

MAY 11- MAY 18 2018



# May Events

## SATURDAY, MAY 12: SENSORY-FRIENDLY STORY-TIME AT EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Interactive storytime program that can be enjoyed by children of all ages, abilities, and sensibilities with their favorite adult. No registration is required. Just come! If you have questions, you can email Miss Aimee at [childrens@exeterpubliclibrary.org](mailto:childrens@exeterpubliclibrary.org).

**LOCATION:** 773 Ten Rod Road, Exeter

**TIME:** 1:00–2:00pm



## SUNDAY, MAY 13TH: JUMP, PLAY AND LAUGH AT SKY ZONE

Enjoy the freedom of jumping. Sensory hours provide a quieter, toned-down jumping experience for those with special needs. The first hour will be very low sensory with no music playing. The second hour there will be music playing due to our other programming. Pricing \$15/60 minutes | \$20/90 minutes | \$25/120 minutes. Please call ahead to reserve your spot for this month at 401-383-6000.

**LOCATION:** 70 Pawtucket Ave East Providence, RI 02916

**TIME:** 8:00 am to 10:00 am

## TUESDAY, MAY 15: RI-CART'S OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Is looking for new members to help create community events for children and adults living with ASD. Parents, professionals, volunteers, and adults on the spectrum are invited to attend! For more information, please contact Alicia Ead at 401.785.2666.

**LOCATION:** The Autism Project, 1516 Atwells Ave, Johnston, RI.

**TIME:** 11 AM - Noon

## SATURDAY, MAY 26 ST: RAGTIME (SENSORY FRIENDLY PLUS):

Designed to meet the needs of children and adults on the autism spectrum, and/or individuals with sensory processing disorders or other cognitive disabilities, this performance features modified sound, lighting and other adjustments. Patrons are invited to make sounds, enter and exit as needed during the performance and enjoy this experience with their family and community. Tickets are available to purchase for \$25 per ticket. More information [click here](#).

**LOCATION:** 201 Washington St, Providence, RI 02903

**TIME:** 2:00 PM



## TALKS & WORKSHOP:

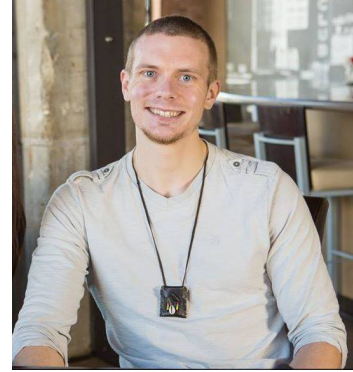
### WEDNESDAY, MAY 23TH: INSIGHTS ON LIVING WITH ASD AND ANXIETY

New!

Russell Lehmann is an award-winning and internationally recognized motivational speaker, poet, author and advocate whose words have reached over 20 million people worldwide, from Argentina to Norway, Lebanon to Australia. If you are a teen or young adult with ASD or anxiety, a parent, relative, teacher, therapist, doctor or any related professional supporting someone on the spectrum or who has anxiety, you are going to want to hear his talk.

**LOCATION: 850 Post Rd, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886**

**TIME: 6:00 PM**



### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6TH: BECOME AN EXPERT AT SCHEDULING RIDE!

New!

Join us to learn about the RIdE Program and how to use their new automated scheduling system. RIPTA representatives will be available to answer your questions! Who should attend? Any person currently using the RIdE Program or interested in learning more about RIPTA services. Youth and adults with disabilities, family members, direct support staff, and other professionals supporting persons with disabilities are encouraged to attend. RSVP by **May 30th** [RSVP Online click here](#)

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27TH RI-CART SPEAKER SERIES: LAURA LEWIS, PHD



Save the date! Dr. Laura Lewis's primary research focus is on Autism Spectrum Disorder in adulthood. She is particularly interested in symptom variance among underrepresented populations of individuals with ASD including adults and females, improving diagnostic instruments for these populations, promoting self-advocacy among adults with ASD, and improving quality of life for couples affected by ASD.

**LOCATION Bradley Hospital, East Providence**

**TIME: 3:30 - 5:00pm**

### RI LEADERSHIP EDUCATION IN NEURODEVELOPMENT AND RELATED DISABILITIES (RI LEND)

This interdisciplinary training grant is focused on fostering leadership and providing a rounded, in-depth knowledge of neurodevelopmental and related disabilities to trainees. Applicants must either be matriculated in or graduated from a graduate program (no one who is getting their Bachelor's degree or below) in audiology, genetic counseling, medicine, nursing, pediatric dentistry, public health, physical therapy, psychology, special education, and speech and language pathology OR they can be a self-advocate or a parent of a person with a neurodevelopmental disability like autism (no degree requirements). For more Information, contact [Kathryn.Lowney@lifespan.org](mailto:Kathryn.Lowney@lifespan.org)

### GRODEN CENTER CSS SUMMER SOCIAL GROUPS

We have groups for all ages from Kindergarten to adult. The child and teen groups are for those with Asperger's/High Functioning autism/NVLD. The summer adult group is for adults with autism and mild Intellectual disability. (Note that our group for adults with Asperger's is held throughout the academic year). For more Information, contact [kpistacchio@grodencenter.org](mailto:kpistacchio@grodencenter.org)



## COMING SOON:

### SURFERS HEALING



The original surf camp for children with autism! Surfers Healing gives individuals a chance to encounter the waves, to challenge themselves, & to try something new. For the Narragansett location, **REGISTRATION IS MAY 12TH UNTIL 18TH.** Mark your calendars and set an alarm—Available spots often fill up within minutes! To register, [click here](#)

### ZOOCAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 21ST

The 2018 ZooCamp Scholarship fund for Children with Autism will provide twenty full one-week scholarships, five (5) full two consecutive week scholarships to Summer Adventures ZooCamp for children ages 6 - 10, and four (4) full one-week scholarships to children ages 11 -13 to Conservation Heroes ZooCamp. To request an application by email, fax or mail contact: [programs@rwpzoo.org](mailto:programs@rwpzoo.org)



### SATURDAYS JUNE 23RD, JULY 21ST, AUGUST 4TH SENSORY STORY TIME CLASS AT THE PAWTUCKET PUBLIC LIBRARY



This is a monthly program for children who are on the Autistic Spectrum Disorder or other developmental disabilities. Program will include : picture schedule, songs/rhymes, movement, fun stories sensory activities! Great for families looking for a small group. Best for ages 3-8 year olds, but any child is welcome. Registration Required. Email: [mcotto@pawtucketlibrary.org](mailto:mcotto@pawtucketlibrary.org) or call at 401-725-3714 x209

**LOCATION: 13 Summer Street • Pawtucket, RI 02860**  
**TIME: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m**

### FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH: JUNE 5TH, JULY 3RD, AUGUST 7TH SENSORY FRIENDLY DAYS AT ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO & CAROUSEL VILLAGE

CAROUSEL VILLAGE: We invite those with ASD and sensory processing differences to explore and enjoy Carousel Village. For maximum comfort, there will be no music or indoor lights. The Carousel, bounce house and playground will be open to the public, as well as train and pony rides (weather permitting). Standard activity pricing applies. For more information [click here](#)



HASBRO'S OUR BIG BACKYARD: Join us for an hour of nature play before the zoo opens: designed for families who have a child with sensory sensitivities, come and play in Hasbro's Our Big Backyard from **9 to 10 a.m.** Build mud pies, watch boats float downstream and climb high in a tree-house. Limited to 70 participants, this hour will allow you and your family to spend time playing in nature, in a smaller group of guests. For more information [click here](#). Nature Swap will be closed during this special event.