

## Kids and Families: Storytimes



### Yoga Storytime at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesdays, September 4, 11 & 18 @ 10:30 am

An engaging class for caregivers and their children that weaves the themes of a children's book into playful yoga postures, stories, music, breath work, and relaxation techniques. Led by instructors from Heartwell Yoga. **For ages 2 to 5** with a parent/caregiver. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Family Storytime at the Glenside Library

Mondays, beginning September 9 & Saturday, September 21 @ 10:30 am

This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and music and movement. **For ages 6 months to 5 years.**

### Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, September 10 @ 6:30 pm

This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and music and movement. **For ages 6 months to 5 years.** Pajamas and cozy clothes welcome!

### Infant-Toddler Storytime at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesdays, beginning September 25 @ 10:30 am

This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music, and movement. Simple art or sensory activity on select dates. **For ages birth to 3 years.**

### Preschool Storytime Class at the Elkins Park Library

Thursdays, beginning September 26 @ 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: Events

### Drop-In & Play at the Glenside Library

Wednesdays, September 4 & 18 @ 10:30 to 11:30 am

Families and caregivers with children up to age 5 are invited to drop in and play together! Your children will enjoy blocks, puzzles, gross motor toys, books, and more while you enjoy conversation with other parents. No registration necessary.

### Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana at the La Mott Library

Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18 & 25 @ 11:30 to 12:15 pm

Held in the La Mott Community Center Dance Room. Little ones will 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.

### Busy Builders at the East Cheltenham Library

Thursdays @ 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Develop math, language, and social-emotional skills while building with soft foam blocks, Mega Blocks, Duplos, wooden blocks, Lego-style bricks, K'nex, and more! **For ages 2 to 10.**

### Read to the Dogs! At the Elkins Park Library

Tuesday, September 17 @ 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Developing readers are invited to improve their reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Please call 215-635-5000 to register in advance for a 20-minute session. **For ages 5 to 10.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Fall Book Club for Kids at the Glenside Library

Wednesday, September 18 @ 4:30 pm

This month's selection is *Ban This Book* by Alan Gratz. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. Please bring a refillable water bottle. **For ages 9 to 12 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Autumn Art at the East Cheltenham Library

Saturday, September 21 @ 1:00 to 2:00 pm

Make decorations like coloring leaves, cutting out pumpkins, or drawing creepy critters for the autumn season. **Ages 5 to 12.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

# Hours

## East Cheltenham

215-379-2077

400 Myrtle Avenue, Cheltenham, PA 19012

(Inside the Rowland Community Center)

E-mail address: eastcheltenham@mcclinc.org

Tuesday, Friday & Saturday

10-4

Wednesday

1-8

Thursday

1-6

## Elkins Park

215-635-5000

563 Church Road, East of Old York Road,

Elkins Park, PA 19027

E-mail address: elkinspark@mcclinc.org

Monday, Wednesday

10-9

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

10-6

Saturday

10-4

Sunday

1-4

## Glenside

215-885-0455

215 South Keswick Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038

E-mail address: glenside@mcclinc.org

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

10-6

Tuesday, Thursday

10-9

Saturday

10-4

## La Mott

215-635-4419

7420 Sycamore Avenue, La Mott, PA 19027

(Inside the La Mott Community Center)

E-mail address: lamott@mcclinc.org

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

11-4



**All CTLS branches will be closed for Labor Day  
Weekend from Saturday, August 31 through  
Monday, September 2.**

Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, September 3.



# September 2024 Calendar




Mary Kay Moran, Director  
215 S. Keswick Ave.  
Glenside, PA 19038  
215-885-0457  
ctllibsys@mcclinc.org  
Monday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm

Next Library System Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 25, 2024  
@ 7:00 pm at La Mott  
The public is welcome to attend.

[www.cheltenhamlibraries.org](http://www.cheltenhamlibraries.org)






## Kids and Families: Events, cont’d.

### Talkin’ Bout Books at the Glenside Library

Wednesday, September 25 @ 4:30 pm

At this book club for younger readers we will read *This Book is Banned* by Raj Haldar aloud together, talk about it, then do an activity. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. **For ages 6 to 8 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration at the Glenside Library


Thursday, September 26 @ 6:30 pm

A special celebration for families enrolled in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program with CTLS! We will have a graduation ceremony honoring those who have completed the program, and participants will be recognized for their most recent milestone. We'll have crafts, cupcakes, and a free copy of a paperback book for each family. Plus, play games and take photos with Bingo and Bluey (costumed characters)! REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Drop-in & Play at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, September 27 @ 10:30 am

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. Infant siblings and siblings up to age 5 welcome. No registration necessary.




## Tweens and Teens

### Spooky Slime at the East Cheltenham Library

Saturday, September 7 @ 1:00 to 2:00 pm


Create eerie slime with fun science experiments, chemistry, and shaving cream! Learn to master the goopy formula and add crazy colors & weird objects! **Ages 8 to 12.**



### Teen Book Boxes @ All Libraries

Starting Monday, September 9

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@mcclinc.org](mailto:ctlsyouth@mcclinc.org) to request the sign-up form.



### Dungeons & Dragons Character Create at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, September 17 @ 6:30 to 9:00 pm

Join Ms. Allison for a D&D character create workshop! We'll go through all the classes, abilities, weapons, and spells for your own level 1 character. You'll leave with a character all ready to go for your first campaign! **For ages 11 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### Special Teen Volunteer Event: Decorate for Fall! At the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, September 18 & 25 @ 3:30 to 5:30 pm

A community service event for teens! Make fun ornaments, wall hangings, and crafts to decorate the library for the fall season. We have a variety of options, from 3D paper sculptures to digital posters to book displays. Open to old, new, and prospective volunteers. Come on by, bring friends, and have fun! **Ages 14 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### How to Pay For College at the Glenside Library

Thursday, September 19 @ 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Do you want to learn how to pay for college in three easy steps? The presentation covers choosing your best-fit colleges that are actually affordable, sourcing grants and scholarships, tips for filling out the FAFSA, and advice for students and families. Taught by Dr. Pippa Vanderstar, college essay and finance coach. **For ages 15 to 20.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Teen Advisory Board at the East Cheltenham Library

Saturday, September 21 @ 11:00 am to 12:00 pm


Join our Teen Advisory Board, where teens design fun programs, order books for the YA collection, prepare for outreach opportunities, and other fun activities. We are recruiting new members this fall, so reach out if you are interested in giving back to the community and gaining community service hours! **Ages 12 to 18.** Please email [ctlsyouth@mcclinc.org](mailto:ctlsyouth@mcclinc.org) to register. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

## Tweens and Teens, cont’d.

### College Essay Application Bootcamp at the Elkins Park Library

Monday, September 23 @ 6:30 to 8:00 pm


Boost your college application personal essay and résumé writing skills. Learn proven tips that sharpen your written presentation to the college admissions officers. Beat the senior year crunch time by getting your application writing skills in shape now! Taught by writing coach Linda George. **For high school juniors and seniors.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### D&D Club at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, September 24 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Join Ms. Allison for a beginner adventure! Playing at level 1, we'll explore ruins, 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.



## Adult Events


### Tech Time at the Library

Elkins Park – Sara: Mondays @ 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Glenside – Connor: Wednesdays @ 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Glenside – John: Thursdays @ 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm


Schedule an individualized session with Sara, Connor, or John on a library computer or your own device. Please register to briefly describe what you wish to cover and ensure you get the full 30 minutes set aside for you. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### Mahjong at the Elkins Park Library

Tuesdays @ 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Bring your group and your own set of tiles, or come and join other players in the library's community room. This program is for experienced Mahjong players and fills up fast! REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### B.Y.O.C. (Bring Your Own Craft) at the Glenside Library

EVERY Thursday afternoon @ 4:00 pm

Bring your projects and join other crafters for a productive and inspiring session. Drop-in.

### Jewel of the Wissahickon with Bill Konstant at the Glenside Library


Thursday, September 5 @ 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Join us to learn about acclaimed conservationist Bill Konstant's new book *Jewel of the Wissahickon*, documenting the preservation of the Dixon Meadow and the wildlife that can be found in our own backyard.

### Canasta at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, September 6 @ 11:00 am to 1:30 pm

By popular demand, Canasta games are now happening monthly in the community room! For experienced players. REGISTRATION REQUIRED .



### Seed Saving Workshop at the Elkins Park Library


Saturday, September 7 @ 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

Hardy Plant Society Seed Exchange Chairperson Susan Doblmaier will discuss when to pick seedheads, how to extract the seeds, common supplies that can be used, and how to store seeds properly. After the program, seedheads will be supplied so you can practice finding the seeds, and bring them home! All attendees are welcome to bring their own seedheads to share with the group. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Surviving the College Application Process For Parents at the Elkins Park Library

Monday, September 9 @ 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Want to offer some ideas to help your child through the college application process? Discover tips for writing a résumé, as well as pointers for creating concise, original, and insightful essays that impress admission counselors. Taught by writing coach Linda George. **For parents of college-bound students.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### Stock Your Own Spice Cabinet with Master Gardener Kristi Wenrich at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, September 10 @ 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

You can easily grow and preserve, process, and produce many dried herbs, spices, popular seasoning blends, and tisanes in the Philadelphia suburbs. This presentation will tell you how! REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



## Adult Events, cont’d.

### Sit and Stitch at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, September 11 @ 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Bring your crafts and conversation, including knitting, crochet, needlepoint, etc! All skill levels are welcome in this fun and supportive group.



### Book Discussion Group at the Elkins Park Library

Thursday, September 12 @ 11:15 am

This month we will discuss *The Wind Knows My Name* by Isabel Allende in person in the community room. New members always welcome! Light refreshments are provided.



### Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (Zoom)

Thursday, September 12 @ 6:30 pm

Through this instructed tutorial, participants will draw a fantastical dragonfly key 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.** REGISTRATON REQUIRED.

### Silent Book Club at the Glenside Library


Thursday, September 12 @ 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Please join us in having quiet, social time to read whatever you'd like! Bring your own reading material or peruse our shelves for a biography, graphic novel, magazine, whatever suits you. We will provide tea, cookies and some comfy furniture; you bring a relaxed mindset.

### Truth or Non-Fiction: Adult In-Person Book Club at the Glenside Library

Thursday, September 12 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm

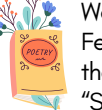
An adult non-fiction book club! We will meet in person at Glenside Free Library on the second Thursday each month at 7:00 pm. Our first book is *The Wager* by author David Grann.



### Virtual Tai Chi with Donna Price (Zoom)

Fridays, September 13 & 27 @ 10:30 AM

Tai Chi is a Chinese form of exercise that is low-impact and good for relieving stress. Zoom login information will be emailed prior to the program. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### The Poetry Collective at the Elkins Park Library


Wednesday, September 18 @ 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Featured poet Jaz is an award-winning poet, singer, author, performance poet, playwright, theater artist, songwriter (ASCAP), composer, and educator from Philly. Jaz is the author of “Serenading Flowers: A Book of Dedications” and “The Carving Out of a Butterfly’s Wings I & II”. She holds an MFA in Creative Writing/Poetry from Goddard College and a BA in Theater from Temple University. Open mic following the featured poet.

### Financial Planning Workshop at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, September 21 @ 12:00 to 2:00 pm

In this workshop with a financial coach from RFinances, you will learn how to unlock your financial blocks and build a simple-to-follow financial plan that fits your life. Discover your money blueprint, work your budget, and invest in your future so you can worry less about money and enjoy life more today. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### Book Discussion Group (Zoom)

Tuesday, September 24 @ 7:00 pm

This month we will discuss the Booker Prize winning novel *Time Shelter* by Georgi Gospodinov. New members are always welcome! Please email [glref@mcclinc.org](mailto:glref@mcclinc.org) to register and receive the link. The group will meet online via Zoom. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.



### Art Night for Adults at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, September 25 @ 7:00 pm

Make marbled paper with shaving cream and food coloring! Use your gorgeous creations as stationery, greeting cards, or bookmarks. All supplies will be provided. Dress for a possible mess! REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Sports Ethics Book Talk with Larry Atkins at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, September 28 @ 1:00 pm

Arcadia Professor Larry Atkins will discuss his latest book, *Foul or Fair? Ethical and Social Issues in Sports*. Atkins teaches journalism at Temple University and Arcadia and Social and Ethical Issues in Sports and Sports Law at Arcadia. He is also the author of *Skewed: A Critical Thinker's Guide to Media Bias* and has published over 500 articles in publications from the Philadelphia Inquirer to the San Francisco Chronicle. REGISTRATION REQUESTED.