



FERGUSON LIBRARY

YOUTH SERVICES

APRIL 2025

How to Contact Us



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Tiny Art Time

Pick up a Tiny Art bag that contains everything needed to create two 4x4-inch paintings. Bags are available starting April 4 at all branches as well as the Bookmobile, while supplies last. Create paintings to display at home or submit one for a Tiny Art Show. Entries for the art show are due April 24 at WMH, April 28 at ML and May 5 at HB. Check the online calendar for reception times and locations on May 6 & 7. All ages.




Ferguson Library's Teen Art Contest 2025


Exploring the upcoming Summer Learning Club theme: **Level Up**

Contest requirements:

- Open to Stamford students in grades 6 to 12.
- Entries should be easily reproducible drawings on 8.5x11 white paper and must be labeled in the back with your name, address, phone number, email, school and grade. Computer-generated images are also accepted.
- Entries are due April 15.

The winner will receive a Michaels \$50 gift certificate, and the winning drawing will be displayed on many of the Summer Learning Club materials. Submit entries to the Youth Services Dept. at the Main Library, or mail to Steve Zampino, Ferguson Library, 96 Broad Street, Stamford, CT 06901.

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Curious Creators

Fridays, April 4 & 18 from 3 to 3:45 p.m. at HB

A hands-on STEAM adventure where young minds explore science, technology, engineering, art and math through experiments and creative projects. Ages 3 and older. **RR.**



Reading & Rhythm Concert

Saturday April 12 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at ML

An interactive concert where everyone can sing, dance, move, play and enjoy orchestral music while building literacy and social/emotional skills. All ages. **RA.**

Presented in partnership with Orchestra Lumos and Music Together of Fairfield County.



The Poop Museum

Monday, April 14 from 2 to 3 p.m. at ML


Presentation by teacher and storyteller Susie Maguire, where everyone learns many fantastic, fabulous and fun facts about human, animal and insect poop. All ages. **RR.**

The Safety PAWtrol

Thursday, April 17 from 12 to 1 p.m. at ML

An interactive program that will teach children how to read dog body language and how to safely approach, greet and interact with dogs. Grades K to 5. **RR.**


Presented in partnership with CT Humane Society.



Open MIC Poetry Slam

Wednesday, April 30 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at WS

Celebrate National Poetry Month during our annual gathering of spoken word performers from around Connecticut. All ages. **RR.**



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ML Main Library, DiMattia Building • HB Harry Bennett • SE South End • WMH Weed Memorial & Hollander • WS West Side
RR-Registration required or RA-Registration appreciated at fergusonlibrary.org/events. RF-Registration is full.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

For Main Library Storytimes, registration opens six days before each program date. All children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Sing & Stomp

Tuesdays, April 1, 8, 22 & 29 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML
Ages 18 months to 4 years.

Cuddlers & Crawlers

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB
Ages 12 months and younger; pre-walking only. RR.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 23 & 30 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML

Saturday, April 5 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML
Saturday, April 19 from 2 to 2:30 p.m. at WMH
Ages 18 months to 4 years. RR.

Toddler Stay & Play

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH
Ages 18 months to 3 years. RR.

Bebés Bilingües

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 12:30 to 1 p.m. at HB
Spanish-language storytime. Ages 2 and younger. Siblings welcome. RR.

Cuentos y Actividades

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at SE
Spanish-language story and activity. Ages 1 to 4.

Story Explorers

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 12:30 to 1 p.m. at HB
Ages 4 and older. RR.

Babytime

Fridays, April 4, 11 & 25 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML
Ages 18 months and younger. Siblings welcome. RR.

Storytime with Sarah

Mondays, April 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB
Ages 2 and younger. RR.

Wee Ones @ Weed Storytime

Mondays, April 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH
Ages 3 and younger. RR.

Sensory Storytime

Tuesdays, April 8 & 22 from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at HB
Ages 3 to 6. RR.

Budding Bookworms

Tuesday, April 8 from 2:30 to 3 p.m. at WMH
Story and craft. Ages 3 to 5. RR.

Preschool Storytime & Craft

Tuesdays, April 8 & 22 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at ML
Ages 3 to 6. RR.

Bilingual Storytime

Thursdays, April 10 & 24 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML
English and Spanish. Ages 18 months to 4 years. RR.

Pajama Storytime

Wednesday, April 16 from 5 to 6 p.m. at ML
Wear your PJs. Ages 3 months to 7 years. RR.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

My First Book Club

Saturday, April 5 from 12 to 1 p.m. at ML
Newly independent and developing readers will work on vocabulary development, print and phonological awareness and letter knowledge to build on skills needed to become lifelong learners. Grades K to 2. RR.

Theater Club Auditions: Juneteenth

Saturday, April 5 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at ML
Actors, singers, dancers and stagehands who want to play a part in our Juneteenth commemoration are invited to try out. Come prepared to read, show your moves, sing or sign up to work backstage. All ages. RR.

Cookies & Coloring

Tuesday, April 8 from 4 to 5 p.m. at HB
Enjoy an hour of relaxation through the meditative act of coloring. Cookies will be served; supplies will be provided. Ages 5 and older. RR.

Food for Thought

Tuesday, April 15 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at ML
Bake muffins from scratch while learning about the science of baking. Enjoy boba pearls

while the muffins are cooking. Presented by middle school student Isha Jaishiva. Grades 3 to 8. RR.

LEGO® Play Day

Tuesday, April 15 from 4 to 4:45 p.m. at WMH
Get creative while building your own designs, then take a photo of your work before disassembling. Ages 5 to 10. RR.

Little's Art Club

Friday, April 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at ML
Unleash your creativity to create masterpieces inspired by David Hockney's unique use of color, chalk, pastels and collage techniques. Ages 2 to 8. RR.

Crafternoon:

Earth Day Bird Feeders
Tuesday, April 22 from 4 to 4:45 p.m. at WMH
Celebrate the Earth using recycled materials to make a bird feeder. Supplies will be provided. Grades 3 to 8. RR.

Read to a Therapy Dog

Saturday, April 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. at HB
Practice your reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog. Ages 5 to 12. RR.

Baby Prom 2025

Sunday, April 27 from 2 to 3 p.m. at ML
Wear your fanciest formalwear to dance the afternoon away during our 2025 Baby Prom. Ages 3 months to 5 years. RR.

Read It & Reel It

Wednesday, April 30 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at HB
A monthly book-to-movie club where we read a book, watch the film adaptation and compare the two. Ages 10 and older. RA.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Let's Talk Conversation Groups, Teen Edition

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 3 to 4 p.m. at ML
Practice your English conversational skills in a group. All levels welcome. Grades 6 to 12.

Funding the Future: Financial Planning for Education Thursday, April 3 from 6 to 7 p.m. at ML

A workshop that covers the cost of education, financial aid, scholarships, student loans and strategies for saving. Teens and adults. RR.
Presented in partnership with J. M. Franklin & Company, LLC.

Poetry Club:

Get Ready to Slam
Wednesday, April 9 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at WS
Second session of this writing workshop designed to help you write and present a poem from the Ferguson Library Poetry Slam on April 30. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

Zumba Dance Party

Saturdays, April 12, 19 & 26 from 12:15 to 1 p.m. at ML
Dance yourself into fitness at this weekly class with instructor Pamela Arenas. No excuses! Bring a water bottle. Teens and adults.

Silent Book Club

Saturday, April 12 from 2 to 3 p.m. at HB
Read the book of your choice in the quiet company of others. Teens and adults. RR.

TMAD & All About Henna

Friday, April 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. at ML
An introduction to TMAD, the library's Teens Making a Difference volunteer program, and a class on how to create henna designs and take care of them. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

LGBTQ+ Social Book Club

Saturday, April 19 from 3 to 4 p.m. at HB
Discuss what books you are reading, make connections and enjoy a tasty treat. Those who identify as LGBTQIA+ as well as allies are welcome. RR.
Presented in partnership with Stamford Pride.

Art Club

Wednesday, April 30 from 12 to 1:30 p.m. at ML
Craft a dog toy to donate to a local animal shelter or take home to your pup, then use chalk and pastels to explore the colorful art of David Hockney. Grades 6 to 12. RR.