

Hartford Public Library

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DECEMBER '19 YOUTH PROGRAMS

Weekly Activities

Drop-In Any Time (all ages)

First Book Parties!

Come to celebrate Books

Join us at all library branches to celebrate books with a wide selection of free books to choose from to take home and keep! Build your home library while having fun in a party atmosphere at your local public library!

Wed/ Dec 11/ 4:00/ Dwight

Sat/ Dec 14/ 1:00/ Downtown

Tues/ Dec 17/ 3:30/ Barbour

Wed/ Dec 18/ 3:30/ Ropkins

Wed/ Dec 18/ 4:00/ Camp Field

Wed/ Dec 18/ 4:00/ Park

Wed/ Dec 18/ 5:00/ Rawson

Thurs/ Dec 19/ 3:30/ Albany

Gingerbread House Contests

Calling all junior engineers! Do you have what it takes to make a gingerbread masterpiece? Come find out!

Wed/ Dec 11/ 3:30-5/ Camp Field

Tues/ Dec 17/ 4:00-6/ Downtown

Tues/ Dec 17/ 4:30/ Dwight

Thurs/ Dec 19/ 4:00/ Barbour

Washi Tape Fun

Use colorful Washi Tape to make your own bookmark! *Barbour*

Celebrate Picture Book Month

November is picture book month. Check out our fun display and color your own picture book cover.
Camp Field, Downtown

Yarn Week

Want to learn to knit or crochet? We have all the materials you need, just stop by. *Dwight*

Friday Movie & Snack

@ Barbour

Dec 6,13,20/ 3:00/ Barbour

Doll Party!

Sat/ Dec 14/ 1:00/ Downtown

There's always something going on at your library!

Leap Into Learning

Ages Birth-Five with Caregiver
Read, Sing, Play Storytime with a Caregiver

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

Mon & Fri/ 11 - 12/ Downtown;

Wed/ Dec 11/ 11-11:30/

Camp Field

Tues & Thur/ 10-10:30 &

10:30-11/ Ropkins

Thurs/ Dec 5/ 11am/ Barbour

Sensational Sensory

Wednesdays Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.

Wed/ 11-12/ Downtown

Gingerbread Fun

Thur/ Dec 4/ 11:00-Noon/ Camp Field

Welcome Winter

Wed/ Dec 18/ 11:00-11:30/ Camp Field

Programs for Ages 6-12

The Iced Art of Snowflakes

Tues/ Dec 3/ 3:30-5/ Camp Field

Peppermint Tower Challenge

Tues/ Dec 3 & 5/ 4 & 3:30/ Ropkins

Fabulous Fingerprint Art

Tues/ Dec 3/ 4:30/ Dwight

Ribbon Ornament

Tues/ Dec 3/ 5:00-6:00/ Downtown

YOU CAN ALWAYS CHECK FOR UPDATES AT OUR WEBSITE WWW.HPLCT.ORG

STEAM Wednesdays

Hands on activities involving Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math!
Wed/ 4-5/ Downtown

Bloxels Game Design

Thur/ Dec 5/ Barbour

Borax Crystals Part 1 & 2

Let's create our own crystals!

Tues & Thurs/ Dec 17 & 19/ 4 & 3:30/ Ropkins

STEM Lab: What Floats Your Boat?

Design a boat that can hold as much weight as possible without sinking!

Tues & Thurs/ Dec 10 & 12/ 4:00 & 3:30/ Ropkins

Let Your Freak Flag Fly

Come make your own Freak Flag to celebrate what makes you uniquely you!

Tues/ Dec 10/ 3:30/ Barbour

Holiday Ornament Workshop

Fun and easy holiday ornaments to make and take.

Tues/ Dec 10/ 4-5/ Downtown

Mon/ Dec 16/ 4-6/ Camp Field

BluBots

Practice coding with this fun bot!

Fri/ Dec 13/ 3:30-5:00/ Camp Field

RSCO Paint Party

Join us for a free family painting fun and school choice application assistance.

Sat/ Dec 14/ 2-4/ Downtown

Hour of Code

Come learn to code with Ozobots.

Tues/ Dec 10/ 4-6/ Camp Field

Holiday Quilling

Try the simple and elegant art of quilling to make holiday cards.

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Festive Paper Stars

Create paper stars to decorate the library. Learn fun folding techniques.

Mon/ Dec 16/ 4:30/ Dwight

Tues/ Dec 31/ 1-3/ Camp Field

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December Fun!

Yoga for Success!

Simple but powerful yoga postures to bring stability and balance, help for this hectic season! Ages 7 and up. Bring your own towel and mat.

(Sign-up required, limited space)

Mon/ Dec 16/ 5:30-6:30/ Downtown

Ugly Sweater Ornament

'Tis the season to be tacky! Wear your ugliest sweater to the library and get your ugly on crafting an over-the-top ornament out of felt. No talent required! The tackier, the wackier—the better!

Tues/ Dec 17/ 4-6/ Camp Field

Beaded Wreaths

Come and make a wreath ornament with us and we will talk about the most basic meaning of wreaths.

Mon/ Dec 23 / 4-5/ Downtown

School Choice Assistance

You have questions about school choice and we have experts with answers. Come by to have your questions answered and get help signing your children up for school.

Tues/ Dec 17/ 5-7/ Camp Field

Family Holiday Concert!

2 Performances

Come feel the magic of the holiday season with the Sam Pasco Trio! We will be gathering in the Atrium.

Wed/ Dec 18/ 10am & 12 noon/ Downtown

Early Readers Book Club

1st and 2nd graders are invited to join us for a fun time of reading, snacking, and a craft or activity! They will receive a free book to keep at each meeting.

(Sign-up required, limited space)

Mon/ Dec 2 / 4:00-5:00/ Downtown

Other Events

Cooking Matters!

Do you wish you could eat healthier while saving money? Cooking Matters can help: spend less time grocery shopping, make the best choices for your family and plan healthy, delicious meals.

(Sign-up required, limited space)

Thur/ Dec 5, 12, & 19/ 5-7/ Downtown

Kwanzaa Celebration

Join us for a fun filled afternoon of music, crafts, and to celebrate family, community and culture!

Tues/ Dec 28/ 12-4:30/ Downtown

Kwanzaa Celebration: Weave a Mkeka

At Kwanzaa families and friends gather to celebrate family ties, remember ancestors, support community and give thanks for the good things in life. All Kwanzaa symbols are traditionally placed on the mkeka, a woven straw mat that represents reverence for the tradition. You are invited to the library to weave a paper mkeka for use in your home.

Thur/ Dec 26/ 3:00-4:00/ Ropkins

Mon/ Dec 30/ 11:00-1:00/ Camp Field

Perler Bead Bonanza

We have a ton of perler beads and boards...what will you create?

Mon/ Dec 23/ 3:00-4:00/ Ropkins

Children's Room: Hooks and Needles Yarn Club

Whether you're a new or experienced crafter, join us to knit and crochet!

Thur/ Dec 19/ 3:30-5:00/ Camp Field

Winter Solstice Celebration

The winter solstice may be the shortest day of the year, but there is plenty of light to be found at the library! Come learn about this unique day of the year and celebrate the arrival of longer days by making your very own bit of sunshine to take home with you.

Thur/ Dec 31/ 3:30-5:00/ Camp Field

Paint Like Pollock

Learn all about modern artist Jackson Pollock and his style of action drip painting. Then try your hand at making your own Pollock-inspired work of art!

Tues/ Dec 31/ 4:30-5:30/ Dwight