

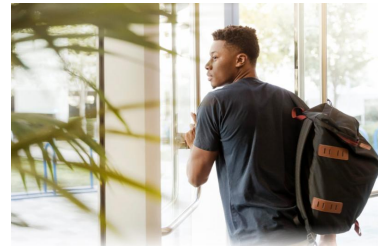
Did You Know? In 1855, Hartford became the first city to use galvanized pipes for water distribution. The new pipes had been developed by A.P. Pitkin, a pipe dealer in Hartford who was worried about people getting lead poisoning from the old-style pipes.



Upcoming

College is Waiting...Are You Ready? Monthly on Saturdays (Starts this Saturday, Sept. 8), 11:30 am - 1:30 pm Albany Library

Discover all the ins and outs of choosing the right college for you, how to gain admission and how to obtain financial aid. For more information [click here](#).



Servsafe Food Handler Program Starts Monday

Sept. 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, & 26, Oct. 1 & 3,
5:30-7:30PM
Barbour Library

Learn how to handle food safely, do an internship in a food service institution, and earn a certificate.



Chicago Style Steppin' Dance Class Mondays, Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 6-7 pm Atrium, Downtown Library

Open to beginners and all levels! Come by for a Chicago Style Steppin' Dance Class by the Hartford City Steppers. Taught by experienced instructors Princeton Hayes and Jannett Jennings. This is a partnered dance class, but all are welcome to come as individuals, a couple, or a group.



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

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

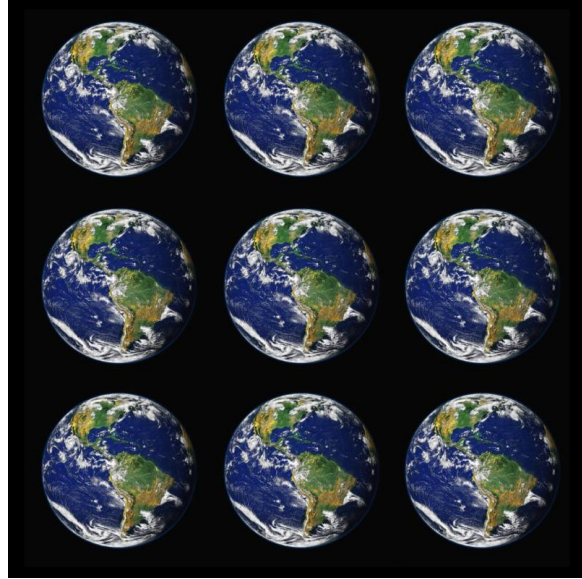
LIBRARIES

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](#).



U.S. Citizen Naturalization Ceremony

Monday, September 17, 11 am
Downtown Library
Center for Contemporary Culture

The library's Center for Contemporary Culture will be temporarily transformed into a Federal Courthouse as newcomers from many lands are officially sworn in as United States Citizens. The event is free and open to the public.



Donate Now!



News

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month!

Please encourage your friends, neighbors, relatives to get a Hartford Public Library Card. You can borrow anything from the complete works of William Shakespeare to the classic movie Casablanca and even a fishing pole...no charge!



Voter Registration Drive

In association with the Hartford Votes/Hartford Vota Coalition, Hartford Public Library will be conducting a special voter registration drive on Tuesday September 25. But you can also register to vote in the upcoming election any day, any time at any branch. For more information, [go here!](#)



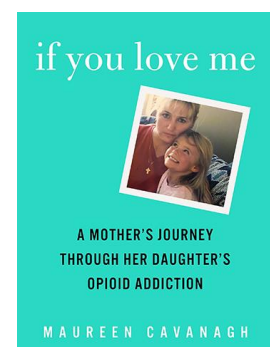
Hartford Athletic Hosts Pizza Party for YOUmedia teens

Hartford Athletic, the Capitol City's new soccer team hosted a pizza party for teens in the YOUmedia Center on Thursday, August 30. Lily Donatelli, Hartford Athletic's Director of Community Relations, even helped deliver the pizza and soda. Thanks, Hartford Athletic!



New Books

The first full-length bio of "Mr. Rogers," the harrowing but hopeful tale of a concentration camp tattooist, a thriller featuring a dogged Latina detective serving with the NYPD and a first hand report on America's opioid crisis from the mother of a victim are just a few of the great books that are now on the shelves at Hartford Public Library. See them all [here.](#)



Activities

Marshmallow Spaghetti Challenge

Tuesday, September 11, 3:00 – 3:30 pm:
ALBANY LIBRARY

Wednesday, September 19, 3:30 - 4:30 pm:
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Thursday, September 27, 4 - 5 pm:
BARBOUR LIBRARY

You and your team have 18 minutes to build a free-standing structure out of 20 pieces of uncooked spaghetti, a yard of masking tape, a yard of string and a single marshmallow! Are you up for the challenge? Join us and see! (Ages 6-12)



Circuit Clay

Tuesday, September 11, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Dwight Library

Come play and learn about electricity with our special circuit clay. Create a creature that lights up with LEDs! (Ages 6-12)



Tinker with Gears and Pulleys

Thursday, September 13, 4-5 pm
Park Library

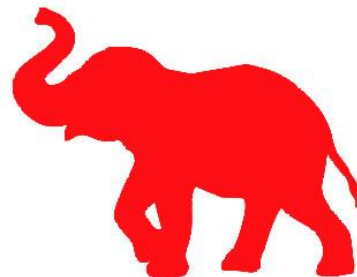
Come tinker around with our tools, pulleys, and gears to see what creation you can build!



Circus Bridges

Thursday, September 13, 4-5 pm
Barbour Library

Enjoy engineering a bridge for 21 circus elephants with household materials. (Ages 6-12)



Ojo de Dios

Tuesday, September 18, 3:30 – 4:30 pm:
Downtown Library

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Dwight Library



Thursday, September 20, 3:30 – 4:30 pm: SAND/Ropkins Library

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by creating this traditional Mexican craft.

A Bracelet for All Seasons

Tuesday, September 18, 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Albany Library



Paracord Bracelets are used as survival tools besides being a fashion accessory. Participant will learn a bit about the nature of parachute cord, the survival uses of the paracord bracelet, as well as the techniques to make paracord bracelets by using various creative knots.



Save the Date!

12.7

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takes you

beyond words

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