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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 19–March 25, 2023

Youth Programs

Little Listeners (ages 3–5yrs)

Monday, March 20, 9:30–10:00



[Read More/Register](#)

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 20, 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 21, 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

Tot Time
 Tuesday, March 21
 9:30 am
 For ages 2-3

register@longmeadowlibrary.org

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 Venture Studio

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First Line Book Club (gr. 2-3)

Tuesday, March 21, 3:15-3:45

FOR KIDS IN GRADES 2-3

First Line Book Club

Tuesday, March 21
 3:15 - 3:45

PLEASE REGISTER TO JOIN THE FUN

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Join our 2nd-3rd grade book group where we'll explore books that draw readers in from the very first line. Each month we'll enjoy a page-turning chapter book and meet to discuss what kept us turning those pages. This month's book selection is *Haven* by Megan Wagner Lloyd. Register and pick up your copy in advance from the Discovery Room.

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, March 22, 9:30-10:30

PATHWAYS FOR PARENTS IS FUNDED BY THE COORDINATED FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GRANT THROUGH THE MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE

GROW PLAY LEARN
 Presented by Pathways for Parents, CFCE

Wednesdays in March
 9:30 - 10:30
 Storytime and play for children birth -5 yrs

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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.

Scarf Decorating For Kids (gr. K+)

Wednesday, March 22, 3:00-4:00

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This program is the rescheduled date from the cancelled program on



Wednesday, March 14th. If you were registered for the original program you do not need to register again.

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.**

Families in Harmony Level One (ages 2-5)

Thursday, March 23, 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 each family's evolving life. Program geared for ages 2-5 years 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.

Minecraft with Friends: Session 1

Thursday, March 23, 3:15-4:00

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Build and explore in your own world or work together to build our community world at Minecraft with Friends! Patrons may bring their own tablets if they wish. iPads will be available for use in the program. **Please register for only one session.**

Minecraft with Friends: Session 2

Thursday, March 23, 4:00-4:45



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Build and explore in your own world or work together to build our community world at Minecraft with Friends! Patrons may bring their own tablets if they wish. iPads will be available for use in the program. **Please register for only one session.**

Board Book Baby Time (birth-12mo)

Friday, March 24, 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 24, 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 24, 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!

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.

Food Explorers (ages birth–5yrs)

Friday, March 24, 3:15–4:00



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Join Food Explorers for a delicious program with your little foodies! Explore new foods, flavors and textures through food play and interactive games and activities all centered around food and nutrition. This program will be taught by Katie Shepherd, a Registered Dietitian who created Food Explorers as a way to combat picky eating in little children through cooking and food play.

Food Explorers 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.

Sparkling Wonder (ages 2.5–5)

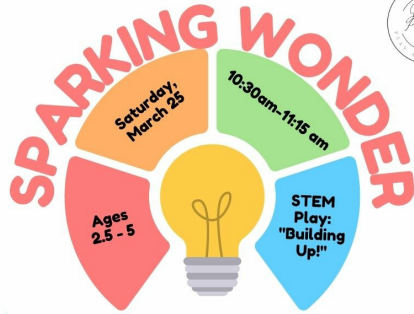
Saturday, March 25, 10:30-11:15



Register Online at longmeadowlibrary.org



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This program is the rescheduled date of the cancelled March 4th session. If you were already registered for the March 4th session you do not need to register again.

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 open-ended 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.

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More Than Mom Drop-In Playgroup

Saturday, March 25, 11:20-12:00

DROP-IN PLAYGROUP
 SATURDAY MARCH 25 11:20 AM-12:00 PM
 KIDS AGES 0-18 MONTHS
 HOSTED BY MORE THAN MOM

A drop-in playgroup for parents with kiddos up to 18 months, hosted by More Than Mom Inc., a nonprofit group providing support to area parents. We'll have a story, bring out some toys, and everyone (parents included) will make some new friends!

In Case You Missed...

Chicken Eggs at the Library

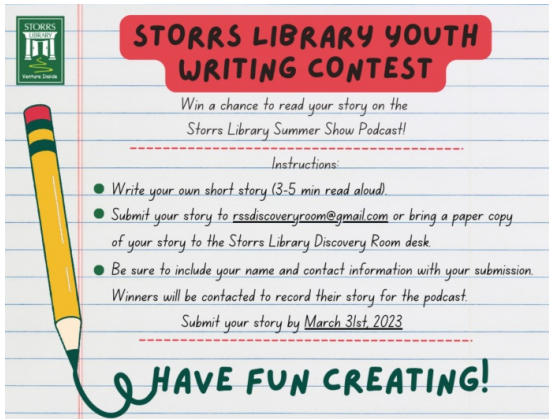
Storrs Library is hatching some eggs-cellent chickens! Come visit the Discovery Room to meet our twelve fertilized White Leghorn eggs, which will rest inside an incubator until they hatch in late March or early April. We'll also have books and handouts explaining the science of how chicks grow.

COME TO MEET THE EGGS!



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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