



For Planning Purposes
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HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATES TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

Families are encouraged to explore Hartford's branch libraries

(Hartford, CT) – Hartford Public Library has planned three days of festivities this week to celebrate **Take Your Child to the Library Day**, an annual initiative that encourages families and children to visit their local library to learn about the resources offered there.

With the Downtown Library closed for repairs, families are asked to consider visiting one of Hartford Public Library's branch locations that offer the same types of programming and services available at the Main Street location.

Special activities this week will include:

- Family storytimes
- Balloon twisting
- School choice assistance
- Library bag decorating
- Bookmark decorating
- Henna workshops
- Canvas painting
- Scavenger hunts
- Bingo
- Raffle prizes

A schedule and complete list of Hartford Public Library locations that are participating is below:

Thursday, February 2nd

Boundless Library @ Rawson
260 Holcomb St.
4-5 p.m.

Friday, February 3rd

Barbour Library
261 Barbour St. (Unity Plaza)
11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Campfield Library
30 Campfield Ave.
11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Dwight Library
7 New Park Ave.
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Saturday, February 4th

Albany Library
1250 Albany Ave.
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Park Street Library @ the Lyric
603 Park St.
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Take Your Child to the Library Day was founded in 2011 at the Waterford Public Library in Connecticut by retired librarian Nadine Lipman with help from librarian Caitlin Augusta and author/illustrator Nancy Elizabeth Wallace. Since its launch, celebrations have been held across the United States and Canada and around the world, serving 48.7 million people.

For more information and a map of all participating libraries visit www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org.

About Hartford Public Library

With roots dating to 1774, Hartford Public Library remains at the forefront of redefining the urban library experience in the 21st century. With seven locations throughout the city, the library provides education, intellectual enrichment and cultural development for thousands of children, youth and adults every year. Hartford Public Library has also gained local and national recognition for its wide range of new initiatives and partnerships designed to meet the needs of a diverse and dynamic city and region, including immigration services, employment assistance and youth leadership training. www.hplct.org.