



February 2025 Programming

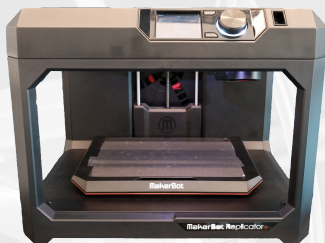
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Open Hours 3D Printer - 3D Carving Machine - Laser Cutter - Vinyl Cutter

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Equipment Certifications

Sign up for training [here](#) or ask at the Switchboard! Can't make a class? No worries! You can watch the training videos on our website!



Looking for new Skill Share Participants!

Skill Share is a volunteer program where participants share their neat skills with others! Ives Squared will even provide the supplies (within reason).

If you are interested in joining, you can ask for an application at the Switchboard desk or contact Rose Simpson at rsimpson@nhfpl.org for more information.

Are you a teacher who wants to bring a class for a tour or to work on a project?

We are happy to provide this opportunity to students! We offer tours in the mornings from 10am-12pm by **appointment only**. Please call us at 203-946-8130 x 140 to discuss scheduling.

Creative Programs

Drop-In DIY Post Cards

February 3-14

Everybody loves getting mail (as long as it's not a bill)! Surprise family and/or loved ones by decorating and sending your own post card for Valentine's Day! Supplies will be provided.



Vaquiform Chocolate Molds

Tuesday, February 4, 6-7:30 pm

Vacuum forming is a method used to shape plastic materials. Learn how to do this process independently while making chocolate molds just in time for Valentine's Day! Registration is required:

nhfpl.libcal.com/event/13893124



Celebrate New Haven Through Design: T-Shirt Competition Drop-in

Saturday, February 8, 12-2 pm

Wednesday, February 12, 5:30-7:30 pm

Use art supplies to create your design for submission to the New Haven T-Shirt Design Competition. Celebrate our city by creating a design that expresses New Haven's history, community pride, and cultures! Sponsored by Atelier Cho Thompson, Alder Caroline Tanbee Smith, and the NHE3! For more information about the competition visit: bit.ly/3Wt1AgW

**NEW HAVEN
T-SHIRT DESIGN
COMPETITION**

Let's celebrate our city - with a community New Haven T-Shirt Design Competition! Design a great New Haven t-shirt that shows community pride, and win a \$500 prize.



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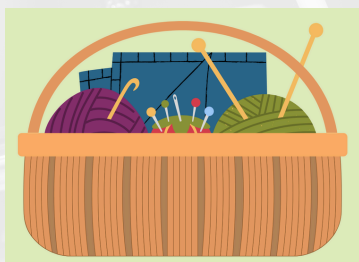
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The Stitch Niche: A Fiber Arts Meetup

Tuesday, February 11, 6-7:30 pm

Bring your current knitting, sewing, crocheting, or other fiber arts projects and meet with other crafters in a casual and friendly setting! No experience is necessary. A small amount of supplies will be available for beginners.



Library of Things Open House

Thursday, February 13, 5-6:30 pm

Discover the NHFPL's Library of Things—a hub for borrowing unique, nontraditional items that go beyond books, media, and e-resources! From everyday essentials to specialized tools, it's your go-to destination for items you can borrow and enjoy at home. Light refreshments will be provided. Registration is required:

nhfpl.libcal.com/calendar/ives-main/lot



Drop-In Mardi Gras Masks

February 18-March 1

In preparation for the NHFPL Foundation Mardi Gras Fundraiser on March 4, 2025, come decorate your own Mardi Gras masks inspired by New Orleans celebrations!



Zine Making 101: Using Canva to Design a Zine

Saturday, February 22, 2-4 pm

Learn how to use Canva, a free graphic design tool online, to create an 8 fold zine or a digest zine from existing works of writing and art. Registration is required: nhfpl.libcal.com/event/13893089



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The Exchange is entrepreneurial hub and coworking space offering small businesses, nonprofits, and community groups a place in which they can meet, utilize our book collections, computers, and database resources, as well as access personal assistance from our librarians during office hours.

Business Librarian

Alexandria Robison received her MLIS from the University of Rhode Island, with a focus in Library Administration and Transforming Communities. She is passionate about building relationships with Connecticut small business owners and using her communications background to identify and provide the support businesses and nonprofits need to grow and thrive. You may have crossed paths with Alexandria in her past roles with the New Haven Free Public Library and NHFPL Foundation.



Alexandria is available to help answer many of your business and nonprofit related questions, help you get started and/or grow your business, and put you in touch with other appropriate resources within the Greater New Haven entrepreneurial ecosystem!

Office Hours By Appointment

Tuesdays 3-5 pm

Email arobison@nhfpl.org or [book an appointment](#).

Starting a Fashion Label with guest Tea Montgomery

Saturday, February 8, 3-4:30 pm

Are you interested in the fashion industry, becoming a designer, or starting your own brand? Tea Montgomery, a local designer with years of experience, will be hosting a session discussing different avenues to entering the industry, as well as things he's learned being a Black designer in Connecticut.



Preserving Your Family's Photos

Tuesday, February 25, 6-7 pm

Come to learn best practices for storing and maintaining your photographs and negatives and how to prioritize which items should be digitized first. This session will be led by Gary Robison. Registration is required:

nhfpl.libcal.com/event/13979803

