



What's Happening at Storrs Library April 13 to April 18, 2020

Library Services Updates

**LIBRARY
CLOSED**

March 12th through May 4th

*We are closing to the public in order to help
slow the potential spread of COVID-19.
Thank you for your cooperation.*

In response to the [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#), while using an abundance of caution and taking our cue from CDC and other health professionals, the Town of Longmeadow and the Richard Salter Storrs Board of Trustees have decided to temporarily suspend library services.

Storrs Library is closed to the public, but staff are available are available for remote assistance between the hours of 9 to 5, Monday to Friday by email at richard.salterstorrs@gmail.com. Staff is regularly checking Storrs Library's voicemail for our main line (413-565-4181). Please note that if you leave a voicemail, we ask that you include in your message the best telephone number to reach you by for staff to return your call.

Curious about what is going on with your books that was on hold before our unexpected closure? [Visit our website for up-to-](#)

date details.

Pending no further health concerns, Storrs Library hopes to reopen Tuesday, May 5, 2020, for regular library services.

Stay up-to-date and informed about COVID-19 by using the [resources available to you on our website](#).

INFORMATION ON COVID-19



LONGMEADOW EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

2020 Census is Live!



Proud Partner of the Pioneer Valley
Complete Count Initiative for the 2020 Census

Make sure our community is counted! Respond online or by phone.



Please visit
<https://www.2020census.gov>
for more information.



Every ten years, the US Census Bureau counts every person living in the United States and its five territories. [Click here](#) for information about how and why to participate in the 2020 Census.

Programs & Activities on the Internet

Storrs Share Therapy Quilt Project

Contribute to our virtual
patchwork quilt of good,
beautiful, and happy sights!



Send us your Photos and we will
repost on our Instagram
@Storrs Library

#StorrsShareTherapyQuiltProject

Watch our quilt grow!

We miss our community and all of our library patrons! In this strange time of separateness, let's create a virtual spot where we can mingle and share. Spring is popping all around us, and many other good things are happening.

Help us transform our Instagram account into a virtual patchwork quilt full of good, beautiful, and happy sights during this time.

Want to participate? To be included on our Instagram account:

- Snap a photo and email it to richard.salterstorrs@gmail.com to be included on our Instagram.
- In the email, please use "Storrs Share Therapy Quilt Project" in the Subject line
- Contribute as often as you like and watch our quilt grow.

We encourage posts that range across a variety of topics or themes. Some ideas we have for this project include: photos of nature as it unfolds, favorite places, things that make you happy (a big batch of cookies, sidewalk art, your reading spot), something you've found inspiring or uplifting, drawings, something you're creating, quotes or messages that would fit in an Instagram photo.

Out of respect for individual privacy, we ask that submissions not include identifiable photos of people.

If you don't have the capability to email a photo, you can email a short message or some words of wisdom and we will "sew it into the quilt" for you.

Be well,

Storrs Library Staff



Try our LEGO Challenge & Build a Rainbow!

Are you and your child(ren) looking for an idea for a fun activity? Need an outlet for your creativity? Storrs Library invites you to our first virtual LEGO challenge. Join us in designing, building and virtually displaying your LEGO creations.

Your first LEGO challenge is Spring inspired, Build A Rainbow!

This is a children's activity, and families are encouraged to build together. Please email your pictures to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com. Pictures can include the progression of your build or the finished structure. Please remember to have fun AND to protect the privacy of your child(ren) and your family. Please no identifying features or backgrounds in your pictures. Pictures will be compiled and shared via the Storrs Library Facebook page and the Storrs Library Website.

Storrs Library is the perfect virtual space for your LEGO displays! Have questions? Contact us at 413-565-4182 or email rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com. Pictures will be added throughout the week. Stay tuned for your next LEGO challenge.



ADULT PROGRAMS AROUND THE WEB

Overwhelmed by all of the options online? We are here to help! Enjoy a variety of high quality performances, educational opportunities, presentations and more from your home.

- [Tate How To art tutorials](#): [Tate, a museum](#) of modern, contemporary, and British art, has a fun and engaging series of videos exploring processes of great artists and how you can create your own artworks!
- [Steward Saturday: Online Garden Q&A](#): Join The Stevens-Coolidge Place and Trustees of Reservations for their new weekly series answering questions submitted to them by the public about gardening, horticulture, and plants. Videos air on Saturdays at 10:00am and will remain available to view at any time. Note: You do not need an account to access their social media posts.
- [Illustration and Its Histories: New Resources, New Voices, New Directions](#): The annual online symposium

hosted by the Rockwell Center for American Visual Studies at the Norman Rockwell Museum and the Department of Art and Art History at Hunter College in New York City was held just a couple of weeks ago and is available for free to the public! Explore the symposium page for recordings of the panels, the original schedule, and bios for each presenter.



PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AROUND THE WEB

Overwhelmed by all of the options online? We are here to help! Enjoy a variety of high quality performances, educational opportunities, presentations and more to help keep kids engaged while home.

- **Brain Pop:** During school closures, Brain Pop is offering FREE access to families. Brain Pop is organized in grade categories and then by subject, with each subject offering a variety of videos, activities, games and related resources. "The digital nature of BrainPOP makes it a perfect solution for distance learning while your students are home. Here are some ideas for engaging and keeping them on track" Sign up for

your family account today by
visiting: <https://go.brainpop.com/COVID19>

- **Gale in Context:** For those teens and tweens studying and researching from home, this is a great database to use! Gale is offering this database for free during school closures. "Gale In Context: High School" supports student papers, projects, and presentations while empowering the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills with content aligned to national and state curriculum standards." If you are prompted for a password, use "open" (no quotes) to gain access. Click this link to get started [https://go.gale.com/ps/start.do? p=SUIC&u=c19micro&password=open](https://go.gale.com/ps/start.do?p=SUIC&u=c19micro&password=open)
- **Pathways for Parents:** Are you looking for fun programs for the little ones? Do you miss our weekly Grow Play Learn program? Pathways for Parents and the Coordinated Family Community Engagement Grant are offering a variety of LIVE programming on their FaceBook page. Each week Pathways is offering storytimes with Miss Jane on Mondays and Wednesdays, yoga with Lisa Katz on Tuesdays, anxiety tips with licensed Mental Health Coordinator Madison Bull on Thursdays and Move and Groove music programs with Miss Renee on Fridays. There will be more virtual program offerings, so check their FaceBook page often or contact Pathways via email at pathwaysforparents9@gmail.com.

BOREDOM BUSTERS

FUN ONLINE ACTIVITIES
FOR ALL AGES



Check out this [list of fun online activities](#) we've assembled for you! Games and books and virtual tours... There's a little something for everyone -- kids, teens, and adults!

Electronic Resources

In response to the ongoing pandemic, library patrons who do not have a library card number are now able to borrow materials from our Digital Collections. Get your Instant Digital Card today, for free - all you need is a mobile phone number.

[Click to learn more!](#)

No Library Card? No Problem.

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HOUSEBOUND?

Don't forget about our online resources!

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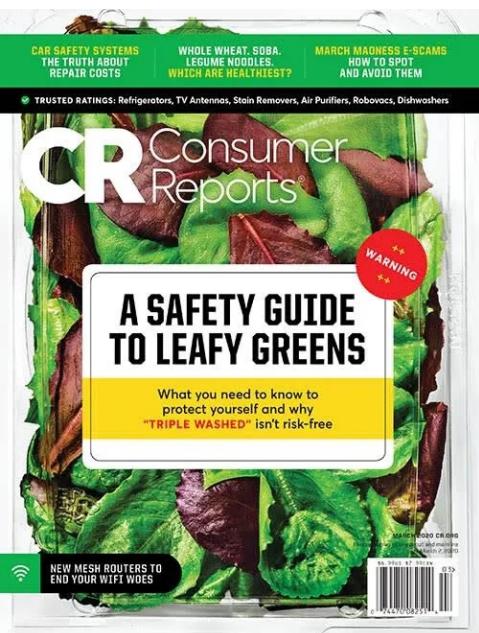
Everything Harry Potter & More!

The Wizarding World of Harry Potter has introduced Harry Potter at Home, [a collection of free resources for readers and educators.](#)



Want to check out the British Library's exhibition: Harry Potter: A History of Magic? It is available for free on [Google's Arts & Culture page!](#)

The Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone ebook and audiobook are now available for unlimited access through our [OverDrive digital collection](#). Download Libby to borrow the title with no waitlists or holds!

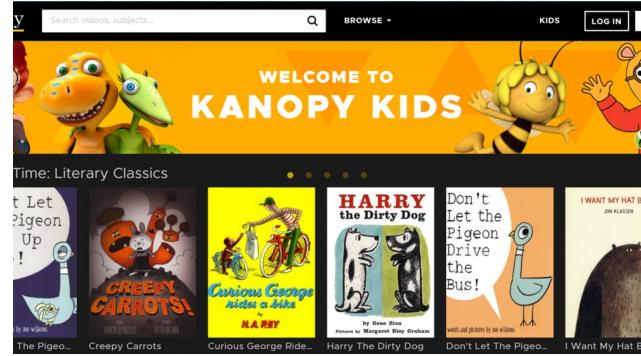


Get unbiased ratings and reviews for 9000+ products and services from Consumer Reports Online, plus trusted advice and in-depth reporting on what matters most. Drop-down menus offer Product Reviews, News, and Issues that Matter.

Patrons can [access this eMagazine using their Storrs Library Card and Pin.](#)

Kanopy is a dedicated video streaming service featuring over 30,000 films including independent and world cinema, documentaries, instructional films, T.V.

series and many other genres. The Kanopy Kids collection includes movies, T.V. series, animated stories and story time, language learning and educational films. There is something for everyone in Kanopy!

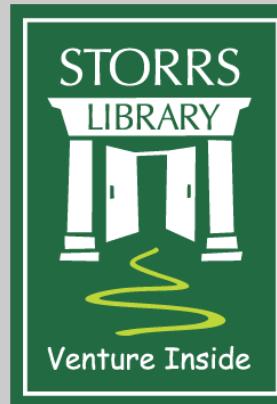


The videos can be viewed on a range of devices by downloading the appropriate app. There is a limit of 12 downloads per month, but some collections have credit-free viewing.



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