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History of Local Garment Workers Exhibition

“New Haven’s Garment Workers: An Elm City Story,” an exhibit produced by the Greater New Haven Labor History Association, will be shown at the Hagan Memorial Library in East Haven through early May, 2009. An opening reception with East Haven Mayor April Capone Almon and Nicholas Aiello, former garment workers organizer and current President of the Association, will be held on Wednesday, February 11th, at 5:30 p.m. at the Library.

The exhibit includes photographs, artifacts, and written text highlighting the culture, lives, work and labor struggles of those employed in the local garment industry in the 20th century—the parents and grandparents of today’s generation of workers. It was previously shown at the Ethnic Heritage Center of New Haven, the New Haven Public Library, and the Atrium of New Haven’s City Hall.

The exhibit is open during regular library hours. School groups, clubs, as well as interested individuals are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Library Director, Karen Jensen, at 468-3890, visit <http://www.hagamanlibraryeasthavenct.org/> or call the exhibit curator, Joan Cavanagh, at 777-2756, ext. 2.