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Library Hours

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

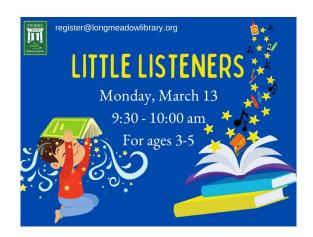
What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: March 12-March 18, 2023

Youth Programs

<u>Little Listeners (ages 3-5yrs)</u>

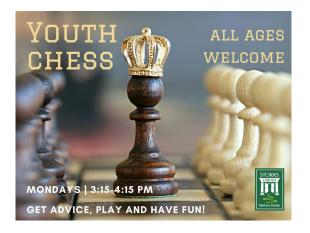
Monday, March 13, 9:30-10:00



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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, March 13, 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.

Tot Time (ages 2-3yrs) Tuesday, March 14, 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.



Scarf Decorating For Kids (gr. K+)

Tuesday, March 14, 3:00-4:00

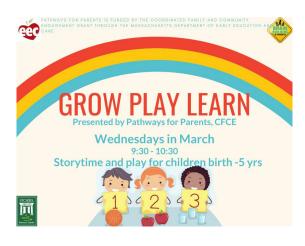


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This is a fascinating project, draw on cotton fabric, add the alcohol/vinegar blend and watch the magic happen! During this workshop we will experiment with designing and blending permanent markers with rubbing alcohol and vinegar creating a watercolor effect. Each participant will use a variety of permanent markers and recycled objects to make their own colorful creation and while still wet, the work may be taken home at the end of the workshop. The material has to dry overnight and it will need to be ironed or placed in a hot dryer for the colors to completely set. The fabric is 100% cotton and measure 15" x 15". A caregiver must be hands-on and actively involved with each child under the age of 10 to help with the project. We will be using waterproof permanent markers so bring an old shirt to protect your clothing.

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, March 15, 9:30-10:30



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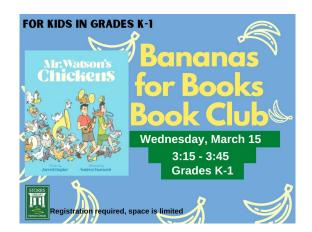
Join Pathways for Parents CFCE for Grow Play Learn at Storrs Library. This group will include a storytime curriculum, fun play activities and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire. This program is geared for children up through age five with a caregiver.

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.

Bananas for Books Club (gr. K-1)

Wednesday, March 15, 3:15-3:45



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Join our K-1st grade book group so we can discover terrific stories together. Before our monthly meeting, read the book that mayor may not--have a banana in it. We will meet to talk about what made us laugh the most and work on a craft. This month's book selection is *Mr. Watson's Chickens* by Jarrett Dapier. Register and pick up your copy in advance from the Discovery Room.

Navigating College Admissions Successfully in 2023

Wednesday, March 15, 7:00-8:00



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Storrs Library invites you to join us as Ron Feuchs and Jackie Tepper, partners at Stand Out for College, LLC., walk us through the changes in the college admissions landscape this year for Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors.

We will discuss current college admissions trends, the importance of researching and visiting colleges to find schools that can be a good fit for your child, a timeline and other action steps that can be taken to make this school year productive and help reduce the stress around the college admissions process. We will also discuss the importance of community service and how it can help a student to stand out from other applicants.

Make sure to register in advance to receive the Zoom link.

Families in Harmony Level One (ages 2-5)

Thursday, March 16, 10:30–11:15

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Families in Harmony Level One is a musicbased 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 homestrategies serving as a foundation to cope with stress and mental health in each family's evolving life. Program geared for ages 2-5 years old.

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St. Patrick's Day Origami (ages 5+)

Thursday, March 16, 3:15-4:00



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Come in to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us! Our local origami expert will teach us how to make a shamrock from origami paper to celebrate the Irish holiday. Friends under five will need help from a caregiver. Please register.

Board Book Baby Time (birth-12mo)

Friday, March 17, 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 17, 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 17, 1:30-2:15



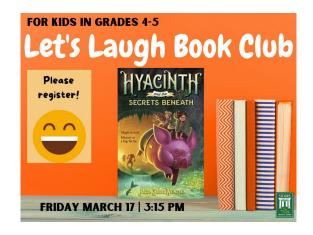
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This group will incorporate moving your body while using songs that may focus on following directions, using your five senses and exploring your body in relation to the space around it. We will work on imitation, exploring and creating organic movements.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

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Let's Laugh Book Club (gr. 4-5)

Friday, March 17, 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 *Hyacinth and the Secrets Beneath* by Jacob Sager Weinstein. Register and pick up your copy in advance from the Discovery Room.

Write On Youth Writing Club (gr 5-9)

Saturday, March 18, 10:00-11:00

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Writers in grades 5-9 are welcome to join



our monthly writing club. Each session will have writing prompts to get your creative juices flowing, and then we'll practice sharing our stories and giving each other positive feedback. The sessions are led by a real, live children's book author. All words welcome here!

<u>Learn to Play MAGIC THE GATHERING (ages 12+)</u> Saturday, March 18, 10:00-11:00



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

Chicken Eggs at the Library



Storrs Library is hatching some eggs-cellent chickens! Come visit the Discovery Room to meet our twelve fertilized White Leghorn eggs, which will rest inside an incubator until they hatch in late March or early April. We'll also have books and handouts explaining the science of how chicks grow. Our resident backyard chicken owner Miss Christina is happy to answer all kinds of questions about what's going on under the eggshells.

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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