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## JULY '19 ADULT PROGRAMS

### Ready, Set, ConnectiCon

*July 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 & 12, 11:30 am - 4:30 pm*

*Downtown Library, Atrium, 500 Main Street*

ConnectiCon is an annual celebration of costumes, characters, and comics. Join Hartford Public Library to make the costumes that turn you into your favorite character! Get a 3D scanned image of yourself in costume, experience virtual and augmented reality, and geek out about this super fun festival!

### COATED: 1944 Hartford Circus Fire Project Excerpt & Panel Discussion

*Tuesday, July 9, 5:30 - 7:30 pm*

*Downtown Library, Atrium, 500 Main Street*

Open Ring Circus will present a public excerpt of their new contemporary circus show inspired by the 1944 Hartford Circus Fire followed by a panel discussion with survivors and prominent community members including former Hartford fire chief Charles A. Teale Sr. and co-author of *A Matter of Degree*, Don Massey.

### Park Street Crafters' Crochet Club

*Saturday, July 6 & 27, 11:00 am*

*Park Library, 744 Park Street*

Join us in a crocheting workshop where everyone is welcome beginners to expert level where we will work on a project together with the goal of learning a different crochet pattern.

### Let Life Bloom

*Wednesday, July 10, 1 - 3 pm &*

*Thursday, July 18, 4-6 pm*

*Downtown Library, Atrium, 500 Main Street*

Join us as we celebrate nature's bounty. Decorate your very own gardening pot with colorful paints and stickers. Plant and take home your own basil plant. Watch them sprout right before your eyes throughout the summer! Document each stage of your plant's journey in your very own personalized journal. At the end, you'll have an herb that will pair well with any meal.

### Community Listening Session on Housing

*Saturday July 13, 11 am*

*Albany Branch Community Room*

Hartford City council wants to hear what the problems are with housing in Hartford are? Please stop and make your voice heard.

### Bag Share Sewing Circle

*Monday July 15, 11 am*

*Downtown Library, 500 Main Street*

Learn the basics of sewing as an expert will help guide along the steps to create bags.

## Ongoing Programs

### African American Literature Book Club

The AAL Book Club is for anyone interested in reading and discussing African American literature, both fiction and nonfiction, as well as sharing information and learning about the African American experience.

#### Monthly 1st Tuesdays

*6-7:30 pm, Classroom 141, Downtown*

*July 2: Minority Leader: How to Lead from the Outside and Make Change, by Edna Jordan*

*August 6: Hopes and Expectations: The Origins of the Black Middle Class in Hartford, by Suzanne Holliday-Thomas*

*Sept. 3: The Sellout: A Novel, by Paul Beatty*

RSVP to Carolyn Korber at [cjkorber@gmail.com](mailto:cjkorber@gmail.com).

### Toastmasters

*Monthly 2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesdays: 6-7:45 pm,*

*Downtown Library, Classroom 140, Main Floor  
500 Main Street*