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## AUGUST '19 ADULT PROGRAMS

### World of Sounds Concert Series

Take a musical trip around the world with HPL's World of Sounds Concert Series.

**Blessings Divine:** Thursday, August 1st, 3pm, Barbour Library

**Caribbean Vibe:** Friday, August 2nd, 1:30pm, Camp Field Library

**The Millennial Showcase:** Friday, August 16th, 3pm, Albany Library

**Souls of Zion:** Thursday, August 22nd, 6pm, Dwight Library

**Big Read Kickoff:** Monday, September 9th, 5pm, Downtown Library

**Dee-lish:** Saturday, September 14th, 1pm, Pridefest on Pratt St.

Hartford Public Library's World of Sounds concert series is funded by the Evelyn W. Preston Memorial Trust Fund and Bank of America, N.A. Trustee.

### Film Screening: **B5: The Story of the first HIV/AIDS Ward in America**

*Thursday, August 15 12:00 pm & 5:30 pm*

*Center for Contemporary Culture, 1st Floor, Downtown Library*

Join us for a film screening and post-film discussion of *B5*, the story of the caregivers who took action to comfort, protect and care for the patients of the first HIV/AIDS ward unit in the United States. Co-sponsored by Community Health Services. Light refreshments.

### Reception: **Linda Martin, Sharing Stories**

*Saturday, August 17, 2-4pm*

*Hartford History Center, 3rd floor, Downtown Library*

Quilts have a long tradition in the African American community. Before slavery was abolished, quilts were used as covert messages, marking escape routes and houses of refuge for people seeking freedom. Hartford artist Linda F. Martin, use quilts as a way to commemorate important figures, share history and folklore and speak to contemporary social justice issues. On display through September.

### Film Screening: **Filiberto**

*Wednesday, August 28, 5:30 PM*

*Hartford History Center, 3rd floor, Downtown Library*

Don't miss this free showing of the award-winning documentary about a Puerto Rican musician who becomes

a revolutionary and pays with his life. The film will be presented by Director and Producer Freddie Marrero Alfonso. Co-sponsored by the San Juan Center.

### Cloth Bag Sewing Circle

*Mondays in August, 11 am - 1 pm;*

*Wednesdays in August, 2 pm - 4 pm*

*Atrium of the Downtown Library.*

Help yourself, help the environment and have fun! Create a cloth bag for groceries under the direction of master seamstress Imelda Diaz. Materials provided. No sewing experience necessary. Make a bag for yourself - then make one for someone in need.

### On the ArtWalk: **Among Friends by Ed Johnetta Miller**

*Exhibit runs July 19 - September 28, 2019*

*Closing Reception: Friday, September 20, 5:30pm*

*Artist Workshop (Quilt Cards): Saturday, September 21, 2:30pm*

*ArtWalk Gallery, 3rd Floor, Downtown Library, 500 Main Street*

A fiber artist, quilter, teacher, author, curator and lecturer, Ed Johnetta Miller is acknowledged to be one of the most creative and colorful improvisational quilt makers in the U.S. Widely exhibited here and abroad, her work can be found in museums, and corporate, private, and permanent collections. Thanks to Bank of America and the Edward C. & Ann T. Roberts Foundation for funding the 2018-2019 ArtWalk season.

## Ongoing Programs

### African American Literature Book Club

The AAL Book Club is for anyone interested in reading and discussing African American literature, both fiction and nonfiction, as well as sharing information and learning about the African American experience.

### Monthly 1st Tuesdays, 6-7:30 pm, Room 141, Downtown Library

**August 6: Hopes and Expectations: The Origins of the Black Middle Class in Hartford**, by *Suzanne Holliday-Thomas*

**Sept. 3: The Sellout: A Novel**, by *Paul Beatty*

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