

January 2024 Youth Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year! All CTLS Libraries Closed.	2	3 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ EP	4 Teen Chill Zone (13-18) 3-6PM @ GL	5	6 STEMLab: Building Bridges: (6-12) 11:30AM @ EP
8	9	10 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ EP Talkin' About Books (6-8) 4:30 @ EP	11 Teen Chill Zone (13-18) 3-6PM @ GL Virtual Drawing Class (Teens & Adults) 6:30PM on Zoom	12 Drop-in & Play (1-3) 10:30AM @ EP	13 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL Teen Advisory Board (12-18) 11AM-12PM @ EP Video Game Saturdays: How to Build a Gaming PC (12-18) 1-3PM @ EP
15 All CTLS Libraries Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Dungeons & Dragons Club: Character Create! (all ages) 6:30-9:00PM @ GL	17 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ EP	18 Teen Chill Zone (13-18) 3-6PM @ GL Teen Anime Club (13-18) 4-5PM @ GL STEMLab: Building Bridges: (6-12) 4:30PM @ GL	19	20
22 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL Read to the Dogs (up to 10) 4PM @ EP	23 Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL	24 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ GL Teen Gaming Club (12-18) 3-5PM @ EP	25 Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP Teen Chill Zone (13-18) 3-6PM @ GL Lego Club (5-12) 4:30PM @ EP	26 Teen Poetry & Open Mic Night (13-18) 4-5:30PM @ EP	27 Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ EC & LM
29 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL Drop-in & Play (1-3) 6:30PM @ EP	30 Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL	31 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ GL Teen Mindfulness (13-18) 5:30-6:30 @ EP	<p>Sign up for Teen Book Boxes!</p> <p>Sign up for Teen Book Boxes to receive personalized "gift boxes" of requested items with fun treats and recommendations. Boxes can be delivered to Cheltenham High School, Cedarbrook Middle School, Elkins Park, or Glenside Library. Ages 13 to 18. Scan the QR code to sign up!</p> 		
			<p>Register for events at www.cheltenhamlibraries.org</p> <p>East Cheltenham Free Library 215-379-2077 Temporarily Closed. 400 Myrtle Avenue, Cheltenham, PA 19012 (Inside the Rowland Community Center)</p> <p>Elkins Park Free Library 215-635-5000 563 E. Church Road Elkins Park, PA 19027</p> <p>Glenside Free Library 215-885-0455 215 S. Keswick Ave Glenside, PA 19038</p> <p>La Mott Free Library 215-635-4419 Temporarily Closed. 7420 Sycamore Avenue, La Mott, PA 19027 (Inside the La Mott Community Center)</p>		

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Storytimes

Family Storytime at the Glenside Library

Mondays from January 22 to May & Saturday, January 13 @ 10:30 am
Come and meet Ms. Allison for Storytime at the Glenside Library. This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and music and movement. **For ages 6 months to 5 years.**

Infant -Toddler Storytime at the Elkins Park Library

Tuesdays @ 10:30 am (beginning 1/23)
This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and music and movement. Simple art or sensory activity on select dates. **For ages birth to 3 years.**

Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, January 23 @ 6:30 pm
Come and meet Ms. Allison for Storytime at the Glenside Library. This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and music and movement. Pajamas and cozy clothes welcome! **Recommended for ages 6 months to 5 years.**

Preschool Storytime Class at the Elkins Park Library

Thursdays beginning January 25 @ 10:30 am
This class helps children develop kindergarten readiness skills by teaching concepts such as the days of the week, letters, counting, rhyming words, weather, colors and shapes. Includes stories, music and movement activities, and a craft. Basic Spanish is also introduced. **For ages 3 to 5.**

Kids and Families

Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am
Elkins Park: January 3, 10, & 17
Glenside: January 24, 31 & February 7
Music and movement with Miss Ouliana for children and their caregivers to enjoy together. Little ones will get to explore rhythms and melodies, and get creative with musical instruments, fun movements and sounds. **For ages 1 to 5 years** (siblings under 1 are welcome). REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

STEMLab at the Library: Building Bridges

Elkins Park: Saturday, January 6 @ 11:30 am
Glenside: Thursday, January 18 @ 4:30 pm
Become an engineer! We will discuss different ways bridges are built and create our own. Will yours stand strong or come tumbling down? **For ages 6 to 12.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Talkin' About Books at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, January 10 @ 4:30 pm
A monthly book club for young readers featuring a read-aloud, discussion, and craft or extension activity. Light snack offered. Bring your own water bottle. A free copy of the book will be provided to each registered participant. **For ages 6 to 8.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. January title: *Over and Under the Snow* by Kate Messner

Drop-in & Play at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, January 12 @ 10:30 to 11:30 am
Monday, January 29 @ 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Families and caregivers with children ages 1 to 3 are invited to drop in and play together! The community room will be set up with blocks, puzzles, gross motor toys, books, manipulatives, instruments, transportation toys, and a dramatic play area. **Infants ages 1 to 3 and siblings up to age 5 welcome.** No registration necessary.

Read to the Dogs! At the Elkins Park Library

Monday, January 22 @ 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Developing readers are invited to improve their reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to Sadie or Gingee, certified therapy dogs. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please call 215-635-5000 to register in advance for a 20-minute session. **For readers up to age 10.**

Lego Club at the Elkins Park Library

Thursday, January 25 @ 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Budding architects are invited to join fellow Lego fanatics to build with the library's large collection of Legos. Complete the Lego challenge or just let your imagination run free! Lego creations will be displayed in the library. **Ages 5 to 12.**

Take & Make Crafts at the East Cheltenham and La Mott Libraries

Saturday, January 27
Pick up a kit of materials to make a craft at home. Find kits from East Cheltenham on top of the book drop or from La Mott inside the Little Free Library box. While supplies last. **Suggested ages 3 to 10.**

Intergenerational Events

Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (Zoom)

Thursday, January 11 @ 6:30 pm
Through this instructed tutorial, participants will follow step-by-step instructions to draw a realistic hourglass using pencil. Zoom link will be sent prior to the class. Limited supplies are available for pick up at the Glenside Free Library. **For teens & adults.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Dungeons & Dragons Club: Character Create! at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, January 16 @ 6:30 to 9:00 pm
Interested in Dungeons & Dragons? Want to make your own unique character to play with? Join Ms. Allison for a character create workshop! We'll go through all the classes, abilities, weapons, and spells for your own level 1 character. **For all ages.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register each attendee separately.

Tweens and Teens

Teen Book Boxes!

Sign up for Teen Book Boxes to receive personalized "gift boxes" of requested items with fun treats and recommendations. Boxes can be delivered to Cheltenham High School, Cedarbrook Middle School, Elkins Park or Glenside Library. **Ages 13 to 18.** Email ctlsyouth@mclinc to sign-up.

Teen Chill Zone at the Glenside Library

Thursdays @ 3:00 to 6:00 pm
Every Thursday, Glenside Library transforms the teen area into a chill space with light food, comfy seating, games, arts & crafts, and more! Revamped for 2024, come over to hang with friends, do homework, or just relax. **Ages 13 to 18** only in the Teen Area. No registration required.

Teen Advisory Board at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, January 13 @ 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Join Cheltenham's Teen Advisory Board! Teens design fun programs, choose new books, and promote the library. Meetings will count for volunteer hours. **Ages 12 to 18.** Email ctlsyouth@mclinc.org to register.

Video Game Saturdays: How to Build a Gaming PC at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, January 13 @ 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Learn how to build a PC from scratch and make your own start-up software! All parts will be provided. **Ages 12 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Teen Anime Club at the Glenside Library

Thursday, January 18 @ 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Join the Teen Anime Club! We will do fun activities like drawing and games, pick manga titles to read, and watch episodes of our favorite anime! **Ages 13 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Teen Gaming Club at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, January 24 @ 3:00 to 5:00 pm
Join us for the monthly Teen Gaming Club to play video games, board games, and card games. There will be a PS5, Switch, card games like Uno, board games like Clue, Sorry, Monopoly, and food. Drop in! **Ages 12 to 18.** REGISTRATION PREFERRED.

Teen Poetry & Open Mic Night at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, January 26 @ 4:00 to 5:30 pm
Join us for a night of poetry, short stories, and spoken word, all told by teens! We will have refreshments, soft music, and cozy seating. Please sign up if you are going to be a reader or a listener. **Ages 13 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

D&D Club at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, January 30 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm
It's time for a tabletop adventure! Join Ms. Allison for a beginner-friendly campaign! Starting at level 1, we'll explore lost mines, fight monsters, and have lots of fun along the way. You're welcome to bring your own character or use one of the ones we will provide! **For ages 11 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register each attendee separately. This adventure will continue on alternate Tuesday evenings. If you can't make every session, don't fret! We'll catch everyone up before jumping in.

Teen Mindfulness at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, January 31 @ 5:30 to 6:30 pm
Teens: Need a break? Come to our mindfulness sessions after school, where you can practice different ways to reduce stress and anxiety, discuss healthy lifestyle choices, and have a quiet space to yourself. No phones are allowed so that you take a breather from social media and the internet, and instead focus on music, food, activities, or just relaxing. **Ages 13 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.