

One Book, One Community Events Listing 2008

All events are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. For directions and contact information, visit the One Book, One Community Web site at www.onebookdanbury.org.



Wednesday, Oct. 1

Film Screening & Discussion:

The World of Apu

WestConn Student Center Theater, Midtown campus • 7 to 9:30 p.m. (film 103 min.) • Discussion Leader: Mark Hasskarl, Danbury Library Director

With realism and lyricism, the final movie in Satyajit Ray's internationally acclaimed "Apu Trilogy" concludes the story of Apu. Forced to abandon his education, Apu's prospects look bleak until fate intervenes in the form of an insane bridegroom. To save the abandoned bride from disgrace, Apu marries her, beginning a new life as a husband and father.

Saturday, Oct. 4

Lecture on Indian Cuisine through the Ages by

Suvir Saran, co-owner and executive chef of Dévi Restaurant in New York City • Danbury Library, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Learn about the influences of Indian cuisine taken from around the globe, plus the roles religious plurality, castes, nobility and gender play in the Indian kitchen.



Sunday, Oct. 5

Bus trip to **Dévi Restaurant** in New York City; Bus leaves at 9 a.m., returns to Danbury at approximately 5 p.m. • \$65 • Call the library at 796-8061 for ticket information.

Featuring a three-course traditional Indian celebratory meal and discussion of "The Role of Spices in Indian Cuisine" by Suvir Saran

- Folklore and tales surrounding use of spices
- Health benefits of spices
- Flavor notes and nuances of using spices

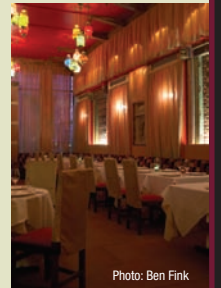


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Wednesday, Oct. 15

Film Screening & Discussion: **Chak De! India** WestConn Student Center Theater, Midtown campus • 7 to 10 p.m. (film 152 min.) • Discussion Leader: Mark Hasskarl, Danbury Library Director

This rousing, award-winning Bollywood sports film follows a fictional Indian women's field hockey team from its beginnings as a rag-tag group of 16 young women to a cohesive unit that makes it to the Hockey World Cup in Australia.



Thursday, Oct. 16

Madhur Jaffrey, author of *Climbing the Mango Trees: A Memoir of a Childhood in India* Danbury High School Auditorium, 7 to 9 p.m.

A 60-minute presentation, followed by a Q & A with the audience and ending with a book signing.

Saturday, Oct. 18

Kathak Classical Indian Dance with **Rachna Ramya Agrawal** • Broadview Middle School Auditorium • 2 to 2:45 p.m.



Saturday, Oct. 25

Diwali celebration

WestConn Berkshire Hall Gymnasium, Midtown campus • 1 to 4 p.m.

Diwali, the Indian Festival of Lights, is one of the most anticipated celebrations of India. The India Association of Greater Danbury presents an afternoon of traditional Indian music, dance, a mock Hindu wedding, fashions, arts and crafts, and food for the whole family.

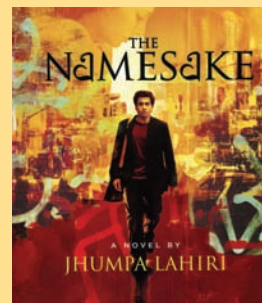


Wednesday, Oct. 29

Film Screening & Discussion:

The Namesake

WestConn Ives Concert Hall, Midtown campus, 7:30 to 10 p.m. (film 114 min.) • Discussion Leader: Mark Hasskarl, Danbury Library Director



Wednesday, Nov. 5

Meet the Author:

Jhumpa Lahiri, author of *The Namesake*; WestConn Ives Concert Hall, Midtown campus, 6:30 to 8 p.m.