New Rochelle Public Library News and Events

Internationally-acclaimed concert pianist to perform

A not-to-be-missed event, the internationally-acclaimed pianist Frederick Moyer will perform a Keynote Concert in the Ossie Davis Theater of the New Rochelle Public Library on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 3 p.m. The program featuring outstanding classical pieces includes delightful commentary that has won Mr. Moyer praises from audiences around the world.

Fred Moyer's long, honors-laden career has taken him to some of the most illustrious concert halls in more than forty countries, ranging from the Sydney Opera House and Windsor Castle to Carnegie Recital Hall, Tanglewood and the Kennedy Center. He has also appeared as soloist with the Cleveland, Philadelphia, Boston and London Symphony Orchestras, among a host of others. His enthusiasm, exacting artistry and adventurous programming have made him a favorite among audiences of all ages. In concert, his engaging remarks from the stage bring the audience into the heart of the musical experience.

The concert is made possible by the Lillian Robbins Memorial Fund. A donation of $2 is suggested at the door.

Individualized job readiness coaching, social services assistance at the library

Job seekers can receive one-on-one assistance in finding and applying for jobs by visiting the New Rochelle Public Library's new BTOP Help Center on the library's second floor. Professional Job Readiness Coach Rebecca Mazin, who has an excellent track record of helping individuals secure employment is available in the BTOP Help Center every Monday morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and every Saturday afternoon, from 1 to 4 p.m.

The assistance is s free and confidential, as is the help in navigating social services that residents may also find in the BTOP Center, on Mondays from 1 to 6 p.m. and Wednesdays 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. A social worker and bilingual social worker intern from Family Services of Westchester are ready to help residents connect with community resources and obtain eligible benefits.

These new services, along with greatly expanded computer training, assistance with G.E.D. practice, and individualized help with E-documents such as job applications, food stamp applications, and other mandatory on-line filing, is also now available at the New Rochelle Public Library. Nearly two-dozen computers, including those in a Learning Lab, will provide additional and extended time allotments for computer use as well as opportunities for guided practice, beginning Dec. 6.

The expansion of services and technology is due to a grant for New Rochelle Public Library (NRPL) to become New York State Public Computer Center. NRPL is one of 35 libraries in the state to receive. The 2010 – 2012 funding made possible by the New York State Library, a unit of the Office of Cultural Education within the New York State Education Department (NYSED), which was awarded $9.5 million in a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to expand computer access in public libraries across New York State. The funding is being provided through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP).