

Hazard Branch Calendar

For Children

July 2026

1620 W. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY 13204
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The library will be closed Friday, July 3- Sunday, July 5 for Independence Day.

For Everyone

Unearth a Story

Monday, June 29- Friday, August 21

Unearth a Story this summer with our 2026 Summer Reading Program. We have special guests every week including the Bubbleman, the Rosamond Gifford Zoo, RetroGameCon, and so much more! Plus don't forget to stop by the library and report books you read to earn cool prizes. For the complete calendar please see our summer flyer. **For all ages.**

St. Mark's Food Pantry Drive

All summer long

This summer long we will be collecting can goods for St. Mark's food pantry from June 1- August 21! For each item you donate you will receive a raffle ticket for our summer reading raffle baskets **For all ages.**

For Children

Crafter's Circle

All month long

Each Monday we will feature a new craft on the round table in the children's section. Make sure to stop by each week to try them all! **For ages 5-12.**

Summer Scavenger Hunt

All month long

There are 8 summer symbols hidden in the children's area. Can you find them all to collect your prize? For ages 4 – 12. **For ages 5-12.**

Ice Cream Shop

All month long

Practice making ice cream cones with your favorite toppings with our cardboard ice cream shop! *Supported by funds from the M&T Charitable Foundation.* **For ages 3-8.**

Dino Ring Toss

All month long

Hone your ring toss skills and see how many points you can get with our new dino toss game! *Supported by funds from the M&T Charitable Foundation.* **For ages 5-12.**

Dino Bone Blocks

June 29-July 2, all day

Love the Big Blue Blocks? Then you are going to love these! For a limited time, you can piece together a dinosaur out of our foam blocks! **For ages 3-12.**

MoST: Rock and Fossil Lab

Wednesday, July 1, 2:30 p.m.

Dig down with a MoST science educator as we explore the history of our planet! Get hands-on with rocks and fossils from the MoST collection, explore our geologic past, and complete the session with a special fossil-themed craft. **For ages 5 and up.**

Zoo to You: Unearth the Mystery

Monday, July 6, 2:00 p.m.

What can skin and bones tell us about one curious animal? Become a Paleo-artist and see if you can figure out what mystery animal we will be learning more about. But just because we have solved one mystery, does not mean there isn't more to discover. We will work together to learn about how this special animal's skin and bones help us to learn more about their behaviors and adaptations. Finally, we will discover the dangers these creatures face, but never fear you can help and make a difference for these beautiful animals! **For ages 5 and up.**

Cooking Up Stories

Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m.

Join us as we read a story and then make a recipe based on the book! *Supported by funds from Wegmans.* **For ages 5 and up.**

July 8 – Dirt & Worms

July 15 – Fruit Skewers

July 22 – Taco Snack Crackers

July 29 – Lunch Kabobs

For Children

Bubblemania

Monday, July 13, 2:30 p.m.

Bubble maker Doug Rougeux will use magically-designed bubble crayons to draw laughs, oohs and aahs from children of all ages. Experience soap bubble science and artistry plus storytelling, music, and hundreds of bubbles. *Supported by funds from the M&T Charitable Foundation.* **For ages 3 and up.**

Dino Painting

Monday, July 20, 2:30 p.m.

Paint a dinosaur that you get to take home! You can paint either a ceramic dino or a printed dino canvas. *Supported by funds from the M&T Charitable Foundation.* **For ages 5 and up.**

RetroGameCon

Monday, July 27, 2:30 p.m.

Syracuse's video game expo lands in your local library with heaps of gaming fun! Come hang out with us as we explore the creativity and nostalgia of classic gaming with video games, tabletop games, and kid's crafts! *Support by funds from the M&T Charitable Foundation.* **For all ages.**

For Teens

Teen Hangouts

Fridays, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Think you have what it takes to be the best gamer at the library? Come join us in playing board games and video games with other teens! If you don't want to game, we will also feature a new craft each week. Snacks will be provided. **For ages 12 – 18.**

7/10 – Salt Dough Dinosaur Fossils

7/17 – DIY Ancient Coins

7/24 – Dinosaur Terrariums

7/31 - Scratch Art Vases

For Adults

Artist of the Month: Don Dixon

All month long

Don is a local artist and photographer who enjoys seeing the world through a camera lens. His photographs aim to portray the local area and communities in an interesting way. Don hopes that his work will provide a fresh perspective on the world around us.

Summer Trivia Tournament

All month long

All summer long we will be featuring 5 new trivia questions on our white board every Monday, beginning June 1. For every answer you get correct, you will receive a raffle ticket and you can enter for a chance to win one of our adult raffle baskets. This year's theme is Unearth a Story. **For ages 18 and up.**

Adult Drop-In Craft: Paper Fish

Every Thursday, 12:00-7:00 p.m.

Let's get crafty! Stop by the library to weave a fish design out of paper strips! This will be a good companion to keep in your bag, or a friend to keep at your desk. **For ages 18 and up.**

Book-a-Librarian by Appointment

Set up a one-on-one appointment at Hazard Branch Library to learn the basics of using a computer and other technology. Please call the library at 315-435-5326 to schedule an appointment.



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Library Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9-5; Tues & Thurs: 9-7:30; Sun: Closed
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