

Hang Outs: All Ages, Drop in Anytime

Week of 10/1

Hispanic Heritage Month—Albany

Learn about our Nicaraguan Sister City, Ocotlán!

Amazing Autumn Craft-Stravaganza!- Barbour,

Camp Field Celebrate the season with cool crafts!

Loom It Up! - Downtown, Park, Ropkins

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

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

Cool Coloring: Hartford Athletic/Soccer—Albany

Week of 10/7

Perler Bead Bonanza—Albany, Park

Get creative with perler beads!

Yarn Week—Barbour

We have all the materials to knit or crochet!

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Field Celebrate the season with cool crafts!

Hispanic Heritage Month— Dwight

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Engineering Table—Downtown

Washi Tape Fun—Ropkins Use colorful Washi tape to make your own bookmark!

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Week of 10/14

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Perler Bead Bonanza—Barbour

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Washi Tape Fun—Park Use colorful Washi tape to make your own bookmark!

Engineering Table: Cup Towers—Camp Field

How high can you build a cup tower?

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Downtown Celebrate the season with cool crafts!

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Week of 10/21

A Bracelet for All Seasons—Albany, Park

Paracord Bracelets are used as survival tools besides being a fashion accessory.

Make Your Own Monster—Downtown

Let your imagination run wild and create your very own friendly monster!

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Week of 10/28

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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.

Mon & Fri | 11 -12 | Downtown

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

Wed| Oct 2 | 10-10:30| Camp Field

Thur | 10 - 10:45 | Park



Dinner and a Story: Goblins and Giggles

Join Storyteller, Rona Leventhal for tales that will put shivers up your spine and send you home with a smile! Halloween costumes welcome! Registration required. Sign up in the Children's Department—Downtown.



Mon | Oct 14 | 6-7| Downtown
Center for Contemporary Culture

Toddler Storytime / Cuentos para Niños Pequeños

Join us for our new bilingual storytime for Toddlers!

Thur | 11-11:45| Park



Starry Storytime



Join us for evening storytime each week!

Tues| 6:30-7:30| Albany

Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

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

Wed |11-12 | Downtown

Storytime in the Park

Join us at Bushnell Park near the playground to sing, play and read!

Mon| Oct 7 | 11-12| Bushnell Park



STEM Fun!

Time for Slime

Make your own batch of slime!
Tues| Oct 1| 4-5:30| Rawson



STEAM Wednesdays

Join us for hands on activities involving Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math!
Wed| 4-5 | Downtown

STEM Lab: Video Game Background Design

Design your own video game using Bloxels!
Tues| Oct 8| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

STEM Lab: Video Game Character Design

Design your own video game character using Bloxels!
Wed| Oct 9| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

Borax Crystals Part 1 & 2

Let make our own crystals! Two visits needed to create and examine crystals together.
Thur | Oct 10 & 17| 4-5| Park

Coding Fun: Celebrate Ada Lovelace

We are celebrating Ada Lovelace Day! Learn about this amazing woman of science and play with our Ozobots!
Fri| Oct 11| 3-4:30| Barbour

STEM Lab: What Floats Your Boat?

Design a boat that can hold as much weight as possible without sinking!
Tues| Oct 15| 2:30-3:30| Albany

Ozobots/Beebots

Come learn all about coding by playing with our fun robots!
Thur| Oct 17| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Be Internet Awesome!

Join us for fun activities and online games to get smart, safe and kind online!

Mon| Oct 21| 3-4| Albany

Tues| Oct 22| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Wed| Oct 23| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field



Orbeez: A Sensory Blast!

Orbeez are tiny beads that grow into squishy, bouncy balls when soaked in water. Come enjoy a new sensory experience!

Thur| Oct 3| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

Tues| Oct 8| 5-6| Downtown

Children's Room : Hooks and Needles Yarn Club

Whether you're a new or experienced crafter, join us to knit and crochet together!

Thur| Oct 3, 17 & 31| 1-3| Downtown



Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

Who Was Pura Belpre?

Come and learn about the first Latina Librarian in the New York Public Library system, and Storyteller, Pura Belpre to help us celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

Tues| Oct 1| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Sat| Oct 5| 2-3| Downtown

Ojo de Dios

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by creating this traditional Mexican craft.

Thur| Oct 3| 4-5| Park



October Fun!

Mask Making

Join us to sew and decorate a felt mask perfect for wearing!

Mon| Oct 14| 6-7:30| Barbour

Wed| Oct 16| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

Tues| Oct 22| 4-6| Downtown



Autumn Festival

Celebrate all things fall with autumnal stories, crafts and spooky treats! Decorate your own mini pumpkin to take home.

Thur| Oct 17| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

Tues| Oct 29| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Wed| Oct 30| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins & |4-5| Park

Thur| Oct 31| 4-5:30| Downtown

Make Your Own Monster

Create your very own friendly monster!

Tues| Oct 29| 4-5| Rawson

Thur| Oct 31| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Spooky Stories

Get into the fall spirit with fun spooky readalouds.

Thur| Oct 24| 4-5| Park, Rawson

Tues| Oct 29| 4-5| Albany & |5-6| Downtown

Wed| Oct 30| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

Rangoli for Diwali

Celebrate Diwali with a beautiful Rangoli design!

Thur| Oct 24| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Homework Help—Get help with your homework and reading at the library!

Mon—Fri | 3-4| Camp Field

Mon— Fri | 3:30-4:30| Dwight

Mon-Fri | 3-4 | Park

Mon, Wed, Thur | 3:30-5 | Ropkins

Tues | 1:30-3:30 | 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

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

Boundless Library @ Rawson | 260 Holcomb Street | 860-695—7481| T & Th 3:30pm—6pm

October Book Discussions!

CT Humanities Book Voyagers: Growing Green

When you look around, do you see something green and growing? Or do you see an empty lot with possibilities? These four inspiring stories will help you see how the power of one can truly make a difference!

Thur| Oct 3, 10, 17 & 24| 5:30-6:30| Downtown

Early Readers Book Club

1st and 2nd graders are invited to join us for a fun time of reading, snacking and a related craft or activity! They will receive a book to keep at each meeting. Space is limited! Sign-up is required.

Mon| Oct 7| 4:30-5:30| Downtown

Snack & Chat: George

Like George, have you ever experienced a time when you felt unseen or like no one understood you? Join other kids in our musical card discussion game based on the book, George, by Alex Gino.

Wed| Oct 9| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Sat| Oct 26| 2:30-3:30| Downtown



Unroot Doll Hair Day Spa

Join Sakinah and her business partner Debbie McDonald of *Hair We Go Studios* to learn hair care techniques, tools, tips, and strategies for doll hair care.

Sat| Oct 12| 11:30-12:30| Downtown

Exercise Your Mind & Body!

Yoga Time

Yoga is great for keeping your body healthy and your mind relaxed. Come learn some fun poses no experience needed!

Wed| Oct 23| 5-6| Barbour

Yoga for Success

Learn simple, powerful yoga poses to bring stability and balance to your life!

Mon| Oct 28| 5:30-6:30| Downtown

A Dexterous Mind

Indulge in mental gymnastics with unusual brain-teasers to keep your mind sharp and supple.

Wed| Oct 30| 4-5:30| Barbour



The Art and Science of Leaf Rubbings

Explore autumn in New England with a story time and craft that combines science and art. Find out why leaves change color in the fall and learn to identify the parts of a leaf.

Tues| Oct 15| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Wed| Oct 30| 4-5| Rawson

Haiku Leaves

Create a fall themed haiku on leaf rubbed paper. Thur| Oct 10| 3:30-4:30| Camp Field

