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Hartford Public Library To Hold Virtual Summer Learning Program June 29 through August 21, 2020

HARTFORD – Hartford Public Library’s online summer learning program, called “Summer Adventures with HPL: Imagine your Story!” will take place from June 29 through August 21, 2020.

All of the program information is available at <https://bit.ly/hpladventure>.

The Summer Adventure held a virtual kick-off on Monday, June 29 at 1 pm, airing on Facebook. FriendZ World Music performed African drumming and dancing.

The library has put together a Bingo style playing card for all ages to participate either by phone or online.

Each person who completes three activities from the Bingo card or reads for 20 minutes three times, or any combination of the two, each week, is eligible to enter a weekly raffle. There will be grand prize raffle drawing for those who participate all 8 weeks

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 1 pm an HPL youth librarians will offer online programming viewable on Facebook and the HPL YOUTube Channel. Tuesdays will be story times, Wednesday will be a fun grab and go craft, and Thursdays will be a STEM experiment. For the Wednesday craft programs, a craft kit for you to do along with a librarian or on your own, will be provided for pick up by appointment at the Downtown Library or from the Library on Wheels. Call 860-695-6330 for more information.

For families that do not have the tools needed to participate in programs from home HPL is providing 500 “Backpack Basics,” containing scissors, crayons, and other art supplies. Backpacks are available on a first come first served basis and are limited to two per family.

Each week the library will also hold Zoom programs on a variety of subjects, from book discussions and story hours to show and tells and cooking. Each week a registration link will be posted on the HPL website for our Monday - Friday Zoom programs. Register online or call your neighborhood library to register by phone at 860-695-6330.

Monday
Miss Katherine’s Garden Storytime

Ages 0-5 with siblings and parent/caregivers. Monday, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:00am.

Join Miss Katherine in her backyard for stories and nature exploration.

Build a Mookray Farm with Yolanda

Ages 6-12. Mondays, July 6, 13, 20, and 27
2:00 pm.

A four-part STEM series designed to help kids gain a comprehensive understanding of Mookray building blocks to construct products that are helpful in real life.

Recycle Crafts with Ms. Katryna

Ages 6-12 with siblings and caregivers. Monday, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 1:30pm.

Tuesday

Zoom Story Time with Ms. Rubina

Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers. Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 11:00am.

Join us from home for fun stories, rhymes & fingerplay.

Miss Katherine's Relaxation Zoom Room

Ages 6-12 & Ages 13-18.
Tuesday, July 7, 14, 21, 28, 2:00pm.

Join Miss Katherine for relaxing art and meditation activities to create calm for yourself.

CT Humanities Book Voyager: K is for Kindness Book Discussion Series with Andre Keitt

Ages 6-12.
Tuesdays, July 14, 21, 28, 1:00 pm.

What does it take to make a new friend? How important is kindness in making and keeping friends? Take a look at the friendships in these four books to see how these characters made their friendships work. *What Does It Mean to Be Kind* by Rana DiOrio, *Frog and Toad are Friends* by Arnold Lobel, *Enemy Pie* by Derek Munson, *Those Shoes* by Maribeth Boelts.

Wednesday

Miss Katherine's Story Circle for Children

Ages 6-12.
Wednesday, July 8, 15, 22, 29,
2:00pm.

Join us to read, write and create stories together.

Creative Crafts with Ms. Rubina

Ages 6-12.
Wednesdays 1, 15, 22 & 29, 1:00pm.

Ms. Rubina shows you how to make fun crafts each week.

July 1 - Origami Butterflies Mobile,

July 15 - Flower Bashing

July 22 - Fabric bracelet or anklet

July 29 - Guatemalan Worry Dolls

Show And Tell with Miss Lina

All ages. Wednesdays, July 1st, 8th, and 15th,
12:00pm.

Show Ms Lina and all your library friends something special! Maybe it's a book, doll, drawing, toy, or even a pet. Then you can see everyone else's!

Talk STEM with Kendall and Miss Lina

Ages 6-12. Wednesdays, July 15th, 22nd, and 29th, 3:30pm.

Join Kendall via Zoom for a fun STEM adventure featuring amazing facts in the field of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

Thursday

Summer Celebration with Miss Katherine & Miss Pat

All ages.

Thursday July 2, 2:00pm.

Welcome children, teens and adults for a fun virtual gathering to talk about what's happening this summer at the library, do a sample program together and participate in a community singalong. We are overjoyed to see you again!

Food Adventures with Ms. Rubina

Ages 6-12. & Ages 13-18. Thursdays, July 2,9, 16,
23 & 30, 1:00pm.

Learn to make no-cook, healthy, and yummy recipes.

Teen Voices with Miss Katherine

Ages 13-18. Thursday, July 9, 16, 23, 2:00pm.

We'll be reading, watching videos and sharing stories.

Friday

Bilingual Storytime and Sing-a-long with Miss Katherine

Ages 0-5 & 6-12.

Fridays, July 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2:00pm.

Join Miss Katherine live from the Camp Field Branch for stories and songs in English and Spanish.

Magical Creatures Storytime with Ms Lina

Ages 0-5 with parents/caregivers.

Fridays, July 10,
17, 24 & 31, 12:00pm.

Enter the enchanting world of Unicorns, Mermaids, and Fairies featuring stories, songs and rhymes.

Virtual Community Garden Tour with Miss. Vickie.

All ages.

Friday July 10, 3:00pm.

Join Miss Vickie as she walks across the street to the Barbour Street Community Garden to see what the neighborhood is growing this year!

Zoom MadLibs with Miss Vickie

Ages 6-12.

Friday July 17, 3:00pm.

Help Miss Vickie write

some (adjective) stories with (number plural) of (noun plural) that are sure to (verb) your (adjective) (noun).

Show And Tell with Miss Vickie and Miss Tania

All ages.

Friday, July 24, 3:00pm.

Show Miss Vickie and Miss Tania and all your library friends something special! Maybe it's a book, doll, drawing, toy, or even a pet. Then you can see everyone else's!

For more information or to sign up for the summer learning program, visit hplct.org or call 860-695-6330.

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