

### Hang Outs: All Ages, Drop in Anytime

<p><b>Boggle is a Word</b> Get into that competitive spirit with Boggle—the word making/ word search game. <b>Week of 1/7—Park, Dwight &amp; Downtown</b> <b>Week of 1/14—Barbour</b></p> <p><b>Legos in the Library</b> We have Legos. Do you have what it takes to be a master builder? <b>Week of 1/7—Ropkins</b></p>	<p><b>Lanyard Lacing Fun</b> Spool out some lanyard cord and create a key chain, bracelet, zipper pull, or whatever! <b>Week of 1/21—Dwight</b> <b>Week of 1/28—Ropkins, Downtown &amp; Barbour</b></p>	<p><b>Loom It Up</b> Use our looms and elastics to create your own bracelet or keychain creation. <b>Week of 1/14—Park, Ropkins &amp; Camp Field</b></p> <p><b>Winter Craft Extravaganza</b> Use our materials and see what winter themed crafts you can create. <b>Week of 1/21—Camp Field &amp; Park</b> <b>Week of 1/28—Camp Field</b></p>
<p><b>Fabulous Fingerprint Art</b> Create funny animals with just your fingers, ink, and markers. Inspired by Ed Emberley's Great Thumbprint Drawing Book. <b>Week of 1/7—Barbour</b> <b>Week of 1/21—Downtown</b> <b>Week of 1/28—Dwight &amp; Park</b></p>	<p><b>Perler Bead Bonanza</b> We have a ton of perler beads and boards for you to create with. <b>Week of 1/7—Camp Field</b> <b>Week of 1/14—Dwight &amp; Downtown</b> <b>Week of 1/21—Ropkins &amp; Barbour</b></p>	<p><b>All locations of HPL will be closed on:</b> —Tuesday January 1st —Monday January 21st</p> 

### 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.

**Thurs | 10 - 10:45 | Park**      **Mon & Fri | 11 - 12 | Downtown**      **Wed | Jan 9 & 23 | 9:30-10:30 | Dwight**  
**Wed | Jan 16 | 10:30-11 | Camp Field**      **Tues & Thur except week of 12/31 | 10-10:30 and 10:30-11 | Ropkins**

**App Play**  
Ages 3-5 with parent/caregiver. Join us to learn and play with great free educational apps from PBS Kids. iPads available or bring your own device to download and play!  
**Fri | Jan 11 | 3-4:30 | Camp Field**



**Sensational Sensory Wednesdays**  
Interactive play-time for children. Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.  
**Wed | 11:00-12:00 | Downtown**

**Tots & Tunes**  
A group for little ones to come together and experience movement and music with songs, finger plays, musical instruments and more.  
**Wed | 12-12:30 | Downtown**

1,000 Books  
Before Kindergarten  
@  
Hartford  
Public Library  
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### Family Programming: All Ages

**Take Your Child to the Library Day**

Celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day" with a library tour and activities at your local library branch!

**Wed | Jan 31 | all day | Dwight**      **Wed | Jan 31 | 3:30-5:00 | Barbour**      **Wed | Jan 31 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins**  
**Fri | Feb 1 | all day | Camp Field**      **Sat | Feb 2 | 1-2 | Park**      **Sat | Feb 2 | 2-3 | Downtown**



[www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org](http://www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org)

**Programs for Ages 6-12**

**Time for Slime**

More than just a fun sensory activity, making slime is actually science. Join us at the library to measure, mix and make a personal batch of slime that you can take home. We try a few different recipes to compare and contrast.

**Tues | Jan 8 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight**

**Thurs | Jan 10 & 24 | 4-5 | Park**

**Thurs | Jan 17 | 4-5:30 | Downtown**



**Three Kings Day**

Learn all about Dia de los Reyes, a holiday traditionally celebrated in the Hispanic community. Listen to a Three King's story and create your own crown to take home.

**Thurs | Jan 3 | 4-5 | Park**

**Ozobots**

Come and play with our color-sensing robots and learn the basics of computer coding!

**Wed & Thurs | Jan 2 & 3 | 4:30 - 5:30 | Camp Field**

**Aerodynamics of Paper Airplanes**

Make a perfect paper airplane by learning about elements that help to fly it.

**Thurs | Jan 3 | 4:30 - 5:30 | Barbour**

**HPL Book Makers**

Carousel, Pop-up, Crankie...are all different types of books! Learn the basics of bookmaking and create your own unique story!

**Thurs | Jan 10, 17, 24, 31 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field**

**Your Elastic Brain**

It's ok to not be perfect! Let's talk about your ever changing brain and do some fun projects around the books *Ish* and *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds.

**Wed | Jan 9 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field**

**Paint Like Pollock**

Learn all about modern artist Jackson Pollock and his style of action drip painting. They try your hand at making your own Pollock-inspired work of art!

**Thurs | Jan 10 | 3:30-5 | Barbour**

**Wed | Jan 16 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight**

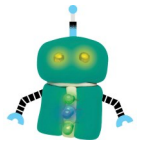
**Thurs | Jan 31 | 4-5:30 | Downtown**



**Circuit Clay**

Come play and learn about electricity with our special circuit clay. Create a creature that lights up with LEDs!

**Sat, Mon, Tues | Jan 12, 14, 15 | 3-4 | Downtown**



**Peppermint Tower Challenge**

Ready for some math excitement? Work with a partner this holiday season to build the tallest tower using only peppermint candies.

**Thurs | Jan 10 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins**

**The Iced Art of Snowflakes**

Get to know some interesting facts about snowflakes as well as enjoy the symmetrical beauty of magnified photograph of some. Learn to fold and cut paper to create snowflakes

**Tues | Jan 15 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight**

**Thurs | Jan 17 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins**

**Sat | Jan 17 | 3-4 | Downtown**

**Forecast Your Future**

It's never too early to dream and to plan for your future career. Take a simple and fun test to figure out what occupation you are best suited for based upon your personality traits and interests.

**Thurs | Jan 17 | 4-5 | Park**



**Animation Film Festival**

Come and learn how to create your own movie in 30 minutes. Enjoy a small film festival with program participants at the end!

**Wed | Jan 16 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field**

**Yarn Tales**

Learn to knit and crochet! We will supply the tools and expertise needed.

**Wed | Jan 16 | 3:30-5 | Downtown**

**Thurs | Jan 17 | 3:30-5 | Barbour**

**It's OK to be Different**

All of us has something that makes us a little different, whether it's the clothes we wear or the music we listen to. Come to the library and create your very own freak flag to celebrate all the quirks and interests that make you uniquely you!

**Tues | Jan 22 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight**

**Gingerbread House Building**

See how creative you can get building this sugary abode.

**Thurs | Jan 24 | 3:30-4:30 | Ropkins**

**3-D Printer Exploration**

Learn how a 3-D printer and 3-D design work by designing your own object and watching it print.

**Every Tues | 5-7 | Downtown**

**Makey Makey**

Create keyboards made from different materials like play-doh, fruits and vegetables. Learn about electric circuits, energy and technology with this fun kit.

**Wed | Jan 23 | 3:30-5 | Downtown**

**Wed | Jan 23 | 4:30-5:30 | Camp Field**

**Thurs | Jan 24 | 3:30-5 | Barbour**



**DEAR Theater**

Help bring some interesting script to life by lending it your expressive voice. Be part of our Readers' Theater to have fun with friends.

**Tues | Jan 29 | 4:30-5:30 | Dwight**

**Hartford Public Library Locations and Hours**

**Downtown Library** | 500 Main Street | 860-695-6330 | M - Th 9:30am - 8pm, F - Sat 9:30am - 5pm, Sun 1-5

**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

**Catapult a Cat**

Build a catapult from pencils & send a (fake) kitten flying!

**Thurs | Jan 31 | 4:30 - 5:30 | Barbour**

**Bones: The Inside Story**

How many bones do you have? Identify and locate the major bones of the human body.

**Thurs | Jan 31 | 4-5 | Park**