

Danbury Library, Danbury Public Schools and Western Connecticut State University
present One Book One Community Film Screenings inspired by

Hurry Down Sunshine by Michael Greenberg

Film Screenings & Discussions

Three special films will be screened as part of the One Book, One Community experience. The films were selected based on their themes associated with mental illness — stereotypes, struggle, tolerance and hope — the same themes examined in *Hurry Down Sunshine*. Film screenings will be followed by a discussion with film buff Mark Has-skarl, Danbury Library Director, and a mental health professional. For directions and contact information, visit the One Book, One Community Web site at onebookdanbury.org



Monday, Oct. 5: "Awakenings"
WCSU, Midtown campus,
Student Center Theater, 7 p.m.

Based on a true story, "Awakenings" tells the story of a psychiatric neurologist, Dr. Malcolm Sayer, who is put in charge of seemingly catatonic patients. When he is given permission to test a new drug on one of his patients, the patient begins to respond and come out of his shell.



Monday, Oct. 19: "Girl, Interrupted"
WCSU, Midtown campus,
Student Center Theater, 7 p.m.

Writer Susanna Kaysen's account of her 18-month stay at a mental health hospital. When she realizes that one of the other patients is potentially dangerous, Susanna works harder with her psychiatrist and the nurse on the ward.



Monday, Oct. 26: "The Soloist"
WCSU, Midtown campus,
Student Center Theater, 7 p.m.

This movie tells the true story of a Los Angeles Times reporter who meets a homeless man playing, rather well, a two-stringed violin in a downtown park. Lopez writes a column about Ayers and becomes more and more involved in his life.

The One Book One Community program encourages the Danbury and Western Connecticut State University communities to read the same book during the summer and fall of 2009, then come together to discuss the text in venues throughout the city and university.

Although many communities across America sponsor similar programs, ours is one of the few where a city public library, a school system and a university have formed a partnership for this initiative. Our hope is that many individuals, from all walks of life, will unite in discussion of this *one book*, making us *one community*.

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