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Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 9-8 Friday 9-5 Saturday 9-4

What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: December 11-December 17, 2022

Donation Drive

Storrs Library Giving Tree until December 31



The Storrs Library is accepting donations for the annual Giving Tree to benefit YWCA of Western Massachusetts. The YWCA delivers groundbreaking programs offering shelter, support, and self sufficiency for the women and girls in our community. From safe places for battered women and their children to job training for young adults, the YWCA responds with commitment and thoroughness. The women and children who reside in the YWCA domestic violence shelters enter with only the clothes they are wearing, and do not have time to pack belongings because it is not safe to do so.

Please bring your donation of new and unopened clothes, toiletries, bedding, toys, puzzles, art supplies, books, backpacks, blankets and gift cards to Marshall's, TJ MAXX, Target, and Walmart. Please bring items by Saturday 12/31.

Youth Programs

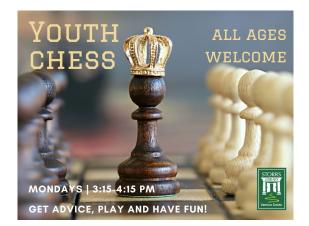
Little Listeners (ages 3–5yrs) Monday, December 12, 9:30–10:00

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A storytime for children ages 3-5 years with their caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, move and groove to music, and enjoy arts and crafts.



Youth Chess (gr K+) Monday, December 12, 3:15-4:15



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All skill levels are welcome for chess and a challenge! Chess instructors will provide help for beginners and more advanced players will get tips to sharpen their game. Registration is required and space is limited.

Tuesday, December 13, 9:30–10:00



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A circle storytime for children ages 2-3 years with their caregiver. Children will listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and enjoy hands-on fun with art or manipulatives.

Newbies (birth-15mo) Tuesday, December 13, 10:45-11:30

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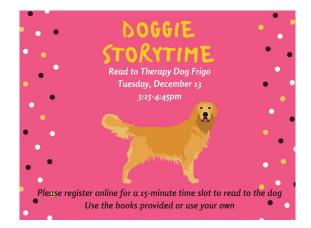
Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Newbies at Storrs Library. Participants in this group will receive developmental milestone information, ways to engage in floor time play, resources, and opportunities to connect to other caregivers of children this age. Newbies is



targeted for ages birth-15 months old.

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

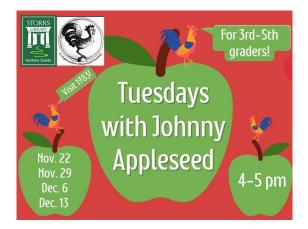
Doggie Storytime: Read to Therapy Dog Frigo Tuesday, December 13, 3:15-4:45



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Frigo the Therapy Dog is coming back to Storrs library! Frigo, a gentle and patient pup, loves to listen to books and will follow along while you read. You can bring a book or two from home, or borrow one of Storrs Library's picture books to read aloud. Register for a fifteen-minute time slot. Frigo is attended by his trainer Cathy. All ages welcome.

Tuesdays with Johnny Appleseed (gr. 3–5) Tuesday, December 13, 4:00–5:00



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Students in grades 3-5 are welcome to register for an exciting new opportunity in collaboration with the Longmeadow Historical Society. Local historian and Historical Society board member, Melissa M. Cybulski, is writing a new chapter book all about our town and one of its most famous boy heroes, Johnny "Appleseed" Chapman! The group will tour the Storrs House Museum next door to the library and hear about life for Johnny and his friends in 1783. Participants will have the chance to offer real-time feedback as Melissa works to edit her manuscript and get her new book published.

The group will meet in library lobby and walk over to the Storrs House Historical Society.

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs) Wednesday, December 14, 9:30-10:30

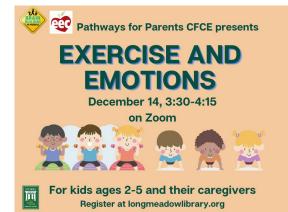


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Join Pathways for Parents CFCE for Grow Play Learn at Storrs Library. This group will include a storytime curriculum, fun play activities and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire. This program is geared for children up through age five with a caregiver.

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Exercise & Emotions (ages 2–5) Wednesday, December 14, 3:30-4:15

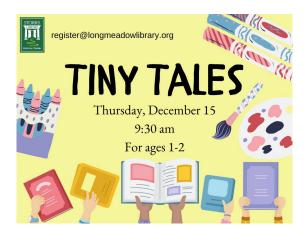


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This virtual group will meet on Zoom. We will work on supporting the expression of big and small emotions, while moving through different forms of exercise.

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Tiny Tales (ages 1-2yrs) Thursday, December 15, 9:30-10:00



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A lapsit storytime for children ages 12 to 24 months with their caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, fingerplays and free play, with an emphasis on repetition and social interaction.

Winter Origami Thursday, December 15, 3:15-4:00

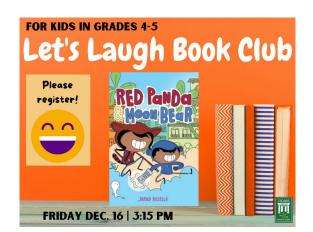
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Join us for this fun Winter-themed origami



session as we learn to fold a snowman. This program is led by a local origami expert. Friends under five will need help from a caregiver. Please register.

Let's Laugh Book Club (gr. 4–5) Friday, December 16, 3:15–4:00



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Join our 4th-5th grade book group and find a reason to laugh each month. We'll read funny, quirky stories from every section of the library, from graphic novels to nonfiction, and meet up to talk about what makes a book worth reading. This month's book selection is Red Panda & Moon Bear by Jarod Roselló. Register and pick up your copy in advance from the Discovery Room.

Music with Mr. Liam (ages birth-7) Saturday, December 17, 1:30-2:15



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Enjoy the music of Mr. Liam at Storrs Library! Friends ages 7 and younger, with a caregiver, will be in for a morning of singing, laughing, puppets and dancing. Siblings are welcome. Please register for a rocking fun time!

Sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.

Learn to Play MAGIC THE GATHERING (ages 12+) Saturday, December 17, 1:30-3:30

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Teens are invited to learn a legendary trading card game: Magic the Gathering! Every participant receives a free starter deck courtesy of MagiKids by Weirdcards. Volunteer Magic experts will launch players right into their first battle, teaching them



how to use their unique decks to cast spells and unleash creatures.

Friends will be made. Fun will be had. Join the gathering.

In Case You Missed...

Discovery Room BINGO



Color in BINGO squares for every activity you do. Complete a BINGO vertically, horizontally, or diagonally to win a candy cane prize! Fill out the entire card to be entered in our grand prize raffle!

Discovery Room Guessing Jar



Pop into the Discovery Room to test your estimating skills and enter a chance to win a prize. The participant who guesses correctly, or has the closest guess, wins the jar, the contents and a plush.

Discovery Room Scavenger Hunt

Go on a quest in the Discovery Room and locate the list of items hidden around the room. Each month a new Scavenger Hunt will be displayed. One lucky participant will win a prize at the end of the month. Join us in the fun!



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