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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: February 26-March 4, 2023

Community Donation Drive

Boston Bruins PJ Drive

Wednesday, February 15 - Wednesday, March 15

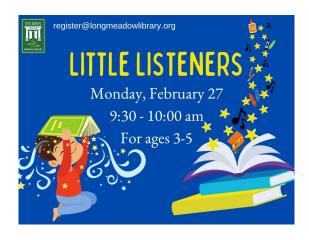


Storrs library is collecting PJ's for Cradles to Crayons®, the Boston Bruins, Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, and Wonderfund, who are coming together with organizations in your community to collect new pajamas for local children living in low-income and homeless situations. By supporting us with a PJ Drive, you will directly supply new pajamas to the children who need them most so they can stay warm for a good night's sleep. Bring brand new pajamas to Storrs Library front lobby from February 15th - March 15th.

Youth Programs

<u>Little Listeners (ages 3–5yrs)</u>

Monday, February 27, 9:30-10:00

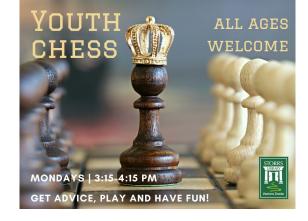


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A storytime for children ages 3-5 years with their caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, move and groove to music, and enjoy arts and crafts.

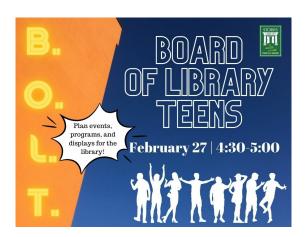
Youth Chess (gr K+)
Monday, February 27, 3:15-4:15

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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.

BOLT: Board of Library Teens (gr. 9-12) Monday, February 27, 4:30-5:00



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Teens in grades 9-12 are you looking to volunteer at the library? Then join BOLT! The Board of Library Teens is the spot to make a difference for our community. The group will meet monthly to help plan events, programs, and displays. These gatherings are also a great chance for everyone to hangout, have fun, and get to know each other!

Tot Time (ages 2–3yrs) Tuesday, February 28, 9:30-10:00



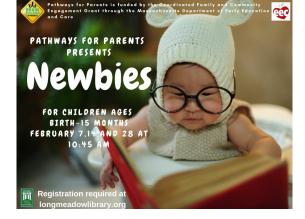
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A circle storytime for children ages 2-3 years with their caregiver. Children will listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and enjoy hands-on fun with art or manipulatives.

Newbies (birth-15mo) Tuesday, February 28, 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.

Steam at Storrs (gr. 3-5) Tuesday, February 28, 3:15-4:00

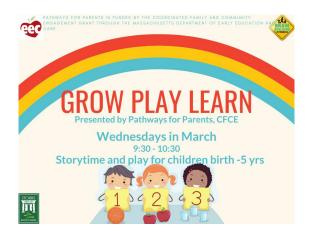


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Calling all scientists, engineers, mathematicians and more! Join us for STEAM at Storrs for grades 3-5 to participate in fun experiments and learn new skills. This month's activity is Sink or Float! Registration is required and limited.

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, March 1, 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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Families in Harmony Level One (ages 2-5) Thursday, March 2, 10:30-11:15

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Families in Harmony Level One is a music



based, mindfulness program, assisting children and their caregivers in becoming more aware of the present moment by focusing on their physical and emotional well-being and connection to the world around them. We teach simple techniques with use of singing, instrument play, breath work, books and basic yoga poses, to integrate a mind-body experience fostering the healthy identification and expression of emotions. We will identify take home strategies serving as a foundation to cope with stress and mental health in family's evolving life. Program geared for ages 2-5 years old.

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LEGOs at the Library (gr K+)

Thursday, March 2, 3:15-4:00



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Children in kindergarten and older are invited to join us for a LEGO building experience. Design and build a structure, then name it and display it!

Board Book Baby Time (birth-12mo)

Friday, March 3, 9:30-10:00



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An introductory storytime for babies 0-12 months old with their caregiver. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and bounces. You'll hear some old favorites and some exciting new tales and tunes.

Tiny Tales (ages 1–2yrs) Friday, March 3, 10:30–11:00

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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.

Music and Movement (ages 2-5)

Friday, March 3, 1:30-2:15



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This group will incorporate moving your body while using songs that may focus on following directions, using your five senses and exploring your body in relation to the space around it. We will work on imitation, exploring and creating organic movements. Come enjoy this movement based group with your caregiver!

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Sparking Wonder (ages 2.5-5) Saturday, March 4, 10:30-11:15



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Open-ended play is essential to a child's growth and development. Through play, children are able to make connections, ask questions, think critically and ignite their imagination. Join us for a series of openended play sessions in which we will invite children and caregivers to experience the magic of open-ended play while engaging in STEM education and sensory activities! Together we will tinker, construct and each session will focus on a different theme. All activities are geared towards children ages 2.5-5.

Sparking Wonder is brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Learn to Play MAGIC THE GATHERING (ages 12+)

Saturday, March 4, 1:30-3:00



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Teens are invited to learn a legendary trading card game: Magic the Gathering! Every participant receives a free starter deck to keep, 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...

Youth Writing Contest



Are you interested in sharing a story on our Storrs Library Summer podcast? Youth in grades K-12 are invited to write their own short story (3-5 min read aloud). Submit your story to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com or bring a paper copy of your story to the Storrs Library Discovery Room desk. Be sure to include your name and contact information with your submission. Winners will be contacted to record their story for the podcast. Submit your story by March 31st, 2023. Have fun creating!

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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