

JULY 2025

Hello Reference!

July is jam-packed with programs for all ages, and we're not *July-ing* about that!
(No, really. There's a *LOT* of stuff going on this month.)

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Tech Help @10am Library Bag Craft @2pm	2 Summer Story Adventures @10am Tech Help @2pm	3 All Ages Tie Dye @2pm	 LIBRARY CLOSED	5
7 Summer Sensory Storytime @10am	8 Tech Help @10am Family Pop Trivia @2pm	9 Summer Story Adventures @10am Tech Help @2pm Mystery Book Club @4pm	10 Sub Zero Ice Cream @2pm Nonfiction Book Group @6pm	11 Move & Groove @10am	12 DIY Biosphere @10am
14 Summer Sensory Storytime @10am	15 Tech Help @10am Fiction Book Club @10am Kaleidoscope Craft @2pm	16 Summer Story Adventures @10am Tech Help @2pm Comic Book Characters @2pm	17 Wildlife Encounters at Leavitt Park @2pm		19 Rubber Duck Craft @10am
21 Summer Sensory Storytime @10am	22 Tech Help @10am LED Nightlight Craft @2pm	23 Summer Story Adventures @10am Tech Help @2pm Glow Slime @2pm	24 NH Audubon at Leavitt Park @1pm Mystery of Owls @6pm	25 Move & Groove @10am	26 Tiny Canvas Sharpie Art @10am
28 Summer Sensory Storytime @10am	29 Tech Help @10am Puppet Pal Craft @2pm	30 Summer Story Adventures @10am Squishie Painting @2pm Tech Help @2pm Adult Craft @6pm	31 Lindsay & Her Puppet Pals at Leavitt Park @2pm		

KEY Children's Adult Teen All Ages

NOTE: The Library will be closed Friday, July 4th, for Independence Day.



LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY - JUNE 30 TO AUGUST 8

SUMMER READING CONTINUES!

KIDS (AGES 0-12)

- Get signed up at the Children's Desk!
- **Weekly Treasure Chest:** Fill out your reading log and bring it to the Children's Desk each week to pick a prize from the treasure chest!
- **New Grand Prizes!** Earn tickets by: turning in your reading log every week, attending children's library programs during summer reading (each one gets an entry), and more!

TEENS (GRADES 4-12)

- No sign-ups required, with raffles and prizes all summer!
- **Weekly Raffles:** Gift Bags full of small prizes and featuring a \$20 gift card

from Wayfarer, Fresh Downtown, or the Laconia Village Bakery.

- **Grand Prize Raffle and extra prizes for top readers!**
- Each hour read is a raffle entry- so fill out a ticket every week!
 - [Online form here!](#)

ADULT (AGES 18+)

- **READ-IT!** Reminiscent of bygone childhood programs, but super simple for your busy adult lives! Grab a form at the Main Desk and get started.
- Read 4 books and be entered to win a gift card for one small, one-topping **pizza** from South End Pizza!

MULTI-AGE PROGRAMS

(For sign-ups: 603-524-4775 x600 or info@laconialibrary.org)

Summer Reading Kickoff Event: All-Ages Tie-Dye | Thursday, July 3 at 2PM. It's a tie-dye extravaganza! Join us for an All-Ages Tie-Dye event to kick off our Summer Reading Program! We'll provide all the materials you'll need to create a vibrant work of art. This program is for all ages and will be held in the Library Garden. ***In case of rain, the event will be held in the Selig Storytime Room.***

Pop Trivia: Family vs Family! | Tuesday, July 8 at 2PM. For ages 9 - adult. Popcorn, soda pop, and popular culture! Test your knowledge in a family versus family trivia game; compete for prizes and bragging rights. Bring a small team or come alone and see who knows the most trivia! Adults, children, and their families are welcome at this all-ages event.

Sub Zero Ice Cream | Thursday, July 10 at 2PM. Youth all ages. Join us for a super cool science presentation by *Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream*, followed by a delicious nitrogen ice cream treat! ***Sign-up is required.***

Tiny Canvas Sharpie Art | Saturday, July 26 at 10am. Youth all ages. Create a tiny masterpiece with Sharpie markers!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

RECURRING

No sign-up required- younger and older siblings always welcome!

Summer Sensory Storytime | Mondays at 10AM. Best for ages 0-5. Get ready for Summer Sensory Storytime! Join us at 10am for songs, stories, and sensory bin fun followed by an engaging art activity.

Summer Story Adventures | Wednesdays at 10AM. Best for ages 0-5. Here comes Summer Story Adventures! Join us at 10am for songs, stories, and sensory bin fun followed by an engaging art activity.

Move & Groove | Friday, July 11 & 25 at 10AM. Best for newborns to age 6. We'll use scarves, musical instruments, a parachute, and other fun surprises to dance, play, and get those wiggles out!

SPECIAL STUFF

Summer Family Craft: Level Up Your Library Bag! | Tuesday, July 1 at 2PM

Best for ages 6-11. Level up your library visits all summer long by creating your own personalized book bag and bookmarks. All materials will be provided for this craft!

DIY Biospheres | Saturday, July 12 at 10AM. Best for families with children.

Create your own habitat in a jar! We will provide the materials needed to build a biosphere for you to take home to watch grow and develop.

Summer Family Craft: Kaleidoscope | Tuesday, July 15 at 2PM. Best for ages 3-8. Create a beautiful rainbow of colors with your very own kaleidoscope in this colorful family craft! There is some assembly required, so this craft is best suited for children with their caregiver.

Wildlife Encounters | Thursday, July 17 at 2PM. Best for families with children.

Join us and our friends from Wildlife Encounters at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse. We are excited to welcome back the wildlife educators and their amazing animal ambassadors for another fun-filled visit full of animal facts. We never know which animals will make an appearance, but in past programs we have seen fennec foxes, armadillos, and even a wallaby! ***This event is at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse at 334 Elm Street.***

Summer Family Craft: Rubber Duck! | Saturday, July 19 at 10AM. Best for ages 3-11. Have you ever seen a unicorn rubber duck? How about Super Mario? Come create the rubber duck of your dreams in this fun-filled family craft. Let your imagination run wild, we will provide the materials! This craft is best-suited for children and their caregivers.

Summer Family Craft: STEM LED Nightlights | Tuesday, July 22 at 2PM. Best for ages 6-11. Use screwdrivers, circuits, and batteries to assemble your own figure with LED light-up hair! This STEM activity is best for children ages 6-11 with help from a grown-up and all materials will be provided. ***Supplies are limited; first come, first served.***

'Scales, Scutes, and Skins' with the NH Audubon Society | Thursday, July 24 at 1PM. Best for families with children. The NH Audubon Society will be here to discuss turtle shells, snake skins, and other neat artifacts. Compare and contrast these two cool groups and find out which species call NH home. They will have live animal ambassadors to demonstrate the unique features of these amazing creatures. ***This event is at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse at 334 Elm Street.***

Summer Family Craft: Create your own Puppet Pal! | Tuesday, July 29 at 2PM. Best for families with children. Are you excited to see Lindsay and her Puppet Pals at Leavitt Park this Thursday? We are too! To get ready for the show we wanted to give you a chance to create your very own puppet pal. We will provide puppet bases and supplies to create your new friend! ***This family craft will require adult assistance.***

Lindsay & Her Puppet Pals | Thursday, July 31 at 2PM. Best for families with children. Lindsay's funny, fast-paced, and highly interactive variety show delights the young and the young at heart! Kids will meet several larger-than-life, hand-crafted puppets. Perhaps we will see a goofy moose, a heroic tiger, or a lovable bear? Come find out who's making an appearance! ***This event is at the Leavitt Park***

TEEN PROGRAMS

Best for ages 9-18, unless otherwise stated.

How to Draw Comic Book Characters | Wednesday, July 16 at 2PM. Ryan will show you step-by-step how to build characters from basic shapes. You'll begin with Batman, then meet Ryan's own superhero, the Righteous Red Cat. During the last 15-20 minutes the floor will open for your questions and requests. We'll have a free-draw session where Ryan can help you draw your favorite comic book heroes!

Glow Slime! | Wednesday, July 23 at 2PM. Make slime that glows in the dark!

Squishie Painting | Wednesday, July 30 at 2PM. Paint a squishie keychain!

ADULT PROGRAMS

RECURRING

Drop-In Tech Help | Tuesdays 10AM & Wednesdays 2PM.

SPECIAL STUFF

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The Mystery of Owls | Thursday, July 24 at 6PM. Join Joe Callahan for a one hour talk to learn all about the owls that live in our New England woods. See exciting images of owls in the wild captured by Joe's photography. Joe will share the intimate details of their lives as we learn about the natural history that makes each species so successful living right here in our midst under the cover of darkness. Don't miss this program, it's sure to be a *hoot!*

Adult Craft: Terrarium Succulents | Wednesday, July 30 at 6PM. Terrarium jars make great centerpieces and wonderful gifts for plant lovers and are fun and easy to put together. All the necessary supplies are provided to build a beautiful terrarium!

Sign-up for this craft is required.

BOOK GROUPS

Mystery Book Club | Wednesday, July 9 at 4PM.

"The Antique Hunter's Guide to Murder" by C.L. Miller

Evening Nonfiction Book Group | Thursday, July 10 at 6PM.

"Omega Farm" by Martha McPhee.

Fiction Book Group | Tuesday, July 15 at 10AM.

"Honor" by Thrity Umrigar.



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