

WINTER 2025 CLASSES

Registration starts Monday, January 6

Classes start Tuesday, January 21

To register: www.adultschool.org

Contact us: adultschool@montclairlibrary.org or 973-744-0500 x2224

ARTS & CRAFTS

Waste Not, Want Not: Collage Artists and Collage Workshop **NEW**

Tuesdays, Jan 21-28, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$45 (2 sessions)

Instructor: Anna Berlin

Materials fee \$10.



Intro to Machine Sewing: Make a French Seam Pillowcase **NEW**

Saturday, Feb 1, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. | Sew Jersey

Tuition: \$45

Instructor: Jacquelyn Heineken

Materials fee \$75.

Knitting 101

Mondays, Feb 3-Mar 10, 1-2:30 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Amy Luka

No class Feb 17. Materials purchased by student approx. \$25.

Crochet for Beginners

Tuesdays, Feb 4-Mar 4, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Kiersten Jones

Materials purchased by student approx. \$15.

Woodworking 101

Tuesdays, Feb 4-Mar 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Montclair High School

Tuition: \$139 (6 sessions)

Instructor: Robert Haas

Materials fee \$25.

ARTS & CRAFTS (continued)

Basketmaking Workshop:

Create a Low Market Basket **NEW**

Monday, Feb 24, 10:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$65

Instructor: Mary May

Materials fee \$40.

Crochet: Beyond the Basics

Tuesdays, Mar 11-Apr 8, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

MPL - Main

Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)

Instructor: Kiersten Jones

Materials purchased by student approx. \$15.



Make the Most of Your iPhone Photography

Thursdays, Mar 20-27, 2-4 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$45 (2 sessions)

Instructor: Joanna Madloch

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Resume Ready for Career Transition

Monday, Feb 10, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$25

Instructor: Jennifer Rodgers

Using Your Strengths to Find a New Career

Tuesdays, Mar 11-25, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

MPL - Bellevue

Tuition: \$79 (3 sessions)

Instructor: Laurel Bernstein

Test required: Online (approx. \$24.99) or purchased text (approx. \$30).

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Microsoft Excel 2016: Level 1

Thursdays, Mar 6-20, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$150 (3 sessions)

Instructor: Sue Brogan



Made possible by funds from the Essex County Division of Cultural Affairs, a partner of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Free Korean Dance and Drum Concert for Lunar New Year **NEW**

Sunday, Feb 2, 3-4 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free

Instructor: Eunhee Ahn

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



A Free Introduction to Watercolors **NEW**

Thursdays, Feb 6-Mar 13, 1-3 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free (6 sessions)

Instructor: Itoko Kobayashi

Materials included.

A Free History of Music and the Stars: Talk and Astrolabe Workshop **NEW**

Thursday, Mar 20, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: Free | Instructor: Jerise Fogel

Free Shakespeare Onscreen:

All About King Lear **NEW**

Mon, Tue, Wed, Mar 24-26, 6-8 p.m.

Tuition: Free (3 sessions)

Instructor: Naomi Liebler

Monday & Wednesday at MPL - Main;

Tuesday at Montclair Film (film screening).

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Flight into Egypt:

An Inspiration for Black Artists **NEW**

Thursday, Jan 30, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$25 | Instructor: Onnie Strother

Freedom Seekers:

The Impact of Fugitive Slaves **NEW**

Tuesday, Feb 4, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main

Tuition: \$20 | Instructor: Steve Golin

Roots, Rock, Reggae: The Music and Legacy of Bob Marley **NEW ONLINE**

Thursday, Feb 13, 6-8 p.m.

Tuition: \$20 | Instructor: Ada McKenzie-Thomas

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Georgia O'Keeffe: Speaking in Color and Shapes **NEW ONLINE**

Wednesday, Mar 5, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Tuition: \$25
Instructor: Janet Mandel

See "The Personal Librarian" and Franz Kafka Exhibitions at the Morgan Library **NEW**

Thursday, Mar 6, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
The Walnut Parking Plaza - Ice Rink Area
Tuition: \$105
Registration closes Feb 6.



Title IX and The Rise of Women in Sports **NEW**

Thursday, Mar 27, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Kelly Whiteside

BOOKS, FILM & THEATER

Classical Mystery Book Club **NEW**

Saturdays, Feb 1-Mar 29, 2-3:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$59 (3 sessions)
Instructor: Mary English
Class meets Feb 1, Mar 1, and Mar 29.

Film Club **ONLINE**

Wednesdays, Feb 5-Jun 11, 7-8 p.m.
Tuition: \$118 (10 sessions)
Instructor: Margot Cochran
Class meets Feb 5, 19; Mar 5, 19; Apr 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28; and Jun 11.

Film Club

Wednesdays, Feb 12-Jun 18, 7-8:30 p.m.
Congregation Shomrei Emunah
Tuition: \$150 (10 sessions)
Instructor: Margot Cochran
Class meets Feb 12, 26; Mar 12, 26; Apr 9, 23; May 7, 21; and Jun 4, 18.

Book Discussion: "The Personal Librarian" **NEW**

Tuesday, Mar 4, 2-3:30 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Anastasia Rubis
See *Trips & Outings* section for a related trip.

M*A*S*H: A Deep Dive into the Classic TV Show **NEW**

Wednesdays, Mar 12-Apr 2, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$60 (4 sessions)
Instructor: Marian Calabro

BOOKS, FILM & THEATER (continued)

Book Discussion

Wednesdays, Mar 19-May 28, 2-3:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$49 (6 sessions)
Class meets Mar 19; Apr 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28.

CULINARY ARTS

Hearty and Nutritious Winter Soups (with Cooking Demo)

Wednesday, Feb 19, 2-3:30 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$45
Instructor: Mary Ellen Zung

How to Serve Up an Immune Supporting Plate (with Cooking Demo)

Monday, Mar 17, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$45
Instructor: Mary Ellen Zung

Whiskey Distilling 101

Saturday, Mar 22, 3-4:30 p.m.
Jersey Spirits Distillery, Fairfield, NJ
Tuition: \$90
Instructor: Jersey Spirits



FINANCE

Success Strategies for Selling a Home **NEW**

Wednesday, Feb 26, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: Free
Instructor: Clare Morcella

The New Retirement Rules: Understanding SECURE Act 2.0

Thursday, Feb 27, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$35
Instructor: Eleanor Galt-Lin

Women & Wealth

Thursday, Mar 13, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$35
Instructor: Eleanor Galt-Lin

LANGUAGE

Basic Italian 1 **ONLINE**

Mondays, Jan 27-Mar 10, 5-6 p.m.
Tuition: \$94 (6 sessions)
Instructor: Kristine Massari
No class Feb. 17. Materials purchased by student approx. \$13.

Basic Italian 2B **ONLINE**

Mondays, Jan 27-Mar 10, 6-7 p.m.
Tuition: \$94 (6 sessions)
Instructor: Kristine Massari
No class Feb. 17. Materials purchased by student approx. \$15.

Practical French 1

Mondays, Jan 27-Mar 3, 6:30-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Saydah Garrett
No class Feb 17. Text purchased by student approx. \$15.

Practical Spanish 3: Basic Conversation

Tuesdays, Jan 28-Feb 18, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$99 (4 sessions)
Instructor: Marielle Courtois
Prerequisite: Completion of Practical Spanish 1 and 2 or equivalent.

Advanced French Conversation & Culture **NEW**

Wednesdays, Jan 29-Mar 26, 2:15-3:45 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$119 (8 sessions)
Instructor: Francois Thibaut
No class Feb 26. Prerequisite: Completion of French 3 or equivalent.

Practical French 3: Basic Conversation

Wednesdays, Jan 29-Mar 5, 6:30-7:45 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Saydah Garrett
No class Feb 12. Prerequisite: Completion of French 2 or equivalent.

Practical Spanish 1

MPL - Main
Instructor: Marielle Courtois
Mondays, Feb 3-Mar 3, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
Tuition: \$95 (4 sessions)
No class Feb 17. Text purchased by student approx. \$11.

Tuesdays, Mar 4-25, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

Tuition: \$95 (4 sessions)
Text purchased by student approx. \$11.

Advanced English as Second Language (ESL) for Professionals

Wednesdays, Feb 5-Mar 5, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$65 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Theresa Fierro

LECTURES/HISTORY & CULTURE

The Surprising Origins of Five Essex County Parks NEW
Tuesday, Jan 28, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: Free
Instructor: Maressa McFarlane

Flight into Egypt: An Inspiration for Black Artists NEW
Thursday, Jan 30, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$25
Instructor: Onnie Strother

Freedom Seekers: The Impact of Fugitive Slaves NEW
Tuesday, Feb 4, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Steve Golin

Chinoiserie: The East Asian Impact on Western Art and Design NEW ONLINE
Wednesday, Feb 5, 1-2:30 p.m.
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Anne Betty Weinschenker



The End of the Era of Limited Wars NEW
Wednesday, Feb 12, 6:30-8 p.m.
MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Pierre Fabian

Georgia O'Keeffe: Speaking in Color and Shapes NEW ONLINE
Wednesday, Mar 5, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Tuition: \$25
Instructor: Janet Mandel

Africa, the New Geopolitical Theater of the Superpowers' Rivalry NEW
Wednesday, Mar 19, 6:30-8 p.m.
MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Pierre Fabian

Title IX and The Rise of Women in Sports NEW
Thursday, Mar 27, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Kelly Whiteside

Exploring Yellowstone NEW ONLINE
Monday, Mar 31, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
Tuition: \$25
Instructor: Judy Okun

FITNESS

Stretch, Resistance & Light Cardio
Wednesdays, Jan 22-Mar 26, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
First Lutheran Church
Tuition: \$169 (10 sessions)
Instructor: Lorrain Salerno

Mixed Chair/Standing Exercises
Wednesdays, Jan 22-Mar 26, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
First Lutheran Church
Tuition: \$169 (10 sessions)
Instructor: Lorrain Salerno

Gentle Yoga for Wellness
Wednesdays, Jan 29-Apr 2, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Cornerstone Montclair
Tuition: \$168 (10 sessions)
Instructor: Jean Lyons
Bring a mat and belt to class.

Indoor Rowing
Wednesdays, Feb 5-Apr 2, 7-8 p.m.
Montclair High School
Tuition: \$194 (9 sessions)
Instructor: Lorna Rundle

Introduction to Bouldering NEW
Mondays, Feb 24-Mar 17, 6:30-8 p.m.
The Gravity Vault Montclair
Tuition: \$194 (4 sessions)
Instructor: The Gravity Vault



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, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$99 (17 sessions) **early bird rate**
Instructor: John Fabbro (Fleet Feet Montclair)

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GAMES & RECREATION

Beginner Mah Jongg
MPL - Bellevue
Instructor: Elisa Hirsch
Wednesdays, Jan 29-Feb 26, 7-9 p.m.
Tuition: \$135 (5 sessions)
Materials fee \$15.
Wednesdays, Mar 5-Apr 2, 7-9 p.m.
Tuition: \$135 (5 sessions)
Materials fee \$15.



Indoor Tennis Clinic NEW
Thursdays, Jan 30-Feb 27, 2-3 p.m.
Tiger Tennis and Fitness - West Caldwell
Tuition: \$195 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Elite Tennis Academy

Indoor Pickleball Clinic NEW
Tuesdays, Feb 4-Mar 4, 2-3 p.m.
Tiger Tennis and Fitness - Fairfield
Tuition: \$110 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Elite Tennis Academy

HEALTH & WELLNESS

The Mediterranean Diet and Olive Oil Tasting NEW
Wednesday, Jan 29, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: Free
Instructor: Donna Liotto-Scocozza

Mindfulness Meditation
Thursdays, Jan 30-Mar 6, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$89 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Jodi Brooks
No class Feb 13.

Herbalism for Skin and Hair NEW
Thursday, Feb 27, 6-8 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$35
Instructor: Lana Mustafa
Materials fee \$15.



All students high school age and above are welcome at the Adult School. Montclair residents are entitled to a 50% discount on tuition for all classes held exclusively at either library branch or online. After creating an online profile, contact the Adult School office for verification, and have the resident status added to the account before checking out and paying the tuition.

REFUND POLICY: If the Adult School has to cancel a class for any reason, you will receive a refund if the class cannot be rescheduled. If you wish to withdraw from or are unable to attend a class, you must notify us at least one week before the class starts in order to receive a refund of the class fee less an administrative fee of \$10. If you do not provide us with one week advance notice, you will not receive a refund. The Adult School reserves the right to change locations, schedules, and instructors when necessary. To contact the Adult School staff, email adultschool@montclairlibrary.org.

Refund Policy Update: All refunds will be offered via credit or debit card or electronic voucher.

HOME & GARDEN

Prep for Natural Disasters and Home Emergencies **NEW**

Monday, Jan 27, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: First Line Safety Training LLC

Living Green: Weatherproofing Your Home

Thursday, Feb 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: Free
Instructor: Laszlo Kiss
Co-presented by Montclair Climate Action.

Introduction to Seed Starting

Saturday, Mar 8, 10-11:30 a.m.
Van Vleck House & Gardens
Tuition: \$35
Instructor: Lana Mustafa
Materials fee \$10.



WRITING

Writing: Method & Motivation

Wednesdays, Jan 29-Mar 5, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$119 (6 sessions)
Instructor: Valerie Block

Poetry Writing Workshop

Mondays, Feb 3-Mar 10, 7-8:30 p.m.
MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: \$75 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Jennifer Poteet
No class Feb 17.

Memoir: The 5 Senses

Tuesdays, Feb 4-Mar 4, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Marian Calabro

MUSIC

Elvis at 90: From Tupelo to Graceland **NEW**

Thursdays, Jan 30-Feb 6, 2-3:30 p.m.
MPL - Main
Tuition: \$35 (2 sessions)
Instructor: Paul Groom

Beginning Ukulele

Fridays, Jan 31-Feb 28, 1-2 p.m.
MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: \$59 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Robert Mellman
Bring your ukulele to class.

Roots, Rock, Reggae: The Music and Legacy of Bob Marley **NEW ONLINE**

Thursday, Feb 13, 6-8 p.m.
Tuition: \$20
Instructor: Ada McKenzie-Thomas

Intermediate Ukulele

Fridays, Mar 7-Apr 4, 1-2 p.m. | MPL - Bellevue
Tuition: \$99 (5 sessions)
Instructor: Robert Mellman
Bring your ukulele to class.

Adult Musical Theater: Singing Sondheim **NEW**

Saturdays, Mar 8-22, 3-5 p.m. | MPL - Main
Final performance: Tuesday, Apr 8, 7-9 p.m.
Location: Vanguard Theater
Tuition: \$175 (3 sessions)
Instructor: Vanguard Theater

Free Live Concert with Traditional Irish Fiddle, Flute and Uilleann Pipes **NEW**

Monday, Mar 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | MPL - Main
Tuition: Free
Performers: Charles Sporn and Brian Szura
Co-sponsored by the Folklife Center of Northern NJ.



PERSONAL GROWTH

Coping with Estranged Family Members **NEW ONLINE**

Wednesday, Mar 26, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
Tuition: \$25
Instructor: Diane Lang

TRIPS & OUTINGS

Tour of Dey Mansion, Washington's Headquarters **NEW**

Saturday, Feb 8, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Dey Mansion, Wayne, NJ
Tuition: \$65
Lunch included after tour.

See "The Personal Librarian" and Franz Kafka Exhibitions at The Morgan Library **NEW**

Thursday, Mar 6, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
The Walnut Parking Plaza - Ice Rink Area
Tuition: \$105
Registration closes Feb 6. See Books, Film & Theater section for a related class.



Whiskey Distilling 101

Saturday, Mar 22, 3-4:30 p.m.
Jersey Spirits Distillery, Fairfield, NJ
Tuition: \$90
Instructor: Jersey Spirits

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