

Downtown Library
500 Main Street Hartford, CT 06103
860.695.6330 hplct.org

Children & Families

Back to Nature Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 3-5 with adult caregivers. Get back to basics with a nature-themed storytime. Share stories, songs, and activities for you and your little one!
Friday, June 3, 11:00 a.m.

Summer Story Time: Early Literacy
Ages 3-5 with adult friends. Enjoy seasonal rhymes, songs, games, finger plays and the best in children's books. Individual families welcome without registration; groups, please register in advance by calling 860-695-6330.
Tuesdays, June 7, 14, 21, and 28 10:00 a.m.

Parachute Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 3 to 5 with adult friends. Join us for this storytime made special for wiggly children! We'll focus on gross motor skills while we encourage your child's love of stories.
Monday, June 6 11:00 a.m.

Bollywood Dance Workshop: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5-12 with adult friends. Learn flexibility, rhythm, and coordination in this dance routine with Bollywood instructor Rupali Das. Wear Comfortable clothing.
Saturdays, June 11 and 18 10:30 a.m.

First Friends Play Group: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. Our play and picture book areas are reserved for you! Share toys, books, and music while your child meets other children.
Monday, June 13, 11:00 a.m.

Husky READS!: Literacy and Nutrition
The Huskies are coming. Interns from the Husky READS program will have fun programs about nutrition, fitness, and reading for all ages every Monday starting June 13th.
Mondays, June 13th, 20th, & 27th, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

June Bug Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. Whether it's very hunger caterpillars or itsy-bitsy spiders, there are so many fun songs and stories about bugs! Join us for a fun storytime with a very buggy craft!
Friday, June 17, 11:00 a.m.

We are Going on a Bear Hunt: Early Literacy
Ages 3-8, with adult friends. Join us for an interactive story time experience with songs, games, and crafts based on the classic children's book, We're Going on A Bear Hunt!
Saturday, June 18, 11:30 a.m.

All About You Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. Join us for stories, songs, finger plays, and an activity about you!
Monday, June 20, 11:00 a.m.

Every Child Ready to Read Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. An interactive program based on the five practices of the Every Child Ready to Read initiative: talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, and sing songs.
Friday, June 24, 11:00 a.m.

Multicultural Story Time: Early Literacy
Ages 5 and under with adult friends. Enjoy books, songs, rhymes and finger plays from various regions of
Monday, June 27, 11:00 a.m.

Creative Rhythms: Early Literacy
Ages 3-5. Hear the beat, feel the rhythm! Go on a musical and cultural journey through songs and dance as you move your dancing feet!
Tuesday, June 28, 11:00 a.m.

Family Game Night: Early Literacy
Ages 3-7 with adult friends. Join us in the Children's Room for a fun family game night event featuring the classic board and card games.
Wednesday, June 29, 5:00 p.m.

Students

Junior Maker LEGO Club: Education
Ages 5 and up. Join us for a fun afternoon of building with LEGO bricks. Check out books on architecture, bridges, and more for inspiration. We'll supply the blocks -- just bring your imagination!
Wednesday, June 8, 15, 22, 29, 2:00 p.m.

Crafternoon: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 and up. Create keychains, magnets, and more using colorful beads!
Tuesdays, June 14 and 21, 2:00 p.m.

Father's Day Crafts: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 and up. Join us for a special Father's Day craft program and make dad a gift!
Thursday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

Summer Kids Flicks: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Enjoy classic children's films and more. Refreshment provided!
Fridays, June 17 and 24 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

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Paws to Read: Literacy

Ages 5 and up, with adult friends. Have a reluctant reader at home? Bring him/her every first and third Saturday to meet Gizmo (our specially trained Paws for Friendship Therapy Dog) and her handler Jen. Call 860-695-6330 for an appointment time between 12:30-2:00 or just drop in for a session.

Saturday, June 18, 12:30-2:00 p.m.

Summer Mural: Arts and Entertainment

Ages 5 and up. Capture the unique feeling and joyous mood of summer in our seasonal mural.

Saturday June 18, 3:00 p.m.

Fold & Fly Future Engineers: Education

Ages 6 and up. Have fun and be competitive! Future engineers will experiment with a variety of paper airplane designs and determine what works best.

Thursday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

Global Games: Arts & Entertainment

Ages 6 and up. Make simple game pieces and learn to play games from around the world – mancala, achi, and more! Read and explore books to learn more about these games' countries of origin.

Thursday, June 30, 2:00 p.m.

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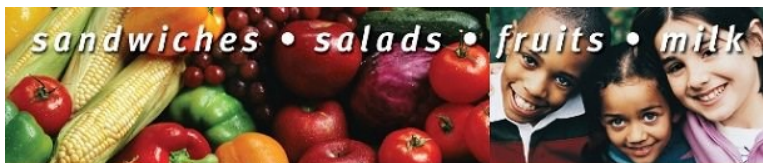
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Free Summer Meals!
Comidas de Verano Gratis!

Kids and teens 18 and under
Niños y adolescentes de 18 años y menos

A **nutritious summer lunch** will be served **FREE** of charge to children and teens, ages 18 and younger, June 13 to August 12, Monday through Friday, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., at all library sites.

Albany Branch
1250 Albany Avenue Hartford, CT 06112
860.695.7380 hplct.org

Children and Families

Police Dog Demo: Education
All ages. See our local heroes in action during a special demonstration from a police officer and his working canine companion. Children ages six and under must be accompanied by an adult.
Friday, June 3, 2:00 p.m.

Storytime and Playgroup: Early Literacy
Ages birth to 4 with adult friend. Join us for an hour of fun as we read some stories, sing, and dance. Make some new friends during our dramatic play session too! Adults will have the chance to learn about what you can do to get your child ready to read and the importance of early learning.
Tuesdays, June 7, 14, and 28, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Movie Matinee: Arts & Entertainment
All ages. Relax on a Friday afternoon with an entertaining movie for the whole family.
Fridays, June 10 and 17, 3:00 p.m.

Chalktastic Art: Arts & Entertainment
All ages. Create your own story with Bill Thomson's vivid and imaginative wordless book, *Chalk* and then unleash your inner chalk artist on the sidewalk around our library!
Wednesday, June 15, 2:00 p.m.

Students

Homework Club: Education
Ages 5 and up. Need a space to study and do your homework? Drop in after school for homework help and a snack here at the library. Homework supplies provided.
Mondays-Thursdays, June 1 - 16, 3:30- 5:20 p.m.

Lego Club: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 to 12. Get creative with our Lego kit! Design, build, and explore on your own or with a friend.
Wednesdays, June 8 and 22, 4:30 p.m.

Father's Day Craft: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 to 12. Don't forget that Father's Day is coming up! Make a thoughtful, handmade craft to show your dad, grandpa, uncle, or someone special how much they really mean to you.
Monday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.

Get Money Wise-Salsa Garden: Financial Literacy & Health
Ages 5 and up. From garden to table, learn to grow your own salsa! Research the cost of growing your own versus store bought products. At the end of the season, enjoy creating your own home-grown salsa, with chips of course!
Monday, June 20, 2:00 p.m.

Relax with Yoga: Health
Ages 6 and up. Participate in a calming yoga session with an amazing instructor from West Hartford Yoga.
Thursday, June 23, 2:00 p.m.

Nail Art: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 8 and up. Spend the afternoon catching up with friends and discussing the current book you're reading as you paint your nails. Nail polish provided but feel free to bring your own.
Friday, June 24, 1:30 p.m.

Art Power Hour with Ruth: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 and up. We are having a special edition of our monthly Art Power Hour! Local artist Ruth Elliott will be teaching us how to sketch beautiful illustrations using just a pencil and paper.
Monday, June 28, 2:00 p.m.

Jewelry Club: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 to 14. Make some new jewelry pieces for yourself or as a gift for a friend or family member. Beads and string provided.
Wednesday, June 29, 2:00 p.m.

Bollywood Dance Workshop: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 to 14. Learn a new style of dance from an experienced Bollywood dancer. Bollywood is a beautiful, energetic style of dance from India.
Thursday, June 30, 1:30 p.m.



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Barbour Branch
261 Barbour St. Hartford, CT 06120
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Come and Get Your Game on @ the Library: Arts and Entertainment

Ages 8 and up. Wii gaming at 1 p.m. each Wednesday. Bring your friends and your library card (fines must be below \$5 for child and \$15 for teens and adults). Sign-up required, 1-2 players per 1 hour sessions.

Wednesdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 1:00-7:00

Fishy Aquarium: Education

Ages 6 and up: Learn about the tropical fish that live in the coral reef and then make your own fishy aquarium to take home.

Monday, June 6, 3:30 p.m.

Paper flower crowns: Arts and Entertainment

Ages 12 and up. Flower crowns are a great hair accessory, make colorful paper flower crowns to give you extra style this summer.

Monday, June 6, 3:30 p.m.

Husky READS!: Literacy and Nutrition

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Tuesdays June 14, 21 & 28, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Fathers are Special: Arts and Entertainment

All ages. Make a father's day craft stick roll-up card, show off what you love about dad this father's day with a sweet message card.

Friday, June 17, 1:30 p.m.

Lemonade Ice Pops: Health and Nutrition

Ages 12 and up. Keep cool on a hot summer day with a zingy taste lemonade ice pops. Visit the library to help make these cool treats and while they freeze sign-up for the library's summer reading program.

Tuesday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

Thumbprint Animals: Arts and Entertainment

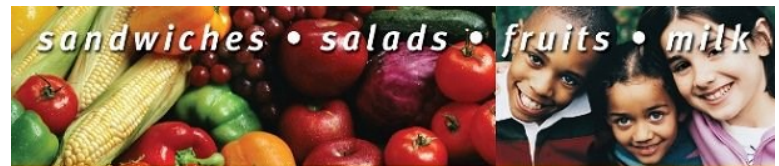
Ages 6 and up. Any animal can be made with your thumb print!

Thursday, June 23, 2:30 p.m.

Popsicle Bookmarks: Arts and Entertainment

Ages 5 and up. Color, cut-out, and take a bite, summer reading is cool!

Monday, June 27, 1:30 p.m.



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Blue Hills Branch
649 Blue Hills Ave. Hartford, CT 06112
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Children and Families

Game On!: Health & Education

All ages. Channel your competitive spirit for an afternoon of physical contests! Try your hand at cornhole; bend your body for a game of Twister, and even shoot some hoops!

Wednesdays, June 15 and 22, 2:30 p.m.

Chalktastic Art: Arts & Entertainment

All ages. Create your own story with Bill Thomson's vivid and imaginative wordless book, Chalk and then unleash your inner chalk artist on the sidewalk around our library!

Thursday, June 16, 2:30 p.m.

Get Money Wise- BBQ Game Plan: Financial Literacy

Families welcome. Planning a summer barbeque while staying on budget can be tough! Families will work together to create BBQ celebration within budget and receive tips on how to do so. Dinner provided.

Tuesday, June 28, 4:30 p.m.

Back to Nature Story Hour: Early Literacy

Ages 3-5 with adult caregivers. Get back to basics with an all-natural story hour. Share stories, songs, fine and gross motor activities meant for you and your little one!

Wednesday, June 29, 10:00 a.m.

Summer Learning MEGA Registration Ice Cream Party!

Ages 0-19. Celebrate summer with Mega Education® with music, ice cream, and more! All kids 0-19 who have registered for summer learning and attend the party will be eligible to win a special prize! *Only those present are eligible to win.

Thursday, June 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Students

Father's Day Craft-a-thon: Arts & Entertainment

Ages 5 and up. Spend the afternoon creating unique hand-made sports-themed cards and gifts for fathers, uncles and grandfathers!

Friday, June 17, 2:30 p.m.

Madeline and Manicures: Literature

Ages 5 and up. Calling all junior readers! Join us for an afternoon of leisure reading about a charmingly impetuous, irrepressible, mischievous, and precocious young lady. As we read, enjoy a manicure!

Monday, June 20, 2:30 p.m.

A Beach Tail: Literature

Ages 5 and up. Listen to a father and son beach tale and create a sandy summertime seashell craft to take home!

Thursday, June 23, 2:30 p.m.

Shark Week: Education

Ages 8 and up. Dive in and discover all things shark!

Monday, June 27 through Wednesday, June 29, 2:30 p.m.



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Camp Field Branch
30 Campfield Ave. Hartford CT 06114
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Back to Nature Story House: Early Literacy
Ages 3-5 with adult caregivers. Get back to basics with an all-natural story hour. Share stories, songs, fine and gross motor activities meant for you and your little one!
Wed. June 8, 10:00 a.m.

Bug Story Time: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. Whether it's very hungry caterpillars or itsy-bitsy spiders, there are so many fun songs and stories about the little guy: bugs! Join us for a fun story time with a very buggy craft after!
Thursdays. June 9, 16, 23, 5:30 p.m.

All About You: Early Literacy
Ages preschoolers with caregivers. Join us for stories, songs, finger plays, and activity of you.
Mon., June 13, 2:30 p.m.

Husky READS!: Literacy and Nutrition
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Tuesdays June 15, 22 & 29, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Students

Summer Crafts: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Get yourself ready for the hot weather with some cool summer crafts.
Fridays, June, 10 & 24, 2:30 p.m.

Picturesque Poetry: Education
Ages 8 and up. Enjoy the simple pleasures of summer through Rebecca Kai Dotlich's poetry in Lemonade Sun and Other Summer Poems. Use colored sand to create summer themed pictures.
Wednesday, June 15, 2:00 p.m.

Father's Day Crafts: Arts and Entertainment
Ages 8 and up. Join us for a special Father's Day craft program, make dad a gift that you can dad can enjoy. All you need is a dad's favorite movie, creative gift wrapping and candy.
Thursday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

Welcome, Summer: Education
Ages 5 & up, Celebrate the season with story, craft, & freeze pop.
Monday, June 20, 2:30 p.m.

Dance Party: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up! Come join us! Discover your creative talents through laughter, music, and motion!
Tuesday, June 21, 1:30 p.m.

PAWS to Read: Literacy
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Friday, June 10th, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Mixing in Math: Education
Ages 6 and up. Math fun through games and activities.
Friday, June 24, 2:00 p.m.

Bugs and Flowers: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Make your own beautiful flowers or creepy bugs using tissue paper and construction paper.
Tuesday, June 28, 2:00 p.m.

Global Games: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Make simple game pieces and learn to play games from around the world -- mancala, achi, and more!
Thursday, June 30, 2:00 p.m.



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Ages 0-5 with adult caregiver. Whether it's very hungry caterpillars or itsy-bitsy spiders, there are so many fun songs and stories about the little guy: bugs! Join us for a fun story time with a very buggy craft after!
Wednesday, June 8, 5:30 p.m.

Bowling on the Green: Health
All ages. Let's get outside for a larger-than-life game of bowling! See how many pins you can knock down in our inflatable bowling set or learn the basics with our fun-size set.
Thursday, June 9, 2:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, June 22, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

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Chalktastic Art: Arts & Entertainment
All ages. Create your own story with Bill Thomson's vivid and imaginative wordless book, *Chalk*, and then unleash your inner chalk artist on the sidewalk around our library!
Monday, June 27, 2:30 p.m.

Old and New Story Time: Early Literacy
Ages 0-5 with adult caregiver. Join us for a wonderful story time featuring old and new picture books, listen to classic stories, and get introduced to new picture book authors.
Wednesday, June 29, 5:30 p.m.

Students

End of the School Year Compliments: Life Skills
Ages 5 and up. We've gotten to know each other during this last year. Come to the library for a fun turtle game where we write compliments for each other on a "shell" taped to our backs. You'll be sure to leave school on a high note!
Thursday, June 2, 3:00 p.m.

Global Games: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 & up. Make simple game pieces and learn to play games from around the world: mancala, achi, & more!
Friday, June 3, 3:00 p.m.

Duct Tape Tuesday: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Duct tape is one of the hottest new craft materials. Express yourself using all sorts of patterns to design your very own wallet. Your library card will never look more stylish!
Tuesday, June 7, 2:30 p.m.

Ninja Party! : Arts & Entertainment
Ages 5 and up. Join us for a ninja-tastic afternoon where we read some action-packed stories, perfect the art of origami *shurikens*, and create our very own take-home ninja figurines.
Monday, June 13, 2:30 p.m.

Fold 'n Fly Future Engineers – Paper Airplanes: STEM
Age 6 - 12. Have fun and be competitive! Future engineers will experiment with a variety of paper airplane designs and determine what works best.
Tuesday, June 14, 2:30 p.m.

Jump Rope for Joy! : Health
Ages 5 & up. Now that summer's almost officially here, it's time to get active & go outside. Do you like jumping rope solo, or is Double Dutch more your style? The possibilities for fun are endless!
Thursday, May 19, 4:00 p.m.

Yoga for Kids: Health
Ages 5 and up. Join us for a fun and relaxing yoga workshop presented by West Hartford Yoga Outreach. Learn some fun, healthy, and relaxing poses for the summer! Registration is required for groups.



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Goodwin Branch

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Pasta Architecture Party: Education
Ages 8 and up. Put your engineering skills to the test and try to construct buildings and bridges using only pasta, play-dough, and glue! You'll learn about what makes your creation strong enough to stand up without falling down and why some designs work better than others.
Monday, June 6, 4:00 p.m.

June Read-a-loud: Because of Winn Dixie: Literacy
Ages 7 and up. Join us for a month long read-a-loud of *Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo to get an early start on Summer Reading! Enjoy refreshing summer snacks!
Wednesdays, June 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:00 p.m.

Get Money Wise- Vacation Planning: Financial Literacy Ages 8 and up. Take an all-expenses paid trip on us...well kind of! Enjoy planning a dream vacation including travel, lodging, food and activities. See what you can get for your money all around the world! Refreshments provided.
Thursday, June 9, 2:00 p.m.

Bubble Rockets: Education
Ages 8 and up. Make your own rocket using paper and fizzing tablets, to launch outside the library! 3, 2, 1 blast off!
Monday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.

Sensory Storytime: Early Literacy
Ages 3-5 with parent/caregiver. Join us for a special storytime featuring stories, songs and activities that support sensory needs and development.
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Field Day Fridays: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 and up. Join us in the library backyard for fun outdoor sports including Scoop Ball, Badminton, Croquet, Paddle Ball and Jump Rope!
Fridays, June 17, 24, 1:30 p.m.

Candy Chemistry: Education
Ages 8 and up. Let's explore the wonders of science with candy! Join us for a sweet introduction to Chemistry as we make models of molecules with gumdrops!
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Electric Gelatin: Education
Ages 5 and up. Discover the shocking science of static electricity using simple household items.
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Mark Twain Branch
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Yoga for Kids: Health
Ages 5 and up. Join us for a fun and relaxing yoga workshop presented by West Hartford Yoga. Learn some fun, healthy, and relaxing poses for the summer! Registration is required for groups.
Monday, June 27, 1:30 p.m.

Born to Read: Early and Family Literacy
Age birth - 5 with adult caregiver. Inspire, stimulate and create a love of reading in your child by visiting the library weekly for developmentally appropriate stories, songs and finger plays. No registration required and snacks are provided.
Monday, June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Saturday Stories: Early and Family Literacy
Ages birth and up. An interactive family focused story time featuring seasonal picture books, songs, crafts and finger plays with playtime afterwards.
Saturday, June 11, 10 a.m.

a-MAZE-ing Design for Kids: STEM
Ages 6 - 12. Create a unique maze out of a cardboard box and tape and challenge your friends to see who can move a marble through it the fastest.
Wednesday, June 22, 2:30 p.m.

Microscope Investigation: Science and Literacy
Age 6 - 12. Examine a variety of natural specimens with a stereoscopic microscope, an easy-to-use microscope that doesn't require slides. We will have many items to look at but feel free to bring something small from home. Space is limited so call 860-695-7540 to register or email kmorse@hplct.org.
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Wednesdays, June 1, 8, 15, 3:00 p.m.

Building Crew: STEM Education
Age 6 - 12. As part of our on-going building crew, join us as we work to build a geodesic dome structure out of newspaper and tape. This is a multi-session project inspired by the science, art and inventions of Buckminster Fuller.
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Children and Families

Fit Fridays: Health

All ages. Celebrate this year's Summer Learning Theme, "The Summer of Fitness," by coming to the library to jump rope, hula-hoop, and hop-scotch to your heart's content! Challenge your friends to a friendly competition to see who can run faster, jump higher, or stretch farther!

Fridays, June 3 and 10 3:00 p.m.

June Bug Story Time: Early Literacy

Ages 0-5 with adult caregivers. Whether it's very hungry caterpillars or itsy-bitsy spiders, there are so many fun songs and stories about the little guy: bugs! Join us for a fun story time with a very buggy craft after!

Monday, June 6 10:00 a.m.

Beginning at the End: Entertainment

All ages. It is the end of the school year! Begin the Summer Learning fun at your library. Stop by to have a special snack and play group games.

Monday, June 6 1:00 p.m.

All About You: Early Literacy

Ages preschoolers with caregivers. Join us for stories, songs, finger plays, and activity of you.

Tuesday, June 7 10:00 a.m.

Husky READS!: Literacy and Nutrition

The Huskies are coming. Interns from the Husky READS program will have fun programs about nutrition, fitness, and reading for all ages every Tuesday starting June 14th.

Tuesdays, June 14, 21, 28, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Back To Nature Story Hour: Early Literacy

Ages 3-5 with adult caregivers. Get back to basics with an all-natural story hour. Share stories, songs, fine and gross motor activities meant for you and your little one!

Tuesday, June 21 2:00 p.m.

Chalktastic Art: Arts & Entertainment

All ages. Create your own story with Bill Thomson's vivid and imaginative wordless book, *Chalk* and then unleash your inner chalk artist on the sidewalk around our library!

Monday, June 27 2:00 p.m.

Students

Minute to Win It: Health

Ages 8 and up. Have you got a minute? Drop in for an afternoon of quick thinking challenges sure to get you up and moving!

Wednesday, June 8 1:00 p.m.

Beads for Beauty: Arts & Crafts

Ages 10 and up. Choose from a large variety of beads to make your own ear rings, bracelets and anklets. Pick up jewelry making techniques & terminology. Materials and tools provided.

Mondays, June 13 and 20 1:30 p.m.

Picturesque Poetry: Education

Ages 8 and up. Enjoy the simple pleasures of summer through Rebecca Kai Dotlich's poetry in *Lemonade Sun* and *Other Summer Poems*. Use colored sand to create summer themed pictures.

Wednesday, June 15, 2:00 p.m.

Father's Day Craft: Arts and Entertainment

Ages 8 and up. Join us for a special Father's Day craft program, make dad a gift that you can dad can enjoy. All you need is a dad's favorite movie, creative gift wrapping and candy.

Thursday, June 16 2:00 p.m.

Pixar Movie Magic: Technology

Ages 8 and up. Join us for a virtual visit to Pixar Animation Studios to discover the science, technology, engineering, art and math behind *Finding Nemo*, *Toy Story*, *Brave* and more! Each week we will discover and practice a different stage of the movie making process.

Tuesdays, June 7, 14, & 21 2:00 p.m.

Fold N Fly Future Engineers – Paper Airplanes: STEM

Age 6 - 12. Have fun and be competitive! Experiment with a variety of paper airplane designs & determine what works best.

Wednesday, June 22 2:00 p.m.

Wheelies: Arts & Entertainment

Ages 6 & up. Create your own license plate to show off on your bike.

Thursday, June 23 2:00 p.m.

Yoga for Kids: Health

Ages 5 and up. Join us for a fun and relaxing yoga workshop presented by West Hartford Yoga Outreach. Learn some fun, healthy, and relaxing poses for the summer! Registration is required for groups.

Friday, June 24 2:00 p.m.

Mangos, Music, Mendhi: Arts & Entertainment

Ages 8 and up. Decorate your hands with the traditional Indian dye, mehndi (its temporary!), while enjoying Indian music and sweets. Space is limited; registration required.

Tuesday, June 28 2:00 p.m.

Focus On the Fifties: Life Skills

Ages 6 and up. Celebrate the 1950s with a popular activity from the decade- the hula hoop. Enjoy some hula hoop games to boost your health.

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**Saturday, June 4th
12:30-4:00**
Downtown Library

Sign up for the program at our outdoor carnival!
FREE transportation from all branches!

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Thursday, June 30 2:00 p.m.

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Jumbo Game Day: Arts & Entertainment
All ages. Come have fun playing jumbo size Sorry, Connect Four, checkers, puzzles and other board games with kids and teens your age and make new friends.
Monday, June 6, 20, 3:00 p.m.

Cover up: Arts & Entertainment
Ages 6 and Up. Decorate a foam sun visor to protect yourself from the sun.
Tuesday, June 7, 4:00 p.m.

Chalk It Off: Education
Ages: 5 and up. Enjoy being outside and be creative with sidewalk chalk.
Thursday, June 9, 23, 2:00 p.m.

Bubble Everywhere: Arts & Entertainment
Ages: 5 and up. Lets go outside and try a variety of bubble wands to see bubble creations.
Friday, June 10, and Tuesday, June 28, 2:00 p.m.

Get Money Wise-Minute to Win It: Financial Literacy & Health
Ages 8 and up. Ages 8 and up. Have you got a minute? Drop in for an afternoon of quick thinking challenges sure to get you up and moving!
Tuesday, June 14, 2:00 p.m.

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Monday, June 20, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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Cool Legos: Arts & Entertainment
Ages: 7 and up. We are calling LEGO fans of all ages! Join us for free play as we get wildly creative with fun LEGO projects! Bring a friend along.
Wednesday, June 29, 2:00 p.m.



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