

May 2024 Youth Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<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>		<p>1</p> <p>Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30 AM @ EP</p> <p>Drop-In & Play (1-3) 10:30PM @ GL</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ EC</p> <p>Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL</p> <p>Teen Gardening Club (14-18) 3:30-4:30PM @ GL</p> <p>Youth Chess Club (7-17) 6:30-8PM @ EP</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ LM</p> <p>Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP</p> <p>D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30 AM @ EP</p> <p>Talkin' About Books (6-8) 4:30 @ EP</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP</p> <p>Read to the Dragon (up to age 10) 4PM @ GL</p> <p>Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (teens & adults) 6:30-7:45PM @ Zoom</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ EC</p> <p>Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL</p> <p>Read to the Dogs (up to 10) 4PM @ EP</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ LM</p> <p>Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP</p> <p>Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30 AM @ EP</p> <p>Drop-In & Play (1-3) 10:30PM @ GL</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP</p> <p>Lego Club (5-12) 4:30PM @ EP</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Drop-In & Play (1-3) 10:30AM @ EP</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ EC</p> <p>Teen Advisory Board (12-18) 11AM-12PM @ EP</p> <p>STEAM Saturdays: Video Game Soundtrack Design (12-18) 1-3PM @ EP</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Teen Gardening Club (14-18) 3:30-4:30PM @ GL</p> <p>Youth Chess Club (7-17) 6:30-8PM @ EP</p>	<p>21</p> <p>StoryWalk® at the East Cheltenham Library/Rowland Community Center (from May 21 through June 4)</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ LM</p> <p>D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30 AM @ GL</p> <p>Spring Book Club for Kids (8-12) 4:30PM @ GL</p> <p>Teen Summer Volunteer Orientation (14-17) 4:30 @ EP</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Teen Summer Volunteer Orientation (14-17) 4:30 @ GL</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ EC</p>
<p>27</p> <p>All CTLS branches closed for Memorial Day</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Take & Make Crafts (3-10) Drop-by @ LM</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30 AM @ EP</p> <p>Talkin' About Books (6-8) 4:30 @ GL</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Outdoor Storytime at High School Park (2-6) 10:30</p>	<p>31</p>	<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> 

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Storytimes

Preschool Storytime Class at the Elkins Park Library

Thursdays May 2, 9 & 16 @ 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.**

Family Storytime at the Glenside Library

Mondays May 6, 13 & Saturdays, May 4 & 11 @ 10:30 am

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

Infant-Toddler Storytime at the Elkins Park Library

Tuesdays, May 7 & 14 @ 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.**

Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, May 14 @ 6:30 pm

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.**

Outdoor Storytime at High School Park

Thursday, May 30 @ 10:30 am

Miss Angie will share stories, fingerplays, and songs all about butterflies at High School Park! Families are encouraged to bring a blanket to sit on. In inclement weather, the storytime will be at the Elkins Park Library. In partnership with the Friends of High School Park as part of the Year of the Pollinator. **For ages 2 to 6.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Intergenerational Events

Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson

Thursday, May 9 @ 6:30 to 7:45 pm

Join us for another drawing class with Ms. Anita Thompson and learn how to draw a realistic goldfish using pencil and shading. Some supplies will be available for pick up at the Glenside Free Library. **For teens & adults.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Zoom link will be sent prior to the class.

Tweens and Teens

Teen Book Boxes!

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 ctlsyouthemclinc to sign up.

Teen Gardening Club at the Glenside Library

Mondays, May 6 & 20 @ 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Join Teen Gardening Club! Help manage the garden, from watering, replanting, and weeding to creating fun projects like strawberry rocks and bug hotels. This volunteer opportunity lasts from April to November, running every other Monday, and students can earn community service hours. **Ages 14 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Youth Chess Club at the Elkins Park Library

Mondays, May 6 & 20 @ 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Learn to play chess and compete with friends! Tom Petersen (long-time Cheltenham resident and father of three) runs the club, teaching new players and facilitating matches. All skill levels are welcome. **Ages 7 to 17.** For returning members only.

D&D Club at the Glenside Library

Tuesdays, May 7 & 21 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm

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. 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.

Teen Advisory Board at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, May 18 @ 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 ctlsyouthemclinc.org to register.

STEAM Saturdays: Video Game Soundtrack Design at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, May 18 @ 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Learn about arranging audio tracks that dynamically enhance gameplay, evoke emotions, and immerse players in virtual worlds through carefully crafted soundscapes and melodies. Join Apple Distinguished Educators to create original music with Garage Band! **Ages 12 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Teen Summer Volunteer Orientation

Elkins Park Library: May 22 @ 4:30 to 5:00 pm

Glenside Library: May 23 @ 4:30 to 5:00 pm

If you are a teen and need community service hours, the library has summer volunteer hours from mid-June to mid-August. At this orientation, learn what a library volunteer does, our hours/schedule, and the application process. Please sign up for the branch you wish to volunteer at. **Ages 14 to 17.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Kids and Families

Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am

Elkins Park: May 1, 8, & 15

Glenside: May 22, 29 & June 5

Music and movement with Miss Ouliana for children and their caregivers to enjoy together. Little ones will explore rhythms and melodies, and get creative with musical instruments, fun movements, and sounds. **Ages 1 to 5 years** (siblings under 1 are welcome). REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Registration opens two weeks before each scheduled date.

Drop In & Play at the Glenside Library

Wednesdays May 1 & 15 @ 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.

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

Saturdays @ East Cheltenham

Tuesdays @ La Mott

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.**

Talkin' About Books at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, May 8 @ 5:00 pm

This monthly book club for young readers features a read-aloud, discussion, and craft or extension activity. Light snack offered. Please bring your own water bottle. **For ages 6 to 8.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. May title: *Nate the Great, Where Are You?* By Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

Read to the Dragon at the Glenside Library

Thursday, May 9 @ 4:00 pm

Developing readers are invited to improve their reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to Alfie, the library dragon. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Visit our website to reserve a 15-minute session. **For readers up to age 10.**

Read to the Dogs! at the Elkins Park Library

Monday, May 13 @ 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, May 16 @ 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. **For ages 5 to 12.**

Drop-in & Play at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, May 17 @ 10:30 am

Families and caregivers with **children ages 1 to 3** are invited to drop in and play together! The community room will have 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.

StoryWalk® at the East Cheltenham Free Library/Rowland Community Center

Tuesday, May 21 to Tuesday, June 4

Enjoy a family-friendly walk in the outdoors and read *A Way With Wild Things* by Larissa Theule and Sara Palacios. This beautiful book tells the story of a child who loves bugs and feels most comfortable when they're exploring in nature. If you visit the StoryWalk®, please scan the QR code to let us know you were there and tell us about your experience.

Spring Book Club for Kids at the Glenside Library

Wednesday, May 22 @ 4:30 pm

This month's selection is *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. Please bring a refillable water bottle. **For ages 8 to 12 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Talkin' Bout Books at the Glenside Library

Wednesday, May 29 @ 4:30 pm

At this month's book club for younger readers, we will read *Tar Beach* by Faith Ringgold aloud together, talk about it, and then do an activity. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. Please bring a refillable water bottle. **For ages 6 to 8 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

