



# JANUARY 2020

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

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## After School Adventures

(Fridays) Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: 3pm-4pm  
*Albany Branch*

(Wednesdays) Jan 8, 15, 22, 29: 2pm-3pm  
*Park Branch*

Come to the Library for a different activity each time!

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## 4Unity Family Fun Time

(Saturdays) Jan 4 & Jan 18: 1pm-4pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Come join us for our free family program that includes arts & crafts, painting, crocheting, games, movies and all kinds of fun!!!

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## Three Kings Day

Saturday, Jan 4: 2:30pm-3:30pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Monday, Jan 6: 11am-1pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Monday, Jan 6: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

Learn all about Dia de los Reyes, a holiday traditionally celebrated in the Hispanic community. Listen to a Three King's story and create your own crown to take home.

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## Read, Sing, Play Storytime

(Fridays) Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: 11am-12pm

(Mondays) Jan 6, 13, 27: 11am-12pm  
*Downtown Branch*

(Wednesdays) Jan 8 Jan 22: 11am-12pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Join us for stories, activities, and music movement.

## Early Readers Book Club

Monday, Jan 6: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
*Downtown Branch*

1st and 2nd graders are invited to join us for a fun time of reading, snacking and a related craft or activity! (Space is limited. Sign-up required)

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## Legos in the Library

Tuesday, Jan 7: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Barbour Branch*

We have Legos and a challenge for you. What will you create? Do you have what it takes to be a master builder?

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## The Iced Art of Snowflakes

Tuesday, Jan 7: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
*Dwight Branch*

Get to know some interesting facts about snowflakes as well as enjoy the symmetrical beauty of magnified photograph of some. Learn to fold and cut paper to create snowflakes.

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## 3D Snowflakes

Tuesday, Jan 7: 4pm-5pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

3D printing sounds so complicated but it's really not! Join us to learn the basics about 3D printing then create your own 3D printed snowflake!.

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## Sensational Sensory

(Wednesdays) Jan 8, 15, 22, 29: 11am-12pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Interactive play-time for children.

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## Pine Cone Bird Feeders

Wednesday, Jan 8: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Help make sure the birds have food during the long, cold winter! Visit the library to make pine cone bird feeders then take them home and hang them around your neighborhood.

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## 3D & Paper Snowflakes

Wednesday, Jan 8: 4pm-5pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Learn to fold and cut paper to create snowflakes. Also, join us and learn the basics about 3D printing then create your own 3D printed snowflake!.

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## Friday Snack and a Movie

(Fridays) Jan 10, 17, 24: 3pm-4pm  
*Barbour Branch*

Join us for an afternoon wind-down after a long week. We will decompress with cozy blankets, snacks, and a movie.

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## Perler Beads

Monday, Jan 13: 4pm-5:30pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

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

## Build a Hydraulic Claw

Tuesday, Jan 14: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Barbour Branch*

Design and build a hydraulic claw that works like the ones in the arcade. Can you design a claw to pick up specific objects (balls, marshmallows, worms) ?

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## Time for Slime

Tuesday, Jan 14: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
*Dwight Branch*

Tuesday, Jan 21: 4pm-5:30pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Join us at the library to measure, mix and make a personal batch of slime that you can take home.

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## Makey Makey

Tuesday, Jan 14: 4pm-5:30pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Create keyboards made from different materials like play-doh, fruits and vegetables. Learn about electric circuits, energy and technology with this fun kit.

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## Hora de Cuento

Wednesday, Jan 15: 11am-12pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

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## HPL Bookmakers

Wednesday, Jan 15: 3:30pm-5pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Carousel, Pop-up, Crankie...are all different types of books! Learn the basics of bookmaking and create your own unique story!

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## Rocks, Minerals, and Geodes

Wednesday, Jan 15: 4pm-5pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Tuesday, Jan 28: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
*Dwight Branch*

Students will explore how solid rock breaks apart into smaller pieces through a process called weathering. In the activity, students will model the process of weathering that occurs when rocks tumble and crash into each other.

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## Aerodynamics of Paper Airplanes

Thursday, Jan 16: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

What's that in the sky? It's a paper airplane! Make a perfect paper airplane by learning about elements that help to fly it.

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## Listening Library

Thursday, Jan 16: 5:30pm-6:30pm  
*Downtown Branch*

## Fleece Scarf Making

Saturday, Jan 18: 2pm-3pm  
*Downtown Branch*

This project is easy and fun to do, requires no sewing skills and best of all, makes a wonderful gift for friends and family.

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## Doll House Furniture

Tuesday, Jan 21: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Barbour Branch*

Help us make furniture for our community built dollhouse! This program is for boys and girls of all ages.

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## Your Elastic Brain

Tuesday, Jan 21: 4:30pm-5:30pm  
*Dwight Branch*

It's ok to not be perfect! Let's talk about your ever changing brain and do some fun projects around the books *Ish* and *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds.

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## Just Weave It

Wednesday, Jan 22: 3:30pm-5pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Learn about the ancient art of weaving and create a simple weaving loom from ordinary drinking straws. Then make a colorful woven friendship bracelet or a bookmark to take home.

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## Circuit Clay

Wednesday, Jan 22: 4pm-5pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Come play and learn about electricity with our special circuit clay. Create a creature that lights up with LEDs!

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## Gingerbread House Contest

Thursday, Jan 23: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

Gather your family and friends to create a gingerbread house with us

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## It's Ok to Be Different

Saturday, Jan 25: 2:30pm-3:30pm  
*Downtown Branch*

All of us has something that makes us a little different, whether it's the clothes we wear or the music we listen to. Come to the library and create your very own freak flag to celebrate all the quirks and interests that make you uniquely you!

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## Yoga for Success

Monday, Jan 27: 5:30pm-7pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Simple but powerful yoga postures to bring stability and balance. Ages 7 & Up. Bring your own yoga mat & towel.  
(Space is limited. Sign-up required)

## Book Tasting

Tuesday, Jan 28: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Barbour Branch*

Sample some books of all the genres we have to offer. Participants will leave with animal crackers, a handout explaining book genres, and a prize!

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## National Puzzle Day

Tuesday, Jan 21: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

Tuesday, Jan 21: 4pm-5pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Exercising your art skills and your puzzle building abilities! Participants will share their projects and work to solve each other's puzzles.

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## Take Your Child to the Library Day

Wednesday, Jan 29: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Camp Field Branch*

Thursday, Jan 30: 3:30pm-4:30pm  
*Ropkins Branch*

Celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day" with a library tour and activities at your local library branch!

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## Family Pajama Storytime

Thursday, Jan 30: 5:30pm-6:30pm  
*Downtown Branch*

Join us at our evening family storytime for kids of all ages. Pajamas, blankets, and stuffed animals welcome!