

If you want to know what is happening, the Human & Leisure Services Program Guide is the place to find out! In addition to announcements about upcoming Human & Leisure Services special events, we're pleased to bring you information on the major events put on by our partners - non-profit, community based organizations that share our commitment to encouraging healthy lifestyles and civic engagement.

Plan now to participate in all the wonderful events West Hartford has to offer!



Ballet Theatre Company Spring Showcase

Saturday, April 10 & Sunday, April 11
2:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.
Ballet Theatre Academy Studio
20 Jefferson Avenue

This showcase features Ballet Theatre Company repertory, works in progress, guest artists and the students of Ballet Theatre Academy. A question & answer period will follow the performances. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$2 for children 10 and under. For more information call the Ballet Theatre Company at 860-570-0440 or visit www.ballettheatrecompany.org

Annual Friends of the Library Author Appearance: **Novelist David Rhodes**

Tuesday, April 13 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Town Hall Auditorium
50 South Main Street

After publishing three novels while still in his twenties and being recognized as one of the best writers of his generation, author David Rhodes was paralyzed in a motorcycle accident and dropped off the map for thirty years. Three years ago, he was rediscovered, and his spectacular new novel, "Driftless" was published. Call 860-561-6998 or visit www.westhartfordlibrary.org for more information on this free event.

Celebrity Breakfast

Tuesday, May 4
7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Effie's Restaurant
90 Park Road

Local celebrities and special guests will be serving breakfast for the benefit of the Park Road Parade. A complete breakfast will be available: your choice of coffee, eggs, sausage or bacon, pancakes or a special Effie waffle. Contribution is \$10 per meal. For more information, call the Park Road Association at 860-233-9653.

Pops Concert

Saturday, May 15
8:00 p.m.
West Hartford Town Hall Auditorium
50 South Main Street

Always a popular and sold out event, this concert features music from Broadway as well as light operetta music. A singer or two will be featured again this year. Tickets are \$24 for a table, \$18 general admission and \$12 for seniors and students. For more information call the West Hartford Symphony Orchestra at 860-521-4362 or visit www.whso.org

Ballet Theatre Company's Spring Season of Enchantment

Saturday, May 22
2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Hoffman Auditorium, Saint Joseph College
1678 Asylum Avenue

This performance features the premiere of "Alice in Wonderland", guest artists in excerpts from "Don Quixote" or "La Bayadere", and "Homecoming", an emotional journey through dance to the narration of letters from family members to soldiers in Iraq, and additional repertory works. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$26 for seniors and \$24 for children 12 & under. For more information call the Ballet Theatre Company at 860-570-0440 or visit www.ballettheatrecompany.org

Celebrate West Hartford

June 12 & 13

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Grounds

Join in the fun as town departments, community and service organizations, and local business sponsors join together to present the 24th annual event. There will be a juried arts & crafts show featuring more than 175 exhibitors, amusements and rides, great food, family activities, musical entertainment, and a 5K run and walk. Admission and parking are free. The event is held rain or shine. Visit www.celebratewesthartford.com for complete details.



Spring Festival The Hartt School Community Division Dance Department

June 12 and June 13

Saturday, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.; Sunday, 7 p.m.

Millard Auditorium,

The Hartt School, University of Hartford
200 Bloomfield Avenue

The Spring Festival is an annual celebration of dance featuring students from the Hartt School Dance Department under the artistic direction of Miguel Campaneria. For ticket information, contact the Box Office (860) 768-4228. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for children (under 12 years old). For more information call the Hartt Community Division at 860-768-6000 or visit www.hcd.hartford.edu



Capital Classics Shakespeare Festival

July 8 - July 25

Thursday - Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 5:30 p.m.

Carol Autorino Center for the Arts

Saint Joseph College, 1678 Asylum Avenue

Capital Classics Shakespeare Festival celebrates its 20th season with a magical production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" - preceded by a Theatrical Fair. Enjoy a night of merriment, magic and mischief performed in the garden of the Carol Autorino Center at Saint Joseph College (rain location is the Hoffman Auditorium.) Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. Call 860-218-0300 or visit www.capitalclassics.org for more information.

**For information on additional events
and activities in West Hartford,
visit www.westhartford.com and
select Calendar of Events,
or Special Events in the Center
& The Square.**