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JULY: CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Drop In Any Time (all ages)

Week of 7/1

Summer Craft Make & Take

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

Perler Bead Bonanza

Get creative with perler beads! *Barbour, Downtown*

Build with Strawbees

Design and build with straws and connectors. *Dwight, Park*

Engineering Table: Gumdrop Bridge

Try this sweet engineering challenge. *Ropkins*

Week of 7/8

Summer Craft Make & Take

Celebrate summer with cool crafts. *Dwight, Park*

Perler Bead Bonanza

Get creative with perler beads! *Barbour, Downtown*

hARTford Scavenger Hunt

Discover art all around Hartford! *Albany*

Engineering Table: Paper Engineers

What can you build with paper? *Camp Field*

Cup Towers—Ropkins

How high can you build a cup tower? *Ropkins*

Week of 7/15

hARTford Scavenger Hunt

Discover art all around Hartford! *Barbour, Downtown, Park*

Build with Strawbees

Design and build with straws and connectors. *Camp Field*

Engineering Table: Paper Engineers

What can you build with paper? *Dwight, Ropkins*

Yarn Week

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

Week of 7/22

Upcycled Paper Butterflies

Make paper butterflies! *Barbour, Camp Field, Downtown, Park*

Build with Strawbees

Design and build with straws and connectors. *Albany*

Loom It Up

Make a loom bracelet! *Dwight*

Perler Bead Bonanza

Get creative with perler beads! *Ropkins*

Week of 7/29

Neighborhood Nature Scavenger Hunt

Explore nature all around you. *Camp Field, Dwight, Park*

Build with Strawbees

Design and build with straws. *Barbour, Downtown*

Loom It Up

Make a loom bracelet! *Albany, Ropkins*

Free Summer Meals

Kids and teens, 18 and under: Downtown 12:30-1pm;
Branches 12:30-1:30 pm. NOTE: NO LUNCH JULY 4

Summer Learning 2019

Through Aug. 24: Each time you finish a club pick a button designed by a Hartford artist—collect all 6!

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 | 9:30-10:30 | Rawson

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

Wed | 10:30-11:30 | Albany

Thur | 10 - 10:45 | Park

Thur | July 11 & 25 | 10-11 | Dwight

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

For parents with children ages 0-5. Come into any library branches to register and get a free tote bag and folder to track all the books you read to your child. Every 100 books, you will receive a new log and receive a small prize. Sign up today!

Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity. *Wed | 11-12 | Downtown*

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*

Plant Lab

Enjoy nature stories and activities to explore the world of plants! *Wed & Thur | July 17, 18 | 3:30—4:30 | Camp Field*

Storytime in the Park

Join us for stories and songs at Bushnell Park near the carousel! *Mon | July 15 | 11-12 | Bushnell Park*

JULY 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

3D Printer Exploration

Learn all about 3D printing.

Tues| July 2 & 16| 5-6:30| Downtown

Build with the Three Little Pigs

A fairytale and engineering activity.

Wed| July 3| 2-3| Ropkins

Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Albany

Milky Rainbow Science

The chemistry of household items.

Wed| July 10| 2-3| Ropkins

Sat| July 20| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

Balloon Rockets

Blast off with your very own rocket!

Wed| July 10| 4-5| Downtown

Mon| July 29| 2-3| Dwight

Makey Makey

Make music from fruits and vegetables!

Thur| July 11| 2-3| Park

Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Albany

VR Vacation

Go around the world in Virtual Reality.

Sat| July 27| 2-3:30| Downtown

CT Science Center @ HPL

Playing with Polymers.

Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Downtown

Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

Thur| July 25| 2-3| Ropkins

Alchemy Lab

Mix chemicals for different reactions.

Tues| July 30| 2-3| Ropkins

Crash Lab

Master forces and motion in the lab!

Wed| July 31| 3-4| Albany

NASA @ My Library

Art & the Cosmic Collection

Explore the beautiful solar system.

Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

Looney Lunar Phases

Have fun learning the moon's phases!

Fri| July 12| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

Pocket Solar System

Create a model of the solar system!

Wed| July 17| 4-5| Downtown

Thur| July 25| 1:30-2:30| Albany

ART Club

Watercolor Resist Flowers

Learn this fun artistic technique.

Fri| July 5| 2-3| Park

Origami Lotus Book

Sat| July 13| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

Romare Bearden Self-Portrait

Learn to collage like Romare Bearden.

Thur| July 18| 2-3| Park

Ready Set Draw!

Draw like children's book illustrators!

Wed & Thur| July 24, 25| 1:30-2:30|

Camp Field

Henna—2-3pm All locations

Learn and make your own designs!

Wed| July 24| Park

Mon| July 29| Ropkins

Tues| July 30| Dwight

Wed| July 31| Camp Field

Radiant Child

Draw with pastels like artist, Jean

Michel Basquiat.

Tues| July 2| 2-3| Dwight

Wed| July 24| 2-3| Ropkins

HARTFORD Club

HPL Book Scavenger Hunt

Find books hidden in the HPL libraries.

Wed| July 10| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

Thur| July 25| 2-3| Park

City Beautiful: Hartford

Make a collage of your neighborhood.

Thur| July 18| 4-5| Downtown

HEALTH Club

Husky READS

UConn students each healthy eating!

Mon| Barbour, Ropkins | 12:30

Tues| Albany, Camp Field, Park | 12:30

Wed| Downtown, Dwight | 12:30

Bring the Hoopla

Be a hula hoop all star!

Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Ropkins

Thur| July 11| 3-4| Barbour

Double Dutch

Learn the sport, alone or with friends.

Mon| July 15| Park | 2-3

Tues| July 16| Albany | 2-3

Thur| July 18| Dwight | 2-3

Mon| July 22| Ropkins | 2-3

Tues| July 23| Barbour | 2-3

Wed| July 24| Downtown | 2-3

Thur| July 25| Camp Field | 2-3

NATURE Club

Plant Lab

Wed| July 3| 3-4| Downtown

Dragonfly with Me!

Learn about these beautiful creatures.

Wed| July 3| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

STEM Lab: Waves

Learn about echolocation.

Tues| July 23| 2-3| Dwight

STEM Lab: Rocks & Minerals

Learn how rocks change over time.

Wed| July 17| 2-3| Ropkins

STEM Lab: Space Science

Train like an astronaut!

Wed| July 24| 4-5| Downtown

STEM Lab: Hurricanes

Build a hurricane model.

Thur| July 25| 5-6| Downtown

Live Music!

Jeff McQuillan

Anansi the Spider drum tales!

Tues| July 16| 11-12| Park

Tues| July 16| 2-3| Dwight

Wed| July 17| 11-12| Albany

Wed| July 17| 2-3| Camp Field

Sirius Coyote

Musical journey through Latin America!

Thur| July 25| 11-12| Park

Wed| July 31| 11-12| Downtown

Wed| July 31| 2-3| Ropkins

Mikata

Learn to play African drums!

Mon| July 29| 11-12| Downtown

Mon| July 29| 2-3| Albany

Live Animals!

Country Quilt Llama Farm

Learn about llamas and meet one too!

Mon| July 15| 2-3| Ropkins

Mon| July 15| 3:15-4:15| Dwight

Fri| July 19| 2-3| Camp Field

Fri| July 19| 3:15-4:15| Albany

Critter Caravan

Travelling animal show!

Mon| July 1| 2-3| Barbour

Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Ropkins

Mon| July 22| 2-3| Park

Thur| July 25| 1:30-2:30| Downtown

Horizon Wings

Learn about and meet an eagle, hawk and more!

Thur| July 30| 3-4| Camp Field