



April/May Trips & Tours

In-Person:

Tuesday, April 19

11:00am– Tour of renovated
Humanities Quadrangle
See page 3.

Tuesday, May 17

Tour of the Hillhouse Gardens

Tuesday, May 24

Mark Twain House, Hartford (carpool)
For tour details and registration,
see page 7.

On Zoom:

Tuesday, April 26 at 12 noon

Lunch and Learn with **Krystyna Illakowicz**, Sr. Lecturer in the
Yale Slavic Languages and Literatures
Department and Literatures
See page 2.



Celebrate YUWO!

Attend the
2022 Annual Meeting
Scholarship Awards
Luncheon

May 4 at 11:30
New Haven Lawn Club

Registration
on page 4.



April 4, 13, 20 and 27 Spring Lecture Series Karyl Evans Productions

1. "Mabel Osgood Wright:
Pioneering Conservationist"
2. "The Life and Gardens of
Beatrix Farrand"
3. "Letter From Italy, 1944:
A New American Oratorio"
4. "CT Women's Suffrage"
5. "Award Videos for the CT
Women's Hall of Fame"

*See page 5 for full details.
Registration form on page 6.*



President's Letter to the Members of the YUWO Community

On May 4, 2022, YUWO members, after a hiatus of two years, will return to the New Haven Lawn Club for the Annual Meeting and Scholarship Awards Lunch. In 2020 we held a meeting by proxy through mail-in/email voting. Last year, 2021, we were Zoom savvy and our Vice President, Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker, arranged a Zoom panel with Representative, Rosa DeLauro. At that same meeting important revisions to the YUWO By Laws were passed by voting through the Zoom polling feature. As this YUWO academic year (2021-2022) winds down, I hope that you have subscribed to the April Documentary film Lecture Series, attended the enriching Zoom talks on topics ranging almost from A to Z (Black Art to Ukraine) and enjoyed meeting in person in YUWO's small groups. See page 7 for a write-up on the carpool excursion to the New Britain Museum of American Art.

— Mary-Jo W. Warren, President 2018-2022

YUWO Monthly Book Groups – Read On!

The #2 Third Monday Afternoon at 2:00 pm (Zoom)

On April 19, the Book Group will be discussing books by Mark Twain and/or biographies about him. Members can make their own choices on what Twain-related work to read as a lead-up to the YUWO trip to the Mark Twain House in Hartford in May.

Contact Pat Goldstein (203-535-0734) or patgoldst@gmail.com

The (First) Third Monday Afternoon at 2:00 pm (In person)

On April 18, Louise will lead a discussion of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. We will meet on Louise Ciulla's porch, weather permitting.

Contact Louise Ciulla (203) 288-5195, or lciulla@yahoo.com

Second Tuesday Afternoon at 2:00 pm (Zoom)

The second Tuesday afternoon group will be talking on April 12 about a book by Timothy Snyder, *On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century*. Our group is widely dispersed, but has been very faithful in attendance on Zoom. Some of us may be able to meet in a small group next month, but several others will still need to join us by Zoom, so we will probably have a hybrid meeting. We alternate fiction and non-fiction books. Our choice for May is *Interior Chinatown*, by Charles Yu..

Contact Lyn Howe (203-606-0370) or lyn.howe66@gmail.com

Second Thursday Morning at 9:30 am (Hybrid)

The Thursday morning book group will have a hybrid meeting at 9:30 on Thursday, April 14. We are reading “the wise and wildly entertaining” *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles. Please contact Audrey DeFronzo (204-804-5572 or amdefronzo@gmail.com if you would like to join in the discussion by zoom or in person.

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CORRECTION: The #2 Third Monday Book Group's choice for March was *While Justice Sleeps* by Stacey Abrams. They read *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman in February. The editor regrets any inconvenience this error might have caused these readers.

LUNCH and LEARN

Tuesday, April 26 (on Zoom)

“Perceptions of American Women in Poland in the 1920s-1930s”

Krystyna Illakowicz, Sr. Lector in the Yale Slavic Languages and Literatures Department

Please join us for an online Lunch & Learn talk at noon on Tuesday, April 26, by Krystyna Illakowicz, Sr. Lector in the Yale Slavic Languages and Literatures Department. Dr. Illakowicz also teaches in the Yale Film and Media Studies Department, and has research interests in Polish language and culture in the global context, theatre and language acquisition, theatre, film, Polish and European modernity, Polish women and history. She will talk about “Perceptions of American Women in Poland in the 1920s-1930s.” This has been an ongoing project, based on articles from the popular press about the perceptions of the United States in Poland in the Interwar period (1918- 1939). During that time American women were presented as model representations of modernity that Poland wanted to simulate. Sometimes these images are really imaginary, but that was what the American and Polish public wanted to see.

For more information about Dr. Illakowicz, her research, publications, and classes please see <https://slavic.yale.edu/people/krystyna-illakowicz>

YUWO Activities

ART AFICIONADOS

For now the Yale Center for British Art has restricted the open hours to Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Possibly there will be a return to pre-pandemic hours starting April 1. There is a temporary exhibit right now through July 24, 2022: “BRIDGET RILEY: Perpetual Abstraction.”

As soon as possible YUWO will get a docent-led tour of this exhibit. Look under YUWO newsletter updates Yale Art Gallery has returned to pre-pandemic hours and among others, you can see the Kehinde Wiley there right now. Masks are still required this week, but I did not have to show vaccination. Be aware all is still in flux!

Special Tour of the Humanities Quadrangle Now Set for Tuesday April 19

The tour of the newly refurbished Humanities Quadrangle (HQ) at 320 York St. (known until recently as the Hall of Graduate Studies) has now been rescheduled for Tuesday April 19th at 11:00!

We are thrilled to announce that the building tour will be led by Bryan D’Orlando, Project Manager from Yale’s Office of Facilities, and the courtyard tour will be led by Natasha Andjelic, the landscape architectural project manager from Towers|Golde.

According to *The Yale Daily News*:

“In a time in which the work of the humanities could not be more imperative, the refurbished landmark at 320 York Street epitomizes Yale’s ongoing commitment to the education of future historians, literary critics, and scholars of ancient and modern culture. Originally designed by James Gamble Rogers, HQ, which is open to students this fall [2021], now hosts 15 humanities departments and programs. Its distinctive tower, named for the late David Swensen, who was Yale’s chief investment officer, is entirely devoted to study space for doctoral students.”



For an advance peek at this spectacular renovation and expansion project, please see the architect’s website: www.annbeha.com/yale-university-center-for-the-humanities. Be sure to watch the spectacular video.

PLEASE sign up with Shavaun Towers Bennett at stowers@TPS-IASS.com. If you have any questions, you may also contact her at 203-915-1858.

When: Tuesday, April 19, at 11:00

Where: Humanities Quadrangle, Main Entry, 320 York Street, New Haven

Note: The tour of the building will happen regardless of weather, but the tour of the internal courtyards may be abbreviated if it is raining.



**Yale University
Women's Organization
(YUWO)**

Annual Meeting and Scholarship Awards Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022

11:30 AM

NEW HAVEN LAWN CLUB ~ 193 WHITNEY AVENUE, NEW HAVEN, CT

**A VIEWING OF “ONE STORY, MANY VOICES”
A HISTORY OF YUWO**

With an introduction by Martha Sherman

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Luncheon Choices (please check one for each reservation)

- Breast of Chicken with Candied Ginger Scallion Spiced Sweet Potato, Roasted Shiitake Mushroom, Pickled Pearl Onion, Black Garlic Demi-glace, Wasabi Aioli
- North Atlantic Salmon with Smoked Fingerling Potato, Garlic Swiss Chard, House Preserved Lemon Fennel Confiture, Herb Brown Butter Hollandaise
- Mushroom Risotto Croquette with Garlic Baby Spinach, Citrus Grilled Broccolini, Grape Tomato-Squash Saute, Pea Roasted Onion Cream Drizzle (Vegetarian)

Please return reservations with check payable to “YUWO” by Saturday, April 23, 2022.

Your Name _____

Number of Reservations @ \$40 per person _____

Total for luncheon reservations \$ _____

YUWO Scholarship Fund Donation* \$ _____

**Donations to Scholarship Funds are tax deductible.*

**Please mail to:
Sally Fazzone
100 Temple St, Apt. 213
New Haven, CT 06510**

*Current NHLC Covid Precautions:
Reduced room capacity and seating per table capacity • Masks requested but not required • All staff fully vaccinated and masked*

YALE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION SPRING 2022 LECTURE SERIES

FILMING CONNECTICUT: Six-time Emmy Award winning filmmaker and Yale Fellow Karyl Evans presents highlights of her documentary film work

This Spring arrives with strong hope and optimism that we will be holding our Lecture Series at the Yale West Campus Conference Center as well as via Zoom to accommodate those members who are unable to attend in person. Our goal is to further explore the contributions of women beyond Yale, and their place in Connecticut history. Karyl Evans will guide us in recognizing women in a wide range of important and inspiring work in the last century. The schedule of presentations is as follows:



Monday, April 4: **A History of Women's Suffrage in Connecticut.**

Produced for the 100th anniversary of the passage of women's suffrage in Connecticut in 2020.

Mabel Osgood Wright: Pioneering Conservationist. Author, photographer, conservationist and community leader, Mabel Osgood Wright was the founder of the Connecticut Audubon Society and a leader in the National Audubon Society.

Wednesday, April 13: **The Life and Gardens of Beatrix Farrand.** One of the founders of the American Society of Landscape Architects, Beatrix Farrand was the Yale Landscape Architect between 1923 and 1945, designing 75% of the Yale Campus as well as Dumbarton Oaks and the Abby Rockefeller Garden in Bar Harbor, Maine.

Wednesday, April 20: Short documentaries about inspiring women who have been inducted into the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame. This will include "**Annie Leibovitz,**" "**Nell Newman,**" and "**The Mashantucket Pequot Sisters Who Saved Their Reservation in Connecticut.**"

Wednesday, April 27: **Letter From Italy, 1944: A New American Oratorio.** Narrated by Meryl Streep, this is the story of the two daughters of a Yale medic from Connecticut, who wrote an oratorio about his World War II experiences and coming home to his family.

As we await formal approval to meet in person at the Yale West Campus Conference Center, ***it is important to know that there will be a requirement to show proof of vaccination (to include booster) both at the time of registration (likely to be uploading the card for Yale's records) and at the registration desk before each lecture.*** These requirements will be clarified as we know more from the Yale Safety Committee. As of this writing, we are still in progress to gain clearance to use the Yale facility. We will all be required to wear masks and practice social distancing. The Conference Center is large enough to accommodate this requirement very easily.

The general public is invited to attend with YUWO members as we celebrate the lives and contributions of these most dedicated and committed women. We encourage all YUWO members to participate in this Spring's event. It fulfills a most important goal in our organization to support and embrace continuous learning, enriching our lives and sharing knowledge through fellowship and mutual respect for education.

See registration form on page 6.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR YUWO SPRING 2022 LECTURE SERIES

MONDAY, April 4; Wednesday, April 13, Wednesday, April 20, and Wednesday, April 27
All lectures will begin at 10:30 a.m.

This Series is open to all YUWO members and the public at \$65 per person (no individual lecture tickets). Electronic Zoom invitations will be sent to all subscribers via Email. Our profits from subscriptions go to funding scholarships for women affiliated with Yale University who wish to resume their academic journey.

Make checks payable to YUWO, and mail to Sandra Greer, 38 Fernwood Rd., Hamden, CT 06517. Email any questions to sandrajogreer@gmail.com.

BECAUSE WE WILL BE CAPPED AT 100 IN-PERSON ATTENDEES, PLEASE INDICATE BELOW YOUR PLAN TO PARTICPATE ON SITE OR VIA ZOOM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

ZOOM _____ ON SITE _____

Directions to the West Campus Conference Center:

If you are driving from the North or East (New Haven) take I-95 South to exit 41 (Marsh Hill Rd). At the end of the exit ramp, take a left onto Marsh Hill Rd. At the next traffic light, take a left onto the West Campus Drive/I-95 northbound entrance ramp. Stay in the right lane and check in at the Welcome Center for directions to the Conference Center.

If you are driving from the South or West (New York) take exit 41 and go straight ahead at the end of the exit ramp, across Marsh Hill Rd, onto the northbound entrance ramp. Follow this to the fork, and stay in the right lane and check in at the Welcome Center for Directions to the Conference Center.

**Join YUWO for a docent-led tour of The Mark Twain House at
385 Farmington Ave., Hartford, CT, on
Tuesday, May, 24. Tour begins at 11 am**

The Mark Twain House and Museum has restored the author's home where Samuel Clemens, a.k.a. Mark Twain, and his family lived from 1874 to 1891. Twain wrote his most important works during the years he lived here, including *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, and *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*. This house, a National Historic Landmark, will take you back to the time he lived here.

Registration form for the car pool trip to The Mark Twain House, Hartford, CT

Make your \$37 check payable to YUWO and mail as soon as possible, to: Winnie Seibert, 53 Long Hill Farm, Guilford, CT 06437. For questions, 203-430-8059 or email winnieSeibert@gmail.com or Dana Nelson 203-530-9770 or email dnelson159@yahoo.com

Name and Address _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

I am willing to drive a carpool ___ yes ___ no

I will meet the carpool at:

___ Exit 58 off I-95 in Guilford, Commuter Parking Lot at 9:30 AM.

___ Exit 10 off I-91 in North Haven, Devine St. Commuter Parking Lot (across from Health Tex) at 9:45 AM

Please arrive at least 15 minutes before departure.

Sandwich Lunch Choices : Please circle one sandwich and one choice of sides

1. California Club GF Roasted Turkey, roasted peppers, bacon, avocado, lettuce, tomato, muenster cheese, basil mayo **chips or salad**

2. Grange Rover GF Freshly sliced roast beef, roasted peppers, frizzled onions, lettuce, tomato, mild pepper jack cheese, bacon & horseradish cream **chips or salad**

3. Roasted Veggie Wrap VG GF Grilled Zucchini, squash, marinated green beans, tomatoes, red onion, herb goat cheese, arugula & balsamic reduction **chips or salad**

All meals include dessert, chips or salad and water



A 36-hour, online-giving event
to support local nonprofits



The Scholarship Committee is excited to announce that YUWO will be participating for the second year in The Great Give, a 36-hour online fundraising event sponsored by the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven. The Great Give offers us a wonderful opportunity to raise funds for women like Hui Yang, a 2021-22 Scholar who is in her last semester at the Yale School of Public Health studying preventive medicine focusing on women's health. Hui writes, *The scholarship has been critical for ensuring the advancement of my career development. I am thrilled to have this opportunity to be able to continue my education and learn new skills that will be important for advancing my career including statistical software and access to a range of courses.*

It's easy to participate in The Great Give. All you need is a credit card and access to the internet from your computer, smart phone, or tablet. Just follow the prompts at <https://www.thegreatgive.org> and look for the YUWO profile. All donations go to our Annual Scholarship Fund.

During The Great Give, YUWO will be eligible for prize drawings, from \$1000 for an Early Bird (8-9 am) to \$500 for the Midnight Snack Prize and other random drawings throughout the event. Last year, we raised \$3600 and this year, we are reaching for \$4500. Look for email about a matching gift opportunity and follow our progress online during the event!

Since 1972, the YUWO Scholarship Program has provided 364 annual scholarships totaling \$504,375 to women in the Yale community. Let's continue this meaningful program by giving generously again this year!

Please contact Jane Shaw at jane2shaw@gmail.com for more information.

Southern Connecticut State University has interviewed Emily Roback, one of our 2021-22 Scholars, and posted her inspiring story on their [website!](#)

[Click here](#) to learn how Emily has been "Doing It All During A Pandemic."

YUWO Tours "The Poetry of Nature: Hudson River School Landscapes"



In front of the New Britain Museum of American Art's own Frederick Church painting of West Rock. (L to R) Dana Nelson, Willi Stahura, Mary-Jo Warren, Winnie Seibert, Terri Burdett, Carol Lee, Marion Petrelli. (Missing from the photo: Connie Matheson and Janet Kazienko.)

YUWO members carpooled to the New Britain Museum of American Art on March 16 to meet two docents, who led the nine YUWO members through the museum's temporary exhibit, "The Poetry of Nature: Hudson River School Landscapes," on loan from the New York Historical Society. There is an installation in the permanent collection of the NBMAA devoted to a similar school of painters. The two groups also toured those paintings and then enjoyed lunch together at the Museum Café.