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AUGUST: CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Drop In Any Time (all ages)

Week of August 5

Nature Photo-Thon

Take nature photos and share them with us! *Barbour, Downtown*

Summer Craft Make & Take

Celebrate summer with cool crafts. *Camp Field, Ropkins*

Perler Bead Bonanza

Get creative with perler beads! *Dwight, Park*

Legos in the Library

Play and build with legos! *Albany*

Week of August 12

Engineering Table

Try an engineering challenge! *Barbour, Downtown, Park*

Paper Engineers

What can you build with paper? *Ropkins*

Nature Photo-Thon

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hARTford Scavenger Hunt

Discover art all around Hartford! *Dwight*

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Week of August 19

Toymaker's Workshop

Make toys out of simple household materials. *Camp Field*

Summer Craft Make & Take

Celebrate summer with cool crafts. *Barbour, Downtown*

Yarn Week

We have all the materials to knit or crochet! *Park*

Lanyard Lacing Fun

Create a keychain, bracelet and more! *Albany, Dwight*

Engineering Table

Try an engineering challenge with only craft sticks, clothespins and binder clips! *Ropkins*

Week of August 26

Beaded Baubles

Create a beaded bracelet or ring! *Albany*

Legos in the Library

Play and build with legos! *Barbour, Downtown*

Upcycled Paper Butterflies

Make beautiful paper butterflies! *Camp Field*

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Free Summer Meals

Kids and teens, 18 and under. Downtown 12:30-1pm; Branches 12:30-1:30 pm.

Summer Learning 2019

Through Aug. 24: Each time you finish a club, pick a button designed by a Hartford artist collect all 6! You'll also be eligible for tickets to Hartford Athletic soccer game on August 24th!

Leap Into Learning

Ages Birth-Five with Caregiver

Every Child Ready to Read Story Time

The five practices of the Every Child Ready to Read initiative are talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing.

Mon & Fri | 11 - 12 | Downtown

Mon | 2-2:30 | Camp Field

Tues & Thur | 10-10:30 & 10:30-11 | Ropkins

Wed | 10:30-11:30 | Albany

Thur | 10 - 10:45 | Park

Thur | August 1 & 15 | 10-11 | Dwight

Dinner and a Story

Enjoy dinner and a puppet show with Puppetree presenting their show *14 Carrots!* 14 CARROTS is the story of Aunt Swelly, a mature rabbit trying to enter the job market after years of babysitting. *Tues | Aug 6 | 6-7 | Downtown*

Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Interactive play-time for children. *Wed | 11-12 | Downtown*

Visit the CT Science Center

During the month of August, Hartford residents can visit for free. Pick up a pass at any Hartford Public Library.

Tots & Tunes

A group for little ones to come together and experience movement and music with songs, finger plays, musical instruments and more. *Wed | 12-12:30 | Downtown*

Storytime in the Park

Join us for stories and songs at Bushnell Park near the carousel! *Mon | Aug 12 | 11-12 | Bushnell Park*

AUGUST CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS: AGES 6-12

SUMMER LEARNING 2019 *Through August 24*

Choose a club from the list below, pick up a booklet at your local library and get started! When you finish a club, pick a button designed by a Hartford artist. Collect all 6! Finish a club and win tickets to the Hartford Athletic soccer game on Aug. 24!

STEM Club

Bridge Science

Engineer a bridge with simple supplies! *Thur | Aug 1 | 1:30-2:30 | Albany & 2-3 | Park*

Makey Makey

Make music from fruits and vegetables with this fun kit! *Thur | Aug 1 | 2-3 | Ropkins*

3D Printer Exploration

Learn all about 3D printing and print something special. *Thur & Fri | Aug 8 & 9 | 1:30-2:30 | Camp Field; Thur | Aug 22 | 2-3 | Ropkins*

Balloon Towers

Build a tower with just balloons and tape! *Thur | Aug 8 | 2-3 | Park*

STEM Lab: What Floats Your Boat?

Learn about buoyancy and design a boat that will float! *Thur | Aug 8 | 2-3 | Ropkins, Wed | Aug 14 | 4-5 | Downtown*

Wiggle Bots

Design and build your own unique Wiggle Bot! *Thur | Aug 15 | 1:30-2:30 | Camp Field*

Marble Mazes

Build your own marble maze! *Thur | Aug 15 | 2-3 | Park*

Build With the Three Little Pigs

Enjoy a fairytale and engineering activity. *Wed | Aug 28 | 4-5 | Downtown*

Balance Sculpture

Create a work of art that balances. *Thur | Aug 29 | 4-5 | Camp Field*

Balloon Rockets

Blast off with your very own rocket! *Thur | Aug 29 | 4-5 | Park*

CT Science Center @ HPL

Lights, Color, Action!

Discover how color is created and used by artists. *Thur | Aug 1 | 2-3 | Barbour Mon | Aug 5 | 1:30-2:30 | Park*

Roller Coasters

Learn how engineers design fun theme park rides! *Wed | Aug 7 | 1:30-2:30 | Downtown*

Living in Space

Learn how astronauts stay safe in space! *Fri | Aug 16 | 3-4 | Albany*

ART Club

Henna—2-3pm All locations

Learn and make your own designs! *Thur | Aug 1 | Downtown; Fri | Aug 2 | Albany; Mon | Aug 5 | Barbour*

Ready, Set, Draw!

Draw along with children's book illustrators! *Thur | Aug 8 | 1:30-2:30 | Albany*

Romare Bearden Self-Portrait

Create a collage of yourself inspired by artist, Romare Bearden. *Sat | Aug 10 | 2:30-3:30 | Downtown; Wed | Aug 14 | 1:30-2:30 | Camp Field*

Time for Slime

Make your own batch of slime! *Tues | Aug 20 | 2-3 | Dwight*

Big Words

Decorate your favorite book quotes. *Tues | Aug 27 | 2-3 | Dwight*

HARTFORD Club

HPL Book Scavenger Hunt

Solve a puzzle to find books hidden in all the HPL libraries. *Fri | Aug 9 | 2-3 | Downtown; Thur | Aug 15 | 2-3 | Ropkins; Thur | Aug 22 | 1:30-2:30 | Albany*

HEALTH Club

Husky READS

(12:30-2 pm all locations)
Join UConn students for healthy eating fun! *Mon | Barbour; Ropkins; Tues | Albany, Camp Field, Park; Wed | Downtown, Dwight*

STEM Lab: Walk, Run, Jump

Exercise your skeletal muscles to learn how athletes train! *Wed | Aug 7 | 1:30-2:30 | Camp Field*

Bring the Hoopla

Be a hula hoop all star! *Thur | Aug 15 | 2-3 | Albany & 3:30-4:30 | Dwight*

At Your Fingertips - Get Ready for School

Get organized for a stress-free start to school. *Sat | Aug 24 | 2-3:30 | Downtown*

NATURE Club

STEM Lab: Animal Sort

Learn how scientists classify animals. *Wed | Aug 7 | 4-5 | Downtown; Thur | Aug 15 | 1:30-2:30 | Albany*

STEM Lab: Earthquakes

Design a building from marshmallows and tooth-picks. Will it survive an earthquake? *Tues | Aug 13 | 2:30-3:30 | Park*

STEM Lab: Space Science

Train like an astronaut! *Thur | Aug 15 | 5-6 | Downtown Live Music!*

STEM Club

NASA @ My Library: Looney

Lunar Phases

Learn the phases of the moon with silly stories and cookies! *Tues | Aug 13 | 2-3 | Dwight*

Live Music!

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Journey through Latin America with music! *Thur | Aug 1 | 11-12 | Camp Field & 2-3 | Dwight; Thur | Aug 8 | 11-12 | Downtown & 2-3 | Barbour*

Live Animals!

Country Quilt Llama Farm

Learn about llamas and meet one too! *Fri | Aug 16 | 2-3 | Downtown*

Critter Caravan

Don't miss the travelling animal show! *Tues | Aug 6 | 2-3 | Dwight; Wed | Aug 7 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm*

Horizon Wings

Learn about and meet an eagle, hawk and more! *Mon | Aug 19 | 1:30-2:30 | Albany & 3-4 | Park*