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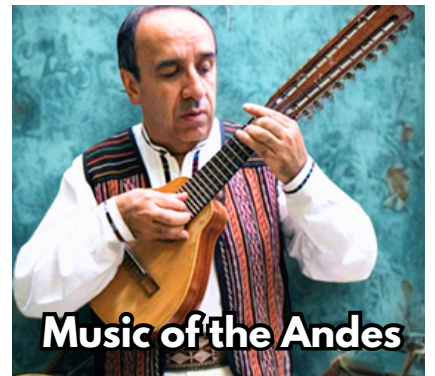
Calendar of Events December 2025- February 2026



**Hot Chocolate
Tasting**



Hamilton Sing-Along



Music of the Andes



Spirit of the Season



Sewing Workshop: Gnomes



**Gingerbread
Houses**



Mobility Clubs



Knit, Stitch, & Natter



Beauty & the Beast

Registration is required and programs are held in-person unless otherwise noted in the event description. For questions or more information, visit the Events page of our website at www.summitlibrary.org or call the Information Desk at 908-273-0350, option 3.

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Adult Programs

DECEMBER

Monday, Dec. 1
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: Paper Marriage

Fanny (Effy Han), a Chinese immigrant facing deportation, pins her last hopes on staying in the U.S. by paying Jeff (Jeff Man), an unemployed lost soul, to marry her. During this year-long charade, they tiptoe around each other's differences. As quiet moments turn into clashes, they navigate through their awkwardness and are forced to learn to work together. Not Rated. 91 minutes.

Tuesday, Dec. 2
2:00-3:00 PM.

Virtual Author Talk with Sue Hincenbergs

Sue Hincenbergs will discuss her novel, *The Retirement Plan*. The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.

Tuesday, Dec. 2
7:00-8:00 PM.

Finding Calm in Chaos: A Thoughtful Approach to Tough Times

Learn strategies for staying grounded during stressful times. Presenter Diane Lang holds a master's degree in counseling and has been a college-level educator for 25 years. She is the author of four books. Online.

Wednesday, Dec. 3
10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Knit, Stitch, & Natter (Ongoing weekly program)

Drop-in social group for knitters, crocheters, and other fiber crafters. Not a class. Bring your own projects and supplies, and share ideas and resources with others. Registration not required.

Wednesday, Dec. 3
7:00-9:00 PM

Toastmasters Meeting (Ongoing weekly program)

Summit Toastmasters meetings provide a supportive environment to practice and refine public speaking and leadership skills. All are welcome. Registration not required.

Thursday, Dec. 4
10:00-10:45 AM

Strength Training for Seniors (Ongoing weekly program)

A weekly series of classes to help seniors increase muscle tone, flexibility, balance, strength, and endurance. Summit cardholders only. Instructor: Leena Kalle. Online.

Thursday, Dec. 4
6:30-8:00 PM

Friend Speed "Dating"

Are you interested in meeting people? Possibly making new friends? Join this low-key social event where every attendee spends 2 (or so) minutes talking with each of the other attendees. Light refreshments served.

Monday, Dec. 8
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: The New Boy

Setting: 1940s Australia at a mission for Aboriginal children run by a renegade nun, Sister Eileen (Cate Blanchett). A new charge (Aswan Reid) arrives in the dead of night – a boy who appears to have special powers. However, the boy's Indigenous spiritual life doesn't mesh with the mission's Christianity, and his mysterious power becomes a threat. Sister Eileen is faced with a choice between the traditions of her faith and the truth embodied in the boy. Not Rated. 106 minutes. Registration not required.

Tuesday, Dec. 9
2:00 PM-3:00 PM

Virtual Author Talk with Paula J. Johnson.

Paula J. Johnson will discuss her book *Julia Child's Kitchen*. The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.

Wednesday, Dec. 10
1:00-3:00 PM

Great Decisions Discussion: American Policy in the Middle East

The war in Gaza has brought the region to a crossroads. What are the possible outcomes of the war, and how might the United States use its influence to shape a long-term settlement? Moderator: Fred Honold. Special Guest Speaker: Dr. Daniel C. Kurtzer.

Thursday, Dec. 11
7:00-8:00 PM

Comparing DNA Ethnicity Estimates

Learn the reasons why DNA ethnicity tests often yield unexpected results. See why siblings can have surprisingly different ethnicities and why Native American ancestry is rarely found. Compare ethnicity reports from all the major DNA tests for two different people and learn why one test or another might be your best choice for ethnicity purposes. Online. Presenter: Richard Hill. Online.

Adult Programs

Friday, Dec. 12
7:00-8:30 PM

Virtual Trivia Night

Please join us for trivia night, hosted by Quizmaster Mary Piekarski. The questions in this game are geared for people 18 and older but all ages are welcome to try. You can play as a one-person team or as a team of up to 4 people. Online.

Sunday, Dec. 14
1:00-5:00 PM

Friends of the Library - Silver/Gold Pop-Up Donated Jewelry Sale

Shoppers will find a selection of 18K, 14K, and 10K gold, sterling silver, and women's and men's jewelry, with pieces to suit every style and budget. Proceeds from the sale support Library programs and services.

Sunday, Dec. 14
2:00-3:00 PM

Concert: The Spirit of the Season

Flutes, guitar and bass capture the Spirit of the Season. Pamela Whitman and Rich Kurtz deliver an eclectic mix of music to soothe and delight.

Sunday, Dec. 14
2:00-3:30 PM

Adult Craft Class: Ceramic Tile Ornaments

We will be using several different methods to decorate ceramic tiles to use as ornaments for the holidays or any time of the year. Instructor: Marge Barkan. Registration opens Sunday, Nov. 30 @ 2:00 PM.

Monday, Dec. 15
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale

The Crawley family and their staff enter the 1930s. When Mary finds herself at the center of a public scandal and the family faces financial trouble, the entire household grapples with the threat of social disgrace. The Crawleys must embrace change as the staff prepares for a new chapter with the next generation leading Downton Abbey into the future. Rated PG. 123 minutes. Registration not required.

Friday, Dec. 19
12:30-1:30 PM

Brown Bag Book Club

Lunchtime book group for adults. Book to be discussed: *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. Refreshments served. Registration not required.

Monday, Dec. 22
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: Other People's Children

Rachel is 40 years old, with no children. She loves her life: her high school students, her friends, her ex, her guitar lessons. When she falls in love with Ali, she becomes attached to Leila, his 4-year-old daughter. She tucks her into bed, cares for her, loves her like her own. But to love other people's children is risky. In French with English subtitles. Not Rated. 104 minutes. Registration not required.

Monday, Dec. 29
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: Horatio's Drive

Horatio's Drive recounts the inspirational and hilarious saga of Horatio Nelson Jackson, an eccentric Vermont doctor, who in 1903, on a visionary whim and a 50-dollar bet, became the first person to drive an automobile across the continent. From master storyteller Ken Burns. Rated TV-G. 106 minutes. Registration not required.

JANUARY

Monday, Jan. 5
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: She Rides Shotgun

In this gritty action-thriller, Taron Egerton stars as newly released ex-con Nate. Marked for death by unrelenting enemies, Nate must now protect his estranged 11-year-old daughter Polly at all costs. Shy, precocious, and wary of her father, Polly is swept up in Nate's dangerous plight as they flee to evade a corrupt sheriff and the brutal leader of a gang who will stop at nothing to protect his criminal interests. With scant resources and no one to trust, Nate and Polly form a bond as he shows her how to fight and survive -- and she teaches him what unconditional love truly means. Rated R. 120 minutes. Registration not required.

Tuesday, Jan. 6
7:00-8:00 PM

Getting Started with ChatGPT

What is ChatGPT is saying about you and how can you influence it? This program is for small business owners and anyone interested in learning about ChatGPT and how to use it as a marketing tool. Presenter: Elizabeth Gearhart.

Adult Programs

Friday, Jan. 9 7:00-8:30 PM	Virtual Trivia Night Please join us for trivia night, hosted by Quizmaster Mary Piekarski. The questions in this game are geared for people 18 and older but all ages are welcome to try. You can play as a one-person team or as a team of up to 4 people. Online.
Sunday, Jan. 11 2:00-3:00 PM	Concert: The Cover Girls: Ten Years as Sisters in Song Kathy Martin and Mary Damato have been crafting their unique style as the Cover Girls since 2016. They are both accomplished singers, having performed in choral groups in a variety of venues. Upbeat, tight harmonies will have you humming along and often dancing to their timeless and fun Cover Girls renditions. Registration not required.
Sunday, Jan. 11 2:00-4:00 PM	Adult Craft Program: Design Your Own Jigsaw Puzzle We supply the blank puzzle pieces and markers. You bring your creativity. Instructor: Mary Piekarski. Registration opens Sunday, Dec. 28 @ 2:00 PM.
Monday, Jan. 12 12:30 & 6:30 PM	Mondays at the Movies: <i>In Our Day</i> An actress in her 40s is staying with her friend, while an aging poet in declining health lives alone. Each receives a visit from a different young aspiring artist, who asks questions about their careers and life itself. As the day continues, similarities between these encounters multiply. Are they more than mere coincidence? In Korean with English subtitles. Not Rated. 84 minutes. Registration not required.
Tuesday, Jan. 13 10:00-11:00 AM	Exercise Program: A Club in Motion (6 weekly sessions) Improve your mobility, flexibility, strength, balance and posture using the functional movements of a Mobility Club.. Suitable for everyone and all fitness levels, the class will be conducted at a gentle pace, focusing on proper form and breaking movements down step by step. Instructor: Jon Leslie.
Tuesday, Jan. 13 2:00-3:00 PM	Virtual Author Talk with David Brooks David Brooks will discuss his book <i>How to Know a Person: The Art of Seeing Others Deeply</i> . The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.
Tuesday, Jan. 13 7:00-8:00 PM	Film: Plastic People A 2024 documentary about microplastics and their effects on the human body. Discussion to follow.
Friday, Jan. 16 12:30-1:30 PM	Brown Bag Book Club Lunchtime book group for adults. Book to be discussed: <i>The Plot</i> by Jean Hanff Korelitz.. Refreshments served. Registration not required.
Tuesday, Jan. 20 2:00-3:00 PM	Virtual Author Talk with Julia Hotz Julia Hotz will discuss her book <i>The Connection Cure: The Prescriptive Power of Movement, Nature, Art, Service, and Belonging</i> . The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.
Friday, Jan. 23 10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Explore Your World: World War II: Causes and Consequences (6 weekly sessions) We'll investigate the origins of WW II, review the key events, and consider the key turning points, asking whether things might have happened differently. Finally, we will address the debates about the war, including use of the atom bomb and the subsequent Cold War. Instructor: Prof. Ian Drake of Montclair State University. In Person/Online.
Sunday, Jan. 25 2:00-3:30 PM	Adult Craft Class: No-Sew Fleece Scarf Let's make a no-sew fleece scarf using a fun method to design your own creation. You will have your choice of various fabric patterns and colors. Instructor: Marge Barkan. In person. Registration opens Sunday, January 11, 2026 @ 2:00 PM.

Adult Programs

Monday, Jan. 26
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: *Hamlet*

A tale of revenge that has stood the test of time, Shakespeare's classic tragedy is reimagined for the modern day as a gripping psychological thriller! Ian McKellen reprises his lead role as Hamlet, a man who descends into madness as he seeks vengeance against his uncle for the apparent murder of his father. Not Rated. 117 minutes. Registration not required.

Tuesday, Jan. 27
7:00-8:30 PM

Leverage the AI Tools of Today to Profit Tomorrow

A showcase of how you can leverage popular AI tools to start or grow a business, automate work, solve problems, and increase profits. Presenter: Eddi Khaytman. Online.

Wednesday, Jan. 28
7:00-8:00 PM

Virtual Author Talk with Liz Moore

Liz Moore will discuss her book *The God of the Woods*. The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.

Thursday, Jan. 29
7:00-8:00 PM

George Washington, New Jersey, and the Revolutionary War

An overview of Washington's military career and a history of the Revolutionary War focusing on the military battles and winter encampments in New Jersey. Presenter: Joel Farkas, volunteer docent at Washington's Headquarters in Morristown. In Person/Online.

FEBRUARY

Sunday, Feb. 1
2:00-3:00 PM

Concert: Rhonda Denet: Motown Goes to the Movies

Vocalist Rhonda Denet is back again with another spectacular musical performance, featuring songs from *Mahogany*, *The Wiz*, *Fast Break*, *Blue Lagoon*, *The Woman in Red*, *The Last Dragon*, *Boomerang*, and others. Registration not required.

Monday, Feb. 2
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: *Black Fiddlers*

A documentary exploring the legacy of African American violin players who helped shape the cultural landscape of America. Notable performers such as David Roberts, Earl White, and Rhiannon Giddens share their individual journeys and music, and local historians enrich our understanding and appreciation of the African influences on American folk music. Not rated. 59 minutes. Registration not required.

Tuesday, Feb. 3
7:00-8:00 PM

Podcasting as a Marketing Tool

Discover the benefits of using podcasting as a marketing tool for your small business. Presenter: Elizabeth Gearhart, Founder, Gear Media Studios. In Person/Online.

Monday, Feb. 9
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Monday at the Movies: *Broke*

This contemporary western follows the story of True Brandywine, a bareback bronco rider clinging to his fading rodeo career. When True gets trapped in a freak spring blizzard, he must battle injuries, illness, and the bitter cold. While fighting for his survival, True is forced to face his choices and the circumstances that led him to his tenuous situation. Rated R. 100 minutes. Registration not required.

Tuesday, Feb. 10
7:00-8:00 PM

Stop Beating Yourself Up: Let go of the Inner Critic

Feeling down, frustrated, or stuck in regret over past mistakes? You're not alone. As human beings, we're wired to feel deeply and sometimes that means turning our pain inward. It's time to shift the narrative. Beating yourself up doesn't lead to growth, it keeps you stuck. You deserve to treat yourself with the same kindness you offer others. Presenter: Diane Lang. Online.

Adult Programs

Friday, Feb. 13
7:00-8:30 PM

Virtual Trivia Night

Please join us for trivia night, hosted by Quizmaster Mary Piekarski. The questions in this game are geared for people 18 and older, but all ages are welcome to try. You can play as a one-person team or as a team of up to 4 people. Online.

Sunday, Feb. 15
2:00-3:00 PM

Concert/Talk: Musical Traditions of the Andes Mountains

A slideshow on the history of native Andean Music from Bolivia, Peru, and Ecuador, will be accompanied by a live demonstration of a wide variety of percussion, wind, and string instruments. Attendees are encouraged to participate by trying out various instruments. Presenter: master Andean musician Juan "Pepe" Santana. (This program will take place in the Liss Meeting Room, and registration is required.)

Friday, February 20
12:30-1:30 PM

Brown Bag Book Club

Lunchtime book group for adults. Book to be discussed: *Anil's Ghost* by Michael Ondaatje.. Refreshments served. Registration not required.

Saturday, Feb. 21
2:00-3:00 PM

Weapons of the American War of Independence

Mark Hurwitz, a Past Commander of the Brigade of the American Revolution and member of the 3rd NJ Regt, "Jersey Blues", will be making a presentation with reproduction 18th C. arms to explain the weapons system of the period, demonstrating the smoothbore musket and bayonet as the basic infantry arm. In addition, he will discuss the Pennsylvania Long Rifle, Pistols, and Swords. This will give an understanding of the development of Linear Warfare Tactics and the evolution of the Continental Army from the local Militia.



Sunday, Feb. 22
2:00-3:30 PM

Adult Craft Class: TBA

Details TBA. Instructor: Marge Barkan. Registration opens Sunday, Feb. 8 @ 2:00 PM.

Monday, Feb. 23
12:30 & 6:30 PM

Mondays at the Movies: *Los Lobos*

Together with their mother Lucia, the brothers Max and Leo have just crossed the border from Mexico into the United States in search of a better life. And they share a dream as well: to visit Disneyland one day. But it is not easy for them to gain a foothold in their new home. While Lucía tries to finance their new life by doing odd jobs, the brothers spend their days in their one-room flat building an imaginary universe with their drawings and thinking about mom's promise of going to Disneyland. In Spanish with English subtitles. Not Rated. 95 minutes. Registration not required.

Thursday, Feb. 26
2:00-3:00 PM

Building Smart: Navigating Permits, Zoning, and Codes

This practical and insightful session demystifies the permitting process for both residential and commercial projects. Participants will gain essential knowledge on when permits are required, how to navigate complex zoning laws, and how to interpret and apply building codes. Learn the step-by-step process, timelines, and tips for smooth approvals, while understanding the critical role professionals like architects play in compliance and project success. Ideal for property owners, developers, small business owners, and anyone involved in construction or renovation projects.

Presenter: Francisco Grimaldi, AIA.

YEAR OF THE HORSE 2026 ART SHOW

THEME:

探索埋藏的世界 Unearth a Story

Submission

January 1, 2026 -
January 30, 2026

Exhibition

February 1, 2026 -
February 28, 2026

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High School Programs (Grades 9-12)

Registration is required for all programs

THE PERFECT NEIGHBOR: A DOCUMENTARY AND DISCUSSION (HIGH SCHOOL, ADULTS)

Saturday, January 31 @ 1:00-4:00 PM

Join us and watch the critically acclaimed and award-winning Netflix documentary, "The Perfect Neighbor," and stay for a timely discussion of the film and race in the greater community.

Summary: Police bodycam footage reveals how a long-running neighborhood dispute turned fatal in this documentary about fear, prejudice and "stand your ground" laws.

Rated: R; Any teens interested in participating must fill out a permission slip. Sponsored by the Summit Free Public Library, The Summit Interfaith Council Anti-Racism Committee, and STAR (Strong Teens Against Racism).

WHY GAP YEARS MATTER MORE THAN EVER! (HIGH SCHOOL, ADULT)

Wednesday, February 18 @ 6:00-8:00 PM

Are you wondering about the benefits of a gap year, and realistic alternative options? Join Katherine Stievater, Founder of Gap Year Solutions for a presentation and Q&A about the many available domestic programs, local activities, and new options offering social connection and mentoring to students.

Katherine Stievater founded Gap Year Solutions to help students successfully transition to college with a customized plan that builds life skills through "Real World Learning". Based in the Boston, MA area, she is active with the national Gap Year Association, and is a Professional member of the Independent Educational Consultants Association. Katherine speaks and publishes regularly about gap years including recently about the impact of COVID-19.

This program, which is especially geared to high school juniors/seniors and their parents, is sponsored by the Friends of the Summit Free Public Library. Please join us either in person in the Hickok Room, or on Zoom.

TEEN HOMESCHOOLER DROP IN (AGES 12-17)

Fridays @ 1:00-2:30 PM

Create some crafts, play video games, and hang out with your friends.

ADULTING ESSENTIALS (GRADES 9-12)

Registration is required for all programs

Learn practical and soft skills that will help you throughout your life. A light dinner will be served at the beginning of all programs.

Sewing Workshop:

Wednesday, December 3 @ 6:00-8:00 PM

Learn how to sew, and create your own handsewn gnome. Dinner will be served from 6-6:30PM. The workshop will begin at 6:30PM.

Teen Take Out

Wednesday, February 25 @ 5:00-7:00 PM

Learn the basics of nutrition and real cooking techniques by recreating popular takeout meals with a healthy, homemade twist.

TEEN VOLUNTEERS (GRADES 6-12)

Ways you can help us from home:

- **CATSS Critics:** Check out a book from the Summit Free Public Library. Follow the guidelines, read the book, and either write a review about the book, or create a book talk video.

Ways you can help us at the Library:

- **Odd Jobs:** Assist the Library staff with easy jobs around the Library.
- **Program Assistance:** Assist the Library staff with programs both in the Library and online.
- **Book Buddies:** Read together with a child in Grades Pre-K-3 at the Library.

To sign up to be a Teen Volunteer please scan the QR code.



Middle School Programs (Grades 6-8)

CATSS (GRADES 6-8)

Monday-Friday @ 3:00-4:30 PM

Registration is not required,
unless otherwise noted.

CATSS is not held when school is closed.

What we've got:

Mondays: DIY crafts

Tuesdays: Anime

Wednesdays: Volunteer day

Thursdays: Easy bake snacks

Fridays: Videogames and
Coding Club



On Wednesdays volunteering is 3-4pm

CATSS MONDAY FUN

December 15 @ 3:00 PM: Cookie House Building: 'Tis the season for our annual cookie house building program. Come with friends and Build a house out of graham crackers, icing and assorted candy. First come, first served, only 20 seats available.

January 26 @ 3:00 PM: Hamilton Sing-Along: Come and watch the movie Hamilton on the big screen, and feel free to sing along with your favorite parts!

February 9 @ 2:00 PM: Minecraft Physics Roller Coaster: Your mission is to create a coaster with a single start and stop point, ensuring it follows real-world physics. Registration is required, as space is limited.

February 23 @ 3:00 PM: Fab Feb: Join us and make peppermint hot chocolate, decorate cookies, and participate in a scavenger hunt for small prizes

GREEK MYTHOLOGY FOR TEENS (GRADES 5-12)

Begins Thursday, December 18

**2nd & 4th Thursdays in January / February
@ 5:00-6:00 PM**

Registration is required for all programs

Learn about Greek Myths and culture while playing fun lessons and games. Test out your Latin learned in Middle School. Bring your own device (if you are able to!).

TEEN NIGHTS (GRADES 6-12)

TUESDAYS @ 5:30-7:00 PM

Registration is required for all programs

December 2: Slime Night: Freely play around with making slime of different colors and textures.

December 9: Bad Art Night: Make the worst piece of adventure themed art you can. We will vote and the winner gets a prize.

December 16: DIY Ornaments: Design and make your own unique ornaments. You'll use a variety of materials: paint, glitter, beads, ribbons, and more.

January 6: 2026 Vision Boards: Create a vision board with your goals for the new year. Boards are made out of craft materials, magazine clippings, and other miscellaneous items.

January 13: DIY Tie Dye: Learn different folding and tie-dyeing techniques to create your own colorful masterpiece. We'll provide all the supplies, but feel free to bring an extra item of your own to tie-dye.

January 20: Movie Night: Pick a Movie to watch and enjoy some popcorn and treats.

January 27: Trivia Night: One player on each team will need a device to play (the Library will have devices that you can use as well).

February 3: Mini Pizza: Learn to make mini pizzas out of different supplies provided by the library.

February 10: Hot Chocolate Tasting: Sample several hot chocolates, vote on favorites, then design and assemble your own chocolate bombs to take home.

February 17: Mini Painting: Design your own masterpiece on a mini canvas to take home.

February 24: Wikipedia Scavenger Hunt: A digital scavenger hunt to see how different information connects.

RUBIK'S CORNER (GRADES 3-12)

Registration is required for all programs

**1st and 3rd Fridays in December and February
@ 3:15-4:45 PM**

Speedcubing is a hobby where someone solves a Rubik's cube as fast as they can. In this Cube Corner, practice your cubing skills and connect with fellow cubing enthusiasts.

Elementary Programs: Ages 6+

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, AND ATTENDANCE IS OPEN TO THE LISTED AGE GROUPS ONLY.

READING & WRITING

Book Buddies (Grades K-3)

**Mondays & Thursdays @ 4:00-5:00 PM
Through December 18, 2025**

Work on reading skills with one of the Library's teen volunteers.

Books & Woofs (Grades K-5)

Mondays, December 15 and February 23.

Practice reading aloud to guide dogs and puppies from Seeing Eye.

Handwriting Workshop

Wednesdays in February @ 4:00-5:00 PM

In this workshop, taught over the course of four (4) one-hour classes, students will learn how to write letters and numbers correctly.

SCIENCE, ART, & MATH

Family STEAM Club (Grades K-5)

**December 8, 2025, January 12,
and February 2, 2026 @ 4:00-5:00 PM**

Join us for science, technology, engineering, and art activities. Break into groups and explore several experiments.

Weekend STEAM (Grades K-5)

Saturday, December 13 @ 2:00-3:00 PM

Join us for a special STEAM workshop, learn about constellations, and create some mini constellations to project on the ceiling.

Chinese Corner (Grades K-5)

Sunday, December 14 @ 2:00-3:00 PM

In this workshop, kids will get to explore how Chinese carpenters used creativity and science to build wonders that still stand today!

Kids are Cooking: Hot Cocoa Bombs (Grades 3-6)

January 21 @ 4:00-5:00 PM

Warm up for the winter with this fun tasty activity.

Minecraft: Big Bad Wolf (Grades 1-5)

January 30 @ 2:00-3:30 PM

Build a secure house first using straw, then upgrade to wood and bricks to see which can withstand the Big Bad Wolf's flint attack! Join the Wolves or the Pigs, armed with weapons, competing to protect or bring down your opponents' structures in this thrilling battle of strategy and survival.

PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES

The Jersey City Nutcracker (Grades K-5)

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 @ 4:30-5:30 PM

Listen to excerpts of the Nutcracker story, told by the librarians at Summit Free Public Library, and watch the dancers from the Nimbus Dance Theatre Ensemble in Summit, as they present excerpts from their Jersey City Nutcracker program.

Family Team Kahoot (Grades K-5) @ 5:30-6:30 PM

Thursdays, December 11, 2025

January 15 and February 19, 2026

Answer easy, intermediate and advanced trivia questions with your family. We will have questions for each age range. The top three teams will win!

Make sure that at least one player per team has a mobile device with them. The Library will have devices that you can use as well.

Refreshments or a light supper will be served.

Bright Star Theatre: Beauty and the Beast (Grades K-5)

Saturday, December 16 @ 4:00-4:45 PM

This is the classic tale of Belle, a young woman whose complicated life leads her to leave her home village to live with a Beast in his mountain castle. Join Lenny and Mabel, the "greatest actors in the world" as they bring this classic work of literature to life. This heartwarming tale shows that beauty is what lies within.

Cookie Houses: (Grades K-5)

Wednesday, December 17

@ 4:00-4:30 PM or 5:00-5:30 PM

Tis the season for our annual cookie house building program. Can you build a house out of graham crackers, icing and assorted candy?

Candyland: The live board game (Grades K-5)

Friday, December 30 @ 1:00-4:00 PM

Travel to the magical land of candy by playing our live board game version of Candyland. Visit each station to collect small prizes. The winner is chosen when you reach candy castle!

Noon Year's Eve Celebration

Tuesday, December 31 @ 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Join Michael, the original Monster from Rockness Music, for a special concert to help us count down to Noon! Expect some special surprises!

Preschool Programs: Ages 6 months-6 years

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, AND ATTENDANCE IS OPEN TO THE LISTED AGE GROUPS ONLY.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME DECEMBER 1-19, JANUARY 20-FEBRUARY 24

Baby Bookworms (Ages 6 months-2 years).
Mondays @ 10:00-10:30 & 10:30-11:00 AM
Age-appropriate songs, bounces, rhymes and stories.

Listen, Play, Create (Ages 2 years-6 years).
Tuesdays @ 10:00-10:45 AM & 4:00-4:45 PM
Age-appropriate stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft for preschoolers. We will also practice fine and gross motor skills. No session on 12/16 @ 4PM.

Spanish Storytime & Craft (Ages 6 months-6 years). 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 10:00-10:30 AM
Age-appropriate stories, rhymes, activities, and songs in Spanish.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Spanish Storytime Yoga (Ages 2-6)
Thursdays, December 4 and 18
@ 10:00 AM-10:30 AM

Children will engage in a captivating Spanish-language story, and as the story unfolds, they will practice simple yoga poses inspired by the characters and themes.

Lil Tumblez (Ages 0-5)
Friday, December 5 @ 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Join us for a sensory and movement free play session. This activity is great for developing and improving motor skills, confidence and coordination. Kids will have a blast climbing, crawling, bouncing and exploring.

Canta Conmigo (Ages 2-6)
Thursday, December 11 @ 10:00-10:45 AM
A lively bilingual music program that introduces children to songs in both Spanish and English.

Storytime Yoga (Ages 2-6)
Fridays, December 12, 2025, January 9
and February 6, 2026 @ 11:00-11:30 AM
Join Ms. Pam from Peace Play NJ for a FREE yoga class for preschoolers

BABY TIME (AGES 1-4 YEARS)

Music & Movement Class:

Friday, December 19 @ 10:30-11:30 AM

Are you ready! Let's dance, learn songs, stretch, play music and more!

Winter Baby Prom:

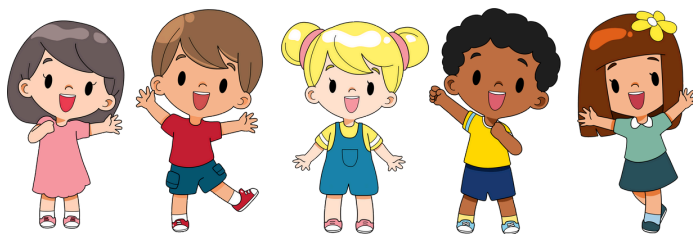
Friday, January 16 @ 10:00-11:30 AM

Put on you best outfit and join us for the Winter Baby Prom! Sensory activities, dancing, photo ops and more!

Sensory Recipe Day

Friday, February 13 @ 10:30-11:30 AM

Ever wonder how to make play-doh? Or edible paint? Learn simple recipes to make with your kids at home for play time.



WINTER STORYWALK® AND DIAL-A-STORY TITLES

The StoryWalk® features a full length picture book story on 20 signs around the bushes on the Library's front lawn.

Follow the stone path to read the whole story. If it's too cold, the path is covered with snow, or if you want to listen as you follow the path, call the library's Dial-A-Story number at (908) 277-9480, and press 1. The story told on our Dial-A-Story will change at the same time StoryWalk® changes.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

- **December:** *The Mitten* by Jan Brett
- **January:** *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak
- **February:** *Sulwe* by Lupita Nyong'o



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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1:00 - 4:00PM

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Dance | Traditional Costume
Show | Chinese Folk Dance |
Peking Opera | Kung Fu | Red
Envelopes Giveaway | Dragon
Dance Parade | and more!

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Art Show | Calligraphy |
Heritage Showcase |
Traditional Chinese Painting |
Woodcut Printing | Crafts |
Sugar Painting | and more!

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