

ACTIVITY AND SOCIAL PLANNING



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Link With Your Community

The “Link With Your Community Guide” is an interactive PDF designed to help you find real places, events, and activities you can do in Rhode Island and inspire you to explore more.

It is designed to appeal to everyone. It includes many interests and needs and covers all of Rhode Island’s geographic locations.

It can be a great way to get involved in your community, try new things, make social connections, and more!

Explore the guide to find new things in your neighborhood, town, and the whole state!

We know you’ll find something new and exciting to do if you take a look!

[View the Guide](#)



ripin.org/resources/linkwithcommunityguide

Accessibility Information



If you require accommodations to visit or participate in any of the activities or locations shared in this guide, many locations and events will share this information on their websites.

If not, try contacting them directly by email or phone for more information and ask if they can meet your needs.

Below we share information about some information on popular events and places that clearly share this information and offer many accessibility sensory-friendly opportunities.

[Audubon Nature Center and Aquarium](#)

[Providence Performing Arts Center \(PPAC\)](#)

[Rhode Island Historical Society](#)

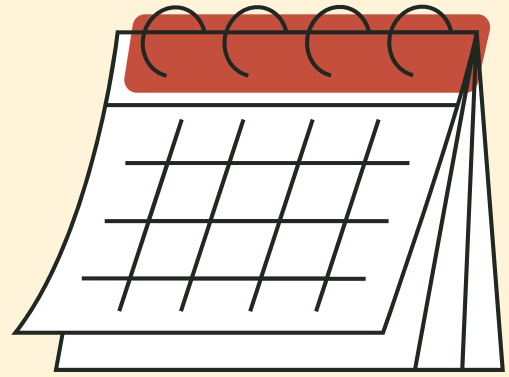
[RI State Park Accessibility Information](#)

[Roger Williams Park Zoo](#)

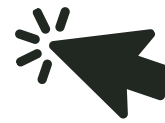
[Trinity Rep Theater](#)



WHAT CAN I DO RIGHT NOW? ...OR SOON?



EVENTS:



At the Libraries

At State Parks



Here are some websites to check for local events and activities:

Arts Now RI

Beyond the Nest

PVD EYE

Rhode Island Monthly

Visit Rhode Island



Want to get an email with ideas for planning your weekend? Sign up for the:

Rhody Weekender



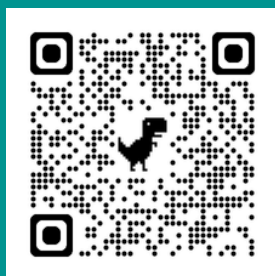
This page has been taken and adapted from the Link With Community Guide which you can find at ripin.org/linkwithcommunityguide !



Where do you look for events?
Email us at linkwithus@ripin.org!



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Link With Your Community WEEKEND PLANS

Pick a new place or event
to go to this weekend!

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What is the name of the event or place?

Where is it? What is the address?

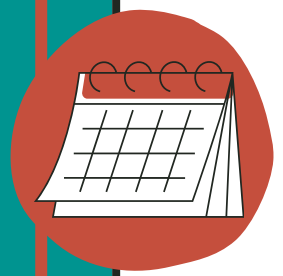
What day is it on? What time is it at?

Who am I going with?

How will I get there? How will I get home?

What will I do there?

Why do I want to go there?





Social Stories



What are Social Stories?

- Short, simple, positive stories.
- Prepare a person for what will happen, what is expected of them, and why certain behaviors are essential.
- Use pictures and/or symbols in addition to words.
- Are best when personalized.
- For some, it can be effective to only have one thought/step with an associated image per page.

What can Social Stories do?

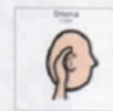
- Explain and help individuals understand social situations, routines, and expectations.
- Address a wide range of social skills, including communication, problem-solving, managing difficult emotions, and changes in their routine.

How to use Social Stories:

- It is recommended that they are read multiple times before a new routine or activity and right beforehand.
- Once the routine/activity has become comfortable, the social story can be used when needed.

PJ's Basketball steps

Listen to my coach & my buddy for instructions



Wait for my turn with the basketball
When it is my turn I will:



wait

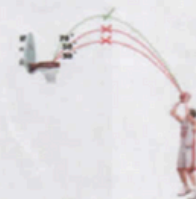
Dribble



Pass



Shoot the basketball



We are Going to A Museum

We are going to the Pinball Museum today!

I am very excited!!

There are a lot of pinball machines.
It will be loud.

The pinball machines have loud bells and other noises.

They have bright lights.

I may have to wait my turn for a pinball machine I want to play.

That's okay, I know how to wait.

Sometimes waiting is hard, but I can do it.

If I need a break, I can ask my worker.

We will have fun!!!





This is a tool to help staff, family, and peers engage in conversation.

To access the resource, use the QR code or [click here.](#)

