

March 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			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@mclic.org to request the sign-up form.		1 Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL
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Kids and Families

Bot Kids at the Elkins Park Library

Mondays, March 3, 17 & 31 @ 4:30 pm

Explore the basics of robotics and coding in this mini-series for kids. Exercise problem-solving and critical-thinking skills while having fun with robots! Register for each date separately. **For ages 6 to 8.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

March 3: Bee-bots (work in a team)

March 17: Dash and Dot (work in a team)

March 31: Robot Builders with Brooklyn Robot Foundry (build your own robot to take home!)

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.

Robot Test Time at the Glenside Library

Thursday, March 13 @ 4:30 pm

The library has gone mechanical! Meet our new robots who will be available to check out after the program. Bee-bot, Cody Block, Botley, and more will be available for you to try out and learn coding basics. **Ages 6 and up.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Play & Learn at the Elkins Park Library

Fridays, March 14, 21 & 28 @ 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.

*A younger sibling or older sibling up to age 5 may attend with the parent/caregiver.

Read to the Dogs! At the Elkins Park Library

Tuesday, March 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.

After School Art Club at the Glenside Library

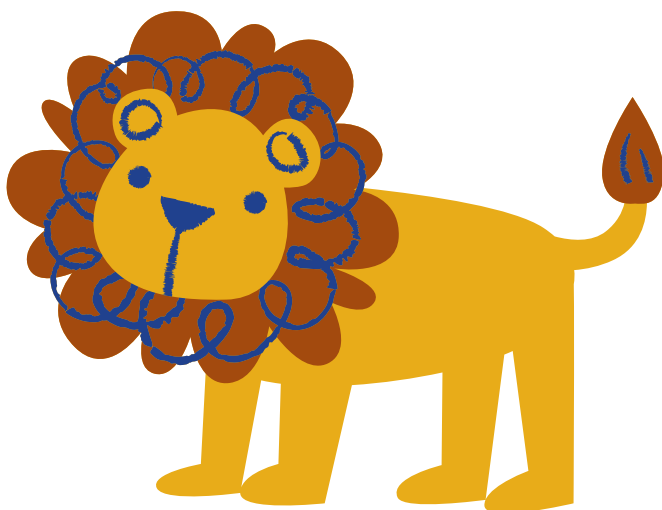
Wednesday, March 19 @ 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Make something new with us! This month we'll be trying out paint sticks and oil pastels. Create as a group or on your own, but always with unique ideas! **Ages 6 to 12.** No registration required. Drop in welcome.

Winter Book Club for Kids at the Glenside Library

Wednesday, March 26 @ 4:30 pm

This month's selection is *The Night Librarian* by Christopher Lincoln. 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 & Saturdays, March 1 & 8 @ 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, music and movement. **Recommended for ages 6 months to 5 years.**

Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library

Tuesday, March 4 & 18 @ 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. **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, and 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

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Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (Zoom)

Thursday, March 6 @ 6:30 pm

Come join us for an art class! Through this instructed tutorial, Participants will follow step-by-step instructions to create a realistic drawing of an old door 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.

Youth Chess Club at the Elkins Park Library

Mondays, March 10 & 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, March 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, March 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.

Tower Challenge with STEM Queens at the Elkins Park Library

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

STEM Queens is a teen-led program encouraging young girls to shine in the STEM fields' 4 subjects: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Join us every third Saturday from January to April to participate! For our March session, can you build the tallest, sturdiest, and strongest tower using only straws, rubber bands, and popsicle sticks? **Ages 8 to 13.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

The Makers Club: Bath Bombs! At the Elkins Park Library

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

Join our new Makers Club, where we combine science, art, and engineering to create fun projects each month! This month, we will create DIY bath bombs to experiment with and take home! **Ages 10 to 14.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Special Teen Volunteer Event: Decorate for Spring at the Glenside Library

Thursday, March 20 @ 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Teens! We are decorating the library once again, this time for spring! Help us make flowers and baby animals, create a spring scavenger hunt for the kids, and fun 3D models of bugs. All decorations will be put in the children's room, and you will get volunteer hours. **Ages 14 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Youth Knitting & Crochet Club at the Elkins Park Library

Wednesday, March 26 @ 5:00 to 6:00 pm

You have asked, so we shall deliver! Elkins Park will have a young knitting/crocheting club this month, where kids can hang out and work on their projects. We will have some supplies and DIY instructions, but feel free to bring your own needles, yarn, and thread! **Ages 10+.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.