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What's Happening next week at Storrs Library

Dates: July 12 – July 18, 2021



LIBRARY HOURS:

Mondays 10-5

Tuesdays 10-5

Wednesdays 10-5

Thursdays 10-8

Fridays 10-5

Saturdays 12-3 CURBSIDE ONLY

Come inside for self-serve holds pick-up.

Library Services

Storrs Library is open; no appointments needed!

Our new hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10-5, and Thursday from 10-8. On Saturday, we'll offer curbside pickup only from 12-3.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Summer Reading

The Summer Reading Program began on June 24 for all ages! This year's theme is Tails and Tales, and the program runs from June 24-August 28th.

Register at [longmeadowlibrary.beanstack.org](https://www.longmeadowlibrary.beanstack.org), and find out more at <https://www.longmeadowlibrary.org/summer-reading-tails-and-tales/>.

The 2021 Statewide Summer Reading Program is sponsored by the Storrs Library, The Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Boston Bruins, & the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the Institute of Museum and Library Services with support from the National Women's Hockey League team Boston Pride.

Youth Programs



Scavenger Hunt Week Two: The Hungry Games Starting July 11

Join Storrs Library for a weekly scavenger hunt! This week, the adventure is all about food. Visit our calendar [here](#), and click on the age range you'd like to download and/or print! Don't forget that this counts toward summer reading if you're registered on Beanstack.



Kid Craft Kit: Fingerprint Animals

Available July 12– July 17

Stop by the library to pick up a fun craft or activity to complete at home! Kid Craft Kits will be available on a first come, first serve basis, while supplies last.

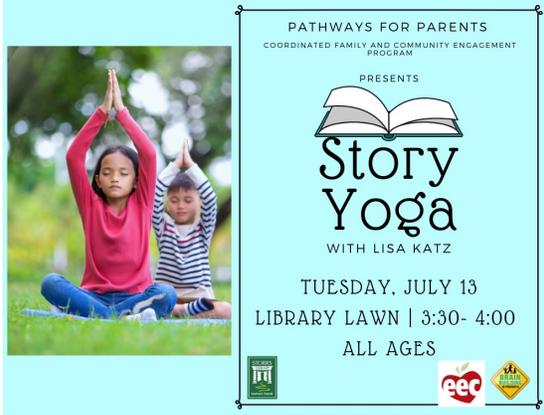


Teen Take and Make: Yarn Turtles

Available July 12– July 17

Teens are welcome to pop by the library to pick up a fun craft or activity to complete at home! Each Take and Make will be available on a first come, first serve basis, while supplies last.

Story Yoga with Lisa
Katz, sponsored by



Pathways for Parents

Tuesday, July 13

3:30– 4:00

[Register](#)

Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Story Yoga at Storrs Library with Yoga Instructor Lisa Katz. Join Lisa on the Front Lawn of Storrs Library for socially distant yoga, which will be fun for the whole family. Enjoy a read aloud along with stretching, balancing, focused breathing, and movement activities. Participants must register in advance and bring their own yoga mat or blanket. If there is inclement weather, the program will be held on Zoom.

This program is sponsored by Pathways for Parents. Pathways for Parents is administered by Ludlow Public Schools and is funded by the Coordinated Family Community Engagement Grant through the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.



Ready for K: Kindergarten Readiness Program

Wednesday, July 14

9:30– 10:00

[Register](#)

Ready for K is a four-week readiness series for children entering Kindergarten (ages 5 and 6) this fall. Children and a caregiver are invited to join Storrs Library and Pathways for Parents CFCE weekly on Zoom. Each week's Zoom meeting will focus on a skill or concept important for school readiness.

The themes for each week are:

Week 1: Letters

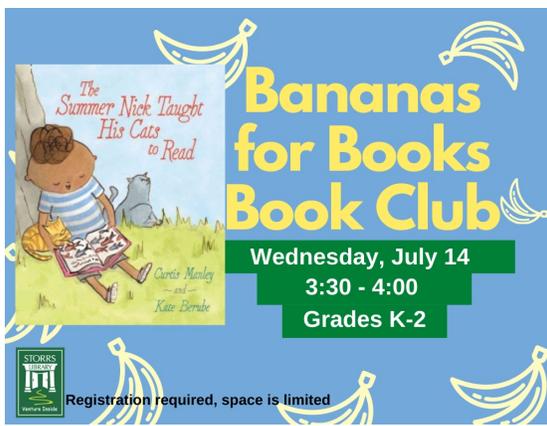
Week 2: Shapes and Cutting

Week 3: Numbers

Week 4: Self Portrait

Families will receive one set of materials to support each theme, which can be picked up at Storrs Library starting July 1. Space is limited, and registration is required in advance.

This program is facilitated by Jane Christian and sponsored by Pathways for Parents CFCE. Pathways for Parents and Parent Child + is administered by Ludlow Public Schools & is funded by the Coordinated Family Community Engagement Grant through the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.



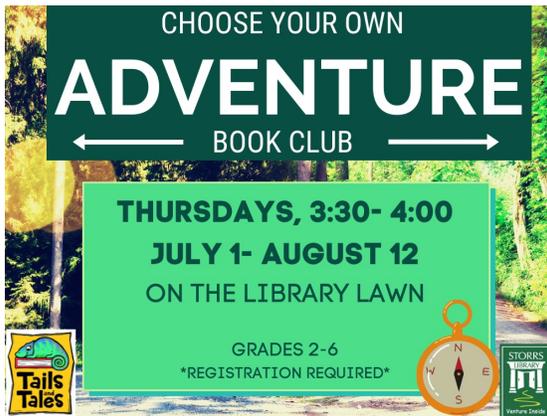
Bananas for Books Book Club (K- Gr 2)

Wednesday, July 14
3:30- 4:00

This program is now full, but we hope that you can join us in August!

Join our K-2nd Grade book group so we can discover great, funny stories together! Each month we will read something hilarious that may--or may not--have a banana in it. We will meet to talk about what made us laugh the most. This month's book selection is THE SUMMER NICK TAUGHT HIS CATS TO READ by Curtis Manley. Register in advance and pick up your copy from the library.

This program will be held on the library lawn, so please bring a blanket or lawn chair if you would like to! Space is limited, and participants must register in advance. Social Distancing suggested. In the event of inclement weather, this program will be held on Zoom.



Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club

Thursday, July 15
3:30-4:00

[Register](#)

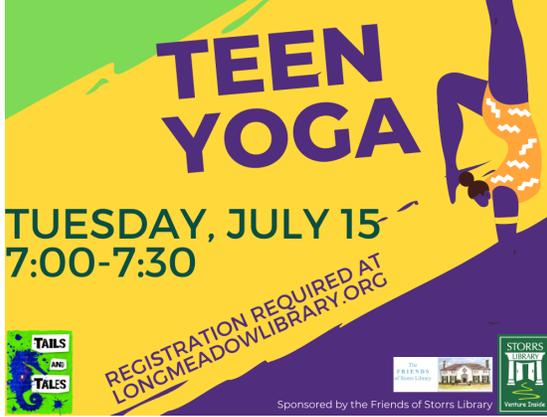
Join our Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club, for kids entering Grades 2 through 6, meeting weekly on Thursday afternoons until August 12th.

Library staff will read out loud a new Choose-Your-Own-Adventure book each week and attendees will vote on which path to take together. Pet the cobra? Turn to page 13. Run away from the cobra? Turn to page 22. There's no need to pick up a book beforehand to participate. If your reader enjoys the format, we have plenty of similar books for them to check out of the library.

This program will be held on the Front Lawn under tents. Social Distancing suggested. Advanced registration is required, and please register separately for each child who will be attending. If there is inclement weather, the program will be held on Zoom.

Teen Yoga

Thursday, July 15

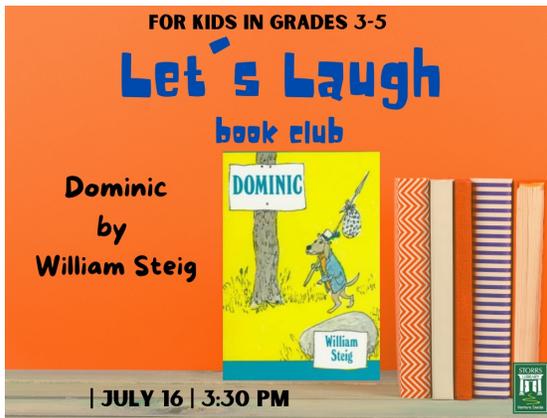


7:00–7:30pm

Register

Teens entering seventh through twelfth grade are invited to join certified yoga instructor Lisa Katz for a session of stretching, breathing and relaxing with yoga and mindfulness. Please bring your own yoga mat or towel. This program will be held on the Front Lawn. Social Distancing suggested. If there is inclement weather the program will move to Zoom. Advanced registration is required.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.



Let's Laugh Book Club (Gr 3–5)

Friday, July 16
3:30–4:00

Register

Join our 3rd-5th grade book group and find a reason to laugh each month! We'll read weird and funny stories with a matching activity and meet up to talk about them. This month's book selection is DOMINIC by William Steig. Register in advance and pick up your copy from the Discovery Room.

This program will be held on the library lawn, so please bring a blanket or lawn chair if you would like to! Space is limited, and participants must register in advance. Social distancing suggested. In the event of inclement weather, this program will be held on Zoom.



Learn to Play Ukulele with Julie (Ages 8+)

Saturday, July 17
11:00– 12:00

Register

Want to try an instrument that is fun and easy to play? Join Julie Stepanek on the front lawn of Storrs Library as she shows the fundamentals of ukulele playing. You'll learn how to tune, strum and read chords. After a short lesson, you'll be able to play songs. No experience necessary. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one of hers. Ukuleles provided by Julie will be sanitized and used by one participant per session. This session is for kids, ages 8+.

Please register in advance as space is limited. Social Distancing suggested. This program will be held on the front lawn of Storrs Library. A rain date is scheduled for September 18 if there is inclement weather.

Adult Programs



Monthly Craft for Adults: Flameless Luminaires Available through July 30

Stop by the Storrs Library to pick up our monthly craft for adults. Materials are available on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.



The Adventures of Benjamin Franklin Monday, July 12 6:30– 7:30

Register

Printer, Scientist, Inventor, Author, Ambassador, Patriot - Benjamin Franklin has been called "the First American." His rich and colorful life is recounted in this wonderful one-man show. Join Storrs Library on Monday, July 12 as one of the world's greatest statesmen and authors tells a tale that weaves together history and humor. Dr. Franklin will recount his life from his youth in Boston through his days as a printer in Philadelphia, and then his years as an inventor, philanthropist, and revolutionary. Please register in advance at longmeadowlibrary.org in order to receive an invitation to the Zoom meeting.

The Actors Company's J.T. Turner (AEA, SAG-AFTRA, IRNE Award winner) has toured theaters, museums, schools, historical sites, libraries, and events all over the U.S. with his original one-man shows, including "The Adventures of

Benjamin Franklin," "Shakespeare's Ghost," "Robert Frost, Light and Dark," "A Visit with C.S. Lewis," "Charles Dickens in A Christmas Carol," "Washington Irving in The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," "A Visit with Aesop," and more. His original play "Within These Walls" was featured at the Smithsonian Museum of American History. J.T. is also a professional circus ringmaster, Qigong & TaiChi instructor, fight choreographer, and acting, accent and public speaking coach.

This program is funded by a grant from the Longmeadow Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

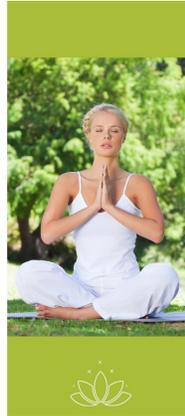
Adult Yoga *on the Lawn*

Tuesdays

May 11, Jun 8, Jul 13, Aug 10

at

6:30



Adult Yoga on the Lawn

Tuesday, July 13

6:30– 7:30

[Register](#)

Storrs Library is excited to offer an adult summer yoga program with Lisa Katz, who offers classes for all ages and abilities. Each session will be held in the evenings at 6:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month: May 11, June 8, July 13, and August 10. No experience is necessary. Space and permission is given to go at your own pace. You will leave with an open heart and a connection to yourself and others.

Lisa Katz is an RYT-200hr certified yoga instructor. Lisa offers creative fun classes for children and adults of all ages and populations. Her classes are gentle, playful, adaptable, enjoyable, unique and allow all to be welcomed as they are.

This program will be held on the Front Lawn, with social distancing suggested. Please bring your own supplies such as a mat, water, and bug spray. In the case of inclement weather, the session will be moved to Zoom. All registrants will be notified via email along with a Zoom link. Advanced registration is required for each session.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.

Borrow eBooks, audiobooks & magazines

summer technology series

Libby.
The easy way to find and borrow from your library, all in one place.

Libby by Overdrive

Learn about Libby's many features, such as accessing different Library Networks, including the Boston Public Library, as well as how to install, log on, search and download eBooks, eMagazines, and eAudioBooks.

Wednesday, July 14, 2:00–3:00 p.m.
Upstairs Screening Room

Device Advice– Intro & Review of Libby by Overdrive

Wednesday, July 14

2:00–3:00

[Register](#)

Learn how to install Libby on your device and how to use it to download eBooks, eAudio Books, or eMagazines. Features of Libby along with accessing different Library Networks including the Boston Public Library collection, will be presented. Space is limited, and registration is required in advance. Bring your device if possible.



Learn to Play Ukulele with Julie (Adults)

Saturday, July 17
1:00– 2:00

[Register](#)

Join Julie Stepanek on the front lawn of Storrs Library as she teaches adults the fundamentals of ukulele playing. You'll learn how to tune, strum and read chords. After a short lesson, you'll be able to play songs. No experience necessary. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one of hers. Ukuleles provided by Julie will be sanitized and used by one participant per session. Please note that this program is for adults only.

Please register in advance as space is limited. Participants must wear masks and maintain proper social distance. This program will be held on the front lawn of Storrs Library. A rain date is scheduled for September 18 if there is inclement weather. Social distancing should be maintained.

In Case You Missed It...

Beginning Wednesday, June 9, and for the duration of our roof replacement project, our outdoor book return bins will not be accessible before 10 am.

Thank you for your patience!



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Thomas J O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center Wishlist

We will collect supplies from June 24 to August 28
Check out their Amazon and Chewy wishlists, too!

- Canned dog and cat food
- Paper towels
- Assorted cat toys
- Laundry soap
- AA batteries
- Dishwashing gloves
- Liquid bleach
- Postage stamps
- Fabric softener or dryer sheets
- Tennis and ping pong balls
- Leashes and collars (for all size pooches)
- Brooms, mops, and dustpans
- Stainless steel dishes and ceramic bowls (tip proof and any size)



Summer Donation Dive: Thomas J O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center June 24– August 28

Please join Storrs Library in raising awareness and support for Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center. From June 24 until August 28, Storrs Library will collect the following items of need: AA batteries, assorted cat toys, brooms and dustpans, canned dog and cat food, dishwashing gloves, fabric softener or dryer sheets, laundry soap, leashes and collars (for all sizes), liquid bleach, mops, paper towels, postage stamps, stainless steel and ceramic dishes bowls, and tennis and ping pong balls. Items will be collected in the lobby.

Virtual Wish Lists are available on Chewy and Amazon to send donations directly to Thomas J O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center.

Tails and Tales Dinosaur Raffle June 24– August 28

[Enter Here](#)



Storrs Library
Summer Reading Program
Tails & Tales DINOSAUR Raffle
 June 24 - August 28
 Enter to win at longmeadowlibrary.org



Kids can enter for a chance to win a GIANT DINOSAUR!




Meet "Brachio Book" the Dinosaur June 24 at the Kick-Off Party.

ALL children are encouraged to enter for a chance to win "Brachio Book" the Dinosaur. Submissions can be entered from June 24-August 28 at longmeadowlibrary.org. The winner will be announced on August 30.

Please note the Dinosaur measurements: 43 inches in height, 83 inches in length and weighs about 20 pounds. The winner is responsible for picking up "Brachio Book" from the Library by September 10.




Storrs Library
Story Stacks



Request a Personalized Story Stack

[Start Your Stack](#)



Are you looking for your next great reads? Let us help! A team of librarians will create a stack of books for you based on the information you provide in the Story Stack form [HERE](#). Librarians will be in touch once your stack is ready. This service is for readers of all ages.

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