



# JUNE '21 ADULT PROGRAMS

HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Summer Rainbow Party!

Saturday, June 5th: 1:00-3:00pm  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)  
Front Terrace

We're back! Hartford Public Library is kicking off outdoor programming with a Summer Rainbow Party! Join the fun as we celebrate the book *The Boy and the Bindi* by Vivak Shraya for LGBTQ Pride month. Featuring drag queen storytime with Giganta Smalls, entertainment, crafts, henna, ice cream, and free LGBTQ books while supplies last. All ages are welcome.

## Community Crafting

Tuesday, June 8th: 1:00-3:00pm  
Dwight Library (7 Park Ave.)

Come join the Dwight Team and get ready to craft away. A variety of crafts will be available for you to become creative! All are welcome, while supplies last.

## Foodshare Distribution

Thursday, June 10 & 24, 2021, 3:00-4:00pm  
Barbour Library (261 Barbour St.), Outside

Free bags of groceries will be available outside the Barbour Library

## Jewelry Making with Jackie Bright

Thursday, June 10 3:00-4:00pm  
Barbour Library (261 Barbour St.), Outside

Come make jewelry with Jackie that you can wear and show off to your family and friends this summer. Please email Irene to register, [iblean@hplct.org](mailto:iblean@hplct.org)

## Herbal Sharing Circle

Friday, June 18: 10:30-11:30am  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)  
Center for Contemporary Culture

Come share what natural remedies your family uses for minor illnesses and health. Learn new ones from herbalists and others sharing in the group. Please email Irene to register, [iblean@hplct.org](mailto:iblean@hplct.org)

## Hartford Reads in Color

Sunday, June 27th: 2:00pm  
*Virtual, Zoom*

Facilitated by Hartford's L.I.T., "Hartford Reads in Color" is a book club committed to delving into the narratives and rich diverse voices of communities of color.

### June Pick:

*Awkward Black Man* by Water Mosley  
[Click here to register](#)

## 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. 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.

### June Picks:

1. *Adult: Hip Hop Wars* by Tricia Rose
  2. *A Little Devil in America: Notes in Praise of Black Performance* by Hanif Abdurraqib
- [For more information, click here](#)



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## WHAT COLORS YOUR WORLD? HPL's Summer Adventure

June 21st - August 21st, 2021

What colors YOUR world? Dive into a summer of creativity and color with Hartford Public Library, featuring art workshops, music performances, and creative activities. To see a full schedule of Summer Adventure workshops, activities, and events for adults, go to [bit.ly/hplcolors](http://bit.ly/hplcolors).

To participate in our Summer Adventure, grab a "Color Hartford" card at any HPL branch, or download one here [bit.ly/hplcolors](http://bit.ly/hplcolors). Color in a section each time you complete an activity to create a piece of art! Bring your card into a HPL branch OR send us a photo of your completed card by August 21st OR post to social media and tag Hartford Public Library to win a prize and to be entered into a drawing for baskets of art supplies!

Join us weekly for small in-person and virtual arts workshops. Register for workshops here: [bit.ly/hplcolorsworkshops](http://bit.ly/hplcolorsworkshops)

Find out more about HPL's youth and teen Summer Adventure here: [bit.ly/hpladventure](http://bit.ly/hpladventure).

### **"What Colors Your World?" Summer Adventure Kickoff**

Wednesdays, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14: 10:00am-12:00pm  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)  
Front Terrace

Help us kickoff HPL's Summer Adventure "What Colors Your World"! Join the fun with our monster photo booth, double dutch, stilt walking, live art, virtual reality space, free ice cream, and performances from Studio 860 and Hartford Hot Several! All ages welcome.

### **Voices of Frog Hollow - Your Experience Your Story**

Wednesdays, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14: 10:00am-12:00pm

Community members from the Frog Hollow neighborhood are invited to share your experience, story, and hopes for the future of the New Park branch and the neighborhood. Interested in participating? Please contact [grivera@hplct.org](mailto:grivera@hplct.org)

### **Talkin' Drama with Nondumiso Tembe**

Thursday, June 24th: 12:00-1:00pm  
*Zoom*

The Entertainment Entrepreneur: Getting Your First Project Made Virtual Dramatic Writing Workshop Series This workshop will cover the practical aspects of why it is essential to work as a team to tell a story. Talkin' Drama will expose you to the tools you need to develop story and resolve conflict. It will cover the practical aspects of why it is essential to be entrepreneurial within the ever-changing landscape of the entertainment industry. Whether you strive to be a content creator, producer, writer, director, playwright, attorney, or entrepreneur, this workshop will help you identify how and why you should be developing your own projects. Artist and Creators will discuss the mechanics of dramatic writing as it functions in their career. And get into the benefits and pitfalls of developing your own content. It will dive into the practical and real issues facing you as you develop your craft. They will highlight ways teamwork functions in the process of storytelling. Workshops will be open discussions between the guest speaker, a moderator, and questions from HPL patrons.

[Click Here to Register](#)



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### Park's Summer Kickoff Celebration

Thursday, June 24th: 11:00am- 2:00pm  
Artbox (777 Park St.)

The Park Branch kicks off HPL's Summer Adventure with a Park Street celebration for families, adults, and children. Featuring art theme activities, books giveaways, and a raffle for those who sign up for summer adventure.

### Hydroponic Container Gardening

Thursday, June 24, 2021, 3:00-4:00 p.m.  
Barbour Library (261 Barbour St.), Outside  
Learn how to grow greens and/or herbs hydroponically. You will be given for free a five gallon bucket, fertilizer solution, and starter plants to garden for one growing cycle at your home this summer. Please email Irene to register, [iblean@hplct.org](mailto:iblean@hplct.org)

### Paint with Stickers

Tuesday, June 29th: 1:00-3:00pm  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)  
Center for Contemporary Culture

Join us for a time to recreate masterpieces using stickers by number. We'll listen to relaxing music while we enjoy "painting by sticker." For teens and adults. Stop by any time between 1-3pm on June 29th. Registration not required.

### Park Summer Adventure Fun- at the Artbox with Self Suffice

Wednesday, June 30th:  
Event 1:00-4:00pm; Performance 1:30-2:30pm  
Artbox (777 Park St.)

Art activities for all ages, and special musical performance from Self Suffice.

### Letter Style Workshop

Wednesday, June 30th: 4:00-5:00pm  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)  
Front Terrace  
Join artist Lindaluz Carrillo for a letter style workshop on how to draw unique graffiti inspired lettering.  
[Click here to register](#)

### "What Colors Your World?" Community Painting

Wednesday, June 30th: 1:00-3:00pm  
Dwight Library (7 Park Ave.)  
Bring your colorful and artistic side to "freestyle" or "expressive" paint whatever your heart's desire! First come first serve, while supplies last.

### Stop and Smell the Roses

Wednesday, June 30th: 2:00-3:00pm  
Zoom  
June is National Rose Month! Join us in a virtual celebration of these beloved blooms. Explore the abundant varieties of roses and some popular rose gardens. Learn about the meaning of rose colors, their beneficial properties and uses in the home, and how to make a tissue paper rose. Registration is required. Program supplies will be available by appointment, through contact free pickup or by visiting the Downtown or Camp Field locations.  
[Click here to register](#)



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### Get on Up! Outdoor music series

Get out of the house and out on the street for high-energy live music outside each of HPL's branch locations! Hartford Public Library is opening back up, and we want to celebrate with YOU. Dancer Savana Jones will be bringing the energy and teaching dance moves. All ages are welcome to join the fun and get on up on the dance floor! For more information, go to [bit.ly/hplcolors](https://bit.ly/hplcolors)

#### FriendZ World Music

Thursday, June 24: 3:00pm (Rain Date 6/25)  
Barbour Library (261 Barbour St)

#### Hartford Hot Seveal

Saturday June 26th: 2:00pm  
Downtown Library (500 Main St.)

#### Ed Fast and Conga Bop

Tuesday, July 6th: 2:00pm (Rain Date 7/8)  
Camp Field Library (30 Campfield Ave)

#### Amandla Band

Thursday, July 8th: 3:00pm  
Albany Library (1250 Albany Ave)

#### Orquesta Afinke

Friday, July 16th: 2:00pm (Rain Date 7/23)  
Dwight Library (7 New Park Ave)

#### The Lost Tribe

Wednesday, September 15th: 3:00pm  
(Rain Date 9/22)  
Park Library (603 Park St)

### Hartford Springs into Summer

Hartford History Center  
Virtual Exhibit

Spring is here, and the Hartford Parks beckon! Local residents have made use of these spaces for decades. Take a look at how the parks have been enjoyed over the years, through the lens of early to mid-20th century Parks Department photographers.

[Click here for the virtual exhibit](#)

