

# Bentley Programs and Events

## July 2023

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### Hours

Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### July Programs

The following programs are free of charge and are open to residents and nonresidents. Unless otherwise noted, programs are in person and **registration is required** due to space limitations.

Register online, call 860-646-7349, or email [bmlprograms@biblio.org](mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org).

#### Mobile Mamography at the library

Thursday, July 13

Time slots available from 8:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Appointments recommended.

Hartford Hospital and Hartford Healthcare's Digital Mobile Mammography Van will be at the library to provide regular mammogram screenings.

**The event has been changed to a walk-in event but appointments are recommended to ensure you get one of the 16 spots remaining.** To schedule your appointment, call the library at 860-646-7349 or email [bmlprograms@biblio.org](mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org). Read the eligibility guidelines [here](#) or call the Mammography Registrar at 860-418-9974 / 860-972-1243 to be sure you will qualify to receive service.



#### Covid-19 Awareness and Prevention Event - With Current Boosters

Wednesday, July 19, 4:00-6:30 p.m.

Drop-in event.

Drop in at the library for boosters, vaccinations, Covid-19 test kits and to ask Eastern Highlands Health District medical staff your Covid-19 related

questions.

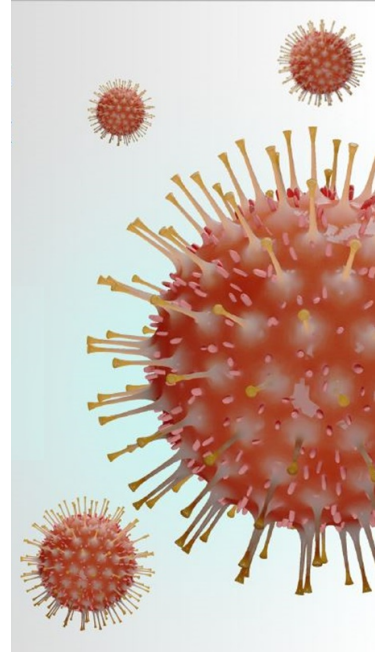
Second Bivalent Booster eligibility:

People aged 65 and older

- At least 4 months from their last vaccine

Immunocompromised

- At least 2 months from their last vaccine



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## Library Boogie - A Musical Puppet Show

Thursday, July 20, 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Tom Knight presents “The Library Boogie” musical puppet show at the Library. The show celebrates libraries and reading, the environment, and science with hand-made puppets, funny stories, catchy songs, and a high degree of audience participation. This is a family program, great for ages up to 10. [Register here.](#)



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## Maker Event - Build an Animal Crossing out of Cardboard

Saturday, July 22

Drop in, 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

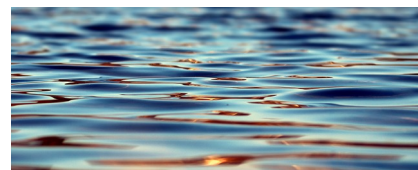
Stop in the library to build your very own animal crossing out of cardboard. The library will have plenty of cardboard, paper towel tubes (thanks to patron donations), tape and glue. We will also have markers if you choose to decorate your creation. The project is based on the book *Crossings: Extraordinary Structures for Extraordinary Animals* by Katy S. Duffield and illustrated by Mike Orodán. A recording of Miss Trish reading the book will be available on the library's laptop and copies of the book will be on display. Join us for a day of building - great for the whole family.



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## Libraries Love Lakes - Invasive Aquatic Plants

Monday, July 24, 6:00-7:00 p.m.



Research scientist Kendra Kilson of Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC is back! Kendra has an informative and important program prepared for us once again. Join us and learn about invasive aquatic

plants, how to help prevent their spread, and what you can do about them. [Register here.](#)



## 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Program

Join anytime all year long!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten encourages families and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Read any book (yes, you can repeat books!) to your newborn, infant, or toddler before they begin kindergarten. Sound daunting? You have more time than you think.

Read 1 book/day x 365 days = 1,095 in three years.

Read 10 books/week x 52 weeks = 1,040 in 2 years.

Read 3 books/day x 365 days = 1,095 in 1 year.

Studies have shown that families who start reading aloud to their children at birth help strengthen language skills and build vocabulary. One out of five children have trouble learning to read. This program hopes to improve that statistic and also encourage family bonding.

Sign up for this program at the library. You and your child will receive a welcome bag, recording sheets, and tokens to celebrate your progress along the way.

## Drop-in Continuing Programs

*Registration is not required.*

### Knitting and Handcraft Tuesdays

**Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.**

Drop in any Tuesday to join this friendly and experienced group. All skill levels are welcome, including beginners!



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