

Harvard Public Library Children's Programs September 2023

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Registration Information

Register for all children's programs
by using the link below to access Eventkeeper:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/events.cfm?curOrg=HARVARD>

Individual program descriptions also have
registration information and links.

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Puzzles

[Borrow a jigsaw puzzle from the library!](#)

Puzzles are on display in the children's room, and can be
checked out at the circulation desk.

Loan period is three weeks plus one renewal. Puzzles
are available on a walk-in basis (not holdable).

Board Games

Thanks to the generous support of the *Friends of the
Harvard Public Library*, we have a [fantastic collection
of over 80 board games](#) that can be borrowed.

We have games that are good for families, competitive
games, strategy games, cooperative games, math games,
and games focused on reading and storytelling.

Loan period is two weeks, no renewals. Games are
available on a walk-in basis (not holdable).



Circle of Songs with Hugh Hanley



**Wednesday, September 20
at 10:30 AM**

Ages 0 – 6+

Hugh Hanley has been singing with young children for over twenty years in his work as an early childhood educator, music specialist, and entertainer.

His work has helped him gain an understanding of young children as developing music makers and a familiarity with the environments in which they play and learn.

He draws from a wide and varied repertoire of songs, fingerplays, and music activities that are appropriate, accessible, and highly engaging. Hugh has learned all of the material he uses in his work from folk traditions, children, and their teachers and parents.

Register here:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/events.cfm?curOrg=HARVARD#7343370>



Paws and Read



Wednesday, September 20

**Appointments at 3:45, 4:00,
4:15, & 4:30 PM**

Grades K through 6

Reading to Rhia or Chase, 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, eight children total will get a chance to have either Rhia or Chase's undivided canine attention.

Registration is required – please choose one fifteen minute slot when you register.

Register here:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/events.cfm?curOrg=HARVARD#7357121>

STORYTIMES

Mother Goose on the Loose Storytime Ages 0 – 2 and up

Mondays & Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Mother Goose storytimes resume September 25.

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 minute session for infants to 2-year-olds and caregivers. **Registration is not required** – but if you register you will be added to the email list for last minute schedule changes.

[Register here.](#)

Storytime for 2's & 3's Ages 2 & 3

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

Storytime for 2's & 3's will resume on October 4.

Newly reimagined for Fall 2023 to include a focus on phonemic awareness! Stay tuned – full details on this storytime, which is appropriate for children aged 2 & 3, will be available soon.

In order for instruction on the phonemes to develop in a logical sequence, registration is required for the 5 week session.

Registration begins on September 20 and closes on October 4, or when the storytime is full, whichever comes first.

Registration is required: Enrollment is limited to 10 children and their caregivers. [Register here.](#)

Art & Stories for 4's & 5's Ages 4 & 5 and up

Mondays at 1:30 PM

Art & Stories for 4's & 5's will resume on October 2.

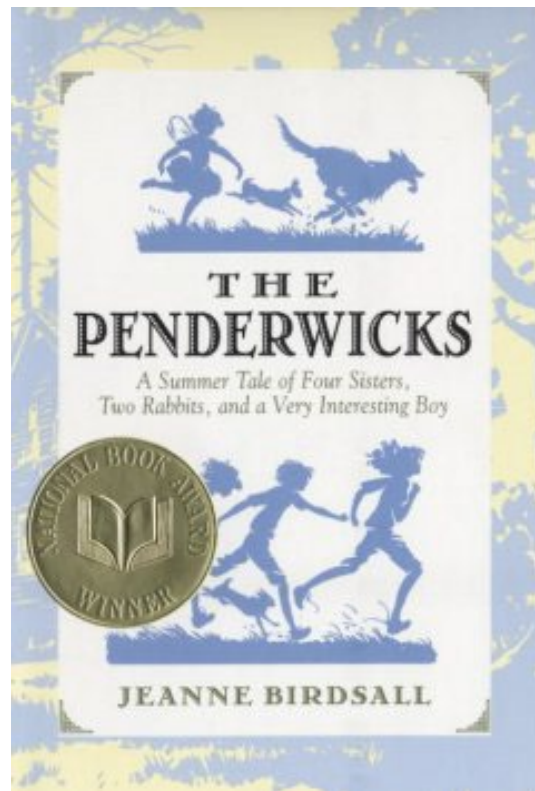
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In order for instruction on the phonemes to develop in a logical sequence, registration is required for the 5 week session.

Registration begins on September 18 and closes on October 2, or when the storytime is full, whichever comes first.

Registration is required: Enrollment is limited to 12 children. [Register here.](#)

Children's Literature Book Discussion Group for Grownups



**Thursday, September 21
at 7:00 PM**

Are you a grownup who loves to read children's books? You're not alone!

Join this monthly book group for grownups and discuss children's literature with an awesome group of like-minded readers.

We usually read and discuss recently published novels for elementary and middle school aged readers, and we always have terrific, broad-ranging discussions. We'd love to have you join us!

In September we will be discussing *The Penderwicks* by Jeanne Birdsall.

Register here:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/events.cfm?curOrg=HARVARD#7358785>

This book group meets in a hybrid model: attend in person in Volunteers Hall, or attend virtually via Zoom.