

Did You Know? The Phoenix Insurance Building on Constitution Plaza is widely recognized as the world's first two-sided building. Built in 1963, it was quickly nicknamed "The Boat Building" and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2005.



Upcoming

NOW ON DISPLAY

HPL Celebrates 125 Years as City's Free Public Library

On display through October 1
ArtWalk, 3rd Floor, Downtown Library



Journey through the past in pictures and words with "In the Public Realm," a new exhibit at HPL's ArtWalk. The exhibit celebrates the library's 125th anniversary as Hartford's free library. "In the Public Realm" starts with the library's roots back in the 18th century as a members-only association with dues, moves on to its transformation into a free library for all in the 1890s and then describes how the library has subsequently evolved to best meet the needs of a changing city. To find out more, go [here](#).

Adult Coloring & Art Project/Window Display

Tuesday, September 18, 11 AM
Dwight Library

Join fellow adults in creating a massive autumn window display out of adult coloring pages. There will be a second day of coloring on October 16. The final piece will be revealed on November 13.



International Dot Day

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 4-5 pm
BARBOUR & PARK LIBRARIES

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 4:30-5:30 pm
ALABANY & CAMP FIELD LIBRARIES

Thursday, Sept. 13, 3:30-4:30 pm
ROPKINS LIBRARY

Friday, Sept. 14, 12-1 pm
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY



Friday, Sept. 14, 3:30-4:30 pm,
DWIGHT LIBRARY

Celebrate International Dot Day with us--honoring the book *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds and the power of creativity. We have lots of dot inspired activities, a special treat, and the chance to win a poster autographed by Peter Reynolds. Make your mark and see where it takes you!

Board Member Bootcamp

Wednesday, September 12, 5 - 7:30 pm
Downtown Library, Room 26

Newly appointed nonprofit board members or serving board members that have never received formal board training will learn about the ten basic responsibilities of nonprofit boards as well as the duties of individual board members, relationship between board and staff, and common issues facing nonprofit boards. **Mae Maloney** of Leadership Greater Hartford will present the class. A light dinner will be provided. TO REGISTER: Email your name and email address to [Daniel](#).



Financial Workshops

Financial Workshop #1: Bring Balance
Back to Your Budget

Thursday, September 13, 6:30-7:30PM
Camp Field Library

Learn how to develop a budget, identify financial goals, and understand the balance between spending, saving and borrowing.



Financial Workshop #2: Broaden Your Knowledge of Investing

Thursday, September 27, 6:30-7:30 pm
Camp Field Library

Learn the rules for investing: develop strategy, choose quality investments, diversify portfolio, invest for long term and focus on what you can control.



Donate Now!

Hartford Public Libraries Closed for Labor Day

Hartford Public Library and all its branch libraries will be closed on Monday, September 3, for the Labor Day Holiday. All libraries will re-open for normal hours on Tuesday, September 4, including Camp Field Library, which was closed this week for floor repairs.



HPL Night at Dunkin Donuts Stadium

Thanks to Ticket Network, over a hundred children and adults attended last Friday's Hartford Yard Goats game free of charge for completing the Hartford Public Library's Summer Learning Program. As a special treat, several library patrons, both young and old, got to hold a giant American flag during the National Anthem. For more pics, go to the Hartford Public Library's Facebook [page](#).



Funky Dawgz Brass Band Welcomes UCONN Students

Students at UCONN-Hartford started the Fall, 2018 semester on Monday, August 27, and received a rousing welcome from the UCONN Funky Dawgz Brass Band, who gave a concert on the terrace of the Downtown Library. For more pics and a video, go to the Hartford Public Library's Facebook [page](#).



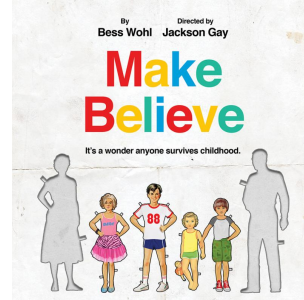
Lecture on Hartford's Chinese-American Community at Dwight

On Tuesday, August 28, Dwight Library Manager Christina Hill gave a lecture about the beginnings of Hartford's Chinese-American community in the 19th century. The lecture also touched on the xenophobia many of the Chinese faced at that time, which has a special resonance for many immigrants today. Dwight has had a mini-exhibit about the city's Chinese community up all this month.



Hartford Stage Tickets Now Available

Thanks to HPL's partnership with Hartford Stage, tickets are now available at any Hartford library for the Stage's September production, "Make Believe," a touching and hilarious tale of growing up in the 1980s. For more information, go [here](#).

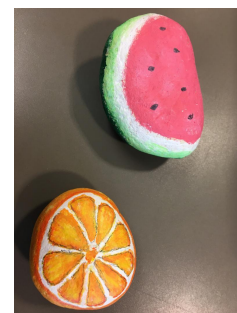


Activities

Rock Painting

Tuesday, September 4, 11 am
Dwight Library

Ease your mind and exercise your creativity while painting little minions, cats or frogs on rocks. Rocks and paint supplies are provided for this surprisingly enjoyable adult program.



Makey Makey

Wednesday, September 5, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Albany and Camp Field Libraries

Create keyboards made from different materials like play-doh, fruits, and vegetables. Learn about electric circuits, energy and technology with this fun kit.



Time for Slime

Thursday, September 6, 4 - 5 pm:
PARK & BARBOUR LIBRARIES

Tuesday, September 25, 4 - 5 pm:
DWIGHT LIBRARY

More than just a fun sensory activity, making slime is actually science. Join us at the library to measure, mix and make a personal batch of slime that you can take home. We try a few different recipes to compare and contrast.



Magnet Power

Friday, September 7, 3:30-4:30 pm: DWIGHT
& ROPKINS LIBRARIES

Saturday, September 8, 2:30-3:30 pm:
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Wednesday, September 19, 4:30-5:30 pm:
ALBANY LIBRARY



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takes you

beyond words



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