

FEBRUARY 2021 YOUTH PROGRAMS

HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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www.bit.ly/hplchildrens

Dial- a- Story

Call 860-695-6288

and chose from 4 options each week!

New stories/songs go live

each Tuesday between 3:00-5:00 pm.

English Stories - Press 1

Spanish Stories - Press 2

Urdu/Hindi Stories - Press 3

English songs, rhymes, and fingerplays

- Press 4

Comments and Suggestions - Press 0

Facebook Programs

@HartfordPublicLibrary

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 1pm join a HPL Youth Librarian on Facebook for a special video program.

These programs will be posted on Instagram @hplct and YouTube channel @HPLCT within 24 hours.

Tuesdays & Thursdays

- Storytime Videos

Wednesdays

- STEM Videos

HPL Winter Reading Challenge: Books Like Us

Winter is for warm blankets and good books!

From January 1, 2021 - March 31, 2021, the Hartford Public Library will participate in Beanstack's 4th Annual Winter Reading Challenge, "Books Like Us", sponsored by Simon and Schuster and the Hartford Public Library.

All children ages 6-12 are welcome to participate. Find more information here:
bit.ly/HPLBooksLikeUs

Early Reader

Winter Reading Contest

Grades 1 & 2. January 1 - March 31, 2021. Check out books or Ebooks from HPL, and get a raffle ticket for every 3 books you read with your child. Prizes for each age group will be awarded at our virtual finale event, Art Club with Ms. Katherine: "If Dominican Were a Color", on Tuesday, March 30, 4:00pm . Register in our Early Reader Winter Reading Contest Libguide

Zoom Programs (cont.)

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Zoom Programs

Join your library friends for fun programs online! Find the registration links for all our February programs on our website at www.bit.ly/hplchildrens to register.

Virtual Learning Movement Break

Ages 4-12

(Monday) Feb. 1: 11am

Take a little break from sitting still and join Ms. Vickie to shake it off, dance it off, and laugh it off!

Black History Family Story Time with Ms. Lina

Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers

(Mondays) Feb. 1 & 8: 11am

Join us for storytime with songs, rhymes, and stories featuring picture books by African American writers

Crafts with Ms. Rubina

Ages 6-12

(Mondays) Feb. 1, 8 & 22: 3:30pm

Paper Toys - Learn the art of Origami/ paper folding to create toys such as a waterbomb, a dog, a boat and a butterfly.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Rubina to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Storytime Tuesdays with Ms. Rubina

Ages 0-5

(Tuesdays) Feb. 2, 9, 16 & 23: 11am

Join Ms. Rubina to enjoy Picture Books, songs & rhymes.

Relaxation Room: Kindness Rocks

Ages 6-12

(Wednesday) Feb. 3: 2pm

Join Ms. Katherine for relaxing meditation activities and make a kindness rock to remind you of the importance of practicing kindness every day.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

STEM with Ms. Rubina

Ages 6-12

(Wednesdays) Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24: 3:30pm

Indulge in the wonders of everyday science phenomenon.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Rubina to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Feb. 3: Shape Shifters - Let's make tangram pictures of animals, objects and people.

Feb. 10: Geometric Shape Medley - Can you use geometric shapes to make pictures? Let's try it together!

Feb. 17: Make it Real in 3D - Discover how you can make a polyhedron with a template and some simple folds.

Feb. 24: It's just an Illusion! - Challenge your senses with some awesome optical illusions and find out how this phenomenon works.

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Zoom Programs (cont.)

Talk African-American History with Kendall and Ms. Lina

Ages 6-12

(Wednesdays) Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24: 4:30pm

There are so many people and events in history that have shaped the world and who we are today. Join Kendall, explore some notable historical figures who have changed the world as we know it.

Songs and Stories with Ms. Katryna

Ages 0-5

(Thursdays) Feb. 4, 11, 18 & 25: 11am

Families can join us for a storytime as well as songs with Ms. Katryna and her musical instruments!

Social Justice Storytime with Ms. Lina: Change Begins with Me

Ages 4-8

(Thursdays) Feb. 4, 11, 18 & 25: 3:30pm

Join us as we explore social justice issues in children's literature and discuss positive ways to make a difference in our community.

School Choice Application Assistance

All Ages

(Fridays) Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26: 1:30pm

(Saturdays) Feb. 13, 20 & 27: 2pm

Join us virtually in February for School Choice assistance!

Junior Jeopardy with Kendall

Ages 6-12

(Fridays) Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26: 3:30-4:45pm

Join Kendall for a fun Black History Jeopardy trivia. Test your knowledge about the contributions of African-Americans to our nation.

Take Your Child to the Library Day - Virtual -

Ages 6-12

(Saturday) Feb 6: 10am-2:30pm

Join the Children's Room for a family storytime in English, Spanish, and Urdu and enjoy a fun afternoon Animal Show with the West Hartford Children's Museum at 2:00 pm

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Art Club with Ms. Katherine

Ages 6-12

(Tuesdays) Feb 9, 16 & 23: 4pm

Join Ms. Katherine to make beautiful works of art.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Feb. 9: Sweet Hearts - Join us for another sweet edible art activity, all about Valentines Day!

Feb. 16: Black History Art Club: The Colors of My Imagination - Our artist spotlight is on Christian Robinson, a famous children's book illustrator and author, who as a child used art to help him with difficult times. We will read his latest book, Milo Imagines the World and create colorful art!

Feb. 23: Black History Art Club: Carter Reads the Newspaper - Learn all about the Father of Black History Month, Carter G. Woodson and make a poetry portrait to remember this important man!

Happy Chinese New Year: Dragon Puppets

Ages 6-12

(Wednesday) Feb. 10: 2pm

Join us to learn about Chinese new year and make a loooong dragon puppet!

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Rhyme Time with Ms. Lina

Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers

(Fridays) Feb. 12 & 19: 11am

Introduce your child to the wonderful world of songs, rhymes, and fingerplays!

ValenSlime

All Ages

(Thursday) Feb. 12: 4pm

Join Ms. Vickie from the Barbour Branch Library on Google Meet once a month for Valentine's Day SLIME!!

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Vickie to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Winter Birds

Ages 6-12

(Wednesday) Feb. 17: 4pm

Join us to learn about winter birds and make a bird feeder from natural materials.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last

Mask Keepers for Kids

Ages 5-12

(Wednesday) Feb. 17: 4pm

Make a necklace to attach your face mask to so you never lose it! All craft kits come with a reusable mask.

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Vickie to pick up your kit while supplies last.

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Super Bookstronauts! Book Club for Tweens with Ms. Lina

Ages 8-12

(Monday) Feb. 22: 4pm

Celebrate African-American Heritage Literature with Ms. Lina! We will discuss our novel of the month "Black Panther" by Ronald L. Smith.

*After you register, contact Ms. Lina to pick up your book while supplies last.

STEM Kitchen

Ages 6-12

(Wednesday) Feb. 24: 2pm

There is so much Science and Math right in your kitchen! Join Ms. Katherine to make a STEM Kitchen kit for hours of indoor play and discovery!

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Paint Like Basquiat

All Ages

(Wednesday) Feb. 24: 4pm

Learn about legendary Afro-Latin artist Jean-Michel Basquiat, early hip-hop and street art history, and make your own self-portrait!

*Program kit available. After you register, contact Ms. Vickie to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Virtual Teen Programs: Nintendo on Twitch for Teens

Ages 13-19

(Mondays) Feb. 1, 8 & 25: 4pm

Join Vickie and Boomer on Twitch

@YouMediaHpl every Monday to watch (and join if you have a device!) a livestream of games on the Nintendo Switch such as Mario Kart 8, Animal Crossing, and Among Us!

