

What is the Thomas T. Adams, Esq. Innovation Station?

The Thomas T. Adams, Esq. Innovation Station is Wilton Library's Maker Space. Maker Spaces are a growing trend in libraries and communities throughout the country. They are places designed for people to learn new skills, exchange ideas, test out state-of-the-art technologies, collaborate and create items such as robotic devices, prototypes and even quilts. The Innovation Station encourages STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) learning while giving people access to resources and tools which promote creativity, hands-on learning, and peer-to-peer training.

Who can use the Innovation Station?

The room is available for 7th graders through adults of all ages and 6th grade students accompanied by an adult (age 21+) certified on the same equipment. You'll need to have a valid Connecticut library card registered with the Wilton Library and complete an Innovation Station User Agreement Form.

For younger students, there is a 3D printer and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) programs available in the Children's Department. Please check their webpage for further details: <http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/category/childrens/>

Do I have to be a Wilton resident?

No, but you do need to reside in Connecticut and register your CT library card with us.

How do I get started?

Email us at innovation@wiltonlibrary.org to let us know what you're interested in and available days/times you can meet for an introductory session or check our schedule at: <http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/innovation-station/>

Do I need to be trained?

Yes, a Wilton Library staff member or volunteer will train you on the available equipment before validating you as an official Innovation Station user. You can sign up online for one of our classes or send an email to innovation@wiltonlibrary.org indicating the technology you're interested in and some available dates/time. Email is monitored weekdays, Monday- Friday. Please allow 48 hours for a response.

Are there workshops?

Yes, there are workshops and drop-in craft sessions. Please check the library website's www.wiltonlibrary.org for more information.

What tools and equipment are available?

Currently, there is an electronic embroidery machine, a 3-D printer, an iMac with Final Cut Pro, a PC and iMac with Adobe Creative Cloud, a digital scanner, slide scanner, a VHS to DVD converter (ONLY for home, non-commercial videos), DVD duplicator, button maker, die cutter and press for iron-on materials. If you're interested in Manga and comic illustration, Manga Studio 5 software is installed on both the PC and iMac.

For special workshops we have soldering irons, Arduinos and Raspberry Pi components, hot glue guns, markers, duct tape, pinking shears, pliers, screwdrivers and more.

Can anyone use the room when it's not a training session, workshop or demonstration?

Patrons can schedule time to use a particular piece of equipment once they've been trained by going to our webpage <http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/innovation-station> and clicking on RESERVE INNOVATION STATION EQUIPMENT.

What kinds of things can I do in the Innovation Station?

Test out or make a prototype with our 3-D printer, embroider a chef's apron with our embroidery machine, convert old VHS videos (e.g.; wedding tapes) to DVD, illustrate your own comics, make gift cards, etch glasses and more. With Adobe's Creative Cloud, you can create or enhance all types of media (brochures, videos, photography, etc.).

Is there a cost?

Currently there is a \$5 fee per two hours for embroidery or die cutting. This helps cover the maintenance and subscription costs, as well as necessary materials. We also charge a nominal fee to cover the cost of take-home items (e.g.; DVDs aprons, towels, glasses, etc.), as well as materials for certain workshops.

What is the maximum number of people allowed in the room?

20 people

Who can I contact if I'd like to share a skill or teach a class?

Please email us your suggestions at innovation@wiltonlibrary.org.

Can I become an Innovation Station trainer?

Yes, we're always looking for adult volunteers willing to learn the new technologies and like working with people. If you're interested and can donate your time on a regular basis, please submit an application at <http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/innovation-station-volunteers>

If I have a group that "makes" things, can we use the room?

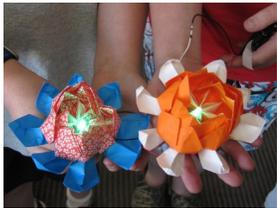
If you're interested in using the room, send an inquiry to innovation@wiltonlibrary.org.

I'd like to make a donation to help purchase additional equipment or supplies. Who should I contact?

Contact our Development Director at clilly@wiltonlibrary.org or call 203-762-6323.



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MISSION:

Fostering an environment of literacy and continuous learning in the sciences, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics

VISION:

A gathering place where community members (7th graders through adults of all ages and 6th grade students with a "certified" adult) will explore, discover, create, collaborate, engage in hands-on learning, do-it-yourself activities, and peer-to-peer training.

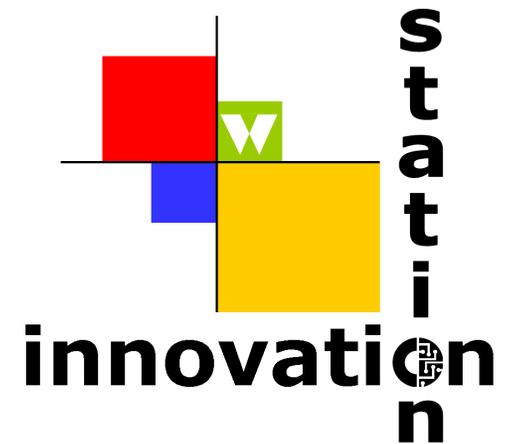
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