

# July 2019

## Programs for Youth and Families



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



#### Week of 7/1

**Summer Craft Make & Take—Albany, Camp Field**  
Celebrate summer with cool crafts.

**Perler Bead Bonanza—Barbour, Downtown**  
Get creative with perler beads!

**Build with Strawbees—Dwight, Park**  
Design and build with straws and connectors.

**Engineering Table: Gumdrop Bridge—Ropkins**  
Try this sweet engineering challenge.

#### Week of 7/8

**Summer Craft Make & Take—Dwight, Park**  
Celebrate summer with cool crafts.

**Perler Bead Bonanza—Barbour, Downtown**  
Get creative with perler beads!

**hARTford Scavenger Hunt—Albany**  
Discover art all around Hartford!

**Engineering Table:  
Paper Engineers—Camp Field**  
What can you build with paper?  
**Cup Towers—Ropkins**  
How high can you build a cup tower?

#### Week of 7/15

**hARTford Scavenger Hunt—Barbour, Downtown, Park**  
Discover art all around Hartford!

**Build with Strawbees—Camp Field**  
Design and build with straws and connectors.

**Engineering Table: Paper Engineers—Dwight, Ropkins**  
What can you build with paper?

**Yarn Week—Albany**  
We have all the materials to knit or crochet!

#### Week of 7/22

**Upcycled Paper Butterflies—Barbour, Camp Field, Downtown, Park**  
Make beautiful paper butterflies!

**Build with Strawbees—Albany**  
Design and build with straws and connectors.

**Loom It Up—Dwight**  
Make a loom bracelet!

**Perler Bead Bonanza—Ropkins**  
Get creative with perler beads!



Each time you finish a club pick a button designed by a Hartford artist—collect all 6!



**Summer Learning 2019**  
June 15—August 24

**Free Summer Meals!**  
Kids and teens 18 and under

**July | Mon-Fri | Downtown 12:30-1:00 |**  
Branches 12:30-1:30 (except July 4)

#### Week of 7/29

**Neighborhood Nature Scavenger Hunt—Camp Field, Dwight, Park**

Explore and find nature all around you.

**Build with Strawbees—Barbour, Downtown**  
Design and build with straws and connectors.

**Loom It Up—Albany, Ropkins**  
Make a loom bracelet!

### 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.

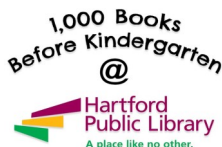
**Mon & Fri | 11 - 12 | Downtown**    **Mon | 2-2:30 | Camp Field**    **Tues & Thur | 9:30-10:30 | Rawson**    **Tues & Thur | 10-10:30 & 10:30-11 | Ropkins**  
**Wed | 10:30-11:30 | Albany**    **Thur | 10 - 10:45 | Park**    **Thur | July 11 & 25 | 10-11 | Dwight**

#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

For parents with children ages 0-5.

Reading to your child is one of the best ways to prepare them for Kindergarten. Come into any of the Hartford Public Library branches to register and get a free tote bag and folder to track all the books you read to your child. Every 100 books, you will receive a new log and receive a small prize. If you read a favorite book 10 times that counts as 10 books!

Sign up today!



#### Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Interactive play-time for children. Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.

Wed | 11-12 | 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



#### Plant Lab

Enjoy nature themed stories and fun activities to explore the world of plants!



Wed & Thur | July 17, 18 | 3:30—4:30 |  
Camp Field

#### Storytime in the Park

Join us for stories and songs at Bushnell Park near the carousel!

Mon | July 15 | 11-12 | Bushnell Park



**STEM Club**

**3D Printer Exploration**

Learn all about 3D printing and print something special.  
Tues| July 2 & 16| 5-6:30| Downtown

**Build with the Three Little Pigs**

Enjoy a fairytale and engineering activity.  
Wed| July 3| 2-3| Ropkins  
Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Albany

**Milky Rainbow Science**

Discover the chemistry of simple household items.  
Wed| July 10| 2-3| Ropkins  
Sat| July 20| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

**Balloon Rockets**

Blast off with your very own rocket!  
Wed| July 10| 4-5| Downtown  
Mon| July 29| 2-3| Dwight

**Makey Makey**

Make music from fruits and vegetables with this fun kit!  
Thur| July 11| 2-3| Park  
Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Albany

**VR Vacation**

Experience around the world adventures in Virtual Reality.  
Sat| July 27| 2-3:30| Downtown

**NASA @ My Library**

**Art & the Cosmic Collection**

Explore the beauty of the solar system.  
Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

**Looney Lunar Phases**

Learn the phases of the moon with silly stories and cookies!  
Fri| July 12| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

**Pocket Solar System**

Create a model of the solar system to fit in your pocket!  
Wed| July 17| 4-5| Downtown  
Thur| July 25| 1:30-2:30| Albany

**CT Science Center @ HPL**

**Playing with Polymers**

Explore the science of stretchy materials.  
Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Downtown  
Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field  
Thur| July 25| 2-3| Ropkins

**Alchemy Lab**

Mix and match chemicals for different reactions.  
Tues| July 30| 2-3| Ropkins

**Crash Lab**

Master forces and motion with crash lab challenges!  
Wed| July 31| 3-4| Albany



**ART Club**

**Watercolor Resist Flowers**

Learn this fun artistic technique.  
Fri| July 5| 2-3| Park

**Origami Lotus Book**

Create a folded paper flower book.  
Sat| July 13| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

**Romare Bearden Self-Portrait**

Learn to collage like artist, Romare Bearden.  
Thur| July 18| 2-3| Park

**Ready Set Draw!**

Draw along with children's book illustrators!  
Wed & Thur| July 24, 25| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

**Henna—2-3pm All locations**

Learn and make your own designs!  
Wed| July 24| Park Mon| July 29| Ropkins  
Tues| July 30| Dwight Wed| July 31| Camp Field

**Radiant Child: The Art of Jean Michel Basquiat**

Draw with pastels like artist, Jean Michel Basquiat.  
Tues| July 2| 2-3| Dwight  
Wed| July 24| 2-3| Ropkins



**Live Music!**

**Jeff McQuillan**

Anansi the Spider drum tales!  
Tues| July 16| 11-12| Park & 2-3| Dwight  
Wed| July 17| 11-12| Albany & 2-3| Camp Field

**Sirius Coyote**

Journey through Latin America with music!  
Thur| July 25| 11-12| Park  
Wed| July 31| 11-12| Downtown & 2-3| Ropkins

**Mikata**

Learn to play African drums!  
Mon| July 8| 11-12| Albany & 2-3| Ropkins  
Wed| July 24| 11-12| Barbour

**HARTFORD Club**

**HPL Book Scavenger Hunt**

Solve a puzzle to find books hidden in all the HPL libraries.  
Wed| July 10| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field  
Thur| July 25| 2-3| Park

**City Beautiful: Hartford**

Help make a neighborhood collage inspired by Matt de la Pena's *Last Stop on Market Street*.  
Thur| July 18| 4-5| Downtown



**HEALTH Club**

**Husky READS—12:30-2 All locations**

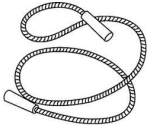
Join UConn students for healthy eating fun!  
Mon| Barbour, Ropkins  
Tues| Albany, Camp Field, Park  
Wed| Downtown, Dwight

**Bring the Hoopla**

Be a hula hoop all star!  
Thur| July 11| 1:30-2:30| Ropkins & 3-4| Barbour

**Double Dutch—2-3 All locations**

Learn jumps and tricks, alone or with friends.  
Mon| July 15| Park Tues| July 16| Albany  
Thur| July 18| Dwight Mon| July 22| Ropkins  
Tues| July 23| Barbour Wed| July 24| Downtown  
Thur| July 25| Camp Field



**NATURE Club**

**Plant Lab**

Explore the wonder of plants!  
Wed| July 3| 4-5| Downtown

**Dragonfly with Me!**

Learn all about these beautiful creatures.  
Wed| July 3| 1:30-2:30| Camp Field

**STEM Lab: Waves**

Learn about echolocation.  
Tues| July 23| 2-3| Dwight

**STEM Lab: Rocks & Minerals**

Learn about how rocks change over time.  
Wed| July 17| 2-3| Ropkins

**STEM Lab: Space Science**

Train like an astronaut!  
Wed| July 24| 2-3| Downtown

**STEM Lab: Hurricanes**

Build a hurricane model.  
Thur| July 24| 5-6| Downtown



**Live Animals!**

**Country Quilt Llama Farm**

Learn about llamas and meet one too!  
Mon| July 15| 2-3| Ropkins & 3:15-4:15| Dwight  
Fri| July 19| 2-3| Camp Field & 3:15-4:15| Albany

**Critter Caravan**

Don't miss the travelling animal show!  
Mon| July 1| 2-3| Barbour  
Thur| July 18| 1:30-2:30| Ropkins  
Mon| July 22| 2-3| Park  
Thur| July 25| 1:30-2:30| Downtown

**Horizon Wings**

Learn about and meet an eagle, hawk and more!  
Thur| July 30| 3-4| Camp Field



**Hartford Public Library Locations and Hours**

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

**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

**Boundless Library @ Rawson** | 260 Holcomb Street | 860-695-7481 | T & Th 3:30pm – 6pm