

# January 2010

## EXHIBITS

In the Main Gallery



**PERI SCHWARTZ:** Working with the Grid, January 2 through 31. Join us at Sandwiched In on Friday, January 8 at 12:10 p.m. The artist will be interviewed by Barbara Applegate, director of the Hillwood Art Museum. Ms. Schwartz will discuss the masters that influenced her work and how she searches for the balance of realism and abstraction in her work. Story in this issue. AAC

In the Photography Gallery

**MARTY SCHMIDT:** *An Eclectic Look at Long Island Aviation*, January 6 through February 28. Though he photographs many subjects, Marty Schmidt is a long-time aviation enthusiast. Look for a PowerPoint talk with Marty Schmidt on Monday, February 8 at 7:30 p.m. Story in this issue.

## REGISTRATIONS

Beginning January 4

AARP Tax Help . . . . . See January 26

CPR for Teens . . . . . See back page

Writing Workshop . . . . . See January 4

Beginning January 5

Computer Classes . . . . . See January 5

Defensive Driving . . . . . See January 5

Beginning January 12

Small Business . . . . . See January 12

Yoga . . . . . See January 12

Comeback Moms . . . . . See January 27

## 4 MONDAY

**WRITER'S WORKSHOPS:** Registration begins January 4 for a series of two 1½ hour workshops facilitated by Jane Breskin Zalben focused on publishing: Tuesdays, January 19 and 26 at 7 p.m. Payment of \$20 for the series is due at registration. This program was funded in part by Poets & Writers, Inc. with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency.

**GREAT BOOKS:** A discussion of *To Perpetual Peace* by Kant. 1 p.m.

**"THE TAKING OF PELHAM 123"** (2009-106 min.). Subway dispatcher Denzel Washington receives a call from psychotic John Travolta, who is holding hostages on a New York City subway car. Brian Helgeland scripted, from John Godey's novel, for director Tony Scott. 7:30 p.m.

## 5 TUESDAY

**ADULT COMPUTER PROGRAMS:** Registration begins January 5 for Introduction to Photoshop to take place February 20 from 10 a.m. to noon. Payment of \$12 is due at registration.

**DEFENSIVE DRIVING:** Registration begins January 5 for a 6-hour course open to all ages to take place on Saturday, February 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Those who take this course may be eligible for a 10 percent discount on vehicle liability, personal injury protection and collision insurance premiums for 3 years, and a reduction of 4 points from their driving record. *For Port Washington residents only.* Your check or money order made payable to Empire Safety Council for \$28 is due at registration.

## 7 THURSDAY

**FROM BANNED BOOK TO BIG SCREEN:** *Lord of the Flies*. Join Dylan Skolnick, co-director of the Cinema Arts Centre, for a screening and discussion of Peter Brook's powerful adaptation of William Golding's controversial and often-banned novel. Few books or films have better explored the fragile nature of our supposedly civilized society. Light refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. 2 p.m.

## 8 FRIDAY

**SANDWICHED IN:** Meet Peri Schwartz. *Learning from the Masters*. In an interview with Barbara Applegate, director of the Hillwood Art Museum, Ms. Schwartz will discuss the masters that influenced her work and how she searches for the balance of realism and abstraction. 12:10 p.m. AAC

**"THE LIMITS OF CONTROL"** (2009-116 min.). A lone stranger (Isaach De Bankolé) arrives in Spain with instructions to meet various operatives (John Hurt, Gael Garcia Bernal, Youki Kudoh, Hiam Abbass), each one a part of his dangerous mission. Director Jim Jarmusch also scripted this enigmatic tale. Christopher Doyle supplied the gorgeous cinematography. 7:30 p.m.

## 10 SUNDAY



**"CAPTAINS COURAGEOUS"** (1937-111 min.). In Victor Fleming's exciting version of Rudyard Kipling's book, a Portuguese fisherman (Spencer Tracy) teaches human values to a spoiled millionaire's son (Freddie Bartholomew). We start our screening with Joseph Sherman's short, "The Little Maestro" (1937-11 min.), and Rudolf Ising's cartoon, "Little Cheeser" (1937-8 min.). 2 p.m.

## 11 MONDAY

**"THROW DOWN YOUR HEART"** (2008-97 min.). When world-renowned banjoist Bela Fleck realized that his instrument had lost its musical heritage, he decided to make a pilgrimage to Africa to rediscover the banjo's folk music roots. Sascha Paladino's documentary follows Fleck from Uganda to Tanzania to Gambia to Mali, as he performs with some of Africa's finest musicians. 7:30 p.m.

## 12 TUESDAY

**SMALL BUSINESS CLASSES:** Registration begins January 12 for classes on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. February 6: Starting and Growing Your Own Business; March 6: Writing a Business Plan; April 3: Marketing for Small Businesses. Cash or check payable to the library for \$15 for the series is due at registration.

**YOGA:** Registration begins January 12 for a series of 6 classes on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., beginning February 3. Cash or check payable to PWPL for \$35 is due at registration. For Port Washington residents only.

**HYPERTENSION SCREENING:** Free blood pressure screening conducted by St. Francis Hospital. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



## 13 WEDNESDAY

**TRAVEL TIPS FOR STAYING PUT:** After 20 years of trekking across the globe, Vivian Swift dropped her rucksack in a small village on the shore of the Long Island Sound, a place she thought would be a way-station while she planned her next adventure. Instead, she spent the next decade staying put, taking stock of her life, and finally understood what it means to call a place home. In her book *When Wanderers Cease to Roam* (BloomsburyUSA, 2008), Ms. Swift offers advice for writers and travelers. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by Friends of the Library. 2:30 p.m.

**BOOK DISCUSSION:** A discussion of *The Cradle* by Patrick Somerville, facilitated by Lee Fertitta. 7:30 p.m.

**PCL:** The Photography Club of Long Island hosts its monthly program. 8 p.m.

## 14 THURSDAY

**DIRECTOR'S CUT:** Film expert John Bosco will screen and discuss *A Christmas Tale (Un Conte de Noel)* (2008-150 min.). The Vuillards' shared history of physical and mental illness, estrangement, self harm and loss doesn't lend itself to the idea of a cheerful holiday season. Can a Christmas-time reunion, a scheme concocted by three of the youngest family members, finally bring peace to their clan? This drama from writer/director Arnaud Desplechin and co-author Emmanuel Bordieu stars Catherine Deneuve, Mathieu Amalric, Melville Poupaud, Hippolyte Girardot and Chiara Mastroianni. In French with English subtitles. 7:30 p.m.

## 15 FRIDAY

**SANDWICHED IN:** *How the Internet Changed the Media*. This lecture with Brian Rose will examine the many ways the internet has radically transformed the "old" media of newspapers, magazines, the recording industry, film, radio and television. Brian Rose is a professor in the Department of Communication and Media Studies at Fordham University. This Speakers in the Humanities event, which is free and open to the public, is made possible through the support of the New York Council for the Humanities, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. 12:10 p.m.

**LIVE!@Our Library:** *Ode to Joy*. The world of harp music from the Renaissance to the Romantic period with Jasmin Cowin. Story in this issue. 7:30 p.m.

## 16 SATURDAY

**NEXT CHAPTER:** Join us for our monthly discussion of current events. Come to the Local History Center from 10:30 to noon for a lively discussion — bring your opinions! Contact Lee Fertitta at 883-4400, Ext. 135 for additional information.

## 17 SUNDAY

**"BILLY BUDD"** (1962-123 min.). A young seaman (Terence Stamp) is court-martialed for the murder of a sadistic master-of-arms (Robert Ryan) in this adaptation of Herman Melville's book. Producer/director/actor Peter Ustinov also co-scripted with DeWitt Bodeen. 2 p.m.

## 18 MONDAY

**GREAT BOOKS:** A discussion of *Anger* by Mary Postgate and *Hairball* by Margaret Atwood. 1 p.m.

**AFTERNOON AT THE OPERA:** *La Forza del Destino*. One of Giuseppe Verdi's late, great operas, *La Forza del Destino* features passion, violence, romance and war in an extraordinary melodramatic stew — filled with numerous memorable arias and ensembles. Join Professor James Kolb for an exploration. 3 p.m. MAC

## 19 TUESDAY

**PORT WASHINGTON:** A presentation by Elly Shodell of her book *Port Washington*. 7:30 p.m. NAC

## 20 WEDNESDAY

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES** meet. The public is invited at 7:30 p.m.

## 21 THURSDAY

**BOOK DISCUSSION:** A discussion of *The Washingtons of Wessington Plantation* by John F. Baker, facilitated by Lee Fertitta. 1:30 p.m.

**3rd THURSDAY @ 3:** *Pagnolo di Cosimo* (1503-1572), usually known as Il Bronzino, was an Italian Mannerist painter. Born in Florence around 1503, Bronzino was a pupil of Pontormo, who was ultimately the primary influence on Bronzino's developing style. The court artist to Duke Cosimo I de' Medici and Eleanora di Toledo, Bronzino painted the most important portraits of the family, and created frescoes for Eleanora in the Palazzo Vecchio. Bronzino's drawings will be the subject of a first ever exhibition dedicated to the artist at the Metropolitan Museum of Art (January 20 - April 18). Thomas Germano talks about the exhibit and will also discuss important paintings by this extraordinary artist. 3 p.m. AAC

## 22 FRIDAY



**SANDWICHED IN:** *Fifty Wonders of Korea: The Hidden Treasures of Korean Art*. Explore the relatively unknown but truly extraordinary works of Korean artifacts such as the Sarira Reliquary of Kameunsa Temple, the Sokkuram Grotto and the Koryo Buddhist paintings. In appreciation of the United States' support for South Korea during the Korean War and in the years that followed, the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project has been giving lectures on the history and culture of Korea. After the presentation, enjoy Korean traditional light refreshment. 12:10 p.m.

**NEIGHBORHOODS OF NEW YORK:** *Flushing*. From the Quakers of the mid-1600s to the Hindus of the mid-1900s, Flushing, Queens has been the most diverse neighborhood in the city, if not the world. Join us for a virtual tour of this exciting neighborhood with Ronald J. Brown. Mr. Brown lives in New York City where he teaches history, ethnic studies and political science at Touro College. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. 3 p.m.

**SOUND SWAP:** The legendary Rolling Stones, presented from the unique perspective of author Bill German. Mr. German will relay stories from his book *Under Their Thumb: How a Nice Boy From Brooklyn Got Mixed Up With the Rolling Stones (and Lived to Tell About It)*. 7:30 p.m. Story in this issue.

## 24 SUNDAY

**CORINTHIAN TRIO:** The group performs selections from Arensky and Piazzolla. 3 p.m. Story in this issue. MAC

## 25 MONDAY

**"GALAXY QUEST"** (1999-102 min.). Dean Parisot's affectionate comedy, in which aliens enlist the cast of a long-ago-canceled sci-fi show (Tim Allen, Sigourney Weaver, Alan Rickman, Sam Rockwell) to save their planet from invaders. 7:30 p.m.

**LIBRARY FOUNDATION MEETING:** The public is invited. 8 p.m.

## 26 TUESDAY

**TAX HELP:** Volunteers from the AARP/IRS sponsored tax assistance program will assist low income Port Washington residents with simple tax returns beginning January 26. Appointments are scheduled between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. through April 13. Call the Information Desk beginning January 4 to make an appointment.

## 27 WEDNESDAY

**COMEBACK MOMS (OR DADS): RETURNING TO WORK.** Are you a stay-at-home mom (or dad) who is ready to return to the workforce? Career coach Diane Reynolds, M.S. Ed, conducts an inspirational and practical 2-part workshop on Wednesdays, January 27 and February 3 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Explore career options in the recession, resumes & letters and networking & interviewing. Registration is limited, and begins on Tuesday, January 12 in person or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 136.

**PORT WRITES:** A group of writers discuss their work and how to get it published. Facilitated by Michael Chaplan. 8 p.m.

## 29 FRIDAY

**SANDWICHED IN:** *Meet Author Joseph Kanon: Stardust*. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Story in this issue. 12:10 p.m.

**"STAR TREK"** (2009-126 min.). In J.J. Abrams's reboot of the "Star Trek" franchise, young rivals James T. Kirk (Chris Pine) and Spock (Zachary Quinto) must work together to prevent the Romulan Nero (Eric Bana) from destroying the Federation. The cast includes Bruce Greenwood as Captain Pike, Karl Urban as Bones, Zoe Saldana as Uhura, Simon Pegg as Scotty, John Cho as Sulu and Anton Yelchin as Chekov; look for Leonard Nimoy as Spock Prime and listen for original cast member Majel Barrett as the voice of the Starfleet computer. 7:30 p.m.

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