudson Valley Llamas (1 to 3 p.m.), a chalk painting contest for families, hopscotch and other games, scavenger hunt, bubbles, and balloons.

Inside the Library there will be crafts and stories, face painting, storytelling, and a family concert with Robert the Guitar Guy (4 p.m.)

Readers' Fair is supported by the White Plains Library Foundation.

Then on **Monday, April 11**, at 4:30 p.m., The Trove will kick off a **Sculpey Series** for 4th, 5th and 6th graders—using polymer clay.



*Who can resist llamas?*

Kids will get to work with brilliant colored **Sculpey** clay to make beads, buttons, earrings, tiny animals and more. Sculpey is a brand of polymer clay, a soft and malleable plastic that hardens when baked. Luckily the polymer clay can be baked in a conventional oven and doesn't need to be fired in a kiln as does earthen clay.

What's great about Sculpey is that it comes in a rainbow of colors and can be mixed together to create a limitless palette.



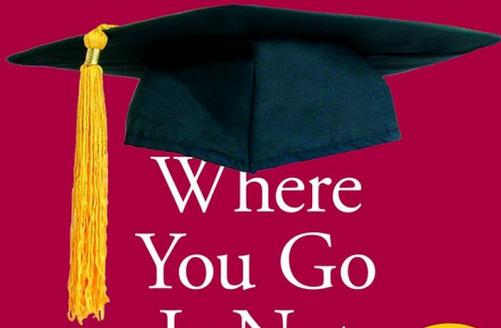
Kids who love animals and imaginative characters can create to their hearts content with Sculpey. The process is relaxing and therapeutic. Tricks and techniques for creating dazzling beads and buttons will be the focus of this three week series, but children are encouraged to experiment with all kinds of miniatures.

Registration begins April 4; the other sessions will be held on April 18 and 25, also at 4:30 p.m. Call 422-1476 or visit the

Compass Desk in The Trove to register.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

"A humane, measured book . . . . In its authentic humanity, it has lessons for a very wide audience indeed." —THE WASHINGTON POST



# Where You Go Is Not Who You'll Be

UPDATED &  
EXPANDED,  
PLUS NEW  
AFTERWORD

AN ANTIDOTE TO THE COLLEGE  
ADMISSIONS MANIA

FRANK BRUNI

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

## White Plains Library Foundation's 21st Anniversary Gala

Saturday, October 22, 2016  
7 - 10 p.m.

Honoree: Frank Bruni, op-ed  
columnist for *The New York  
Times* and celebrated author.

Frank Bruni has had a long history with the Times, serving as Rome bureau chief, White House correspondent, and its chief restaurant critic. He's also the author of three books: *Born Round*, a memoir (featuring highlights about growing up in White Plains), *Ambling into History*, a chronicle of George W. Bush's 2000 presidential campaign, and the bestseller, *Where You Go Is Not Who You'll Be: An Antidote to the College Admissions Mania*. We are

delighted to welcome Frank Bruni back to White Plains—just weeks before the election—for what promises to be a lively evening.

Mark your calendars today. For more information contact Nancy Rubini at [nrubini@whiteplainslibrary.org](mailto:nrubini@whiteplainslibrary.org)

Click [here](#) to sign up for this newsletter.