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## Library Hours

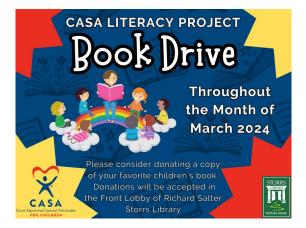
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# What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: March 24, 2024-March 30, 2024

# **Donation Drive**

## CASA Literacy Project Book Drive Friday, March 1 – Saturday, March 30



Is there a children's book that you loved so much and you wish to share it with someone else?

Consider donating a brand new copy of your favorite children's book to the CASA Literacy Project Book Drive. These books will be given to children within the foster care system who are represented by the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Hampden County.

Since 1977, Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) have been speaking up for kids who can't. CASA of Hampden County advocates for local children being placed in foster care or searching for permanent homes.

The drive will run from March 1st - March 30th, and donations will be accepted in the Storrs Library Front Lobby.

# All Ages Programs

## Backyard Adventures with Daniel Caron Thursday, March 28, 6:00-7:00



#### Read More/Register

Join us as Daniel Caron shares his photography focused on the wealth of natural resources available to all of us in our own backyard. Daniel is an awardwinning photographer and his photography complements his love for the outdoors.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library and Bank of America.

Please register in advance.

## Cool Bugs and Native Plants: Adventures in Native Plant Gardening for Beginners Saturday, March 30, 10:00-11:30



Read More/Register

Learn the basics using native plants in gardens and the diversity of life created in even a small garden. Native plants bring insects, birds and other wildlife to your space. What's good? What's bad? Does that insect sting? What is that cool butterfly? Three years after slowly planting native plants in her own field, she has some answers to these questions. Jocelyn Demuth is the proprietor of Checkerspot Farm, a native plant nursery in Colrain, MA named after an elusive butterfly. Last year the farm's namesake returned to the native plant meadow attached to the farm. Jocelyn will share the ways that you can create space for and identify some of these interesting creatures who are the foundations of our ecosystems.

All ages are welcome, though this presentation will likely appeal to adults and children in grades 3 & up who have an existing interest in bugs.

#### This program is part of the Hampden-Hampshire Conservation District's Native Plants Education Series.

Please register in advance.

## **Youth Programs**

Terrific Twos (ages 2–3yrs) Monday, March 25, 10:00–10:45



#### **Read More/Register**

Terrific Twos is a unique program developed for the younger preschool child. This program enhances socialization and hands-on learning of two and three-yearolds in a small group setting. Music, movement, stories, projects and free play are incorporated into a fun-filled morning. The ASQ will be integrated into each week's curriculum

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.

## Youth Chess (gr K+) Monday, March 25, 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 tips to sharpen your game for more advanced students. Registration is required and limited.

## Tot Time (ages 2-3yrs) Tuesday, March 26, 9:30-10:00



#### **Read More/Register**

A circle story time 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, March 26, 10:45-11:30



#### **Read More/Register**

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.

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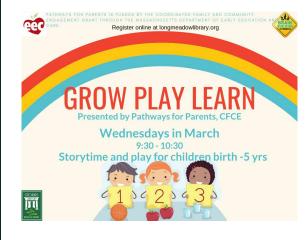
## Spring Bingo (gr. K+) Tuesday, March 26, 3:30-4:00



#### **Read More/Register**

Join us for a fun game of chance with spring bingo. We have lots of prizes to give away! For grades K and up.

## Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs) Wednesday, March 27, 9:30-10:30

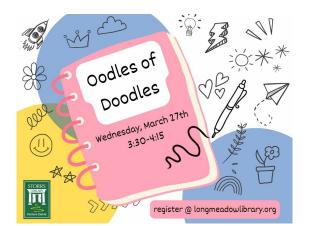


#### **Read More/Register**

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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## Oodles of Doodles Wednesday, March 27, 3:30-4:15



#### Read More/Register

Do you love to doodle but don't know what to draw? Come to Oodles of Doodles to learn how to draw everything from puppies to pizza! All ages are welcome.





## 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 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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