**FEBRUARY 2021**
**VIRTUAL YOUTH PROGRAMS**

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**Facebook Program Videos**
@HartfordPublicLibrary
join a HPL Youth Librarian on Facebook for a special video program in the afternoon.

**Tuesday & Thursday | Storytime Videos**

**Wednesday | STEM Videos**

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**Early Reader Winter Reading Contest**
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 Miss Katherine: If Dominican Were a Color, on Tuesday, March 30, 4:00pm . Register in our Early Reader Winter Reading Contest libguide.

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**Virtual Programs on Zoom or Google Meet**
We will post registration links for all our February programs on our website: bit.ly/hplchildren

**Read, Sing, & Play for ages 0-5**

**Black History Family Story Time with Ms. Lina**
Ages 0-5 with parent/caregiver. Monday, Feb 1, 8, 11:00am. Join us for storytime with songs, rhymes, and stories featuring picture books by African American writers.

**Read, Sing, Play Story Time with Ms. Lina**
Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers. Monday, Feb 22, 11:00am. Join us for stories, activities, and music movement.

**Music and Stories with Ms. Katrina**
Ages 0-5. Thursday, Feb 4, 11, 18, 25, 11:00am. Families can join for a storytime as well as songs with Ms. Katryna and her musical instruments!

**Rhyme Time with Ms. Lina**
Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers. Friday, Feb 12, 19, 11:00am. Introduce your child to the wonderful world of songs, rhymes, and fingerplays!

**Afterschool with HPL**

**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 Fourth 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/HPLWinterReading

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**ARTS & CRAFTS**

**Relaxation Room: Kindness Rocks**
Ages 6-12. Wednesday, Feb 3, 2:00pm.
Join Miss 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 Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

**Crafts with Ms. Rubina: Paper Toys**
Ages 6-12. Monday, Feb 1, 8, 22 & Thursday Feb 18, 3:30pm
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.

**Art Club with Miss Katherine : Sweet Hearts**
Ages 6-18. Tuesday, Feb 9, 4:00 pm.
Join Miss Katherine for another sweet edible art activity, all about Valentines Day! *Program kit available. After you register, contact Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

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**Virtual Teen Programs**

**Nintendo on Twitch for Teens**
Ages 13-19. Monday, Feb 1, 8, 22, 4:00pm. 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!

**Take Your Child to the Library Day - Virtual**
Saturday, February 6, 10:00am-1:00pm & 2:00pm-3:00pm
All Ages. Join the Children's Room for family storytimes in English, Urdu, and Spanish at 10:00am-1:00pm and a fun afternoon Animal Show with the West Hartford Children's Museum at 2:00pm

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Happy Chinese New Year: Dragon Puppets
Ages 6-12. Wednesday, Feb 10, 2:00pm
Join us to learn about Chinese New Year and make a looooong dragon puppet!*Program kit available.
After you register, contact Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Black History Art Club:
Ages 6-12. Tuesday, 4:00pm
Feb 16: The Colors of My Imagination: Our featured artist is Christian Robinson. We will read his latest book, Milo Imagines the World, based on his real-life as a child with an incarcerated parent and make color art!
Feb 23: Carter Reads the Newspaper: Meet the Father of Black History Month, Carter G. Woodson and make a poetry portrait to remember this important man!*Program kits available. After you register, contact Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

ValenSLIME
Friday, Feb 12, 4:00pm
Join Vickie from the Barbour Branch Library on Google Meet once a month for Valentine’s Day Slime!! *Program kit available. After you register, contact Vickie to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Mask Keepers
Wednesday, Feb 17, 4:00pm
Make a necklace to attach your mask to so you never lose it! All craft kits come with a reusable mask. *Program kit available. After you register, contact Vickie to pick up your kit while supplies last.

STEM
STEM with Ms. Rubina
Ages 6-12, Wednesday, 3:30pm
Feb 3: Shape Shifters - Tangrams
Feb 10: A Geometric Shape Medley
Feb 17: Make it Real in 3-D
Feb 24: It's Just an Illusion
*Program kits available. After you register, contact Ms. Rubina to pick up your kit while supplies last.

Winter Birds
Ages 6-12. Wednesday, Feb 17, 2:00pm
Join us to learn about winter birds and make a bird feeder from natural materials.*Program kit available. After you register, contact Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

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STEM Kitchen
Ages 6-12. Wednesday, Feb 24, 2:00pm
There is so much Science and Math right in your kitchen! Join Miss Katherine to make a STEM Kitchen kit for hours of indoor play and discovery!*Program kit available. After you register, contact Miss Katherine to pick up your kit while supplies last.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
Talk African American History with Kendall and Miss Lina
Wednesday, 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 black figures who have changed the world as we know it.

Junior Jeopardy with Kendall
Ages 6-12. Friday, Feb 5, 12, 19, 26, 3:30pm
Join Kendall for a fun Black History Jeopardy trivia. Test your knowledge about the contributions of African Americans to our nation.

Super Bookstronauts! Book Club for Tweens with Ms Lina
Ages 8-12. Monday, Feb. 22, 4:00pm. 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.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE
Social Justice Storytime: Change Begins with Me
Ages 4-8. Thursday, 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
School Choice Application Assistance
Families with school-age children. Friday & Saturday, Feb 5, 12, 19, 26, 1:30pm & Feb 13, 20, 27, 2:00pm. Join us virtually in February for school choice assistance!