

LOWELL KIDS WEEK 2022

FEBRUARY 18th – 26th

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Lowell Kids Week is a partnership between many community organizations in Lowell, providing free, unique activities for kids and families during school vacations.

This year Lowell Kids Week is presented by:

City of Lowell • Coalition for a Better Acre • CTI Lowell WIC Program • Lowell National Historical Park • Lowell Recreation Department • Pollard Memorial Library • Tsongas Industrial History Center • University of Massachusetts Lowell

- All programs are free, but **many require advance registration**. Please see program listings for details and registration information
- Program schedule is subject to change – **please regularly check www.lowellkidsweek.org!**
- Information about these activities and other local resources can be found on the Lowell Kids Week Facebook page - www.facebook.com/lowellkidsweek
- Questions about a specific event or program should be directed to the organization sponsoring the program



www.lowellkidsweek.org

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18 & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

LOWELL WINTERFEST

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by the City of Lowell |

Location: Lowell Memorial Auditorium (50 E Merrimack Street, Lowell)

Winterfest is back! This free, two-day event will be hosted at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium this year. Winterfest features live music, free entertainment, and family activities. Visit <https://www.lowellwinterfest.com/> for the full schedule of events.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10AM-12PM · "SING 2" AT AMC TYNGSBORO!

All Ages. Under 12 must be accompanied by an adult | Registration required: reserve online at <http://lowellrec.com/info/activities/> | Hosted by Lowell Recreation Department |

Location: AMC Tyngsborough 12 (440 Middlesex Rd, Tyngsborough)

Free showing of "SING 2" at the AMC Tyngsboro! Limit of 4 tickets per group. Please call the Recreation Office for more information at 978-674-4175 or visit our website at

<http://lowellrec.com/info/activities/> to register. Movie may change depending on availability (if there is a change, we will update it on the city website).

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

10AM-4:30PM · SNOWFLAKE FRAME GRAB AND GO CRAFT

Grades K-5 | Registration required: reserve online at <https://lowelllibrary.org/events/> | Hosted by Pollard Memorial Library |

Location: Pollard Memorial Library (401 Merrimack Street, Lowell)

Get in the winter spirit and pick up a snowflake frame craft kit at the library to make at home! Children in grades K - 5 can pick up a kit with a wooden frame, acrylic paint set, paint brush, glue dots, and snowflake jewels at the Children's Desk. While supplies last.

Registration is required and space is limited. Registration begins on Monday, February 14th. Sign up online at lowelllibrary.org/events or by calling the Children's Reference Desk (978) 674-1529. The Children's Department will contact registrants to schedule a pickup time the week of Tuesday, February 22nd. *The library will be closed on Monday, February 21st in observance of Patriots' Day*

10:30AM · HAPPY BIRTHDAY! A VIRTUAL FAMILY STORYTIME CELEBRATION

All Ages | Registration required: Visit <https://lowelllibrary.org/events/> |

Hosted by Pollard Memorial Library

Happy Birthday, George! In honor of George Washington's birthday, join us for a special birthday themed family storytime! We will celebrate with stories, music, and movement. All children and their grown ups are welcome. Sign up to receive the ZOOM link.

12PM-3PM · BINGO WITH YOUR GRANDPARENTS

Ages 3-12 and their families | Registration required: reserve online at <http://lowellrec.com/info/activities/> | Hosted by Lowell Recreation Department |

Location: Lowell Council on Aging (276 Broadway Street, Lowell)

Come play Bingo at the Senior Center! This is the same event that has been previously run by Retired Lowell Safety Officer Paul Corcoran. This event will take place at the Council on Aging from 12-3pm. Pizza, drinks and prizes will be provided. This event is for kids ages 3-12 along with their families. Registration begins Saturday, January 1st. Please call the Recreation Office for more information at 978-674-4175 or visit our website at <http://lowellrec.com/info/activities/> to register. Limit of 25 participants.

2PM-3PM · VIRTUAL DISNEY TRIVIA

Grades 5 and under | Registration required: reserve online at <https://lowelllibrary.org/events/> | Hosted by Pollard Memorial Library |

Join us for a family-friendly Disney trivia game over Zoom! Families with children in grades 5 and under and teams of any number are welcome. Please note that questions are geared towards grades 1 - 5.

This is a live Zoom program and registration is required. Registration begins on Monday, February 7th. Sign up online at lowelllibrary.org/events or by calling the Children's Reference Desk (978) 674-1529. A Zoom link will be sent to patrons that register via email.

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2PM-3:30PM · SUPER SNACKS!

Ages 4+ | No registration required | Hosted by CTI Lowell WIC Program

Event Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96314639401?pwd=TytrM1hDMkRtSXl3U1lockZnMExHZz09>

Learn how to make quick n' easy snacks from fresh, whole foods. Perfect for an afternoon snack or when you are on-the-go! Fuel up with Super Snacks to give you the superpower to tackle school, homework, sports, and play! Learn more about the CTI Lowell WIC Program at <https://www.facebook.com/CTILowellWIC>

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

10AM-11:30AM · GROW with Mill City Grows!

Ages 6+ | Registration required: Visit

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfG1KfcW4WsfB5ezugi44tP_DWcv5BN9486OEMGF02qFnnhDQ/viewform | **Hosted by Mill City Grows |**

Location: 47 Pawtucket St, Lowell (Right behind East Campus Garage along the Riverwalk)

Looking for something fun to do over Winter vacation? Join Mill City Grow's this February to see what is growing in their greenhouse! During this time together, School Education Assistant Manager, Macayla Cote and School Education Coordinator, Veronique Ok will be providing a tour of our green space as well as leading a hand-on activity for families to take home with them!

4:30PM-5:30PM · CHILDREN'S BOOK TO ART CLUB

Grades 3-5 | Registration required: reserve online at <https://lowelllibrary.org/events/> |

Hosted by Pollard Memorial Library

Do you love books AND art? Children in grades 3 - 5 are invited to join our virtual book club to discuss a book and make a hands-on art project over Zoom. Registrants will be reading select chapters of Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott. We will be decorating wooden dragon eggs with paint and other embellishments for the first session. For the second session, we will be making a dragon craft tube kit.

Registration is required and space is limited. Registration begins on Monday, February 7th. After you register, the library will contact you to schedule a time to come to the library to check out the book and pick up the art activity. Register online at lowelllibrary.org/events or by calling the Children's Reference Desk (978) 674-1529. *Registrants must have a library card to check out the book from the library.*

Week 1: Thursday, February 24 - Chapters 1 - 7 and Dragon Egg art project

Week 2: Monday, March 7 - Chapters 8 - 13 and Dragon Craft Tube Kit

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

4PM-8PM · EL ARTE DE ENCANTO

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by Coalition for a Better Acre

Location: YES! Learning Center (517 Moody Street, Lowell)

Join the YES! Learning Center to celebrate the beautiful visuals, heartwarming messages, and extraordinary culture featured in Disney's Encanto. Activities include an Encanto Album Cover Competition, a Madrigal family tree, create your own magical casa, and embroider your own Encanto Vision.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

1PM-2PM · HISTORY DETECTIVES TOUR WITH A PARK RANGER

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by Lowell National Historical Park |

Location: Lowell NHP Visitor Center (246 Market Street, Lowell)

Want to learn more about the history in your own community? Join a Park Ranger on a special tour in downtown Lowell! Become a history detective as we look closely at the downtown buildings and landscapes. Feel free to bring a camera, sketch pad, or journal to help you record your discoveries. The tour will begin at the Lowell NPS Visitor Center (246 Market Street). Dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes.

Free parking for this program is available at the Hamilton Canal Innovation District parking garage (350 Dutton Street). Visitors must pick up a validated parking ticket at the Visitor Center for free parking.

WEEKLONG EVENTS

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MILL CITY GRAB AND GO CRAFT KIT

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by Lowell National Historical Park |

Location: Lowell NHP Visitor Center (246 Market Street, Lowell)

Explore the history of the mills of Lowell with this free craft kit. Create your own circular weaving, design a special pencil holder, and much more! Free craft kits are available from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the park’s Visitor Center (246 Market Street) starting on Monday, February 21. Kits will be available while supplies last.

Free parking is available at the Hamilton Canal Innovation District parking garage (350 Dutton Street). Visitors must pick up a validated parking ticket at the Visitor Center for free parking.

BECOME A LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK JUNIOR RANGER

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by Lowell National Historical Park |

Location: Lowell NHP Visitor Center (246 Market Street, Lowell)

A Junior Ranger is an important person who helps park rangers take care of our National Parks. Do you like exploring the park, learning about history, or protecting nature? Would you like to have fun and help us take care of the park? If the answer is yes, then you might be just the kid we’re looking for to become our newest Junior Ranger!

Free Junior Ranger Activity Books are available daily from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the park’s Visitor Center (246 Market Street) or Boott Cotton Mills Museum (115 John Street). Work with your family and friends to fill out the activity book and you can earn your very own Junior Ranger badge!

Free parking for this program is available at the Hamilton Canal Innovation District parking garage (350 Dutton Street). Visitors must pick up a validated parking ticket at the Visitor Center for free parking.

NATURE OBSERVERS AT-HOME ACTIVITIES

Ages 7+ | No registration required | Hosted by Tsongas Industrial History Center |

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/TsongasIndustrialHistoryCenter>

Do you love to learn about nature? Throughout the week the Tsongas Industrial History Center will be posting special “Nature Observers” video activities on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. These videos include crafts that you can do with your friends and family. Learn more about the natural world around you. Check back from Monday through Saturday for a new video every day!

EARN AN ACRE COMMUNITY RANGER BADGE

All Ages | No registration required | Hosted by Lowell National Historical Park |

Location: Lowell NHP Visitor Center (246 Market Street, Lowell)

Community Rangers are neighborhood storytellers and caretakers. Explore Lowell's historic Acre neighborhood, which has been home to people from many places since the 1820s! Use our free Acre Community Ranger Activity Book to learn more about this special neighborhood and compare it to your own neighborhood!

Free activity books are available daily from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the park's Visitor Center (246 Market Street) or Boott Cotton Mills Museum (115 John Street). Work with your family and friends to fill out the activity book and you can earn your very own wooden Acre Community Ranger badge!

Free parking for this program is available at the Hamilton Canal Innovation District parking garage (350 Dutton Street). Visitors must pick up a validated parking ticket at the Visitor Center for free parking.