

February 2025 Youth Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Register for events at www.cheltenhamlibraries.org East Cheltenham & La Mott Free Libraries (Temporarily Closed) Elkins Park Free Library 215-635-5000 563 E. Church Road Elkins Park, PA 19027 Glenside Free Library 215-885-0455 215 S. Keswick Ave Glenside, PA 19038					1 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL Toddler Winter Fest (1-3) 11AM @ EP
3 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL	4 Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL	5 Drop-In & Play (Up to 5) 10:30AM @ GL Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP	6 Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP Black History Movie Night (adults & teens) 6:45PM @ GL	7 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ GL Friends of the Elkins Park Library Book Sale (Friday) 12-5:30PM @ EP	8 Friends of the Elkins Park Library Book Sale (Saturday) 10AM-3:30PM @ EP Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL
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17 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL	18 Read to the Dogs (Up to 10) 4:30PM @ EP Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL	19 Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP Drop-In & Play (Up to 5) 10:30AM @ GL The Makers Club: Build Robots! (9-13) 5PM @ EP	20 Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP	21 Music & Movement with Miss Ouliana (1-5) 10:30AM @ GL Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30AM @ EP Mlanjeni Magical Theater (all ages) 4PM @ GL	22
24 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL Youth Chess Club (7-13) 6:30-8PM @ EP	25 D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL	26 Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP Drop-In & Play (Up to 5) 10:30AM @ GL Winter Book Club for Kids (9-12) 4:30PM @ GL	27 Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP	28 Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30AM @ EP	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 ctlsyouthemclinc to request the sign-up form.

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Kids and Families

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.

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

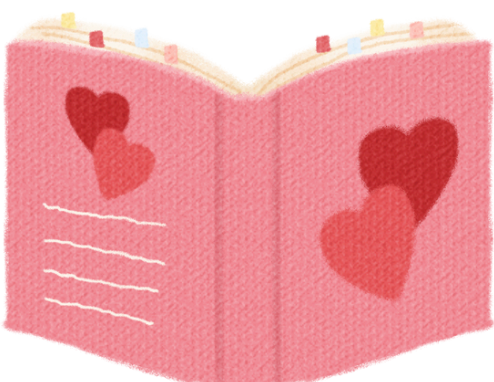
Friday, February 21 @ 4:00 pm

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.



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.**

Tweens and Teens

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@mcclinc to request the sign-up form.

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.

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.

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.