SUMMER 2024
YOUTH & TEEN PROGRAMS

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For outdoor programs, hats, sunscreen, and a towel to sit on are recommended.

Play-Doh Programs (ages 2-5)
Mondays, July 1-Aug. 26, 10:30 a.m., Main Library
No registration.
Tuesdays, July 9, 23 & Aug. 6, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave Branch
Registration required.

Summer Lunch at MPL (ages 17 and under)
Weekdays, July 1-Aug. 23, 12-2 p.m., Main Library (Cafe)
Pick up a healthy brown-bag lunch (while supplies last).
We cannot accommodate special diets or food allergen restrictions.
In partnership with Toni’s Kitchen.

Free Play Social Time (birth-age 5)
Tuesdays, July 2, 16 & 30, 10:30 a.m., Bellevue Ave Branch
No registration.

Estimulación Musical para la Primera Infancia (birth-24 months)
Wednesdays, July 3 & Aug 7, 10:30 am, Bellevue Ave Branch
Saturdays, July 20 & Aug 17, 11 a.m., Main Library
Muévete al ritmo de la música mientras aprendes con tu bebé.

Spin the Wheel Wednesdays (ages 17 and under)
Wednesdays, July 3-Aug. 28, 11 a.m.–7 p.m., Main Library
Stop by the Children’s Room to log your summer reading and spin the big wheel to win a small prize.

Baby Hang Out (birth-age 1)
Fridays, July 5-Aug. 30, 10:30–11:30 a.m., Main Library
Books and toys will be provided. No registration.

Creative Writing Workshop (ages 8+)
Wednesdays, July 10 & 24 and Aug. 7, 3:30 p.m.,
Bellevue Ave. Branch
Participate in free writes and prompt writing, and share your work.

Tim Hoh’s Music: Family Style Rock n’ Roll (all ages)
Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m., Main Library
Enjoy upbeat kindie rock with some dad jokes thrown in!
Registration recommended.

Music & Movement (ages 2-5)
Wednesdays, July 17-24 and Tuesdays, Aug. 6 & 20, 11 a.m.,
Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)
Friday, July 19, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)
Be ready to get active in a program full of songs and dance.

Tween Yoga (ages 8-14)
Thursday, July 18, 4 p.m., Main Library
Bring your own towel or mat.

Wiggles & Giggles with Miss Bee (birth-age 5)
Wednesdays, July 24 & Aug. 14, 11 a.m., Main Library
Join Miss Bee for children’s songs. Kids will use rhythm sticks, scarves, and other fun instruments and props.

Super Bubble Fun Time (ages 2-9)
Thursday, July 25, 3 OR 3:30 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Enjoy an amazing bubble show, then play games and dance.

Reading Magic Show (ages 4+)
Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m., Main Library
IslandMagic will mesmerize with card tricks, mind games, and white doves in this Caribbean-infused show. Registration recommended.
Puppet Time (all ages)
Saturday, July 27, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)
Join Cordelia and the cast of Puppet Time for a show!

Boogie Bounce: Hip Hop Dance for Kids (ages 8-12)
Sunday, Aug. 11, 2 p.m., Main Library
Kids will learn Hip Hop dance movements in a fun-filled environment. Presented by Beyond the Boogie. Registration recommended.

Hour of Code: Code & Go Mouse (ages 4-6)
Wednesday, Aug. 21, 4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Use logic and reasoning to help a mouse navigate a 3-D maze. No computers used.

End of Summer Party: Tie-Dye Bagel Party
Friday, Aug. 23, 10 a.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Plaza)
Tie-dye your own canvas pouch and eat a tie-dye bagel as we celebrate the end of summer.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Color Together (ages 4+)
Tuesdays, July 2, 16 & 30 and Aug. 20, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Join a group coloring project using crayons, colored pencils, and markers. Registration recommended.

Itty Bitty Artists (ages 2-6)
Wednesday, July 10, 1 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Decorate your own windchime! Dress appropriately—we will be using paints that do NOT wash off clothing.

Afternoon Art (ages 4-10)
Thursdays, July 11-Aug. 22, 4-5 p.m., Main Library
Drop in every Thursday to create! Supplies and ideas will be plentiful. No registration.

Hand Sewing Workshop: Felt Lanterns (ages 7-11)
Thursday, July 11, 4:30 p.m., Main Library

Sew It! D&D Dice Bag (ages 10-18)
Wednesday, July 17, 2 p.m., Main Library
Sew your own dice bag on a sewing machine.

Summer Flower Felt Craft (ages 10-14)
Friday, July 19, 2 p.m., Main Library
Make your own felt flower hair barrette.

Drop-in Craft Time: Make a Bracelet (ages 4+)
Monday, July 22, 3-4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Registration recommended.

STEM Craft: Design & Create an Airplane (ages 4+)
Monday, Aug. 5, 3-4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

BOOK CLUBS

Picnic Pages: A Silent Book Club (ages 8-12)
Wednesdays, July 3, 17 & 31, 12 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)
Bring something to read and something to sit on! You can also grab a free lunch provided by Toni’s Kitchen. Weather permitting. Registration recommended.

Codebreakers Reading Club (ages 6+)
Tuesdays, July 9–Aug. 20, 4 p.m., Main Library
Explore our collection of decodable books and make new friends. Registration recommended.

Queer Reads for Teens (ages 12-18)
Fridays, July 12 & Aug. 9, 4:30 p.m., Main Library
July - “How to Excavate a Heart” by Jake Maia Arlow
Aug - Title TBD, join now to help us pick.

Between the Pages Book Club (entering grades 2-3)
Tuesdays, July 23 & Aug 13, 3:30 pm, Bellevue Ave Branch
July - “Game Over, Super Rabbit Boy” by Thomas Flintham
Aug - “Layla and the Bots: Built for Speed” by Vicky Fang
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<td><strong>Bingo for Kids (ages 5+)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Mondays, July 15 &amp; 29 and Aug. 19, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch - Registration recommended.</td>
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<td><strong>Dungeons and Dragons (ages 8-16)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Thursdays, July 18-Aug. 29, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch&lt;br&gt;This multi-week series is designed to maximize fun for all levels, from first-time players to experienced adventurers.</td>
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<td><strong>Baby Olympics (birth-age 5)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Wednesday, July 31, 10:30 am, Bellevue Ave Branch (Lawn)&lt;br&gt;Kids will race, topple block towers, and lift teddies to see who will take home the gold.</td>
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<td><strong>Pokémon Tween Trivia (ages 8-12)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2 p.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;Put your Pokémon trivia skills to the test—we’ll have swag and prizes.</td>
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<td><strong>Life-Size Clue (ages 8-14)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Monday, Aug. 12, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch&lt;br&gt;We’ll be playing Clue, but we’re the game pieces!</td>
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<td><strong>Gaming @ the Library (ages 12-18)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Wednesday, Aug. 14, 4:30 p.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;Hang out and play a variety of Switch games. We’ll have consoles and controllers, but feel free to bring your own.</td>
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<td><strong>Unique Creatures: Live Animal Show (ages 5+)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Saturday, July 13, 11 a.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;See a selection of critters such as armadillos, skunks, spiders, kookaburras, and kinkajous. Registration recommended.</td>
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<td><strong>Visit Catfé Montclair (ages 12-18)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Saturday, July 13, 11 a.m., Catfé Montclair&lt;br&gt;Hang out at a cat café and meet their adorable kitties.</td>
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<td><strong>Michelangelo the Miniature Therapy Horse (ages 4+)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Wednesday, Aug. 7, 11 a.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;Meet a miniature horse and learn about his job. Registration recommended.</td>
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<td><strong>All about Owls (ages 5-10)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Saturday, Aug. 10, 11 a.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;The Raptor Trust will teach kids about these nocturnal birds of prey. Adult accompaniment required.</td>
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<td><strong>Animal Habitats with Turtle Back Zoo (ages 5-10)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Wednesday, Aug. 21, 11 a.m., Main Library&lt;br&gt;Kids will explore the concept of habitats and meet some animal ambassadors.</td>
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**STORYTIMES**

**Storytimes at Local Parks (birth to pre-K)**  
Time: 10:30 a.m. No registration.  
Nishuane Park: Tuesdays, July 2 & 23 and Aug. 13  
Brookdale Park: Tuesdays, July 9 & 30 and Aug. 20  
Fridays, July 19 and Aug. 2 & 16  
Edgemont Park: Tuesdays, July 16 and Aug. 6 & 27

**Familytime (birth-age 5)**  
Wednesdays, July 3, 17 & 31 and Aug. 28, 10:30 a.m.,  
Main Library - No registration.

**Summer Reading Storytimes (ages 2-5)**  
Jungle Adventure: Saturday, July 6 OR Friday, July 12  
Ocean Adventure: Saturday, July 20 OR Friday, July 26  
3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)  
Enjoy adventure-themed stories, activities, and songs. Weather permitting. Registration recommended.

**Babies in the Library (birth-23 months)**  
Wednesdays, July 10 and Aug. 7, 10:30 a.m.,  
Main Library - No registration.

**Babyme Storytime (birth-23 months)**  
Thursdays, July 11–18 and Aug. 1–15,  
10:15 a.m. OR 1 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

**Listen in the Library Storytime (birth-age 5)**  
Thursdays, July 11–18 and Aug. 1–15, 11 a.m.,  
Bellevue Ave. Branch

**Afternoon Storytime (birth-age 5)**  
Thursdays, Aug. 1 & 22, 3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch

**Pirate Storytime (ages 5-7)**  
Monday, July 22, 4:30 p.m., Main Library - No registration.

**Fun Fact Friday (ages 3-6)**  
Friday, Aug. 16, 4 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)  
Learn about rainbows in this storytime and craft.

**Bedtime Stories (birth-age 5)**  
Thursday, Aug. 22, 6:15 p.m., Main Library  
Wear your PJs and bring a stuffed animal. No registration.
SUMMER 2024
ADULT PROGRAMS

Monday Matinees - Adventure!
Mondays, July 8 & July 22–Aug. 26, 2 p.m., Main Library
No registration.
July 8 - “Nope” (2022, R)
July 22 - “Dune” (2021, PG-13)
July 29 - “Moonrise Kingdom” (2012, PG-13)
Aug. 5 - “LOTR: Fellowship of the Ring” (2001, PG-13)
Aug. 12 - “Jurassic Park” (1993, PG-13)
Aug. 26 - “Scooby-Doo” (2002, PG)

Montclair Community Farm Stand
Wednesdays, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
July 3, 17 & 31 and Aug. 14 & 28, Main Library (Plaza)
July 10 & 24 and Aug. 7 & 21, Bellevue Ave. Branch (Plaza)
Purchase organic, locally grown, affordable produce. SNAP and FMNP participants can benefit from the Good Food Bucks Program and double their spending power. No registration.

Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program
(for parents and caregivers)
Wednesdays, July 10–Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m., Main Library
During this 10-week series, explore healthy recipes, how to save on groceries, exercise, and food safety.

D’Italia Programs Present:
A Strong Unbroken Bond
Thursday, July 11, 2 p.m., Main Library

One-on-One Tech Support Sessions with mGAP
Wednesdays, July 3–Aug. 28, 10:30 am–12 pm, Main Library

Exercise with Mobility Clubs
Mondays, July 8–29, 10:15 a.m., Bellevue Ave Branch (Lawn)
Strengthen your body and mind with low impact, functional movements.

How to Be Sustainable?
Tuesday, July 9, 5:30 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Learn how you can be sustainable in your own home.
With Montclair Climate Action.

Diamond Paint Your Own Coaster
Tuesday, July 16, 5 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
All materials provided.

Yarn-a-Round
Tuesday, July 9, 6 p.m., Main Library
Bring your knitting or crochet projects and craft together.
Registration recommended.

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Anime Spectre
Thursdays, July 11 & Aug. 15, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
We’ll watch the first 3 episodes of a different anime each month and discuss over snacks.

Summer Hiking Club
Friday, July 12, 10 a.m., Eagle Rock Reservation
Friday, Aug. 9, 10 a.m., Mills Reservation
Join a small, easy, guided hike. A waiver is required.

The MILL @ MPL
Tuesdays, July 16–Aug. 13 and Fridays, July 19–Aug. 16, 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., Main Library
Register through the MILL. Made possible through a partnership with the MILL and Partners for Health.

Women and Money Roundtable
Wednesday, July 17 & Aug. 14, 1 p.m., Zoom

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Spice Club 101: Culinary Adventure
Wednesdays, July 17 and Aug. 14, 4:30 p.m., Bellevue
In this new club, the Library will prepare a spice kit for pick up which we will discuss the following month.

Chess and Coffee ☕️
Thursdays, July 18-Aug. 29, 2-4 p.m., Main Library
Enjoy drop-in open play. No guided instruction. Registration recommended.

Safe Streets Project Film Screening
Tuesday, July 23, 6 p.m., Main Library
Bike and Walk Montclair will screen “The Street Project,” about the citizen-led fight for safer streets. Discussion to follow.

The Bloodwood Masquerade: Adult Murder Mystery
Saturday, July 27, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
An after-hours murder mystery set in a masquerade ball.

Wilderness Survival Trivia Night
Friday, Aug. 2, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Show off your survival knowledge.

The Essential Role of Sleep & Promoting Well-Being
Monday, Aug. 12, 12 p.m., Main Library
By Hackensack Meridian Mountainside Medical Center.

Tie-Dye Fun Craft
Tuesday, Aug. 13, 5 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Create beautiful patterns on tea towels.

Honey Heist: An RPG Adventure
Friday, Aug. 16, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Join a one-shot adventure game about an epic heist.

Drop-in Wellness Screening: Blood Pressure & Glucose
Tuesday, Aug 20, 11 am–1 pm, Main Library - No registration

Drop-in Surprise Craft
Tuesday, Aug. 20, 5 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Decorate a wind chime, tote bag, or something unexpected. Registration recommended.

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

Creative Writing Day Camp
Tuesday–Thursday, July 9–11, 12:30 p.m., Main Library
Tuition: $69 (3 sessions) | Instructor: Marian Calabro

Introduction to Japanese Flower Arranging
Thursdays, July 11–25, 6:30 p.m., Montclair Tutoring Ctr
Tuition: $95 (3 sessions) | Instructor: Laurie Kroll
Materials purchased by student approx. $30.

Travel and Documentary Photography
Saturdays, July 13–20, 11 a.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Tuition: $59 (2 sessions) | Instructor: Joanna Madloch

“The We Hold These Truths”: The Lasting Impact of the Declaration of Independence
Thursday, July 18, 5:15 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
Free | Instructor: Steve Golin

I Hear America Singing - A Free Outdoor Concert
Thursday, July 18, 7 p.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch (Lawn)
Free | Performers: Elle Zambarano, Jamie Goodson

BOOK CLUBS

Teachable Moments Book Club
Wednesday, July 10, 6 p.m., Main Library
“Mrs. Wiggins” by Mary Monroe

The Everything Book Club
Tues, July 16, 1 p.m., Main OR Wed, July 17, 7 p.m., Zoom
“Garlic and Sapphires” by Ruth Reichl

Queer Lit Club - with Out Montclair
Tuesdays, July 23 and Aug 20, 6 pm, Bellevue Ave Branch
July - “Thank You for Sharing” by Rachel Runya Katz
Aug - “A Memory Called Empire” by Arkady Martine

Travel and Documentary Photography
Thursdays, July 25 and Aug. 22, 6 p.m., Main Library
July - “Swimming in the Dark” by Tomasz Jedrowski
Aug - “Cinema Love” by Jiaming Tang

The Corner Book Club
Thursday, July 25, 11 a.m., Bellevue Ave. Branch
“The Last Thing He Told Me” by Laura Dave

Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursdays, July 25 & Aug. 22, 6 p.m., Bellevue Ave Branch
July - “On a Sunbeam” by Tillie Walden
Aug - “Seek You: A Journey through American Loneliness” by Kristen Radtke

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