



# FERGUSON LIBRARY

## YOUTH SERVICES

MAY 2025

### How to Contact Us



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203 351-8221

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Main Library: 203 351-8242

Harry Bennett Branch: 203 351-8294

South End Branch at Waterside: 203 351-8280

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch: 203 351-8287

West Side Branch: 203 351-8420

### New Storytimes!

#### Story Explorers

Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15 & 29  
from 1 to 1:30 p.m. at HB

Longer picture books, music,  
dancing and discussions. Ages 3 and older. **RR.**



#### Storytime Stomp

Fridays, May 2, 9, 23 & 30 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB

Stories, songs and movement. All ages.

#### Waterside Whimsy: Tales & Tunes

Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. at SE

Board book read-along, music and movement. Ages 6  
months to 5 years.

#### Sensory Storytime

Tuesdays, May 6 & 20 from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at HB

Movement, visual aids and sensory experiences. Ages 3  
to 6. **RR.**

### Tiny Art Show Opening Receptions

Tuesday, May 6 from 4 to 5 p.m. at WMH  
and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at ML

Wednesday, May 7 from 4 to 5 p.m. at HB

A celebration of the artists who created  
works for the 2025 Tiny Art Show. The art  
will be on display through May at WMH,  
through June 6 at ML. Snacks will be  
served. All ages. (Artists may pick up  
artwork after the show at HB, by June 10  
at WMH and by June 13 at ML.)



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All library facilities will be closed Monday, May 26 for  
Memorial Day. We honor those who gave their lives in service  
of our country.

### Little Gardeners

Saturday, May 10 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at HB

Plant cucumber seeds to take home  
and watch grow. Ages 5 and older. **RR.**



### Internet Self-Defense

Tuesday, May 13 from 2 to 3:15 p.m. at ML

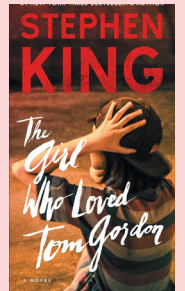
Acquire tools needed to protect your privacy  
and keep your identity safe while navigating  
the internet. Teens and adults. **RR.**

### Stephen King Book Club:

*The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon*

Thursday, May 22 from 5 to 6 p.m. at ML  
and via Zoom

During a six-mile hike, 9-year-old Trisha  
quickly tires of her bickering brother and  
mother, so she wanders off only to get lost  
in a wilderness maze full of peril and terror.  
Copies of the book available at all branches.  
Snacks will be served. Teens and adults. **RR.**



### Youth Enrichment Program: Reaching Our Communities

Saturdays, May 10, 17, 24 & 31 and June 7 & 14 from  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at SE



A free six-week program  
of workshops focusing on  
life skills, mental health  
and the arts. This program  
will help participants  
grow and learn in fun  
and meaningful ways.  
Breakfast will be served.  
Ages 12 to 18. **RR** by May 3.  
Presented in partnership  
with Heart & Purpose.

### Stamford Children's Book Festival: Bringing Hope to the World One Book at a Time

Sunday, May 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. at ML

Book sale and signing with  
celebrated children's picture book  
authors and illustrators. All ages.  
Presented in partnership  
with the Society for Children's  
Writers and Illustrators.



Our programs are generously supported by the Friends of Ferguson Library.

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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](https://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.

#### Bilingual Storytime

**Thursdays, May 1 & 22 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML**  
English and Spanish. Ages 18 months to 4 years. **RR.**

#### Cuentos y Actividades

**Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at SE**  
Spanish-language story and activity. Ages 1 to 4.

#### Babytime

**Fridays, May 2, 9 & 16 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML**  
Ages 18 months and younger. Siblings welcome. **RR.**

#### Bebés Bilingües

**Saturday, May 3 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB**  
**Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 12:30 to 1 p.m. at HB**  
Spanish-language storytime. Ages 2 and younger. Siblings welcome. **RA.**

#### Family Storytime

**Saturday, May 3 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML and from 2 to 2:30 p.m. at WMH**  
**Wednesdays, May 7 & 14 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML**  
Ages 18 months to 4 years. **RR.**

#### Storytime with Sarah

**Mondays, May 5, 12 & 19 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB**  
Ages 2 and younger. **RR.**

#### Wee Ones @ Weed Storytime

**Mondays, May 5 & 12 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH**  
Ages 3 and younger. **RR.**

#### Cinco de Mayo Storytime & Craft

**Monday, May 5 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at ML**  
Grades K to 5. **RR.**

#### Budding Bookworms

**Tuesday, May 6 from 2:30 to 3 p.m. at WMH**  
Story and craft. Ages 3 to 5. **RR.**

#### Preschool Storytime & Craft

**Tuesdays, May 6 & 20 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at ML**  
Ages 3 to 6. **RR.**

#### Cuddlers & Crawlers

**Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB**  
Ages 12 months and younger; pre-walking only. **RR.**

#### Toddler Stay & Play

**Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH**  
Ages 18 months to 3 years. **RR.**

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

#### Curious Creators

**Fridays, May 2 & 30 from 3 to 3:45 p.m. at HB**  
A hands-on STEAM adventure for young minds to explore science, technology, engineering, art and math through experiments and creative projects. Ages 3 and older. **RR.**

#### My First Book Club

**Saturday, May 3 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.**

#### Baby Social Club

**Thursday, May 8 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at ML**  
A chance for new parents of children ages newborn to 5 years to get to know one another. Snacks will be served. **RA.**  
*Presented in partnership with Stamford Cradle to Career and Help for Kids.*

#### Basket Weaving for Mother's Day

**Friday, May 9 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at ML**  
Listen to a story, poetry and songs while weaving a colorful basket to gift for Mother's Day. Supplies will be provided. Snacks will be served. Grades 2 to 6. **RR.**

#### Gizmo's Pawesome Guide to Mental Health

**Saturday, May 10 from 1:30 to 2 p.m. at ML**  
Child-friendly event that offers valuable insights and practical tools for developing coping skills and building support systems. Bo, a friendly therapy dog, will join the program. Grades K to 5. **RR.**  
*Presented in partnership with Silver Hill Hospital.*

#### Little's Art Club

**Tuesday, May 13 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at ML**  
Explore the artistry of Tyrus Wong, the design artist behind Disney's 1942 film *Bambi*. Enjoy a story before diving into watercolors. Ages 2 to 8.

#### Crafternoon: String & Straw Mobiles

**Tuesday, May 13 from 4 to 4:45 p.m. at WMH**  
Create a delicate mobile using colorful straws and string. Supplies will be provided. Grades 3 to 8. **RR.**

#### Cookies & Coloring

**Tuesday, May 13 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.**

#### Read to a Therapy Dog

**Saturday, May 17 from 1 to 2 p.m. at HB**  
Practice your reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog. Ages 5 to 12. **RR.**

#### Mother's Day Dance Party

**Saturday, May 24 from 12 to 1 p.m. at ML**  
Dance the afternoon away to celebrate Mom on her special day. Ages 3 months to 5 years. **RR.**

#### LEGO® Play Day

**Tuesday, May 27 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.**

### TEEN PROGRAMS

#### Let's Talk Conversation Groups, Teen Edition

**Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 3 to 4 p.m. at ML**  
Practice your English conversational skills in a group. All levels welcome. Grades 6 to 12.

#### Zumba Dance Party

**Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 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, May 10 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 Meeting

**Wednesday, May 14 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at ML**  
Teens Making a Difference program, where you learn about upcoming events, share reading suggestions, get free books and make a difference in the community. Participation counts as volunteer work. Pizza and chips will be served. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**

#### LGBTQ+ Social Book Club

**Saturday, May 17 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. Teens and adults.  
*Presented in partnership with Stamford Pride.*

#### College Application Timeline

**Monday, May 19 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at ML**  
Priyanka Shingala, a test prep advisor and college counselor, will offer tips on organizing your college prep workload starting now and continuing into the fall. Grade 11 and their parents. **RR.**

#### Art Club

**Tuesday, May 27 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at ML**  
Dive into the world of watercolor backgrounds, inspired by Tyrus Wong, the design artist behind Disney's 1942 film *Bambi*. Grades 6 to 12.

#### Summer Learning Club Volunteer Training

**Friday May 30 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at ML**  
**Wednesday, June 4 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at ML**  
**Saturday, June 7 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at ML**  
Earn volunteer credit by helping kids and teens join the Summer Learning clubs and report their reading progress. Application and one training session required to volunteer. Must be 12 or older by June 14.