November 2018

Programs for Youth and Families



Hang Outs: All Ages, Drop in Anytime

International Games Week @ HPL

Join us to celebrate international games week with a wide selection of fun board games, card games, and other activities to celebrate play!

Week of 11/5—Park, Camp Field, Barbour, Dwight, Ropkins & Albany

Amazing Autumn Craft-stravaganza

See what fall themed items you can make.

Week of 11/19—Camp Field

Build with Strawbees

Calling all jr. engineers! What can you create with straws and plastic connectors? Come find out!

Week of 11/19—Dwight
Week of 11/26—Albany

Loom It Up

Use our looms and elastics to create your own bracelet or keychain creation.

Week of 11/19—Downtown & Barbour Week of 11/26—Downtown & Dwight

All locations of HPL will be closed on:

- -Friday November 2nd for staff training
- -Sunday and Monday November 11th and 12th for Veteran's Day
- -Closing at 5:00 on Wednesday November 24th
- -Thursday November 25th for Thanksgiving

Legos in the Library

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

Week of 11/19—Park Week of 11/26—Barbour

Yarn Week

Want to learn to knit or crochet? We have all the materials you need, just stop by.

Week of 11/26—Camp Field

Celebrate Picture Book Month

November is picture book month. Check out our fun display and color your own picture book cover

Week of 11/5—Downtown
Week of 11/12—Barbour, Park, Camp Field,
Dwight, Ropkins & Downtown
Week of 11/19—Albany

Magnetic Sculptures

Discover the powers of magnetism & create something cool.

Week of 11/26—Ropkins

Perler Bead Bonanza

We have a ton of perler beads and boards for you to create with.

Week of 11/12—Albany Week of 11/19—Ropkins Week of 11/26—Park

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. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, and sing songs.

Thurs | 10 - 10:45 | Park | Mon & Fri | 11 - 12 | Downtown | Wed | Nov 7 & 14 | 9:30-10:30 | Dwight

Wed | Nov 7 & 21 | 11-11:30 Barbour

Tues & Thur except the week of 11/19| 10-10:30 and 10:30-11 | Ropkins

Wed | Nov 7 & 14 | 9:30-10:30 | Dwight Wed | Nov 28 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field

App Diddle Dee

Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver. Join us for fun rhyming books and musical apps that will get your children excited about letters, words and sounds!

Fri | Nov 9 | 11:30 – 12 | Camp Field

Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Interactive play-time for children. Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.

Wed |11:00-12:00| 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

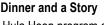
Family Programming: All Ages

Celebrate Diwali: Festival of Light

Join the Children's Room for a fun filled evening of music, poetry, and dance, to celebrate the spirit of Diwali.

Special guest Rachna Agrawal will present Dances Of India.

Downtown Library Center for Contemporary Culture (CCC Room) Thursday, November 8th 5:00-7:00 p.m.



Join us for a Hula Hoop program and a story, followed by dinner courtesy of CCMC!

Mon | Nov 26 | 6-7 | Downtown











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Thanksgiving Gratitude Trees

Tis the season to think about what you are grateful for. Create your own gratitude tree to express your thanks.

Tues| Nov 13 | 3:30-5 | Downtown Mon | Nov 19 | 4-5 | Park & Barbour Tues| Nov 20 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight Wed | Nov 14 | 4:30-5:30 | Albany Tues| Nov 20| 3:30-5 | Downtown Wed | Nov 21 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field



Circus Bridges

Enjoy engineering a bridge for 21 circus elephants with household materials.

Tues | Nov 6 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight Thur | Nov 8 | 4-5 | Park



Circuit Clav

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

Wed | Nov 7 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field



Rangoli for Dipwali

Create a beautiful Rangoli design in recognition of this great festival of India and Nepal.

Thurs | Nov 8 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins



Ojo de Dios

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by creating this traditional Mexican craft.

Thurs | Nov 1 | 4-5 | Barbour



Native American Heritage Month: Corn Husk Dolls

Our program explores traditions of the pre-Columbian Native people in New England. Hear the legend of the corn husk doll and then construct your own doll. Explore the true meaning of the wampum belt and design one that tells your personal story.

Thurs | Nov 8 | 4-5 | Barbour Thurs | Nov 15 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins

Marshmallow Spaghetti Challenge

You and your team have 18 minutes to build a free-standing structure out of 20 pieces of uncooked spaghetti, a yard of masking tape, a yard of string and a single marshmallow! Are you up for the challenge? Join us and see!

Wed | Nov 7 | 4:30-5:30 | Albany



Makey Makey

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

Tues | Nov 13 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight

3-D Printer Exploration

Learn how a 3-D printer and 3-D design work by designing your own object and watching it print.

Wed | Nov 14 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field

Tues | Nov 20 | 4-5 | Barbour

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Mindful Moments

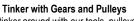
Take a break and learn how to handle stress with easy relaxation tips using music, paint, and your own body.

Thurs | Nov 1 & 29 | 4-5 | Park



Come out and explore what you can create with materials and objects!

Thurs | Nov 15 | 4-5 | Barbour & Park



Come tinker around with our tools, pulleys, and gears to see what creation you can build!

Tues | Nov 6 & 27 | 3:30-5 | Downtown

Word | Nov 21 | 2:3 | Barbour

Wed | Nov 21 | 2-3| Barbour Tues | Nov 27 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight



Yoga Time

Yoga is great for keeping your body healthy and your mind relaxed. Come learn some fun poses, no special mat or experience needed! Thurs | Nov 29 | 4-5 | Barbour

Book Friends

Do you have a favorite story about being a good friend? Join us to chat about great chapter books and favorite book characters. Each week, we'll do a different fun activity: cupcake decorating, DIY Diary, Slime and more!

Thur | Nov 15 & 29 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field

Paracord Bracelets are used as survival tools besides being a fashion accessory. Participant will learn a bit about the nature of parachute cord, the survival use of the paracord bracelet, as well as the techniques to make paracord bracelets by using various creative knots.

A Bracelet for All Seasons

Thurs | Nov 29 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins



Hartford Public Library Locations and Hours

Downtown Library | 500 Main Street | 860-695-6330 | M – Th 9:30am – 8pm, F – Sat 9:30am – 5pm, Sun 1-5

Albany Branch | 1250 Albany Ave | 860-695-7380 | M & W 10am – 6pm, T & Th 10am – 8pm, F – Sat 10am – 5pm

Barbour Branch | 261 Barbour Street | 860-695-7400 | M & W 10am – 8pm, T & Th 10am – 6pm, F 10am – 5pm

Camp Field Branch | 30 Campfield Ave | 860-695-7440 | M & W 10am – 6pm, T & Th 10am – 8pm, F 10am – 5pm

Dwight Branch | 7 New Park Ave | 860-695-7460 | M & W 10am – 6pm, T & Th 10am – 8pm, F 10am – 5pm

Park Branch | 744 Park Street | 860-695-7500 | M & W 10am – 8pm, T & Th 10am – 6pm, F - Sat 10am – 5pm

Ropkins Branch | 1750 Main Street | 860-695-7520 | M. W. Th 3pm – 6pm, Tue 1:30pm – 6pm, F 3pm-5pm