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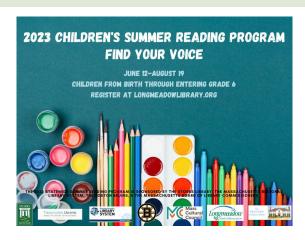
### **Library Hours**

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

# What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: July 9-July 15, 2023

### Summer Reading Program



#### Read More/Register

Register for the 2023 Children's Summer Reading Program "Find Your Voice" online, then venture to Storrs Library to pick up a reading log. Children earn Discovery Dollars by reading and listening to stories and earn Discovery Tickets by attending programs. There will be prizes and raffles all summer long!

The 2023 Statewide Summer Reading Program is sponsored by the Storrs Library, The Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Boston Bruins, & the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



#### Read More/Register

Register for the 2023 Teen Summer Reading Program "Find Your Voice" online, then venture to Storrs Library to pick up a reading log. Teens earn Discovery Dollars by reading and listening to books, magazines, podcasts and more and earn Discovery Tickets by attending programs. There will be prizes and raffles all summer long!

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The Richard Salter Storrs Library will partner with the Boys and Girls Club of West Springfield to collect new outdoor supplies, craft supplies, and sensory-friendly homework supplies. Items will be collected in the Storrs Library lobby from June 12

until August 19.



### **Youth Programs**

# Summertime Storytime (ages 3-5)

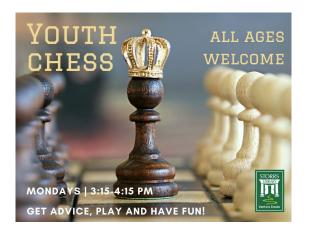
Monday, July 10, 10:30-11:30



#### Read More/Register

Join us for Summertime Storytime, a program of stories, activities, songs, and a scavenger hunt around the "block" that will take us through the woods behind the Library. Everyone Welcome! Please register in advance.

### Youth Chess (gr K+) Monday, July 10, 3:15-4:15



### Read More/Register

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, July 10, 4:30-5:00

Read More/Register

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!

## Teen Game Night (ages 13+)

Monday, July 10, 6:00-7:00



### Read More/Register

Join us for an old-school game night! Have a blast from the past with some of your favorite games. There will be Chromebooks, Ipads, and Wiis provided, but feel free to bring your own devices if desired. For Teens (13 and up!)

# Origami Storigami with Motoko (ages 5+) Tuesday, July 11, 3:30-4:30



#### Read More/Register

Parents' Choice Award winner Motoko regales families (ages 5 and up) with delightful folktales from her native Japan, combined with hands-on origami activities. Motoko's step-by-step instructions make the ancient Japanese art fun and accessible. Children will learn focus, imagination, and precision while creating pieces of art.

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

### Outdoor Family Yoga with Mary Daboul Wednesday, July 12, 9:45-10:30

Read More/Register

Join us for child and caregiver yoga session with Mary Daboul. Mary Daboul



incorporates pictures books into her yoga sessions, retelling parts of the story through yoga poses, games, songs, breathing, and relaxation. If there is inclement weather, this program will move to the Betty Ann Low Meeting Room.

This program is funded by the Friends of Storrs Library.

# Find Your Voice, Find Your Moves! (ages 6+)

Wednesday, July 12, 3:30-4:15



### Read More/Register

Join us for an hour of family dancing and karaoke. Using the wii, families can play Just Dance and Disney Sing It Family Hits. Find your Voice and Find Your Moves!

# Playground Storytime (ages 3+)

Thursday, July 13, 9:30-10:30



#### Read More/Register

Children and caregivers are invited to join us for songs and stories at Bliss Park. We will be meeting at the playscape. If there is inclement weather, this program will be cancelled.

### Art Adventures (gr. K+) Thursday, July 13, 3:30-4:15

Read More/Register

Are you interested in learning about different styles of art? Join us at Storrs library for Art Adventures to learn about Mary Blair and make your own colorful art! Children ages Kindergarten and older are invited to learn about Mary Blair's unique style, and create their own colorful castles!



# **Build Your Own Catapult**

Friday, July 14, 11:00-11:45



#### Read More/Register

Join us for Catapult Creations! Teams can work together to create catapults and test their designs. This program is available for all ages, adults, teens, and youth!

If there is inclement weather, this program will move to the Betty Ann Low Meeting Room.

Please register in advance.

# Western Massachusetts Youth Robotics (Gr. 5-6)

Friday, July 14, 3:30-4:30



#### Read More/Register

Western Massachusetts Youth Robotics and high school FTC team Cosmic Loop (independent) will be teaching advanced robotics skills to prepare youths for the FIRST LEGO League Challenge (FLL) competition (season starts on August 1st). No technology experience is required, just enthusiasm! The 8 hand-on sessions cover: 1) Scratch coding skills to move the robot accurately, 2) design of gear attachments and base robot, and 3) robot strategies. Each session is mostly free standing but some do build on previous ones. Each participant is recommended to bring a laptop (any operating system) or Chromebook. Setup instructions will be emailed prior to the session.

This session is best for rising 5th and 6th graders who are new to robotics and are planning to compete in FIRST LEGO League Challenge (FLL) competition.

# Little Notes (ages birth-5yrs) Saturday, July 15, 10:00-10:45



#### Read More/Register

Little Notes, from the Community Music School, is a music class designed for infants, toddlers, and their caregivers. In this class, very young children will cultivate their natural musical intuition and connect with their loved adults through musical play, movement, games, and instrument exploration.

# More Than Mom Drop-In Playgroup Saturday, July 15, 11:00-12:00



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...

## **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 week 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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