



FERGUSON LIBRARY

YOUTH SERVICES

AUGUST 2025
SUMMER EDITION

How to Contact Us



Main Library Borrowers Services: 203 351-8261

Main Library Adult Services/Reference Desk:

203 351-8221

Youth Services:

Main Library: 203 351-8242

Harry Bennett Branch: 203 351-8294

South End Branch: 203 351-8280

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The library will be closed Sunday, August 31 and Monday, September 1 for Labor Day.



Maker Mania: Ice Cream In a Bag

Tuesday, August 5 from 4 to 4:45 p.m.
at WMH

Make ice cream using a few simple ingredients, add some toppings, and enjoy a tasty treat. Ages 8 to 13. **RF.**

Summer Learning Club

Level Up, our kids Summer Learning Club, is still in full swing. Register at fergusonlibrary.org or on the READsquared app. Teens can register for their own Summer Learning Club, too.



Teen Dungeons & Dragons

Wednesdays, August 6, 13 & 20 from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at ML

An exciting afternoon of adventure playing as part of a band of fantastical heroes who brave dangerous situations with swords, spells and their wits. Ages 12 and older. **RA.**



Nature Camp: Magical Beasts & Where to Find Them

Friday, August 1 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at HB

Meet animals from common fairy tales and creatures from favorite stories that seem magical. All ages. **RR.** Presented in partnership with the Stamford Museum & Nature Center.



Community Family Giveback Day

Saturday, August 16 from 12 to 4 p.m. at UConn, 1 University Place, Stamford

Live DJ, kids' activities, book and backpack giveaways, health and wellness information, readings, screenings, pizza and more. All ages.

Presented in partnership with the Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut, Power Health and Organized Youth. Co-sponsored by BLT, Old Navy and Staples.

Cricut Workshop

Mondays, August 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at ML

Learn how to use the Cricut machine to make a decal for a tumbler and more. Register by August 4 for the whole series; earn a certificate for attending all classes. Grades 6 to 12. **RR** for all sessions.



End-of-Summer Festivities

Teen Party at RPM Raceway

Thursday, August 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. at 600 West Avenue, Stamford

All teens are invited to a celebration that includes one go-kart race, a \$10 arcade card, two slices of pizza and soft drinks. Additional fees for more go-kart racing, to play VR battles and go bowling. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**



Kids Celebration at the Boys & Girls Club

Saturday, August 9 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

at the Yerwood Center, 90 Fairfield Avenue, Stamford

Enjoy music, games, crafts and cold treats to celebrate summer reading and learning. All ages.

fergusonlibrary.org/services/kids
fergusonlibrary.org/events

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@southendbranch_lib, @weedhollander and
@fergusonlibrarypassports

facebook.com/thefergusonlibrary

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

KIDS SUMMER LEARNING CLUB: LEVEL UP

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



Babytime Storytime

Fridays, August 1, 8, 15 & 22 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML

Ages 18 months and younger. Siblings welcome. **RR.**

Storytime Stomp

Fridays, August 1, 8 & 15 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB

All ages.

Friday Flicks

Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. at ML

Have a snack and enjoy a movie with us. Ages 6 and older; children 7 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. All movies are rated PG.



**Friday, August 1:
Moana 2**

**Friday,
August 8:
Inside
Out 2**



Family Storytime

Saturday, August 2 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML

Wednesdays, August 6, 13 & 20 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML
Ages 18 months to 4 years. **RR.**

Read to a Therapy Dog

Saturday, August 2 from 1 to 2 p.m. at HB

Practice your reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog. Ages 5 to 12. **RF.**

Storytime with Sarah

Monday, August 4 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB

Ages 2 and younger. **RA.**

Wee Ones @ Weed Storytime

Monday, August 4 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH

Ages 3 and younger. **RR.**

Outdoor Family Storytime

Tuesdays, August 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at Latham Park

Ages 18 months to 4 years. Rain location: ML

Messy Artists at Latham Park

Tuesdays, August 5 & 19 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Latham Park

Stay after Outdoor Storytime for a fun art-filled activity. Wear clothes you won't mind getting dirty. Ages 18 months to 4 years. Weather permitting.



Building Bonanza

Tuesday, August 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at ML

Take on a challenge or create anything you want using our LEGO® blocks, Keva planks and magnetic tiles. Creations cannot be taken home. Ages 5 and older; ages 7 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.



Cookies & Coloring

Tuesday, August 5 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, August 5 from 4 to 6 p.m. at ML

Bake macarons while learning about the science of baking. Presented by middle school student Isha Jaishiva. Grades 3 to 8. **RR.**

Cuddlers & Crawlers Storytime

Wednesdays, August 6 & 13 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB

Ages 12 months and younger; pre-walking only. **RA.**

Toddler Stay & Play

Wednesday, August 6 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at WMH

Ages 18 months to 3 years. **RR.**

Bebés Bilingües Storytime

Wednesdays, August 6 & 13 from 12:30 to 1 p.m. at HB

Spanish-language storytime. Ages 2 and younger. Siblings welcome. **RA.**

Chess Club

Wednesday, August 6 from 4 to 5 p.m. at HB

Learn how to play this popular game of strategy. Bring a friend or join on your own. Ages 5 and older. **RR.**

Presented in partnership with RedBandit Chess.

Baby Social Club

Thursday, August 7 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at ML

A chance for new parents and

caregivers of children ages newborn to 5 years to get to know one another. **RA.**
Presented in partnership with Stamford Cradle to Career and Help for Kids.

Little Picassos Art Club

Thursdays, August 7 & 14 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at HB

Learn, paint, draw and get a little messy! Each session you will explore the work of a different artist and create your own masterpiece. Ages 2 and older. **RR.**



Curious Creators

Friday, August 8 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.**

Sensory Storytime

Tuesday, August 12 from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at HB

Ages 3 to 6. **RR.**

Bilingual Storytime

Thursday, August 21 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at ML

English and Spanish. Ages 18 months to 4 years. **RR.**

My First Book Club

Saturday, August 23 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.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.**



TEEN SUMMER LEARNING CLUB: LEVEL UP

Podcast Club

Fridays, August 1 & 15 from 4 to 5 p.m. at ML

Use your voice, leadership training and communication skills to develop a podcast program for the Ferguson Library community. Grades 5 to 12. **RF.**

Quilting Club

Wednesdays, August 6 & 13 from 1 to 3 p.m. at WS

Learn how to create patterns, hand sew and finish a lap quilt, wall hanging or blanket. Supplies will be provided. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**

Gaming Nights

Fridays, August 8 & 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. at ML

Play with your friends and test your skills using our Nintendo Switches, VR headset and gaming computers. Grades 6 to 12. **RR.**

Next Step Expo

Friday, August 15 from 1 to 5 p.m. at ML

Learn about different higher education, career and volunteering options to make a difference in your future. Grades 10 and higher. **RR.**



Survival Island:

A Cooperative Game

Saturday, August 16 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at ML

Work in teams or individually to navigate a survival scenario that's full of pitfalls. Grades 5 to 12. **RR.**

Back-to-School Party: Books, Bags & Barbers

Monday, August 25 from 12 to 4 p.m. at ML

A healthy snack demo, free books and backpacks, and haircuts so you can look your best on the first day of school. Up to 30 haircuts will be given on a first-come first-served basis. Grades K to 12. **RR.**
Presented in partnership with SPEF, Southwood Square Apartments, Malcolm Green & Company, Stop & Shop and Mathnasium.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Coloring & Conversation

Weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at ML

Enjoy relaxation through the meditative act of coloring. Teens and adults.

Zumba Dance Party

Saturdays, August 2, 9, 16 & 23 from 12:15 to 1 p.m. at ML

Dance yourself into fitness at this weekly class with instructor Pamela Arenas. Bring a water bottle. Teens and adults.

Improv Jam

Tuesday, August 5 from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. at HB

Learn the basics of improv through games and practice. No experience necessary. Teens and adults. **RA.**

Retro Video Gaming

Wednesday, August 6 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at ML

Have fun playing games like Donkey Kong, Tetris, Pac-Man, Missile Command, Galaga and many more. Teens and adults.

Silent Book Club

Saturday, August 9 from 2 to 3 p.m. at HB

Read the book of your choice in the quiet company of others. Teens and adults. **RR.**

LGBTQ+ Social Book Club

Saturday, August 9 from 3 to 4 p.m. at HB


Discuss what books you are reading, make connections and enjoy a treat. Those who identify as LGBTQIA+ as well as allies are welcome. Teens and adults.

Presented in partnership with Stamford Pride.

T-MAD Meeting

Tuesday, August 19 from 3 to 4:30 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.**



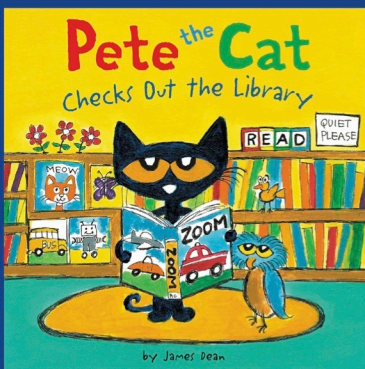
1,000 BOOKS

BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Grow a Reader at the Ferguson Library

Families are invited to join the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program, a nationwide challenge encouraging parents and caregivers to read aloud to children. Reading just one book a night can help children develop essential early literacy skills, close the vocabulary gap, and foster a lifelong love of reading. The program is available at all our branches to families with children from birth to kindergarten. For more information, visit our Youth Services Information Desks.

FERGUSON FAVORITES



Scan here to
access this and
other booklists.

100 Best Picture Books



Learn more about all our Youth Services program by scanning this code.

FERGUSON LIBRARY

MAIN LIBRARY, DIMATTIA BUILDING

One Public Library Plaza

203 964-1000

Monday through Thursday 10 to 8

Friday 10 to 6

Saturday 10 to 5

Sunday 1 to 5

HARRY BENNETT BRANCH

115 Vine Road

203 351-8291

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 to 6

Wednesday 10 to 7

Saturday 10 to 5

SOUTH END BRANCH

203 351-8280

Check online for reopening updates.

WEED MEMORIAL & HOLLANDER BRANCH

1143 Hope Street

203 351-8285

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10 to 6

Tuesday 12 to 7

Saturday 10 to 5

WEST SIDE BRANCH

245 Selleck Street

203 351-8420

Monday through Thursday 1 to 4

FRIENDS BOOK SHOPS AT THE FERGUSON LIBRARY

Main Library

Monday through Thursday 11 to 6

Friday & Saturday 11 to 5

Sunday 1 to 5

Harry Bennett Branch

Monday through Saturday 10 to 5

BOOKMOBILE

Check our online calendar at

[fergusonlibrary.org/](http://fergusonlibrary.org/locations-hours/bookmobile)

locations-hours/bookmobile

PASSPORT SERVICES

Main Library Passport Office

Appointments take precedence and are recommended.

For more information or to make an appointment, call 203 351-8298.

Monday through Thursday 10 to 7

Friday 10 to 5

Saturday 10 to 4

Sunday 1 to 4

Harry Bennett Passport Office

Walk-in only

Wednesday 10 to 6

Saturday 10 to 4