



Richard Salter Storrs Library
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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: April 14, 2024–April 20, 2024



The Library will be closed on Monday, April 15th for Patriots' Day.

Donation Drive

Homework House

Monday, April 1 – Tuesday, April 30

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
 in support of
homework HOUSE
 located in Holyoke, MA

Throughout the Month of April
 Front Lobby of Richard Salter Storrs Library

Most in need of nut-free snacks, school and art supplies

Please consider donating this month to support Homework House in Holyoke, MA.

According to their mission statement, "Homework House's mission and programs are firmly rooted in the social justice vision of our founders and our programs have been inspiring children, supporting families, and transforming our Holyoke community for almost 15 years. We believe that every child is has unique gifts and talents and that all children are capable of excellence. Every child deserves access to high quality academic enrichment programs regardless of a family's ability to pay or the neighborhood in which they live.

Today, Homework House serves almost 90 youth each day at our two sites with the help of over 250 volunteer tutors. Homework House is an independent non-sectarian organization serving all children regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or gender."

You can access the list of items they are

most in need of by clicking [here](#).

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

Youth Programs

Tot Time (ages 2–3yrs)

Tuesday, April 16, 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.

Erica Swallow: Kid's Entrepreneurship Program

Tuesday, April 16, 3:30–4:30



[Read More/Register](#)

The Richard Salter Storrs Library will host local children's book author Erica Swallow in a kid's entrepreneurship program and read-aloud of *Gabby Invents the Perfect Hair Bow*, her nonfiction picture book about accessories designer Gabrielle Goodwin. At seven years old, Gabby joined forces with her mother to invent and patent a new kind of hair barrette, so that she'd stop losing all her hair bows at school.

The Storrs Library is proud to host the read-aloud and kid's entrepreneurship program, on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, from 3:30-4:30pm in the Discovery Room (Children's Room). Following the read-aloud, Swallow will engage attendees in a problem-solving exercise which challenges them to brainstorm problems they face—and potential solutions which could be business ideas.

Gabby Invents the Perfect Hair Bow is one of four books in Swallow's Little Launchers nonfiction picture book series, which is written for readers ages 5-10 years old, about real kids with real businesses. The series includes:

Sebastian Creates a Sock Company

Rachel Turns Her Passion Into a Business

Jason Saves the World with Entrepreneurship

Gabby Invents the Perfect Hair Bow

Art Explorers: Pointillism (gr. K+)

Wednesday, April 17, 3:30–4:30



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Elementary aged kids will learn about Pointillism, and practice creating their own dotted art! Please dress for messy learning.

Tiny Tales (ages 1–2yrs)

Thursday, April 18, 9:30–10:00



[Read More/Register](#)

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.

Page to Screen Club: Series of Unfortunate Events

Thursday, April 18, 12:15–2:15



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All ages are invited to join the Page to Screen Club! Each month we chose a book to read, and then meet to watch the story come to life on the big screen! This month we are reading *Series of Unfortunate Events: the Bad Beginning*, and we will watch *Series of Unfortunate Events* (2004, rated PG). Register and pick up your copy in advance from the Discovery Room.

Spanish Language Learning for Families (ages 6–12)

Thursday, April 18, 3:30–4:30



[Read More/Register](#)

Caregivers and children 6 and up are welcome to learn Spanish! Instructor Jan Lamberg will introduce some beginning level vocabulary, and offer an opportunity to learn Spanish together.

Little Listeners (ages 2+)

Friday, April 19, 9:30-10:00



[Read More/Register](#)

All little listeners are encouraged to come to read books, sing songs, play around, and be creative!

The Spy Challenge (ages 6+)

Friday, April 19, 3:30-4:30



[Read More/Register](#)

Test your skills at the Spy Challenge! Tackle fun obstacle courses and use your brain to see if you have what it takes to be a spy. Please register in advance for a time slot.

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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