

The Kennedy Center's Autism Project Summer 2022



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Monday

(In-Person Location: 39 Lindeman Drive in Trumbull)

Time: 4:00 – 5:00pm

Zoom Dates: June 13th & 20th,
July 11th & 18th, August 8th &
15th

In-Person Dates: June 27th,
July 25th, August 22nd

Creative Connections All Ages Fee: Zoom: \$45 In-person: \$80 All: \$120

Creative Connections Over the next few months, you are invited to join us on a creative journey as we explore a variety of art techniques, learn about different artists, and experiment with new materials. This group is led by Meaghan Heeks, an Expressive Arts Therapist at The Kennedy Center. We will be creating art via Zoom and in-person. Price for in-person covers all costs of materials.

Tuesday

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Zoom and/or In-Person Dates:
June 28th, July 26th, August 23rd

Parents Empowering Parents (PEP) Parent/Caregiver Zoom/In-person *No Fee*

Parents Empowering Parents (PEP) is a safe place for parents and caregivers to talk about their life caring for a child with Autism or other extra needs. This is a positive group where we share resources, talk about challenges and accomplishments, provide parent information workshops, discuss advocacy, and support and empower each other. This group will meet three times this summer via Zoom, with the potential for in-person...TBD!

Thursday

In-Person location: 4021 Main Street in Stratford or TBD by event

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00 pm

Zoom Dates: June 23rd,
July 14th, August 11th

In-person Dates: June 30th,
July 28th, August 25th

Hanging with Friends 18 + Fee: Zoom: \$30 in-person: \$45 All: \$70

Hanging with Friends is a social group for young adults with Autism. This is a self-guided program, where the group decides the activities for the following week. We will meet via Zoom, in-person, and at different locations (ex. The beach, a restaurant, bowling, etc.). Hanging with Friends is co-led by Rayshonda, who holds a Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition to Adulthood, and Amy who holds a master's in education. This group is both fun and educational!

Saturday**(In-Person Location: 4021 Main Street, Stratford CT)****Time: 10:00am – 11:30 am****AP Sports!****Ages: 8- 14 & 15 and up****Fee: \$30****In-Person Date:****July 16th**

AP Sports! Join us for an hour and a half of getting your game on! We will have different sport activities, broken up by age/skill level. The purpose of this program is to get friends together to move around and enjoy different sporting activities, such as cornhole, basic soccer skills, basketball and other fun group games. We will provide a light snack and water bottle for those who participate.

Time: 11:30am – 12:30pm**Among Friends Lunch Social****Ages: 8-14 & 15 and up****Fee: \$15****Date: July 16th**

Among Friends Lunch Social is a lunch and social group for those who participated in the **AP Sports!** morning activity. I am sure a morning of moving around will make everyone hungry, so bring your lunch and enjoy a relaxing hour with old and new friends!

Time: 10:00am– 11:30am**Interactive Arts!****Ages: 8-22 yrs.****Fee: \$30****Date: August 20th**

Interactive Arts join us for a morning of Music, Movement, and Creative Arts! We will break up into groups that will experience the different areas of the Arts. This will be a morning of movement and creating, led by our TKC Expressive Arts Therapists.

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Monday – Friday**Location: TBD****Time: TBD****Among Friends Theater Company****12-21 yrs.****Fee: TBD****Date: TBD**

Among Friends Theater Company Back by popular demand! Join us for a five-day theatrical experience for people with Autism and other developmental differences. The groups purpose is to encourage social and emotional development, self-esteem, and acceptance through working together as an ensemble to rehearse and perform. The actors, along with peer models, will perform a short production on the last day. AFTC is under the direction of Meg Kiley Smith, a local actor, and Theater Teacher. Meg has experience as an arts educator and professional actor on stage, tv/film
Stay tuned for more information!

The Kennedy Center's Autism Project Summer 2022 Registration

Contact Information:

How to Register and Pay: Please fill out the form below and send it to me adingwall@thekennedycollective.org

Pay online

<https://palmandable.com/collections/autism-project>

Pay by Mail

The Kennedy Center, Inc.

2440 Reservoir Ave.

Trumbull CT 06611

Attn: Mary Pat DeCarlo/Autism Project

Checks made out to The Kennedy Center, Inc with Autism Project in the memo

Preregistration required prior to the start of all programs, as well as the commitment to attend the program on the dates and program you have requested. Please email to inquire about preregistration

The Kennedy Center reserves the right to cancel or modify any program due to low enrollment, changes in health guidelines, or other circumstances out of our control. Thank you for understanding!

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Participant Contact Information:

Child's name:

DOB:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Email Address:

Preferred Phone #:

Address:

Town/City:

Zip:

Program Registration: Please check all that apply

Check all of the Program(s) you/your child will attend:

Creative Connections ☐ Parents Empowering Parents ☐ Hanging with Friends ☐

AP Sports ☐ Among Friends Lunch Social ☐ Among Friends Theater Company ☐

Zoom/In-Person Photo Consent: Yes ☐ No ☐

Vaccinated: Yes ☐ No ☐

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