



# YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS SEPTEMBER 2024 CALENDAR

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# September 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS CHILDREN'S ROOM



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## Children & Families

### Family Storytime

Ages 5 and under with parents/caregivers. Join us for stories, activities, and music movement.

*South Church*

Mondays, September 9-30, 11:00am

### Family Storytime

Tuesdays, September 17, 24, 11:15am

Thursdays, September 19, 26, 11:15 am

*Downtown Library, CCC Room*



### Sensory Storytime

Ages birth-7. Join us for a storytime program geared towards kids with varying sensory needs. Great for kids on the spectrum.

*Downtown Library, CCC Room*

Fridays, September 13 & 27, 11:00 am

### Leap Into Learning (LIL)



### Grandparent's Day Soiree

LIL Families. Nobody can do for little children what grandparents do. Grandparents sort of sprinkle stardust over the lives of little children—Alex Haley Join us to honor Grandparents Day! Enjoy a read-along, jewelry making, and a visit from the magical Read to Grow Bookmobile.

*Downtown Library*

Monday, September 7, 1:00-3:00 pm

### Wednesday Workshop: Coding for Kiddos

LIL Participants. Did you know coding supports following directions, problem solving, the five practices, and math concepts? Join us for early learning coding fun.

*Downtown Library*

Wednesday, September 18, 1:00-2:30 pm

### Reading & Recipes Literacy and Nutrition Series

LIL Participants. Join us on the third Thursdays monthly for our session with UCONN Husky Nutrition and Sports Nutritionist. Families will engage in an interactive nutrition education sessions and food demonstrations. Participants will receive literacy resources and ingredients. This month our featured recipe will focus on Childhood Obesity Awareness

*Zoom*

Thursday September 19, 6:30-8:00 pm

### Fieldtrip to Lutz Museum

Ages 2-5. Explore Lutz's miniature city play space, visit the museum animals, and participate in a special STEM activity. Autumn Bus pick up: 9:30 am; Drop off: 12:30 pm

*Albany Branch*

Monday, September 23, 9:30 am

## Youth Programs 6-12

### Snack and Paint

Ages 6-12. Join us and relax with a snack and paint workshop.

*Downtown Library, Room 141*

Monday, September 9, 4:00 pm

### Breathe & Be

Ages 6-12. Join Ms. Katherine for relaxing meditations and sensory activities.

*Downtown Library, CCC Room*

Wednesday, September 11, 2:00 pm

### Book Nook

All ages. Drop by the library to get some books for your child's weekend reading and a fun activity kit.

*Downtown Library, X Space*

Fridays, September 13, 20, 27, 3:00-5:00 pm



**RSCO  
School Coordinator  
Open Office Hours**

School Choice Coordinators are available to meet with you at the branches during Open Office Hours, RSCO special events or by appointment. For more information visit [bit.ly/hplrsco](http://bit.ly/hplrsco)

**Odeta Mano | 860-306-9757 Email: [omano@hplct.org](mailto:omano@hplct.org) | Languages: Albanian, Greek, English**

**Albany Branch, Barbour Branch, Camp Field Branch, Ropkins**

**Gabriel Sorondo Guirola | 860-969-9148**

**| [gsguirola@hplct.org](mailto:gsguirola@hplct.org) | Languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, English**

**Downtown Library, Dwight Branch, Park Street Library @ the Lyric,**



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Parents of students PreK - 12.

Get information about school choice options for your child. Contact School Choice Coordinator, Gabriel Sorondo Guirola, [gsguirola@hplct.org](mailto:gsguirola@hplct.org) or text/call 860-969-9148.

Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25, 12:30-5:00 pm

Fridays, September 6, 13, 20, 27, 12:30-5:00 pm

*Downtown Library, Room 141*

**RSCO Hindi-Spanish Language Exchange**

All ages. Join us to learn simple phrases in Hindi & Spanish and get information about school choice options for your child.

*Downtown Library, Room 141*

Wednesday, September 18, 3:30-5:30 pm

नमस्ते, तुम कैसे हो?  
**BIEN, ¿Y TÚ?**

**Lego @ the Library**

All Ages. Calling all LEGO engineers, be creative, and build anything with LOTS of LEGOS. Meet our new mini LEGO friends and challenging designs

*Downtown Library, Room 141*

Monday, September 16, 4:00pm

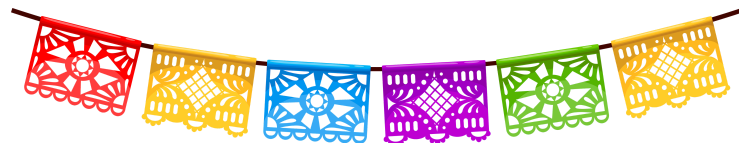


**VR World**

Ages 13-19. Join Ms. Katherine and the YouMedia team for VR fun!

*Downtown Library, CCC Room*

Friday, September 20, 3:00-5:00 pm



**Celebrate Hispanic Heritage**

Ages 4-12. Join us for Spanish/English stories and make a "Muneca Quitapena" Craft to celebrate Hispanic culture.

*Downtown Library, Room 141*

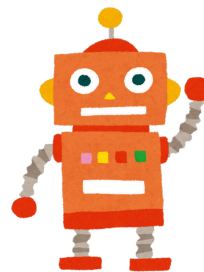
Monday, September 23, 4:00 pm

**Robot Party!**

Ages 6-12 & 13-19. Join Ms. Katherine to play with the library robots - build, race, explore!

*Downtown Library, CCC Room*

Wednesday, September 25, 3:30-5:30 pm



**Contact**  
**Hartford Public Library**  
**Children's Room**  
**860-461-5060**  
**860-461-5106**



# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS ALBANY BRANCH



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## Children & Families

### Storytime @ Albany

Ages birth-5. Join us for songs stories and early literacy tips

*Albany Branch*

Tuesdays, September 10, 17, & 24, 10:30-11:00 am



### Weekend Storytime

Ages Birth-5, siblings welcome.

Come to Albany on the weekend for stories, songs and early literacy tips.

*Albany Branch*

Saturday, September 7, 28, 10:30-11:00 am

## Youth Programs 6-12

### Crafternoon

Ages 6-12. Bring out your inner artist with a craft activity at Albany every Wednesday.

*Albany Branch*

Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30-11:00 am



### Reading Club

Ages 6-19. Every Thursday join us in the community room for a quiet reading space. Read for just 20 minutes to earn a prize or piece of candy.

*Albany Branch*

Thursdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 3:30-5:00 pm

### Aeroponics

Age 6-19. Learn about, help care for, and eat plants from our aeroponic tower! *Albany Branch*

Fridays, September 6, 13, 20, 1:30-2:30 pm



### STEM Building

Ages 6-12. Become an architect and build your own creations using a variety of building kits and materials.

*Albany Branch*

Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, & 30, 3:30-4:30 pm

### RSCO Open Office Hours

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Tuesday, September 3, 10, 17, 12:00-5:00 pm

Saturday, September 7, 21, 12:00-5:00 pm



### RSCO Hispanic Heritage Month

All ages. Join us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with crafts and snacks. Learn about school choice options for your child.

*Albany Branch*

Tuesday, September 17, 4:00-5:00 pm



## Teen Programs

### Teen Fridays

Ages 12-19. Join Ms. April for a variety of teen programs like candle making.

*Albany Branch*

Fridays, September 6, 13, 20, 3:00-5:00 pm



### Esports

Ages 12-19. Competition at its finest! Compete in Brawlhalla, Madden, 2K and more.

*Albany Branch*

Tuesdays, September 3-24, 3:00-5:00 pm

Fridays, September 6-27, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Interactive Game Design Workshop

Ages 12-19. If you're passionate about crafting your own custom board game for printing or eager to design a video game using Unity and Roblox Studio, this workshop has you covered. Learn the fundamentals of game design, bring your ideas to life, and share your creations with others.

*Albany Branch*

Wednesdays, Septembers 4-25, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Sewing Club

Ages 12-19. Join us to learn the basics of sewing and create your own projects! We provide all materials, so bring your creativity and get ready to design and stitch with fellow sewing enthusiasts.

*Albany Branch*

Wednesdays, Septembers 4-25, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Mini Music Studio With Silas

Ages 12-19. Learn the basics of the music recording and song production process. Whether you have interest in vocal performance, or the technology behind the magic, we can work on growing your skill set and confidence with the music medium. The program runs in 30 min 'sessions' that are first come first serve.

*Albany Branch*

Wednesdays, Septembers 4-25, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Painting

Ages 12-19. Create a unique painting using YouMedia's high quality materials. We have canvases, paints, brushes, and more. Let's get creative!

*Albany Branch*

Thursdays, September 5-26, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Live@YOUmedia

Ages 12-19. Step into the spotlight with Live@YOUmedia! Using our green screen technology, you can create dynamic video content, practice live streaming, and experiment with special effects. Whether you're a budding YouTuber or just curious about video production, this program offers the tools and guidance to bring your creative vision to life.

*Albany Branch*

Fridays, September 6-27, 2:00-4:00 pm

### VR Art & Gaming

Ages 12-19. Using the Meta Quest virtual reality headsets, we'll dive into various apps to create unique art and indulge in immersive experiences by playing your favorite VR games.

*Albany Branch*

Fridays, September 6-27, 2:00-4:00 pm



### Build Your Brand

Ages 12-19. Learn to create and promote your personal brand! This program covers branding essentials, social media presence, and marketing strategies to help you stand out. Gain the tools and knowledge to build a unique brand as an entrepreneur, artist, or influencer. *Albany Branch*

Mondays, September 9-30; Thursdays, September 5-26, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Fabric Arts

Ages 12-19. Explore the world of fabric arts! From sewing to embroidery, this club provides all the materials you need to create beautiful fabric-based projects. Unleash your creativity and learn new skills in a fun and supportive environment.

*Albany Branch*

Mondays, September 9-30, 3:00-5:00 pm

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*Albany Branch*

Mondays, September 9-30, 3:00-5:00 pm

## Contact

*Albany Library  
1250 Albany Ave.*

*Monday -Thursday 9:00- 6:00 pm*

*Fridays: 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

*Saturdays: 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

*860-695-7380*





# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS BARBOUR BRANCH



Find out more about our September programs on our website: <https://programs.hplct.org/events>

## Children & Families

### Barbour Play-Dough Storytime

Ages 3-5 with parents/caregivers. Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour Branch for a fun half hour of play-dough and stories!

*Barbour Branch*

Friday, September 6, 11:00-11:30 am



### Yoga Story Time

Ages birth-5 with parents/caregivers. Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour Branch for a story and a stretch!

*Barbour Branch*

Monday, September 30, 11:00-11:30 am



## Youth Programs 6-12

### Smart Moves: Tuesday Chess Club @ Barbour

Ages 6-19. Join the Barbour Branch and Dr. Keon Berry for beginner chess lessons! No Experience Necessary. Snacks & drinks provided.

*Barbour Branch*

Tuesdays, September 3 & 17. 4:00-5:00 pm



### Stuffed Animal Adoption Event

All ages. Come to Barbour to adopt your forever stuffed animal, and receive a certificate of adoption! Limited supply available.

*Barbour Branch*

Thursday, September 5, 4:00-5:00 pm



### Loco for Legos Club

Ages 4-19. Calling all Lego engineers! Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour Branch to create something unique with Legos, then display your build for all to see!

*Barbour Branch*

Mondays, September 9 & 23 4:00 pm

### Barbour's Taste Testers

Ages 6-19. Feeling hungry? Drop by the Barbour Branch to enjoy some fruit flowers. *Barbour Branch*

Tuesday, September 10, 3:00-4:00 pm

### Foodshare Barbour Branch

The Barbour Branch might be closed today but we still have services for you! Stop by at 3:00 and pick up your own free bag of shelf stable groceries and learn about community resources.

*Barbour Branch*

Thursdays, September 12 & 26 4:00-5:00 pm



### Hispanic Heritage Bingo @ Barbour

All ages. Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour Branch for Hispanic Heritage Bingo! Win small prizes and enjoy light refreshments.

*Barbour Branch*

Wednesday, September 25, 4:00-5:00 pm

### Sensational STEM

Ages 6-19. Swing by Barbour to create your own Q-Tip bow and arrow. Test its strength and distance against your friends.

*Barbour Branch*

Tuesday, September 24, 4:00-5:00 pm

### RSCO Hispanic Heritage Month

Join us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with crafts and snacks. Learn about school choice options for your child.

*Barbour Branch*

Thursday, September 26, 4:00-5:00pm

## Teen Programs

### Teen Time @ Barbour

Ages 13-19. Calling all teens. Come to the Barbour branch and make a ring (or two!) out of seed beads!

*Barbour Branch*

Thursday, September 19, 4:00-5:00 pm



### Barbour's Virtual Reality

Ages 13-19. Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour branch for a fun afternoon of virtual reality.

*Barbour Branch*

Fridays, September 13 & 27, 3:00-4:30 pm

## Contact

*Barbour Branch Library 261 Barbour St.*

*Monday -Thursday 9:00-6:00 pm ;*

*Fridays: 9:00-5:00 pm 860-695-7400*

*(On the second and fourth Thursdays of the month the library will only be open from 3-6 pm to accommodate our Connecticut Foodshare distribution)*



# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS CAMPFIELD BRANCH



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## Children & Families

### Storytime @ Campfield

Ages birth-5. Ages birth-7. Join Mr. Miles for stories, songs, and fun to help early literacy development.

*Campfield Branch*

Wednesdays, September 4-25, 11:00 am



### Little Builders Club

Ages 10 and under. Come have fun and build fine motor and engineering skills building with a rotation of blocks.

*Campfield Branch*

Mondays, September 9 & 23, 4:00 pm

## Youth Programs 6-12

### Craft Corner

All ages. Join Mr. Miles for monthly crafts!

*Campfield Branch*

Tuesdays, September 3-24, 4:00 pm

### Board Game Bonanza

All ages. Bring friends and make new ones, playing a variety of board games aimed at different ages.

*Campfield Branch*

Fridays, September 6 & 20, 4:00 pm



### RSCO Open Office Hours

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Monday, September 9, 23, 30 12:00-5:00 pm

Wednesday, September 4, 11, 18, 25, 12:00-5:00 pm



### RSCO Hispanic Heritage Month

All ages. Join us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with crafts and snacks. Learn about school choice options for your child.

*Campfield Branch*

Wednesday, September 18, 4:00pm.

## Contact

*Campfield Branch Library  
30 Campfield Ave.*

*Monday - Thursday*

*9:00 - 6:00 pm*

*Fridays: 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

*860-695-7440*



# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS DWIGHT BRANCH



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## Children & Families

### Dwight Storytime

Ages 5 and under with parent/care giver.  
Join Ms. Erin for stories, rhymes, and music.  
*Dwight Branch*



Tuesday, September 17, 10:00-10:30 am

## Youth Programs 6-12

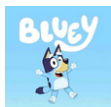
### Crafternoons

All ages. Join Ms. Erin to make a weekly craft!  
**9/4:** Backpack Keychain; **9/18:** Mini Maracas;  
**9/25:** Apple Stamping  
*Dwight Branch*  
Wednesdays, September 4, 18, & 25, 3:30-4:30 pm



### Bluey Afternoon

All ages. Join Ms. Erin to watch Bluey and enjoy one of Bluey's favorite desserts- Pavlova!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Wednesday, September 11, 3:30-4:30 pm



### Dwight Storytime Bingo

Ages 6-12. Join Ms. Erin to listen to stories and play a game of Forest Animal Bingo!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Thursday, September 12, 3:30-4:00 pm

### Dwight Talk Like a Pirate Day!

Ages 6-12. Join Ms. Erin for Pirate stories and activities.  
*Dwight Branch*  
Thursday, September 19, 3:30-4:30 pm

### STEM Friday: Ozobots

Ages 6-12. Join Ms. Erin to learn how to code and play with an Ozobot!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Friday, September 27, 3:30-4:30 pm



### Black Cat Zentangle

Ages 6-19. Join Ms. Erin to try the relaxing practice of zentangle art!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Monday, September 30, 3:30-4:30 pm

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*Dwight Branch*  
Thursday, September 5, 19, 26, 12:00-5:00 pm



### Encanto and Arepas: Movie Matinee

Join RSCO to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by enjoying this Colombian/Venezuelan delicacy known as arepas, whilst watching the award-winning film Encanto. School Choice Information available throughout the event.  
*Dwight Branch*  
Thursday, September 26, 3:00 pm

## Teen Programs

### Teen Chess

Ages 13-19. Join Ms. Erin to learn how to play the game of chess. Snacks will be provided!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Thursday, September 5, 3:30 pm



### Edible Terrariums!

Ages 13-19. Join Ms. Erin to make a terrarium out of candy!  
*Dwight Branch*  
Tuesday, September 24, 3:30 pm

## Contact

*Dwight Library*  
7 New Park Ave

*Monday-Thursday 9:00 - 6:00 pm*

*Friday 9:00—5:00 pm*

*860-695-7460*





# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS PARK BRANCH



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## Children & Families

### Family Storytime

Ages birth-5 with parent/caregiver. Join us for stories, activities, and music movement.

*Park Branch*

Wednesday, September 11, 10:00 am.



### Jewel Art

Ages 6-12. Join Ms. Katherine for an intro to diamond painting and create a dazzling work of art!

*Park Branch*

Thursday, September 12, 3:00-5:00 pm

### Back-to-School Afternoon Fun!

Ages 6-12. Get to know other school-age kids at the library, play fun ice breaker activities, and decorate your notebook.

*Park Branch*

Wednesday, September 18, 4:00 pm

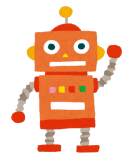


### Robot Party!

All ages. Join Ms. Katherine to play with the library robots - build, race, explore!

*Park Branch*

Thursday, September 19, 3:00-5:00 pm



### Park Craft and Create

All ages. Unlock your inner creativity creating your very own masterpiece!

*Park Branch*

Wednesday, September 25, 3:00-5:00 pm



### Celebrate Hispanic Heritage

Ages 4 to 12. Join us for Spanish/English stories and make a "Muneca Quitapena" craft.

*Park Branch, Community Room*

Friday, September 27, 4:00 pm

## Youth Programs 6-12

### RSCO Open Office Hours

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*Park Branch*

Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, 30, 12:00-5:00 pm

Tuesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24, 12:00-5:00 pm

Saturdays, September 14, 28, 12:00-5:00 pm



### Encanto and Arepas: Movie Matinee

All ages. Join RSCO to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by enjoying this Colombian/Venezuelan delicacy known as arepas, whilst watching the award-winning film Encanto. School Choice Information available throughout the event.

*Park Branch, Community Room*

Tuesday, September 10, 3:00-5:00 pm



### Alza tu Bandera: RSCO Hispanic Heritage Movie Night

All ages. Join us in painting your flag, enjoying hispanic food and watching In the Heights! School Choice Information available throughout the event.

*Park Branch, Community Room*

Tuesday, September 24, 2:30-4:30 pm



## Contact

*Park Library*

*603 Park Street*

*Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 6:00 pm*

*Fridays: 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

*Saturdays: 9:00 - 5:00 pm*

*Sundays: 1:00-5:00 pm*

*860-695-7500*



# SEPTEMBER 2024 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS ROPKINS BRANCH



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## Children & Families

### Storytime with Ms. Linda

Ages 2-5 with Parent/Caregivers. Explore the World of Books and Music & Movement with Ms. Linda.

*Ropkins Branch*

Monday, September 23,  
9:30-10:15 am



## Youth Programs 6-12

### Homework Help

Ages 6-12. Stop by if you need help with your school work. Children under 12 must come with their parent/caregiver.

*Ropkins Branch*

Mon-Thurs, September 3-30, 3:30-4:30 pm

### STEM Day

Ages 6-12. Join us weekly for STEM through hands on activities and exploration.

*Ropkins Branch*

Tuesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 3:30-4:30 pm

### Solve It!

Ages 6-12. Join us weekly for seasonal word searches such as I Spy, mazes, and more.

*Ropkins Branch*

Wednesdays, September 4-25, 3:30-4:30 pm

### Welcome Back!

Ages 6-12. Welcome to another school year! Enjoy a back-to-school craft at the library

*Ropkins Branch*

Monday, September 9, 3:30 pm



### Celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month!

Ages 6-12. Stop by the library and create a craft to celebrate library Card sign up.

*Ropkins Branch*

Monday, September 16, 3:30 pm

### Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Ages 6 and up. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with readings of Hispanic books.

*Ropkins Branch*

Monday, September 23, 3:30 pm

### New Season!

Ages 6 and up. Celebrate fall with a colorful craft.

*Ropkins Branch*

Monday, September 30, 3:30 pm



### RSCO Open Office Hours

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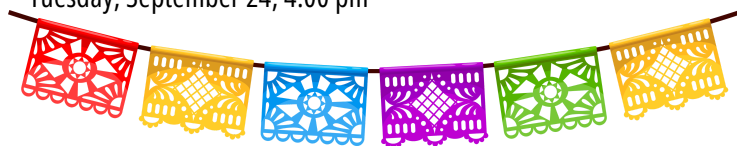
Tuesday, September 24, 12:00-5:00 pm



### RSCO Hispanic Heritage Month

All ages. Join us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with crafts and snacks. Learn about school choice options for your child.

Tuesday, September 24, 4:00 pm



# Teen Programs

## **Teen Time**

Ages 13 and up. Join us every Wednesday in September as part of an ongoing weekly teen program. Relax with your friends and meet other teens while doing an activity. Just bring yourself and friends. We'll provide the materials.

No registration required.

*Ropkins Branch*

Wednesday, September 4-25, 12:00-1:00 pm

## **Teen Thursday**

Ages 12 and up.

Join us in September as part of an ongoing monthly teen program. Relax with your friends and meet other teens. while doing the activity of the day with Ms. Linda. Just bring yourself and friends. We'll provide the materials. No registration required.

*Ropkins Branch*

Thursday, September 12, 1:30-2:30 pm

## *Contact*

*Ropkins Branch Library*

*1750 Main St.*

*Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 5:00 pm*

*860-695-7520*