

## SPRING 2025 CLASSES

Registration starts Monday, March 31

Classes start Tuesday, April 1

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### ARTS & CRAFTS

#### Knitting 101

Mondays, Apr 14-May 12, 1-2:30 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Amy Luka

Materials purchased by student approx. \$25.

#### Woodworking 101

Tuesdays, Apr 15-May 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Montclair High School

Tuition: \$139 (6 sessions)

Instructor: Robert Haas

Materials fee of \$25 is payable to instructor.

#### Pysanky: The Ancient Art of Egg Decorating **NEW**

Wednesday, Apr 16, 6:30-9 p.m. | MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$59

Instructor: Jennifer Santa Maria

Materials fee of \$10 is payable to instructor.



#### iPhone Photography Level 2: Mastering Candid Moments and Post-Processing

Wednesdays, Apr 23-30, 1-4 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$55 (2 sessions)

Instructor: Joanna Madloch

#### Introduction to Tatreez: Embroider a Multipurpose Inset

Saturdays, Apr 26-May 10, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$59 (3 sessions)

Instructor: Wafa Ayyad

Co-sponsored by the Folklife Center of Northern NJ.

#### Just Dandy: Preparing for "Superfine: Tailoring Black Style" at the Met **NEW**

Tuesday, May 6, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Hipolito Pollantis

See *Trips & Outings* section for a related trip.

### ARTS & CRAFTS (continued)

#### Introduction to Eastern Brush Calligraphy **NEW**

Wednesdays, May 7-Jun 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$72 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Itoko Kobayashi

Materials fee of \$25 due upon registration.

#### Learn Judaic Paper Cutting **NEW**

Tuesday, May 20, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

Congregation Shomrei Emunah

Tuition: \$45

Instructor: Dena Levie

Materials fee \$25. Co-sponsored by the Folklife Center of Northern NJ.



#### Crochet for Beginners

Tuesdays, May 27-Jun 24, 6:30-8 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Kiersten Jones

Materials purchased by student approx. \$15.

#### Advanced Woodworking **NEW**

Tuesdays, May 27-Jun 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Montclair High School

Tuition: \$116 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Robert Haas

Prerequisite: Woodworking 101.

Materials fee depends on selected project.

### BUSINESS

#### Google Services for Small Businesses

Thursday, Apr 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$35

Instructor: John Tully

#### Maximizing Your Small Business Digital Storefront **NEW**

Tuesday, May 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$35

Instructor: John Tully



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#### Oscar de la Renta: A Dominican-American in Paris - Fashion Show & Discussion **NEW**

Monday, Apr 28, 12-3 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Co-presented by Dumpling Diplomacy

Guests: Norma Jean Darden and

Hipolito Pollantis

#### Stages of Self:

#### Telling Your Story through Poetry **NEW**

Thursday, May 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Matthew Marroquin

#### Philippine Eggshell Mosaic Workshop **NEW**

Saturday, May 3, 2-4 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Alay Philippine Arts Group

#### A Free Introduction to Watercolors

Wednesdays, Jun 4-25, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: Free (4 sessions)

Instructor: Margaret Dressel

#### James Baldwin in Turkey:

#### Film Screening and Talk **NEW**

Wednesday, Jun 4, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Cora Fisher



### CAREER DEVELOPMENT

#### Create a Compelling Resume and LinkedIn Profile

Wednesday, May 28, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$25

Instructor: Jennifer Rodgers

## PRIDE MONTH

### The Poetry of Sappho: Reading & Discussion **NEW**

Saturday, Jun 7, 2-3:30 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$20  
Instructor: Mary English



### Out On-Screen: Dog Day Afternoon 50th Anniversary **NEW**

Tuesday, Jun 10, 5:45-8 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Wednesday, Jun 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Online  
Tuition: \$40 (2 sessions)  
Instructor: Alan Amtzis

### Out On-Screen: The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert **NEW**

Tuesday, Jun 17, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Wednesday, Jun 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Online  
Tuition: \$40 (2 sessions)  
Instructor: Alan Amtzis

### Out On-Screen: Pariah **NEW**

Tuesday, Jun 24, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Wednesday, Jun 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Online  
Tuition: \$40 (2 sessions)  
Instructor: Alan Amtzis

## CULINARY ARTS

### Chimney Cake Master Class (Hands-On)

Thursday, Apr 17, 6-7:30 p.m.  
Kurlly Kurtosh Cafe  
Tuition: \$35  
Instructor: Nicole Shaw-Provillon

### Introduction to Cake Decorating **NEW**

Tuesday, Apr 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation  
Tuition: \$45  
Instructor: Marliese Traver  
Materials fee \$30.

### Introduction to Craft Brewing (with Tasting) **NEW**

Monday, May 19, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Montclair Brewery  
Tuition: \$55  
Instructor: Montclair Brewery



## BOOKS, FILM & THEATER

### Hidden Gems of The Twilight Zone: An All New Interactive Study **NEW**

Thursdays, Apr 17-May 15, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$75 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Linda Hetcher

### Two Epic Novel Discussions **NEW**

Saturdays, Apr 26, May 17, 2-3:30 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$39 (2 sessions)  
Instructor: Mary English  
Class meets Apr 26, May 17.

### "This Darkness Will Never End": Reading & Talk About an Italian Holocaust Classic **NEW**

Tuesday, May 27, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: Free  
Instructors: Rabbi Julie Roth, Jeanne Bonner

### Oscar Wilde and The Importance of Being Earnest: Talk and Performance **NEW**

Thursday, May 29, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Sunday, Jun 1, 2-4 p.m. | F.M. Kirby  
Shakespeare Theatre in Madison  
Monday, Jun 2, 6:15-7:15 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$135 (3 sessions)  
Instructor: Lee Behlman  
Performance: Shakespeare Theatre of NJ



## GAMES & RECREATION

### Beginner Mah Jongg

Fridays, Apr 18-May 16, 2-4 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$135 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Elisa Hirsch  
Materials fee \$15.

### Beginner Backgammon **NEW**

Tuesdays, Apr 22-May 27, 2-4 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$120 (6 sessions)  
Instructor: Peter Jarvis  
Materials fee \$10.

### Golf: Outdoor

Saturdays, Apr 26-May 17, 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.  
Millburn Municipal Golf Course  
Tuition: \$160 (4 sessions)  
Instructor: Lou Ruina  
Proper golf attire required.

## FINANCE

### Understanding Healthcare Expenses in Retirement

Thursday, May 22, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$35  
Instructor: Eleanor Galt-Lin

## LANGUAGE

### Practical Spanish 2

Tuesdays, Apr 1-22, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$95 (4 sessions)  
Instructor: Marielle Courtois  
Prerequisite: Practical Spanish 1 or equivalent.  
Text purchased by student approx. \$11.

### German for Travelers **NEW**

Wednesdays, Apr 16-May 14, 5:30-7 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Avelisse Guzman

### Practical French 2

Mondays, Apr 21-May 19, 6:30-7:45 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Sayyidah Garrett  
Prerequisite: Practical French 1 or equivalent.  
Text purchased by student approx. \$15.

### Practical French 1

Wednesdays, Apr 23-May 21, 6:30-7:45 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Sayyidah Garrett  
Text purchased by student approx. \$15.

### Basic Italian 2 **ONLINE**

Mondays, May 5-Jun 16, 5-6 p.m.  
Tuition: \$94 (6 sessions)  
Instructor: Kristine Massari  
No class May 26. Text purchased by student  
approx. \$15.

### Italian for Travelers **ONLINE**

Mondays, May 5-Jun 16, 6-7 p.m.  
Tuition: \$94 (6 sessions)  
Instructor: Kristine Massari  
No class May 26. Text purchased by student  
approx. \$15.

### Intermediate French Conversation & Culture **NEW**

Wednesdays, May 28-Jun 25, 3-4:30 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$75 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Francois Thibaut  
Prerequisite: French 3 or equivalent.

### Practical Spanish 1

Mondays, Jun 9-30, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$95 (4 sessions)  
Instructor: Marielle Courtois  
Text purchased by student approx. \$11.

## LECTURES/HISTORY & CULTURE

### Studying The House of Wisdom:

#### A Golden Age of Learning in Baghdad **NEW**

Monday, Apr 21, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Jerise Fogel

### "Shattered Stars":

#### A Multimedia Presentation for Holocaust Remembrance Day **NEW**

Wednesday, Apr 23, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructors: Irene Frielich, Deb Levy

### Cannabis 101 **NEW**

Saturday, Apr 26, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Nightjar Cannabis

### Foreign Policy Changes from Biden to Trump **NEW**

Wednesday, Apr 30, 6:30-8 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Pierre Fabian

### Louis Kahn: An Architecture Born of Light **NEW**

Thursday, May 15, 6:30-8 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Laszlo Kiss



### History of the Bathing Suit **NEW**

Monday, May 19, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Marcie Cooperman

### The New Axis of Upheaval: China, Russia, Iran & North Korea **NEW**

Wednesday, May 28, 6:30-8 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$20

Instructor: Pierre Fabian

### Sports Photography through the Decades with Chuck Solomon **NEW**

Monday, Jun 9, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Chuck Solomon

### Ruth Orkin: Power of the Image **NEW**

Thursday, Jun 26, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$25

Instructor: Janet Mandel

## FITNESS

### 5K Training Program: No Boundaries

Saturdays, Apr 12-May 31, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

and Tuesdays, Apr 15-Jun 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Anderson Park

Orientation: Tuesday, Apr 8, 6:45-7:45 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$110 (17 sessions)

Instructor: John Fabbro (Fleet Feet Montclair)

### Stretch, Resistance & Light Cardio

Wednesdays, Apr 16-Jun 25, 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Cornerstone Montclair

Tuition: \$169 (11 sessions)

Instructor: Lorraine Salerno

### Mixed Chair/Standing Exercises

Wednesdays, Apr 16-Jun 25, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Cornerstone Montclair

Tuition: \$169 (11 sessions)

Instructor: Lorraine Salerno

### Indoor Rowing

Wednesdays, Apr 30-Jun 4, 7-8 p.m.

Montclair High School

Tuition: \$130 (6 sessions)

Instructor: Lorna Rundle

### Gentle Yoga for Wellness

Wednesdays, May 14-Jun 25,

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Cornerstone Montclair

Tuition: \$118 (7 sessions)

Instructor: Jean Lyons

Bring a mat and belt to class.

## MUSIC

### Beginning Ukulele

Fridays, Apr 18-May 16, 1-2 p.m. | MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$59 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Robert Mellman

Bring your ukulele to class.

### Between Elvis and the Beatles:

#### Music from 1958-1963 **NEW**

Wednesdays, May 7-14, 2-3:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$35 (2 sessions)

Instructor: Paul Groom

### Free Live Klezmer Concert **NEW**

Thursday, May 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Performer: Rabbi Daniel Brenner

and the Klezmer Aerobics

Co-sponsored by the Folklife Center of Northern New Jersey.

### Intermediate Ukulele

Fridays, May 23-Jun 20, 1-2 p.m. | MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Robert Mellman

Bring your ukulele to class.

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### Spring Detox: Seasonal Cleansing for Your Mind and Body **NEW**

Monday, Apr 14, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$45

Instructor: Tiana Mincey

Materials fee of \$10 due upon registration.



### The Mediterranean Diet and Olive Oil Tasting

Wednesday, Apr 16, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Donna Liotto-Scocozza

### Mindfulness Meditation

Thursdays, Apr 24-May 29, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$107 (6 sessions)

Instructor: Jodi Brooks

### Good Food is Healthy— Now Make it Delicious (with Cooking Demo)

Monday, Apr 28, 3:15-4:15 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$45

Instructor: Mary Ellen Zung

### Breath to Brush: A Mindful Journey into Artistic Expression **NEW**

Saturday, May 31, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$35

Instructor: Hannah Moon

Materials fee of \$25 due upon registration.

### American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR Certification with First Aid—Adult, Child & Infant

Sunday, Jun 1, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Congregation Shomrei Emunah

Tuition: \$129

Instructor: Andrew DiChiara

Tuition includes AHA Certification e-card.

### Drug-Free World Education Seminar **NEW**

Saturday, Jun 28, 1-2:30 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Tiana Mincey

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## HOME & GARDEN

### Understanding Middle Eastern and European Rugs **NEW**

Monday, Apr 14, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$20  
Instructor: Elisabeth Poole Parker

### Composting 101: Turn Waste into Gold **NEW**

Saturday, Apr 19, 10-11 a.m.  
Montclair Community Farms  
Tuition: \$35  
Instructor: Lana Mustafa

### Living Green: How to Help Birds and Butterflies with Native Plants **NEW**

Tuesday, Apr 22, 6:30-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: Free  
Instructor: Deb Ellis

### Tips & Tricks for Redecorating Your Home

Thursday, May 8, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$25  
Instructor: Marcie Cooperman

### Beekeeping Basics **NEW**

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Montclair Community Farms  
Tuition: \$40  
Instructor: Lana Mustafa

### Simplify Your Weekly Meal Planning **NEW**

Tuesday, Jun 3, 2-3:30 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$40  
Instructor: Vanessa Young

### Backyard Chicken Keeping:

#### Raising Happy Hens **NEW**

Friday, Jun 13, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Montclair Community Farms  
Tuition: \$40  
Instructor: Lana Mustafa



## PERSONAL GROWTH

### Rebuilding After Divorce: Men's Guide to Growth & Healing **NEW**

Mondays, Apr 21-May 19, 6:30-8 p.m.  
MPL - Bellevue  
Tuition: \$40 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Alfred Robinson  
*Materials fee of \$25 due upon registration.*

### The Wiser Woman: Understanding Your Menopause Transition **NEW ONLINE**

Mondays, Apr 28-May 12, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
Tuition: \$55 (3 sessions)  
Instructor: Beth Ross

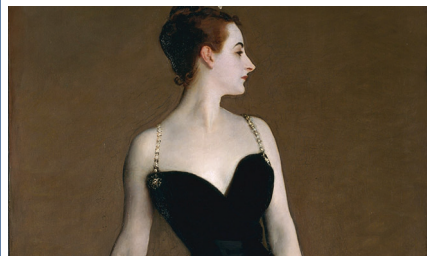
### Manifesting Love: Overcoming Inner Obstacles for Life-Changing Relationships **NEW**

Tuesday, Jun 10, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$30  
Instructor: Junie Moon

## TRIPS & OUTINGS

### Metropolitan Museum and Lunch at E.A.T.: View "Superfine: Tailoring Black Style" and "Sargent and Paris" **NEW**

Monday, May 12, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
The Walnut Parking Plaza - Ice Rink Area  
Tuition: \$115  
*Registration closes Apr 18.  
See Arts & Crafts for a related class.*



### Eco-Cruise: Excursion around Newark Bay

Thursday, Jun 26, 6-8:30 p.m.  
Laurel Hill County Park  
Tuition: \$45  
Instructor: Hackensack Riverkeeper  
*Registration closes Jun 23.*

## WRITING

### Poems as Prompts: Poetry Writing Workshop

Mondays, Apr 21-May 19, 7-8:30 p.m.  
Congregation Shomrei Emunah  
Tuition: \$111 (5 sessions)  
Instructor: Laura Freedgood

### Crafting a Dramatic Monologue **NEW**

Tuesdays, Apr 22-May 13, 2-3:30 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$69 (4 sessions)  
Instructor: Renata Kessler

### Writing: Method & Motivation

Wednesdays, May 14-Jun 18, 6:15-7:45 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$119 (6 sessions)  
Instructor: Valerie Block



### Memoir: The World of Work **NEW**

Tuesdays, May 20-Jun 3, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.  
MPL - Main  
Tuition: \$60 (3 sessions)  
Instructor: Marian Calabro

### Writing a Sense of Place with David Galef **NEW**

Thursdays, May 29-Jun 12, 6:15-7:45 p.m.  
MPL - Bellevue  
Tuition: \$59 (3 sessions)  
Instructor: David Galef  
*Text purchased by student approx. \$20.*

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