October 27, 2021

**Author Visit with Anita Hill**

Please join us for a virtual author visit with Anita Hill on Monday, November 1, 7:00–8:00 p.m. She’ll discuss her new book, *Believing: Our Thirty-Year Journey to End Gender Violence*, a combination of memoir, personal accounts, law, and social analysis. Anita Hill is University Professor of Social Policy, Law, and Women’s and Gender Studies at Brandeis University. After the 1991 Senate confirmation hearings for U.S. Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas, Hill became a leading figure in the fight for women’s rights and against gender-based violence.

*Believing* is a story of America’s three decades long reckoning with gender violence, one that offers insights into its roots, and paths to creating dialogue and substantive change. It is a call to action that offers guidance based on what this brave, committed fighter has learned from a lifetime of advocacy and her search for solutions to a problem that is still tearing America apart.

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We appreciate support from the **White Plains Library Foundation** for many of our programs. Events funded by the Foundation are noted with an ✶.

**Explore Japanese Culture: Fall Delicacies of Japan**

Tonight
7:00–8:00 p.m.

Japanese cuisine and culture reflect appreciation for the beauty of nature. Japan has four seasons and many festivals throughout the year. Japanese people often celebrate these events by getting together to enjoy meals using seasonal ingredients. In this program, we will explore the cultural events of fall and show you how Japanese people incorporate the seasonal harvest into their meals. We will also show you bento ideas perfect for fall picnics. [Click here](#) for the Zoom link.

**Future is Female Book Discussion**

Monday, November 1st
2:00–3:00 p.m.

Ellen O’Connell, White Plains resident and retired English teacher, will moderate a discussion of *The Paris Library*, by Janet Skeslien Charles. Based on the true story of the heroic staff of the American Library in Paris during the Nazi occupation, this instant bestseller was described as “an ode to the importance of libraries, books, and the human connections we find within” them (Kristin Harmel).
Tiny Art Projects
Available beginning Monday, November 1st
We're offering a craft kit for teens and adults, featuring tiny works of art. We're hoping you'll use your inspiration to make a mini piece of art or two, and then return them to us for a special tiny art show. Kits are first come, first served, and will become available on Monday, November 1st. Just stop by the table in the Library lobby and pick up a Tiny Art Show kit. If you'd like us to display your artwork, bring it to the Hub desk during the week of November 22nd. We'll be putting together a mini museum display for the month of December.

Library Closed Tuesday
Please note that the Library will be closed on Tuesday, November 2nd for Election Day. The Library will reopen with regular hours from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3rd. Our outer book drop will remain open for those who wish to return items while we're closed.

Poetry Slam & Open Mic
Wednesday, November 3rd
7:00–9:00 p.m.
Join Zork and Kristen for the First Wednesday Poetry Slam! Pre-registration is required to try and accommodate as many poets as
Thursday, November 4th
4:00–5:00 p.m.
Join us for quiet writing time for grades 4 and up. If you're working on a writing goal for National Novel Writing Month, this is a perfect time to work on your project. We'll also have a different writing prompt each week for those who don't have a long-term project. Click here to register.

Register here to attend or perform. Please be sure to provide an active email address as we will contact you to confirm whether you will be performing or just attending. Adults & teens welcome!
A Quiet Space: Breath-Body-Mind Workshop for Teens

Experience a program of gentle movement, breathing, and relaxation exercises that reduce stress and anxiety, increase mental focus and allow a sense of well-being to flourish. This two-session free program is hosted by several Westchester public libraries; participate and let us know if you’d like to see the series continue in 2022.

November 8 and 15, 6pm via Zoom

Register by emailing outreach@wlsmail.org. Include your name and the name of your local library. The meeting link will be sent as confirmation.

For more information – go to:
conversations.westchesterlibraries.org

Funding provided by the Hope for Youth Foundation

Programs are generally 30 minutes in length

Around the Web

Facts on Coronavirus.

The books briefing: the fight over what kids can read.

Growing up surrounded by books could have powerful, lasting effect on the mind.
In his free time, William Makepeace Thackeray loved sketching witches and ghouls.

It's Been a Minute podcast: Shea Serrano answers existential questions about rap in Hip Hop (And Other Things).

Photo of the Week

Left: As seen on Court Street: White Plains prepares for Halloween by Christiane D.

We want your photos! In each issue of This Week on Martine we feature one patron submitted photo that was taken in White Plains. To submit your photography for a chance to be featured, visit our submission page, upload a photo, and fill out our form with a short description of the photo and your name.