

## Adult Events, cont'd.

### Book Discussion Group at the Elkins Park Library

Thursday, February 13 @ 11:15 am

This month we are discussing *Lovely One* by Ketanji Brown Jackson. This group is always looking for new members to join the discussion. The meeting will be in person in the community room. Light refreshments are provided. We hope to see you there! We will meet again on March 13 at 11:15 am to discuss *Switchboard Soldiers* by Jennifer Chiaverini.

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

Thursday, February 13 @ 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. This month we will discuss *Master Slave Husband Wife* by Ilyon Woo.

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

Fridays, February 14 & 28 @ 10:30 am

Tai Chi is a Chinese form of exercise that is low-impact and good for relieving stress. This class will be held via Zoom. Login information will be sent by email 2 days prior to the program. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Canasta at the Elkins Park Library

Friday, February 14 @ 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.

### Game Night at the Elkins Park Library

Monday, February 17 @ 6:30 pm

It's time to get your game on at the library! All experience levels are welcome. Feel free to bring your favorite board games and get a group together to teach, learn, and play. Library volunteers will be bringing in some games to teach.

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

Wednesday, February 19 @ 7:00 pm

Join us for origami! We will transform beautiful origami papers into classic shapes like cranes, samurai hats, and star boxes. Additional origami books will be out for those who want to take on more challenging shapes. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### TransNet - Programs and Registration at the Elkins Park Library

Thursday, February 20 @ 12:00 pm

Kathleen from TransNet (Suburban Transport Network, Inc.) is coming to tell us all about their available ride-share programs. Participants who are interested in signing up can register on the spot! Don't miss this opportunity to learn about this wonderful resource.

### Winter Seed Sowing at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, February 22 @ 10:30 am

Join Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership and Penn State Extension Master Gardeners to learn about the importance of native plants and how to grow them ourselves. Attendees will learn how to start seeds outside in containers, protected from wildlife while also benefiting from the cold temperatures. This indoor workshop will include all supplies and you will be able to take home containers with seeds. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Book Discussion Group (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 25 @ 7:00 pm

This month we will discuss *Parable of the Sower*, the modern classic by Octavia Butler. New members are always welcome! Please email [glref@mclinc.org](mailto:glref@mclinc.org) to register and receive the link. The group will meet online via Zoom. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

# Hours

## East Cheltenham

215-379-2077

400 Myrtle Avenue, Cheltenham, PA 19012

(Inside the Rowland Community Center)

E-mail address: [eastcheltenham@mclinc.org](mailto:eastcheltenham@mclinc.org)

Temporarily Closed.

## Elkins Park

215-635-5000

563 Church Road, East of Old York Road,

Elkins Park, PA 19027

E-mail address: [elkinspark@mclinc.org](mailto:elkinspark@mclinc.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@mclinc.org](mailto:glenside@mclinc.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@mclinc.org](mailto:lamott@mclinc.org)

Temporarily Closed.



## Friends of the Elkins Park Library Book Sale

Friday, February 7 to Sunday, February 9



Friday: 12:00 - 5:30 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Sunday: 1:00 - 3:30 pm



# February 2025 Calendar



Mary Kay Moran, Director  
215 S. Keswick Ave.  
Glenside, PA 19038  
215-885-0457  
[ctllibsys@mclinc.org](mailto:ctllibsys@mclinc.org)  
Monday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm

Next Library System Board Meeting  
Wednesday, March 26, 2025  
@ 7:00 pm at the Glenside Library  
The public is welcome to attend.

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

## Kids and Families: Storytimes



### Family Storytime at the Glenside Library

Mondays & Saturday, February 1 & 8 @ 10:30 am

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

### Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, February 4 & 18 @ 6:30 pm

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

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

Wednesdays @ 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 @ 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

### Toddler Winter Fest at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, February 1 @ 11:00 am

Families with toddlers are invited to engage in winter-themed activity stations together! Create art with snowflake stamps, explore sensory snow, make a collaborative collage of colorful snowflakes, shovel snow, have a pretend snowball fight, practice "ice skating" in socks, and more. **For ages 1 to 3.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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

Wednesdays @ 10:30 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 Glenside Library

Fridays February 7, 14 & 21 @ 10:30 am

Music and movement 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. **For ages 1 to 5 years** (siblings under 1 are welcome). Registration opens two weeks before each scheduled date. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register under adult's name for each date separately.

### Valentine Crafts for Kids at the Elkins Park Library

Tuesday, February 11 through 14 (drop-in)

Drop in to make a simple craft for someone you love. Some adult assistance may be required. **Ages 1 and up:** Love You to Pieces card with tissue paper. **Ages 6 and up:** Paper heart wreath.

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

Tuesday, February 18 @ 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 readers up to age 10.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

## Kids and Families: Events, cont'd.

### Play & Learn at the Elkins Park Library

Fridays, February 21 through March 28 (except 3/7) @ 10:30 to 11:45 am

This fun, play-based series for toddlers, parents, and caregivers provides an environment rich with toys, books, and art/sensory activities. Families with children ages 1-3 are invited to spend time together, make friends, and talk one-on-one with early childhood and family support specialists. Each week a different resource specialist will be available to share resources on early literacy, child development, language, speech and hearing, nutrition, and music engagement. **For ages 1-3.\*** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. \*Siblings up to age 5 may attend with the parent/caregiver.

### Mlanjeni Magical Theater at the Glenside Library

Friday, February 21 @ 4:00 pm



What to do! What to do! The winter cold might keep us inside, but there is still plenty of fun to be had. Our storyteller will take us through a sing-along of folksongs and stories perfect for a cold winter's day! All ages welcome. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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

Wednesday, February 26 @ 4:30 pm

This month's selection is *The Gauntlet* by Karuna Riazi. After our discussion, we'll do a fun activity together. 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.

## Tween and Teen Events

### Teen Book Boxes @ All Libraries



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

### Youth Chess Club at the Elkins Park Library

Monday, February 24 @ 6:30 to 8:00 pm



You are invited to join a chess club for young players! We meet twice a month on Mondays from 6:30-8 pm. 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 13.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### D&D Club at the Glenside Library

Tuesdays, February 11 & 25 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm



Our beginner friendly Dungeons & Dragons campaign continues. We'll explore ruins, dodge traps, and fight monsters as we continue to track the white dragon. **For ages 11 to 18!** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register each attendee separately. New players are welcome at each session. We'll catch everyone up before jumping in!

### Teen Advisory Board at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, February 15 @ 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join our Teen Advisory Board and design programs, order books for the YA collection, prepare for outreach opportunities, and other fun activities. Join our new committees like Program Planners and Helpers, Display and Promotion Makers, and Arts and Crafters to earn volunteer service hours. **Ages 12 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### Sidekick Circuits with STEM Queens at the Elkins Park Library

Saturday, February 15 @ 1:00 to 2:00 pm

STEM Queens is a teen-led program encouraging young girls to shine in STEM through the 4 STEM subjects: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Join us every third Saturday from January to April to participate in fun STEM activities! For our February session, we will build circuitry using copper and lithium batteries to light up a paper windmill! **Ages 8 to 13.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

## Tweens and Teen Events, cont'd.



### The Makers Club: Build Robots! at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, February 19 @ 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Join our new Makers Club, where we combine science, art, and engineering to create fun projects! This month, the Brooklyn Robot Foundry will teach us about robotics and coding! Students will work in small groups to build a new robot incorporating programming components. They then learn how to control their creation using block coding and will get to KEEP their robot afterward! **Ages 9 to 13.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

## Adult Events

### Mahjong at the Elkins Park Library



NEW DAY Mondays, February 3, 10, 17 & 24 @ 12:30 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. We are moving the day to Mondays during our AARP tax prep season, but will return to Tuesdays on April 22. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

### 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.

### Climate Circle at the Elkins Park Library



Monday, February 3 @ 7:00 pm

Join CTLS, the Friends of High School Park, and the township's Environmental Advisory Council to learn more about climate change and share concerns about its global, local, and individual impacts. We'll read an article or listen to a podcast episode before each meeting to start the discussion. Find the link to December's article when you register at [cheltenhamlibraries.org](http://cheltenhamlibraries.org). REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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



EVERY Thursday @ 4:00 pm

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

### Black History Month Movie Night at the Glenside Free Library



Thursday, February 6 @ 6:45 pm to 8:35 pm

Come join us in celebrating Black History Month by watching *The Learning Tree* (1969) by Gordon Parks, who "not only became the first Black American director to make a Hollywood studio film but also served as writer, producer, and composer, resulting in a deeply personal artistic achievement" (Criterion). Film will start promptly at 6:45 pm and light refreshments will be provided.

### Sit and Stitch at the Elkins Park Library



Wednesday, February 12 @ 6:00 to 8:00 pm

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