

Harvard Public Library Children's Programs October 2019

Children's Room direct line: (978) 456 - 2381

Family Movie Night!

Aladdin (PG)

Friday, October 4
at 6:30 PM



Popcorn and water will be served.

Please pre-register, so we know how much popcorn to buy!

**Pre-register for Children's Programs by calling
the Children's Room at (978) 456 - 2381**

Nonresidents may register for programs one week in advance of the event, provided that there is space available.
Please call ahead to confirm whether programs have available space.

Halloween Magic Show

Wednesday, October 9
at 1:30 PM

All Ages



This high energy, comedy magic show with magician Tommy James has it all: A mysterious magic wand that takes on a life of its own. There is a haunted Jack-O-Lantern. The skull of Dracula comes to life and floats around the stage. There are ghosts and goblins, Frankenstein and more!

The entire show is completely Halloween themed!

The stage is decorated in Halloween décor.

The performance is choreographed with Halloween safety tips to help keep the children safe on their night of spooky fun.

Don't miss this SPOOKTACULAR event!

You won't be disappointed. It's more than magic.

Laugh you will with Tommy's unique, hilarious style of comedy magic for the entire family including a real live bunny!

Seats are limited – please pre-register.

GraviTrax Challenge

Wednesday, October 2
at 3:30 PM

Ages 8 and up



The challenge is to work as a team to build a marble raceway using the awesome Ravensburger GraviTrax interactive track building set. Can you design a system that gets the marble from the start all the way to the finish?

Limited to 10 children – please pre-register.

Game Hour

Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 PM
(no Game Hour on October 31)

Grades 1 to 6



This drop-in, after school program for children in grades 1 to 6 is facilitated by teen volunteers. Play an assortment of great games, including Set, Scrabble, Mille Bornes, Apples to Apples, Slamwich, Quiddler, Hoopla, and Chess!

Drop-in, no registration.

Saturday Storytime

Saturday, October 5
at 10:30 AM

Ages 3 to 7



Teen volunteers lead these fun drop-in, half-hour Saturday Storytimes for children ages 3 to 7 and their caregivers. October theme is: Space!

Drop-in storytime.

Paws and Read

Wednesdays, October 9 and 23
from 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Independent Readers
Grades K & up



Reading to Faye or Rhia, the library's Therapy Dogs, is a fantastic way to bolster a child's reading confidence! Children who are independent readers can make a 15 minute appointment to read to one of these wonderful therapy dogs; on each date, 8 children total will get a chance to have either Faye or Rhia's undivided canine attention.

Pre-registration required ~ call the Children's Room to make your own special appointment to read to Faye or Rhia.

All Programs Sponsored by the Friends of the Harvard Public Library

Support the Friends, and support children's programming at the library! Did you know that almost all children's programs at the HPL ~ from storytimes to hired performers to book groups to movie nights to the Summer Reading Program ~ are supported by the Friends of the Harvard Public Library?

Join the Friends with a tax deductible membership!
Membership information is on the library's website:
<https://www.harvardpubliclibrary.org/about/friends-library>

Bagels n' Books Book Groups for Grades 3 through 6



Join this once-monthly book group for a lively book discussion and a yummy snack of bagels & cream cheese. Book group members should read all of the book prior to the group meeting. Sign up for a book group, and we will request for you a copy of the book we will be discussing.

New members are welcome. Please call the Children's Room for more information & to pre-register.

Bagels n' Books Group for 3rd Graders

Monday, October 7 from 4 to 4:45 PM

The 3rd Grade Book is: *Kenny and the Dragon*
by Tony Diterlizzi.

Bagels n' Books Group for 4th Graders

Monday, October 21 from 4 to 4:45 PM

The 4th Grade Book is: *Secrets at Sea* by Richard Peck.

Bagels n' Books Group for 5th Graders

Tuesday, October 22 from 4 to 4:45 PM

The 5th Grade Book is: *The Island of Dr. Libris*
by Chris Grabenstein.

Bagels n' Books Group for 6th Graders

Tuesday, October 29 from 4 to 4:45 PM

The 6th Grade Book is: *Al Capone Does My Shirts*
by Gennifer Choldenko.

Storytimes

No Storytimes During School Vacation Weeks

Mother Goose on the Loose ~ Infant Storytime

Mondays & Thursdays at 10:30 AM
* **NO STORYTIME ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17** *

Ages 0 – 2 and up ~ Drop-in Storytime

Mother Goose on the Loose is an early literacy program that uses rhymes and songs to help pre-reading children get ready for reading. It incorporates music, movement, ritual, repetition, positive reinforcement, developmental tips, nursery rhymes, puppets, musical instruments, colored scarves, and book reading into a fun-filled 30 to 45 minute session for infants to 2-year-olds and caregivers (older siblings also welcome).

Ask to be put on the email list for last minute schedule changes.

Storytime for 2's & 3's
Wednesdays at 10:15 & 10:50

Storytime for 3's & 2's
Wednesdays at 1:30

Ages 2 & 3 ~ Registration Required

This 20 to 30 minute interactive theme-based storytime includes songs, simple stories, feltboard stories, creative dramatics, and fingerplays appropriate for children aged 2 & 3 years old. Both groups are appropriate for 2 & 3 year olds and follow the same curriculum.

Register now for the current 5 week session which **begins on October 2 and runs through November 6** (no storytime on October 16, and no 1:30 storytime on October 9).

Pre-registration required: Limit of 8 children and their caregivers for the morning groups, and limit of 10 children and their caregivers for the afternoon group.

Art & Stories for 4's & 5's

Mondays at 1:30 PM

Ages 4 & 5+ ~ Registration Required

This 30 to 45 minute program, appropriate for children ages 4 to 7, begins with a few longer picturebook stories, then ends with a process art project that encourages preschoolers to explore art materials in an open-ended, creative manner.

Register now for the current 5 week session which **begins on September 30 and runs through November 4** (no storytime on October 14).

Pre-registration required: Limit of 12 children.

Polymer Clay Workshop

Wednesday, October 30
at 3:30 PM

Ages 8 and up



With the guidance of an awesome teen volunteer, learn how to make a teeny tiny hamburger with all the fixins out of Sculpey clay! (If time permits, attendees might also learn how to make an itty bitty hot dog.)

Please pre-register ~ Attendance is limited to 10 children, and children must be 8 and up due to the complexity of the craft.

Lego Club

Saturday, October 26
from 1:30 to 3:00 PM

Ages 5 & up



Have fun building Lego creations with other Harvard Lego fans! Parents are encouraged to join in the fun & assist with supervision.

Please pre-register.

Stay in Touch with the Children's Room!



For the most up-to-date information on Children's Room events, follow us on social media!

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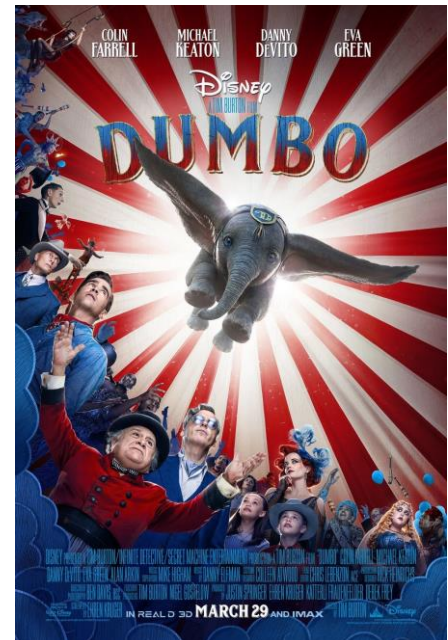
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Children's Room at the Harvard Public Library

Or follow the links from the Children's Room page of the Library's website: www.harvardpubliclibrary.org

Kids Afterschool Movie in the Story Room

Dumbo (2019 live action PG version)

Monday, October 28
at 3:20 PM



Join us for an afterschool movie for elementary age kids in the Story Room! Afterschool movies are supervised by teen volunteers; no refreshments are served (but it is ok to bring your own snack). Parents are also welcome to attend. **Drop-in.**