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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: July 7, 2024-July 13, 2024

### **Art Exhibit**

# **Art Exhibit: Kevin Higgins**

Saturday, June 1 - Wednesday, July 31



This exhibit features the watercolor and pencil drawing of local artist Kevin Higgins. Please visit the Betty Ann Low Meeting Room anytime it available.

An Art Reception will take place June 27th from 5-7pm.

# **Summer Reading Program**



#### Read More/Register

Register for the 2024 Children's Summer Reading Program "Read, Renew, Repeat" online, then venture to Storrs Library to pick up a reading log. Children earn Discovery Dollars by reading and listening to stories and earn Discovery Tickets by attending programs. There will be prizes and raffles all summer long!

The 2024 Statewide Summer Reading Program is sponsored by the Storrs Library, The Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Boston Bruins, & the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Read More/Register

Register for the 2024 Teen Summer Reading Program "Read, Renew, Repeat" online, then venture to Storrs Library to





pick up a reading log. Teens earn Discovery Dollars by reading and listening to books, magazines, podcasts and more and earn Discovery Tickets by attending programs. There will be prizes and raffles all summer long!

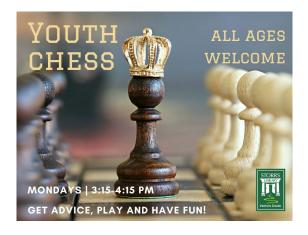
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The 12th annual Ride to remember will be traveling through Longmeadow September 7, 2024. Storrs Library is collecting snacks for the Longmeadow rest stop. Please consider donating: Power/Nutrition Bars, Power Bites, Mixed Nuts, Powerade/Gatorade Regular and Sugar-Free, Water Bottles, Fruit Snacks, Big Y fits cards, and Costco gift cards.

## **Youth Programs**

# Youth Chess (gr K+) Monday, July 8, 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.

# Animal Explorers (ages 2+)

Tuesday, July 9, 9:30-10:00

Read More/Register

Come and join our safari as we explore new animals each week by reading books, singing songs, playing games, and getting creative!



## Newbies (birth-15mo) Tuesday, July 9, 10:45-11:30



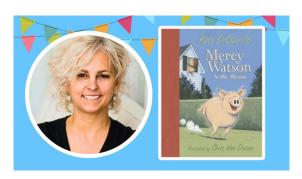
#### Read More/Register

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.

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.

## <u>Library Virtual Speakers: A Visit with Mercy Watson</u> <u>and Kate DiCamillo (PreK-2nd Grade)</u>

Tuesday, July 9, 2:00-3:00



This is a virtual program. Join us for a visit to Deckawoo Drive with everyone's favorite adventure loving pig, Mercy Watson!
Newbery Medal winning author Kate
DiCamillo will be sharing the stories behind the creation of her early chapter book series, the original Mercy Watson, and the follow up series, Tales from Deckawoo Drive. We will also be celebrating the publication of the final book in the Mercy Watson series!

Mercy is selfish and impulsive, but no matter how much trouble she gets in, Mr. and Mrs. Watson continue to love her and see her in the best possible light. Young readers love to join along in her hilarious adventures, taking comfort in the fact that their parents and guardians will love them no matter what as well. BYOBT – Bring Your Own Buttered Toast!

For More Information, Click Here! + View

<u>Past Speakers Here!</u> <u>Register Here!</u>

### Music with Mr. Liam Tuesday, July 9, 3:30-4:15



#### Read More/Register

Enjoy the music of Mr. Liam at Storrs Library! There will be singing, laughing, puppets and dancing. Siblings are welcome. Please register for a rocking fun time!

This program is sponsored by Debbie Levy in loving memory of her son Ned.

# Nature Quest Wednesday, July 10, 10:00-11:00



#### Read More/Register

Children of all ages are invited to explore nature around Bliss Park! Visit the Storrs Library Book Bike, listen to a story and follow scavenger hunts to learn about the local environment! This program is weather dependent.

## iCreate: Stop Motion Movies (ages 6-11) Wednesday, July 10, 3:30-4:15



#### Join the Waitlist

Kids ages 6-11 are invited to learn how to create a stop motion movie! Kids will learn how to create a scene and characters, and iPad stop motion technology.

## **Book Bike at The Longmeadow Shops**

Thursday, July 11, 10:00-11:30

Storrs Library Storytime is on the road! Join us at The Longmeadow Shops in front of J. Crew Factory at 10:30 for fun stories, a few



movement activities, and a Kid Craft Kit (while supplies last). Face painting available before or after each storytime session. No registration required. Fun for all ages.

A face painting artist from Dazzle Day Face Painters will join in the fun!

Rain date July 18th.

## Melty Beads (gr. K+) Thursday, July 11, 3:30-4:15



#### Read More/Register

Let your imagination run wild as you use perler beads to create whatever design you'd like! Once finished, a librarian will iron your creation together to take home. These work great as gifts!

# Stories and Movement (ages 2+)

Friday, July 12, 9:30-10:00



#### Read More/Register

Bring your toddlers over to Stories and Movement and get them active while playing and interacting with stories.

# Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs) Friday, July 12, 10:30-11:30

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.



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.

## Camp Day (ages 5+) Friday, July 12, 3:30-4:30



#### Read More/Register

Come for a fun camp day! Go fishing, make friendship bracelet making, and swim along in our swimming dance party!

## Henry the Juggler Saturday, July 13, 10:30-11:15



#### Read More/Register

Henry the Juggler (AKA Henry Lappen) is wanted! He is wanted by audiences everywhere for his zany attempts to defy the laws of gravity. He juggles any number of balls, clubs, rings, members of the audience, and strange items on the tip of his nose. Everything is accomplished wordlessly as Henry uses body language (and road signs!) to express himself. Caution: Henry is known to use innocent bystanders in his act. If there is inclement weather, this program will be moved inside.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Longmeadow Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. This program is also sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.

## 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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