



November 2023 YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS

Find out more about our November 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

Fridays, Nov 3 & 17, 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

Mondays, Nov 6, 13, & 27, 11:00-11:30 am



Family Storytime

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

South Church

Mondays, Nov 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11:00 am.
Tuesdays, Nov 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11:00 am.
Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16, & 30, 11:00 am.

Sensory Storytime

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

Albany Branch

Tuesdays, Nov 7 & 21, 10:30 am

South Church

Friday, Nov 17, 11:00 am

Storytime with Ms. Nancy

Ages 0-5 with parent/caregiver.

Park Branch

Wednesdays, Nov 8 & 22, 10:00 am.



Storytime with Ms. Linda

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

Ropkins Branch

Monday, Nov 13, 9:30-10:00 am

Storytime @ Albany

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

Albany Branch

Tuesdays, Nov 14, 21, & 28 10:30am

Storytime @ Campfield

Ages birth-5. Join us for songs stories, games, and music movement.

Campfield Branch

Tuesdays, Nov 14 & 28, 10:00-10:30 am

Fish Friends Storytime

Ages 0-7 with parent/caregiver. Let's read a story together and then create our own fish themed art!

Rawson Library: Tuesday, Nov 28, 4:00-5:00 pm.

Leap Into Learning (LIL)



Children's Book Week Event:

American Sign Language (ASL) Read Along

Leap into Learning participants

Celebrate Children's Book Week with children's author Kathleen

Marcarth who will read her ASL featured book, **My Monster Truck Goes Everywhere with Me**. We will read along, learn, and practice ASL together. Participants will receive a copy of the book.

Providers & parents will participate in a raffle to win two ASL coffee mugs. **Virtual Event:** Thursday, Nov 7, 6:30-8:00 pm.



Math Mashup

Leap into Learning Home Participants.

Shapes numbers, matching, and counting equal a fun math mashup! We will discuss how to use these concepts with early learners and afterwards create ornaments for our Festival Holiday Tree. **Virtual Event:** Thursday, Nov 9, 6:30-8:00 pm

Reading & Recipes Session 2

Leap into Learning Home Participants.

Join us for our 2nd literacy and nutrition session. Our UCONN Nutritionist will engage families in interactive nutrition education and food demonstration. All participants will receive a bag filled with literacy resources and ingredients.

Virtual Event: Thursday, Nov 16, 6:30-8:00 pm

Supercharged Storytime Playgroup

Ages birth-5 with parents/caregivers. Are you a stay-at-home parent/caregiver desiring socialization and early learning for your little one? Join our monthly Supercharged Storytime Playgroup filled with fun literacy practices, healthy snacks, and free bus passes!

Ropkins Branch: Thursday, Nov 30, 10:00-11:30 am

Youth Programs 6-12

Albany Archive Escape Room

All ages. Register online 3-6 people for an escape room session!

Albany Branch

Wednesday, Nov 1, 9:30-4:30 pm

Barbour Craft & Create

All Ages. Join Ms. Fe at the Barbour Branch to unlock your inner creativity with a fun weekly craft!

Barbour Branch

Wednesdays, Nov 1: **Pressed Flower Bookmarks**; Nov 8: **Name Key Chains**; Nov 15: **Tic-Tac-Toe Kits**; Nov 22: **Fake Stained Glass**; Nov 29: **No-Glue Slime**, 4:00-5:00 pm

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, Nov 1-30, 3:30-4:45 pm

Dwight Branch

Monday, Nov 6, 3:30-4:00 pm

Park Branch: All Ages

Tuesdays, Nov 7 & 14 3:00-4:30 pm

Lo-Fi Days with a Librarian

Ages 6-19. Come to the Community room for low-lights, relaxing music, tea, comfy seats, and homework help if you need it!

Albany Branch

Wednesday, Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 4:00 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

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RSCO Assistance

Ages 6-12. Get information about school choice options

Ropkins Branch

Wednesday, Nov 1, 2:00 pm

Read to a Librarian

Ages 3-12. Come one come all to the Barbour branch to practice your reading with Ms. Fe or a stuffed animal. Bring your own book or use one from the library!

Barbour Branch

Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16, & 30, 4:00-5:30 pm

Fairy Golfing

Ages 12 and under. Build and play with the smallest scale of golf course with your friends and family to create a silly sporting adventure throughout the library

Campfield Branch

Thursdays, Nov 2, 4:00 pm

Boredom Buster Board Games

All ages. Bring that competitive spirit to play board games with your peers and with your Youth Librarian

Dwight Branch

Friday, Nov 3, 10, 17, & 24, 4:00 pm

RSCO: Kapaemahu Tales

All ages. Join us for a reading of "Kapaemahu" and then make your own tiki masks! Get info about school choice options for your child.

Dwight Library

Nov 3, 4:00 pm

Ropkins Library

Wednesday, Nov 8, 4:00 pm

Bushnell Park Carousel Pavilion

Friday, Nov 10, 4:00 pm

Albany Library

Nov 13, 4:00 pm

Park Branch

Tuesday, Nov 14, 4:00 pm

Barbour Branch

Thursday, Nov 16, 4:00 pm

Barbour Loco for Lego 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

Monday, Nov 6 & 27, 4:00 pm

Book Locker Meet and Greet

All Ages. The Children's Room Book Bag Delivery Services is moving to the new Downtown Book Locker! Join Ms Katherine Mondays to get help with the new service so you can pick up your books anytime!

Downtown Book Locker

Mondays, Nov 6, 13, & 20, 11:00-1:00 pm



Youth Programs Contd

Diwali Bingo

Ages 6-12. Celebrate Diwali with a special bingo game.

Ropkins Branch

Monday, Nov 6, 4:00 pm

Native American Basket Weaving workshop

Ages 6-12. Basket weaving is one of the oldest Native American crafts. Explore various basketry traditions and make a simple basket inspired by the Cherokee People.

**Bushnell Park Carousel
Pavilion**

Tuesday, Nov 7, 4:30-6:00 pm



STEM Building

Ages 6-12. Come to Albany to do build something unique and we will put it on display!

Albany Branch

Tuesday, Nov 7, 14, 21, & 28, 3:00-4:00 pm

Storyteller's Bag

Ages 8-12. Make your own Native American style story-bag that include objects to create wondrous stories from.

Dwight Branch

Tuesday, Nov 7, 4:00-5:00 pm

Rangoli Parent Competition

Join us for a HPL Diwali tradition! A parent competition for the best Rangoli design! Supplies provided. We are looking for 10-12 parents to participate. Registration required.

Downtown Library Room 141

Wednesday, Nov 8, 1:00-3:00 pm



Explore Brainfuse

Ages 5-12.

South Church

Thursday, Nov 9, 4:00-5:30 pm

Foodshare @ Barbour

All Ages. 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

Thursday, Nov 9, 3:00 pm

Family Board Game Night

All Ages. Game on! Join us at Rawson for an all ages board game night!

Rawson Library

Thursday, Nov 9, 4:00-5:00 pm

Roving Robots

Ages 6-12. Learn basic coding skills through fun playing with Ozobots.

Campfield Branch

Thursday, Nov 9, 4:00 pm

Tween Thursdays: STEM-tivities

Ages 8-12. Come to Albany on alternate Thursdays for programs just for tweens.

Albany Branch

Thursdays, Nov 9 and 30, 3:00-4:00 pm

Diwali Craft

Ages 6-12. Celebrate Diwali with a special festival craft.

Ropkins Branch

Monday, Nov 13, 4:00 pm

Star Stories

Ages 6-12. Join us for Native American star stories and make your own star finder.

Downtown Library CCC Room

Monday, Nov 13, 4:00 pm

Barbour's Taste Testers

Ages 6-19. Feeling hungry? Drop by the Barbour Branch to create your own mini charcuterie boards!

Barbour Branch

Tuesday, Nov 14, 4:00-5:00 pm

Moon Dough

Ages 5-19. You've made slime, but now let's make moon dough!

Rawson Library

Tuesday, Nov 14 4:00-5:00 pm

Thanksgiving Wishes

Ages 8-12. Share your favorites traditions & holiday practices while creating a Seminole Patchwork Thanksgiving card.

Dwight Branch

Tuesday, Nov 14 4:00-5:00 pm

Diwali Henna Social

Join us for an afternoon of soothing India music and beautiful henna adornments.

Downtown Library Room 141

Wednesday, Nov 15 2:00-3:30 pm



Family Dinner & Movie

All ages. All ages. Join us for family and a movie night!

Park Branch

Wednesday, Nov 15, 3:00-5:00 pm

Explore China's Geography

Ages 5-12. All ages. Join and explore China's wide landforms; from the Himalayas to the Gobi desert.

South Church

Thursday, Nov 16, 4:00-5:30 pm

Youth Programs Contd

Switch Open Hour

Ages 6-19. Play with your friends and make new ones in a friendly competitive environment.

Campfield Branch

Thursday, Nov 16, 4:00-5:30 pm

Celebrate Diwali Festival of Light

All Ages. Join us for a fun filled afternoon showcasing Indian culture, music, dance, and food to celebrate the spirit of Diwali. Special Guest Rupali Das will present ODances of India.

Downtown Library CCC Room

Saturday, Nov 18 12:30-4:30 pm



Beaded Corn

All Ages. Create a Native food using beads.

Ropkins Branch

Monday, Nov 20, 4:00 pm

Holiday Art Workshop

All Ages. Have fun and be creative with others in the spirit of the holidays!

Park Branch

Monday, Nov 20, 3:00-5:00 pm

Zine Workshop

Ages 6-19. Get creative and learn how to make your very own zine (small, self published book) about any topic you want.

Campfield Branch

Monday, Nov 20, 4:00 pm

Family Lego Night

Ages 6-19. Bring your family and work as a team to complete a Lego building challenge

Rawson Library

Tuesday, Nov 21, 4:00-5:00pm

Miccossukee-Style Key Chain

Ages 8-12. Learn to weave a beautiful Native American style key-chain in vibrant colors.

Dwight Branch

Tuesday, Nov 21, 4:00-5:00pm

Perler Beads

All ages. Create a seasonal design using perler beads.

Ropkins Branch

Wednesday, Nov 22, 4:00 pm

Turkey Feathers

All ages. Join us for Thanksgiving stories and a tasty holiday treat!

Downtown Library, Room 140

Wednesday, Nov 22, 4:00 pm



Space Shuttle

Ages 6-8. Make a cardboard tube space shuttle to shoot into space.

Ropkins Branch

Monday, Nov 27, 4:00 pm

Writing Workshop

Ages 5-10. Join our afterschool writing workshop and learn how to create unique characters and interesting stories.

Park Branch

Monday, Nov 27 3:00-5:00 pm

Sensational STEM

Ages 6-19. Swing by Barbour to create a special air dry clay creation!

Barbour Branch

Tuesday, Nov 28, 4:00-5:00pm

Pinecone Print Bags

Ages 8-12. Try your hand at stamping Lumbee inspired Pinecone cloth bag.

Dwight Branch

Tuesday, Nov 28, 4:00-5:00pm

Blast Off!

Ages 6-8. Learn about rockets. Then build a rocket and more with shapes.

Ropkins Branch

Wednesday, Nov 29, 4:30 pm

Lo-Fi Days with a Librarian

Ages 6-12. Enjoy tea, cozy vibes, and Mr. Miles to help with homework.

Campfield Branch

Thursday, Nov 30, 4:00 pm

See, Taste, & Learn: Health and Wellness Family Event

All ages. Join us for an interactive family experience. Learn all about health and nutrition!

Rawson Branch

Thursday, Nov 30, 4:00 pm

Words

Ages 5-12. Join us for fun word games to improve spelling and build vocabulary.

South Church

Thursday, Nov 30, 4:00-5:30 pm

Teen Programs

Micosukee-Style Key Chain

Ages 13-19. Learn to weave a beautiful Native American style keychain in vibrant colors.

Dwight Branch

Thursday, Nov 2, 2:30-3:30 pm

Storyteller's Bag

Ages 13-19. Make your own Native American style story-bag that include objects to create wondrous stories from.

Dwight Branch

Thursday, Nov 9, 2:30-3:30 pm

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Dwight Branch

Thursday, Nov 16, 2:30-3:30 pm

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Dwight Branch

Thursday, Nov 30, 2:30-3:30 pm

Teen Time @ Barbour

Ages 13-19. Calling all teens! Come to the Barbour branch and create your own rosemary and lavender body scrub.

Barbour Branch

Thursday, Nov 30, 4:00-5:00 pm

Youmedia @ Albany

Cricut & Embroidery

Ages 11-19. Create unique designs on various materials using the Cricut & Embroidery machine.

Albany Branch

Wednesdays, Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 3:00-5:00 pm

Game Design Workshop

Ages 11-19. Create a video game with Roblox studio or Unity. We will explore character design, animation and 3D modeling.

Albany Branch

Wednesdays, Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 3:00-5:00 pm

Albany Arts & Crafts

Ages 11-19. Explore a wide range of artistic techniques & create one of a kind masterpieces.

Albany Branch

Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16, & 30 3:00-5:00 pm

Albany Esports League

Ages 12-19. Discover the thrill of competitive gaming. Get ready to compete, create teams and have fun!

Albany Branch

Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16, & 30 3:00-5:00 pm

Cosplay, Props and More!

Ages 13-19. Interested in crafting your own cosplay? This program is perfect for you!

Albany Branch

Fridays, Nov 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2:00-4:00 pm

Script Writing

Ages 11-19. Explore the art of storytelling, learn script structure, dialogue, and character development.

Albany Branch

Fridays, Nov 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2:00-4:00 pm

Self Portraits

Ages 13-19. Join April to make your own self portrait.

Albany Branch

Friday, Nov 3, 2:00 pm

VR Art

Ages 11-19. Create art in Virtual Reality. ***Albany Branch***

Fridays, Nov 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2:00-4:00 pm

Chess Club

Ages 11-19. Boost your chess skills, make new friends, and experience the thrill of competition.

Albany Branch

Tuesdays, Nov 7, 14, 21, & 28, & 3:00-5:00 pm

Digital Art

Ages 11-19. Explore the world of digital art. Make your creative ideas come to life.

Albany Branch

Tuesdays, Nov 7, 14, 21, & 28, & 3:00-5:00 pm

Bouncing Ball Budgets

Ages 13-19. Join April for a budget balancing program.

Albany Branch

Friday, Nov 10, 2:30-3:30 pm

Candle Making

Ages 13-19. Join April to make your own candle.

Albany Branch

Friday, Nov 17, 2:00 pm

Pizza and a Movie

Ages 13-19. Join April for some candy, popcorn and a movie.

Albany Branch

Friday, Nov 24, 2:00 pm