BEGINNERS CROCHET CLASS
Tuesdays, January 12th, 19th & 26th: 7:00-8:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Beginners crochet class. A 3 week class on Tuesday evenings 7-8 pm, beginning January 12th. Participants will learn how to chain, single crochet and double crochet and how to make a simple headband with a twist!

PAUSE FOR... A DELIGHTFUL MOMENT!
Thursday, January 14th: 7:00-8:00 PM
Barbour Branch
Are you tired? Tired of the pandemic? the increase violence? the political divisiveness? Then, come join us for some delightful moments. Come ready to share a delightful moment you had or witnessed. Why not share a favorite quote, song, poem, and/or book? These delightful moments are inspired by Ross Gay’s book, The Book of Delights. It is scientifically proven that joy, just like a muscle, needs to be exercise to be strengthened. If you would like to experience some joy, please call to register, 860-695-7401 or email iblean@hplct.org, to get a Zoom invite.

WARM HANDS COMMUNITY EVENT
Thursday, January 21st: 2:00-3:00 PM
Dwight Branch
Let’s start the New Year with sowing into our community! We will be distributing warm gloves and scarfs and serving some hot chocolate. Please join us!

ROCK PAINTING TO EASE THE STRESS AWAY
Thursday, January 14th: 2:00-3:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Join us for some rock painting as we ease away the winter stress! Rock painting is a form of art therapy which is a technique rooted in the idea that creative expression can foster healing and mental well-being. Registration/Participation is required to get your take and make bag. Registration is limited.

INTERMEDIATE CROCHET - VARIEGATED CHEVRON SCARF
Thursdays, January 14th, 21st, and 28th: 2:00-3:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Join us to learn how easy it can be to create a beautiful chevron pattern with crochet. Basic crochet skills are required to take this class and space is limited. After your registration is approved, you will be contacted about setting up a time to pick up your materials kit. Registration required. Space is limited.

THE AWAKENING BOOK CLUB
Thursday, January 21st: 6:00 PM- 7:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Join us for a much needed conversation about past and present racial injustices through discussing the latest books on antiracism. Not an avid reader? Come and hear what others have to say about this important dialogue. This series consists of biweekly discussions of a book of the month, which will address ways to fight systemic racism. For ages 13-25.

DECEMBER PICK:
Medical Apartheid by Harriet Washington

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Renters Rights
Monday, January 25th: 11:00 OR 5:00
Virtual, Zoom
Join us for an informational session on around your housing rights!

What is the Fair Housing Act, and why is it important?
What are the federal and CT specific ‘Protected Classes’?
What is discrimination?
What does it look like in regards to housing?
Where can you go to report housing discrimination when it happens?

Creating Vision Boards - Camp Field
Tuesday, January 26th: 2:00-3:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Learn how to create a vision board to help bring your goals to life! Use photos, images, mementos, and anything that will inspire you. Additional supplies will be provided through contact-free pickup. Registration required.

Hartford Reads in Color
Sunday, January 31st: 4:30 PM
Virtual, Zoom
Hartford Reads in Color is a book club committed to delving into the narratives and rich diverse voices of communities of color. From the intellectually astute, to the uncouth and wretched, we are reading with no limits. Focused on shedding light on literature across the diaspora while also educating the community of the various authors and stories that sound and look like them. This group meets every last Sunday of the month. Registration is required. Seating is limited.

January pick:
Hood Feminism by Mikki Kendall

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Noname's Book Club

Virtual, Zoom
Hartford Public Library is a partner of Noname's Book Club, an online/irl community dedicated to uplifting POC voices. They do this by highlighting two books each month written by authors of color. From cult classics to the words of emergent authors, Noname's Book Club highlights books that speak on human conditions in critical and original ways.

January Pick:
I Can't Date Jesus: Love, Sex, Family, Race, and Other Reasons I've Put My Faith in Beyoncé
-by Michael Arceneaux

No Name in the Street- by James Baldwin

For date and time details, visit: hplct.org/classes-seminars-exhibits

BABY GRAND JAZZ 2021 KICKS OFF!

Every Sunday January 3rd - April 25th 2021
3:00-4:00 PM
Virtual, Facebook Live and YouTube Live

Hartford Public Library features local and regional musical artists as a part of our dynamic concert series. Tune in every Sunday at 3pm for new and familiar talent!

2021 LINE UP

January 10th: June Bisantz & Alex Nakhimovsky
January 17th: Anton Kot Trio
January 24th: Andrew Wilcox Sextet
January 31st: CBG and the Hartford Sound

February 7th: Medusa
February 14th: John Kordalewski trio
February 21st: Charu Surl and Friends
February 28th: Special Big Read Band!

March 7th: HGTS
March 14th: Kyoko Oyobe
March 21st: Jimmy Gavagan
March 28th: New England Jazz Ensamble

April 11th: Jonathan Barber and Vision Ahead
April 18th: People of Goodwill
April 25th: Trombeatz

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