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Big Screen Blockbuster Summer Movie Series at Hartford Public Library!Escape the heat and watch your favorite movies on the big screen – free and open to the public!

Hartford, Connecticut (June 28, 2013) — Hartford Public Library's Cultural Affairs and Public Programming Department is pleased to announce *Big Screen Blockbuster Summer*, featuring cool classics and family favorites on the big screen at the Downtown Library (500 Main Street) in the *Center for Contemporary Culture* on the main floor.

Big Screen Blockbuster Summer will feature seven films and 13 showings on Tuesdays and Saturdays from July 9 – August 24. Tuesday night films start at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday showings begin at 12:00 p.m. Don't forget to bring your favorite snacks for a special treat! This program is free and open to the public. Parking is available on the parking deck adjacent to the library on Arch Street.

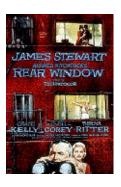
The *Center for Contemporary Culture* is a multi-purpose performance and educational space. Equipped with state-of-the art technology, the center is the premier destination for cultural and educational programs, including films, concerts, author talks, children's programs and special events. The big screen will give you the authentic movie theater experience without the cost!

For more information please visit us online at www.hplct.org.

Big Screen Blockbuster lineup:



The Avengers on Tuesday, July 9, 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 13, 12:00 p.m. Marvel makes cinematic history as it unites the super hero team of a lifetime.



Rear Window on Tuesday, July 16, 5:30 p.m. A wheelchair bound photographer spies on his neighbors from his apartment window and becomes convinced one of them has committed murder.



The Hunger Games on Tuesday, July 23, 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 27, 12:00 p.m. Katniss Everdeen voluntarily takes her younger sister's place in the Hunger Games, a televised fight to the death in which two teenagers from each of the twelve Districts of Panem are chosen at random to compete.



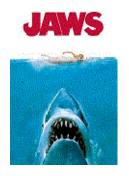
The Dark Knight on Tuesday, July 30, 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 3, 12:00 p.m. When Batman, Gordon and Harvey Dent launch an assault on the mob, they let the clown out of the box, the Joker, bent on turning Gotham on itself and bringing any heroes down to his level.



The Lion King on Tuesday, August 6, 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 10, 12:00 p.m. Embark on an extraordinary coming-of-age adventure as Simba, a lion cub who cannot wait to be king, searches for his destiny in the great "Circle of Life." You will be thrilled by the breathtaking animation, unforgettable Academy Award®—winning music (1994: Best Original Score; Best Song, "Can You Feel The Love Tonight") and timeless story.



Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black
Pearl on Tuesday, August 13, 5:30 PM p.m. and
Saturday, August 17, 12:00 p.m. Blacksmith Will
Turner teams up with eccentric pirate "Captain" Jack
Sparrow to save his love, the governor's daughter,
from Jack's former pirate allies, who are now undead.



JAWS on Tuesday, August 20, 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 24, 12:00 p.m. When a gigantic great white shark begins to menace the small island community of Amity, a police chief, a marine scientist and grizzled fisherman set out to stop it.

About Hartford Public Library

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 865,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. According to a recent editorial in *The Hartford Courant*, "Indeed, the Library has established itself as the center of the community in Hartford." To learn more about the library, please see www.hplct.org.