

# THE TAFT APARTMENTS

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November 2011

## Donations

The Taft will soon be collecting non-perishable food items for the Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen. There will be a designated drop box located in the grand lobby where donations can be placed. This has become an annual tradition for The Taft to help the less fortunate. We would like to make this year's collection just as successful as in years' past. So let's do our part to help people in need, especially around the holidays.

## Resident Portal

Are you expecting company or have plans for a cleaning crew to tidy up your apartment? Then you may need a Key Release Form. Key Release Forms can be obtained through our resident portal from the comfort of your own home. Your unique login letters were recently distributed.

## WAIT!

The preferred waiting list is forming for the 2012 spring and summer year. Do you know someone looking for an apartment? We would love to help. Have them call The Taft office at 203-495-8238 for more information and to schedule an appointment. The list is growing day by day and it is on a first come, first serve basis.



## Indoor Storage

Indoor storage units are still available for rent on floor SC. These units can be rented out by Taft residents as well as the general public, starting at \$50.00 a month. See Jason in the office for further details.

## Emergency Number:

The maintenance emergency phone number is 877-472-7532. You should ONLY call if an emergency occurs when the office is closed. Examples: no water or electricity, a leak, clogged plumbing for one bathroom apartments, or no heat on extremely cold days or no AC on extremely hot days. In case of fire call 911.

## Cold Weather Tips

Dress in layers and keep your head, fingers, and toes covered. By this point all air conditioners should be removed and heat should be on and pumping throughout the building. Please let us know if you are experiencing any issues regarding the temperature in your apartment.



## Maintenance Corner

The Taft team would like to say congratulations to Gregg Jones for winning the October rate your maintenance drawing. Gregg will receive a \$25 gift card to the neighborhood business of his choice. Joel of our maintenance team will also receive a \$25 gift certificate. If a member of our maintenance team completes any work in your apartment, turn in the rate-your-maintenance card for your chance to win.

## Thanksgiving Day

The office will be closed on Thursday, November 24, 2011 in honor of Thanksgiving Day. The office will reopen on Friday, November 25, 2011 with our regular hours. The maintenance team will be available for emergencies only.

# NOVEMBER CURRENT EVENTS

## Engagement Feminin: An Evening of West African Contemporary Dance

American premiere of two landmark pieces of contemporary African Dance-- Ecoute Ma Musique and Dans Un S'Y Mettre-- performed in a single evening. Drawing from their own experiences, the dancers explore the everyday choices the women of their communities make to face life's obstacles and achieve their goals. Engagement Féminin is committed to developing a new generation of female choreographic artists in West Africa. Historically under-represented in this genre, young female performers receive training and create and perform their work across the continent in order to affect social change through contemporary African dance. Engagement Féminin has a running time of approximately 60 minutes, and each performance is followed by a talk back with the artists.

Thur. 11/03/11 - Sat. 11/05/11, 8-9pm, Iseman Theater.

## New Haven Idol

Student vocalists, selected by New Haven Public School music teachers, will compete for a grand prize. Five celebrity judges will decide who takes home the prize. Proceeds from the ticket sales will go to New Haven Home Recovery and Youth Continuum for homeless youth in New Haven. Friday, November 4, 2011 at The Shubert Theater. For more information on this even please visit: [www.shubert.com](http://www.shubert.com)

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## Toad's Place

### Jadakiss

Friday, November 4, 2011  
Doors open @ 9pm, Tickets: \$25 - \$35

The infamous Jason "Jadakiss" Phillips has built a career on the backs of wannabe wise guys unaware of his lyrical dexterity. He has been rhyming since early childhood. Word on his witty rhyme prowess began spreading as a potential-laden twelve-year-old rhyme animal clawing at opponents on the tuff turfs of Yonkers, New York.

### The Wailers

Saturday, November 26, 2011  
Doors open @ 8:00pm. Tickets: \$20 - \$25

Together with Bob Marley, the Wailers have sold in excess of 250 million albums worldwide. In England alone, they've notched up over twenty chart hits, including seven Top 10 entries. Outside of their groundbreaking work with Marley, the Wailers have also played or performed with international acts like Sting, the Fugees, Stevie Wonder, Carlos Santana, and Alpha Blondy, as well as reggae legends such as Peter Tosh, Bunny Wailer, and Burning Spear.



## Kayafian Plays Mozart

Concertmaster Ani Kavafian continues her quest to perform all of Mozart's Violin Concertos. Thursday, November 10, 2011, 7:30 - 10pm. New Haven Symphony, 500 College Street, New Haven, CT 06510. For more information please visit: [www.newhavensymphony.org](http://www.newhavensymphony.org)



## Vinyasa and the Chakras with Rolf Gates

This session will be a dynamic blending of Vinyasa, pranayama and meditation and discussion. Come prepared to sweat. This Vinyasa Workshop Session offers in-depth exploration of the Chakra system and the understanding of spiritual practice they offer. There are two currents encompassed by the Chakras: One leading up to liberation and one leading down to manifestation. Our practice will be to arrive at the knowledge that these two currents create one life. Bring your towel. Saturday, November 12, 2011 from 9am - 12pm. For more information please visit: [www.freshyoga.com/workshops.rolf.gates.html](http://www.freshyoga.com/workshops.rolf.gates.html)



### GWAR

Sunday, November 27, 2011  
Doors open @ 7pm, Tickets: \$22.50 - \$25

Gwar is a satirical heavy metal band formed in Richmond, Virginia, in 1984. The band is best known for its elaborate sci-fi/horror film inspired costumes, obscene lyrics and graphic stage performances, which feature humorous enactments of politically and morally taboo themes.