Unless otherwise noted, registration is required and free. Register at montclairlibrary.org/events. All are welcome.

**Kwanzaa Community Celebration**
Saturday, Dec. 16, 12–4 p.m., Main Library
Celebrate Kwanzaa with the traditional pouring of the libations, a discussion of the seven principles, and family-oriented activities designed for an interactive and educational experience. No registration.

- 12 p.m. Libations and the Seven Principles of Kwanzaa
- 1 p.m. Maati Cultural Arts Community Drummers
- 2–4 p.m. Card Tricks and Balloon Twisting with ISLANDMAGIC
- 2–4 p.m. Kwanzaa Art Activity with Mansa Musa
- 2:30–3:30 p.m. Kora for Kwanzaa: Music and Dance from West Africa

**YOUTH & TEENS**

**Baby Hang Out (birth-age 1)**
Fridays, Dec. 1-29, 10:30 a.m., Main Library
Babies come hang out with other babies! Books and toys will be provided. No registration.

**Dungeons and Dragons (ages 12-18)**
Saturday, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m, Bellevue Ave. Branch
Join a one-shot adventure with pre-rolled characters, no D&D experience necessary.

**Play-Doh Playdate (ages 3-5)**
Mondays, Dec. 4-18, 11 a.m., Main Library
Design new creations and discover new friends in this weekly preschool activity. No registration.

**Free Play Social Time (birth-age 5)**
Tuesdays, Dec. 5 & 19, 10:30 a.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Children and their grown-ups can play and socialize with others. No registration.

**Homeschool Open House (all ages)**
Tuesday, Dec. 5, 11 a.m., Main Library
Bring board games to play with friends old and new. Parenting books about homeschooling will be on display.

**Lego Club (ages 4+)**
Tuesdays, Dec. 5 & 19, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Join us in unstructured Lego play. Registration not required, but recommended.

**Tween Holiday Cupcake Celebration (ages 9-12)**
Thursday, Dec. 7, 3:30 p.m., Main Library
Bring some sweetness to this holiday season by decorating a cupcake.

**Teen Dungeons and Dragons (ages 12-16)**
Saturday, Dec. 9, 2 p.m, Main Library
A four-month campaign comes to an end.
YOUTH & TEENS (continued)

Decorate a Gingerbread House (families)
Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:15 OR 4:45 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Great for the whole family. All supplies will be provided.

All About Robotics (grades 3-8)
Sunday, Dec. 10, Main Library
4 p.m. - Fun STEM activities with students from Montclair High School. Supplies are limited.
5 p.m. - Robotics demonstration. No registration for 5 p.m. drop-in session.

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Teen Anime Club (ages 12-18)
Tuesday, Dec. 12, 4 p.m., Main Library
We'll watch the first 3 episodes of “Fullmetal Alchemist Brotherhood” and discuss over snacks.

Teen Book Club (ages 12-18)
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 4 p.m., Main Library
This month’s theme is Girls Being Awesome.

Pokémon Club (ages 7-18)
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 5 p.m., Main Library
Battle your friends on Switch or using your cards. We’ll also have premade decks. Bring your own Switch.

Monthly Movie Magic (ages 8+)
Thursday, Dec. 14, 3:30 p.m., Main Library
This month’s movie is “Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse” (rated PG). Registration not required, but recommended.

Wiggles & Giggles with Miss Bee (birth-age 5)
Monday, Dec. 18, 4 p.m., Main Library
Join Miss Bee for children’s songs. Kids will use rhythm sticks, scarves, and other fun instruments and props. Registration not required, but recommended.

Teen Canvas Painting Party (ages 12-18)
Wednesday, Dec. 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Main Library
Registration not required, but recommended.

Middle School Book Club (grades 6-8)
Thursday, Dec. 21, 4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
We’ll dive into manga this month.

Interactive Movie: “The Nightmare Before Christmas” (ages 8+ and families)
Thursday, Dec. 21, 5:30 p.m., Main Library
Experience the fun of an interactive movie, where you don’t just watch the film—you join in! Shouting out lines and other silliness are encouraged.

Teen Gingerbread Party (ages 12-18)
Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m., Main Library
Hang out in the Cafe and decorate gingerbread cookies.

STORYTIMES

Where the Wild Books Are (grades 2-5)
Fridays, Dec. 1 & 15-22, 4 p.m., Main Library
Registration not required, but recommended.

Babymime Storytime (birth-23 months)
Thursdays, Dec. 7-21, 10:15 a.m. OR 1 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

Listen in the Library Storytime (birth-age 5)
Thursdays, Dec. 7-21, 4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

Afternoon Storytime (birth-age 5)
Thursdays, Dec. 7 & 21-28, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

Winter Storytime (birth-age 5)
Sunday, Dec. 10, 2 p.m., Main Library
Enjoy singing, dancing, and crafting with friends from the Ecumenical Youth Ministry Project and Explorers Playgroup. Registration not required, but recommended.

Babies in the Library (birth-23 months)
Tuesdays, Dec. 12 & 26, 11 a.m., Main Library
Babies meet babies! Songs, language activities, and board books will be introduced. No registration.

Familytime (birth-age 5)
Wednesdays, Dec. 13-27, 10:30 a.m., Main Library
No registration.

December Storytime & Craft (ages 2-5)
Thursday, Dec. 14, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave Branch
We’ll read “The Gingerbread Man” and make a gingerbread magnet.
ADULTS

Murder on Baker Street: Adult Murder Mystery Party
Saturday, Dec. 2, 6:15 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Join us for an after-hours Sherlock-inspired murder mystery.

Creative Aging Panel and Workshop:
Memoir Writing and Printmaking
Sunday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m., Main Library
Enjoy a writer's panel & memoir workshop with The Writer's Circle and a printmaking workshop with Art With All LLC.

Open Level Pilates on the Mat
Tuesdays, Dec. 5-19, 12 p.m., Zoom
In this virtual series, participants will strengthen their core, pelvic floor, balance, and posture.

Nutrition for Older Adults
Wednesday, Dec. 6, 11 a.m., Main Library
Good nutrition is important, but as we age the nutrient needs change. Presented with Hackensack Meridian Mountainside Medical Center.

Adult Craft: Decorate a Mini Gingerbread House
Saturday, Dec. 9, 3:30 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
All supplies will be provided.

Make a Festive Ornament
Tuesday, Dec. 12, 5 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Use clear plastic balls to make a festive ornament. All supplies will be provided.

Senior Cardio Stretch
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 12 p.m., Main Library
A low-impact cardio and stretch dance class geared toward seniors. Presented by Beyond the Boogie Dance Company.

Women and Money Roundtable:
How to Make Sense of Today’s Financial Markets
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1 p.m., Zoom
A lively discussion on today’s financial markets and how they might fit into your portfolio.

Teachable Moments Book Club
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 6 p.m., Main Library
"Saving Ruby King" and "The Two Lives of Sara" by Catherine Adel West. The author will be joining us!

Queer Lit Club - with Out Montclair
Monday, Dec. 18, 6 p.m., Zoom
Thursday, Dec. 28, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
“Gideon the Ninth” by Tamsyn Muir
Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6 p.m., Main Library
“The Color Purple” by Alice Walker

Drop-in Health Screenings
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Main Library
Free blood pressure & glucose screenings. No registration.

Highlights from the Adult School Dept.
See all classes and register at www.adultschool.org.
Montclair residents receive a 50% discount on tuition for classes held at either library branch or online.

Make Your Own Hand-Lettered Holiday Cards
Saturday, Dec. 2, 1 p.m., Main Library
Tuition: $40 | Instructor: Swetha Shenoy
Materials purchased by student approx. $15.

Soy Candlemaking: Gifts for the Holidays
Tuesday, Dec. 5, 5:30 p.m., Main Library
Tuition: $35 | Instructor: Corin Wright
Materials fee $25.

Scenes from “Exit West”: Play Reading with Luna Stage
Tuesday, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m., Main Library
Tuition: Free | Instructor: Ari Laura Kreith

The Hamas Incursion of Southern Israel
Wednesday, Dec. 6, 6:30 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Tuition: $20 | Instructor: Pierre Fabian, former United Nations Communications Director

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