



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Celebrate summer
with the Howe Library
June 21–August 15



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Community Reads

The Art Thief

June 21 - August 15

Ages: Adults

Pick up a free copy of *The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession*, by Michael Finkel, at the Reference Desk! Join your community in reading this summer reading-themed book.

Provenance and *The Art Thief*

July 24, 6:30 pm

Mayer Room | Ages: Adults

Ashley Offill, Curator of Collections at the Hood Museum, will speak on the connection between art provenance and our Community Reads book, *The Art Thief*.

Book Discussion

August 5, 6:00 pm

Aldrich Room | Ages: Adults

Join us for a book discussion of our Community Reads book, *The Art Thief*, by Michael Finkel.

4th of July Parade



Meet at the Hovey Lane Parking Lot at 9:45
Parade — 10:00 to 12:00 pm | All ages

Wear your summer reading t-shirt and join library staff in a parade down Main Street.

Little Hood @ the Howe

This summer the Howe will collaborate with the Hood Museum to offer adult art kits to take and make at home or at the library. Kits are in the Little Hood @ The Howe cabinet! Art kits will be changed regularly.

Touch-a-Truck



Howe Parking Lot | 10:30 to 11:30 am
Ages: 2 and older

June 24 Garbage Truck

Come see a Casella Waste garbage and recycling truck in action with collection demonstration, meet a professional operator, and sit in the driver's seat.

July 22 Hanover Fire Truck

Meet real firefighters and explore, touch, and climb aboard a real firetruck! (If needed for an emergency, we may need to reschedule).

August 5 Wheeled Excavator

Do you know what a wheeled excavator or big digger is? Come explore this super gigantic digging machine!

Howe at Storrs Pond

Storrs Pond | 6:00 to 7:00 pm
All Ages

Join the Howe Library as we go on the road to Storrs Pond. A Storrs Pond membership is not needed to attend. Registration requested—so we can contact you in case of inclement weather—and will open three weeks prior to each event. Bring something to sit on.

July 19 Marko The Magician

See Marko's magic and hypnosis bring people of all ages together for amazement and laughter.

August 2 Dinosaurs with Dinoman

Enjoy an up-close look at life-sized inflatable dinosaurs and a show with fossils, science, and magic!



Take and Make

Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up a take-home craft. Registration required.

- **Paper Lanterns:** Decorate a paper lantern!
June 24 | Grades: 4 to 12
- **Fidget Rings:** Create your own fidget tool!
June 30 | Grades: 4 to 12
- **Borax Rainbows:** Create a Crystal Rainbow! (Kit pick up at Reference Desk)
July 14 | Grades: 6 to 12

Mini Art Show

Create a Mini Masterpiece to submit to our Mini Art Show! Art will be on display from August 4-15. Viewers will be invited to vote on the paintings and prizes will be awarded. Winners will be notified via email by the end of August.

▪ Teen Mini Art Take and Make July 28 Grades: 6 to 12

Stop by the Reference Desk to pick up a take-home craft bag. Return your completed masterpiece to enter the Mini Art Show. Registration required.

▪ Teen Mini Art Paint Along July 28, 2:00 to 3:00 pm Murray Room | Grades: 6 to 12

Create a mini masterpiece to submit to our Mini Art Show! Art will be displayed in the Teen Area. Drop in.

▪ Children Drop in Art Program August 2, 10:00 to 3:00 pm Children's Program Room | Ages: 3 and older

Paint a mini canvas masterpiece to submit to our Mini Art Show! Art will be displayed in the Children's Room.

Picnic in the Park

Cosponsored by Etna Library and
Hanover Parks and Recreation

5:00 to 6:00 pm
Ages: Children 10 and under with their adult(s)

Join us for a series of Wednesday evening concerts. You bring the picnic; we will supply the entertainment. No registration required.

July 9 Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals Trumbull Hall, Etna

July 16 Magician Robert Clarke 6 School Street, Sustainability Park

July 23 Family Entertainer Tom Knight 6 School Street, Sustainability Park

July 30 Music with Steve Blunt & Marty Kelley 6 School Street, Sustainability Park

August 6 VINS – Raptors up Close 6 School Street, Sustainability Park

Design a Bookmark

Show Off Your Creativity!

We're launching new bookmarks and need your help! Stop by the Children's Room July 20–Aug 3 to create an original design. Open to artists age 12 and younger. We can't wait to see what you create!





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Summer Reading Challenges

June 21 to August 15 | All Ages

Dive into summer reading and you could win! Join the fun—complete the challenge and you'll be entered in a raffle for one of our grand prizes! It's easy: read books, have fun, and you could be a winner. Stop by to get started!

Sno Cones At the Library

August 15 | Ages: 13 and under

Children's Program Room

12:00 to 4:00 pm

Free snow cone! Last chance to turn in your reading log and celebrate summer with a sweet treat! Kids 13 and younger get a free snow cone coupon at the Children's Desk—redeem it at the Upper Valley Tropical Sno Cone Truck outside! While supplies last. Extra cones available for purchase.



June 23

**Mystic Forest Mushrooms:
Teen Paint & Sip**

Murray Room

1:00 to 4:00 pm

Grades: 6 to 12

Kick off your summer by creating a colorful work of art in this guided painting experience. Enjoy sparkling teas, cider, and seltzer as you create! Registration required.

June 25

Making Mini Books

Murray Room

10:00 to 11:30 am

Grades: 6 to 12

Learn to make a variety of mini books — from an 8 page zine to a saddle-stitched soft and hardcover book — in this fun workshop! These mini books make great gifts, fun notebooks or travel journals, and professional looking zines. Registration required.

Thursdays,

June 26 – August 14

Storytime Stay and Play

Mayer Room

10:30 to 11:00 am

Ages: 5 and under

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for children and their caregivers. Stay afterwards to play and connect. No registration required.

June 28

**Draw, Cut, Paint and Stamp:
A Matisse inspired workshop**

Children's Program Room

1:30 to 3:00 pm

Ages: 6 to 9

Inspired by Matisse's "Cut-Out" style, design, cut, and make your own free form stamps. Then the printing fun begins. All materials will be provided. Registration required.

June 29

Let's Rock!

Children's Program Room

2:00 to 3:00 pm

Ages: 5 to 9

We will provide the rocks and paint, you provide the creativity. Together we will have fun painting smooth river rocks with acrylic and glow-in-the-dark paints. Be prepared to get messy. Registration required.

July 3

Art Mystery

Murray Room

2:00 to 3:30 pm

Ages: 10 to 14

Work together to recreate a famous painting piece-by-piece in this engaging program. Participants will each be given a section of the painting to recreate and access to a wide variety of art supplies to make their piece come to life. Pieces will be assembled at the end to reveal the masterwork! Registration required.

July 14

Caterpillar Lab

Children's Area

9:30 to 12:30 pm

All Ages

The Caterpillar Lab is visiting the Howe! Drop by to meet real live caterpillars, learn from the experts, and become a scientist for the morning. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration not required.

July 14 – 17

Comic Camp

Mayer Room

10:00 to 1:00 pm

Ages: 10 to 14

Join the Howe Library and author Marek Bennett for a fun-filled week of Comic Camp!

- Camp: July 14-17, 10:00 to 1:00 pm, registration required.
- Reception: July 17, 2:30 to 3:00 pm, drop in.

July 16

Collage Workshop

Murray Room

5:00 to 7:00 pm

Ages: Adults

Join us for an inspiring hands-on workshop led by talented local artist, Heather Stearns. Whether you're a complete beginner or looking to deepen your creative practice, this session invites you to explore the medium of collage. Registration required.

July 19

Trash Art!

Mayer Room

2:00 to 3:00 pm

Ages: 9 to 12

Make art from reusable materials that others might think of as "trash"! Registration required.

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July 24

Desktop Mobiles

Murray Room

3:00 to 4:00 pm

Ages: 9 to 12

Make a standing mobile for your desk! Tweens will explore making art that can stand on its own. Registration required.

July 26

Tie Dye Creations

Chess Board Garden (outside)

12:00 to 2:00 pm

Ages: Teens and Adults

It's not really summer without Tie Dye! Join us behind the library in the Chess Board Garden for an afternoon of Tie Dye. Shirts will be provided as supplies last.

July 28

Butterflies on the Loose

Children's Program Room

10:30 to 11:30 am

Ages: 2 to 8

We're going to read, move, and craft all about butterflies! Recommended for ages 2-8 but all are welcome. Registration required.

July 29

Humans, Animals, Robots—Oh My!

Children's Program Room

2:00 to 3:00 pm

Ages: 6 to 9

Why choose just one? Create your own flip-book full of wild and wacky characters! Draw pages with heads, bodies, and legs to cut into thirds—then mix and match for endless creature combos and laughs!

July 31

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10:00 to 11:30 am

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Work together to recreate a famous painting piece-by-piece in this engaging program. Participants will each be given a section of the painting to recreate and access to a wide variety of art supplies to make their piece come to life. Pieces will be assembled at the end to reveal the masterwork! Registration required.

July 31

Starry Night and Mocktails:

An Adult Paint & Sip

Mayer Room

6:00 to 7:00 pm

Ages: Adults

Channel your inner Van Gogh! Join us for a whimsical Starry Night-inspired Paint Night for Adults, where you'll recreate the swirling skies and dreamy vibes with guidance while sipping on mocktails served by Howe Library staff. Registration required.

August 12

Fun with Color:

Squeegie Abstract Art

Children's Program Room

2:00 to 3:00 pm

Ages: 6 to 9

Discover the unpredictable fun of squeegie art. You will be dropping dots of acrylic paint onto paper and creating abstract art. Registration required.

