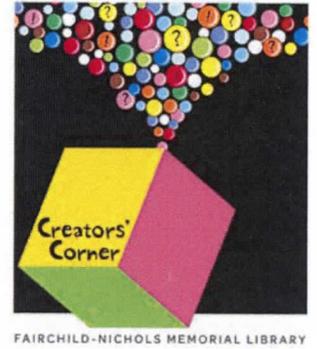


CREATORS' CORNER FAQs

Fairchild-Nichols Memorial Library



What is the Creators' Corner?

The Creators' Corner at the Fairchild-Nichols Memorial Library is a place for people to connect and create. As an outgrowth of the Maker Movement and Maker Faires, libraries throughout the country have embraced the concept of setting aside areas where individuals can think creatively and find "do-it-yourself" solutions.

Why is the Library doing this?

The Trumbull Library System has evolved into a community gathering place for many different kinds of learning experiences, and creating a space for people to gather for "hands on" learning is just another way to serve the town's residents. This space will evolve and expand based on the interests of the users. Currently the Creators' Corner houses a MakerBot Replicator 2 Desktop 3D printer, Lego Mindstorms EV3 Robotics, Ozobots, Makey Makey, LittleBits, and Squishy Circuits kits. The possibilities for the future are endless.

Who funded the space?

The Creators' Corner, the Replicator 2 Desktop 3D Printer and the laptop were privately funded. The Fairchild Association purchased the 3D Printer and all its supplies and the Trumbull Technology Foundation provided the laptop with the stipulation that the machine be made available to Trumbull students. The cost of creating the Creators' Corner physical space was also paid for by the Fairchild Association. The Trumbull Rotary Club provided grant funding for the LEGO Mindstorms robotics kit.

What can we do with a 3D Printer and how does it work?

3D printing prints physical objects from digital files. 3D printing is achieved using an additive process, where successive layers of material are laid down in different shapes.

Is the space open to anyone?

Yes. Residents and non-residents alike are welcome to stop by and observe what is happening in the space whenever volunteers are on hand. Ages 10 and up can sign up for a 3D Printer demonstration or have a "hands-on" opportunity to use the machine with guided instruction from a Creators' Corner volunteer.

How do I volunteer?

Individuals with a background and/or interest in technology are welcome to complete the application form.

Is there any cost involved? No.

Whom may I contact for more information?

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