



Mount Laurel
Library

Newsletter and Program Guide

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ADULTS

2nd Sunday Concert Series Featuring: Soprano Sungji Kim

Sunday, November 9, 2PM

Soprano Sungji Kim has earned acclaim from critics with her sincere musicality and attractive stage presence. She will perform famous opera arias and beautiful tunes. She will be accompanied by pianist Joseph Krupa. No registration required

Saturday Matinee: The Friend Saturday, November 1 1PM-3:15PM

The Friend (2025) is a story about healing, love, and friendship. Iris (Naomi Watts) is a writer and teacher whose comfortable New York City life is upended when her mentor and friend Walter (Bill Murray) bequeaths her his Great Dane. R. 1hr 59min. Free popcorn and snacks provided. No registration required.

Mah Jong Tuesday, November 18, 25 1PM

Mahjong is a fun and popular tile-based game of strategy, skill, and lots of luck. Some experience recommended. Bring your National Mahjong League 2025 card and a mahjong set (if you have one). No registration required.

Informational Talk: Medicare Thursday, November 13, 2PM

Nina Delong, a counselor with New Jersey's State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) will speak about the different parts of Medicare as well as the Medicare Savings Programs and other assistance for any Medicare beneficiaries. This presentation will help those with Medicare learn more about how it works and how to help with the costs. No registration required.

Knit and Crochet Monday, November 3,10,17,24 6:30PM Wednesday, November 5,12,19,26 1PM Friday November 7,14,21 1PM

Like to Knit or Crochet? Come and join this friendly group. Beginners to experts are welcome. Please bring your own materials. No registration required.

Spill the Tea: An Open Mic Night Wednesday November 12, 6PM-8PM

Join us for an evening of spoken word, poetry, storytelling, comedy, performance, and song. Recite an original work, one by a favorite poet, or simply come to listen. Share your thoughts, open your heart, bring your words to the mic, and spill the tea on everything from the mundane to the profound. Free tea and snacks provided. No registration required. Performer sign-ups sheet available at the event. Musicians, please bring your own instruments.

**The Library will be CLOSED Tuesday, Nov. 4, Tuesday, Nov. 11,
Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28.
We will close early at 5PM on Wednesday, Nov. 26.**

The meeting rooms will be OPEN for voting on November 4th, 2025

Library Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:30am - 9pm, Fri. 9:30am-7pm, Sat. 9:30am - 5pm, Sun. 12noon-5pm
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Crystal Bowl Sound Bath Meditation Sounds in the Leaves

Tuesday, November 18 7PM

Join us for an immersive sound bath meditation in an hour of harmonic crystal bowl sound frequencies for mind, body, and soul healing, combined with the ambience of Autumn foliage that will soothe away your stress and anxieties. Chairs will be available for those who choose not to lie down on the floor. Registration required.

Film Forum: *Virtual Killers of the Flower Moon

Thursday, November 6, 7PM

First Cow

Thursday, November 20, 7PM

Hosted by Paul Howe. Registration required. You will receive a zoom link before the event.

Strength & Conditioning *Virtual

Saturdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22 11:30AM

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17 6PM

Join Harman Ransi in his beginner-friendly resistance training course. The class will teach fundamental stretches and weighted exercises to build flexibility and muscle. Registration required. You will receive a Zoom link before.

ESL Conversation Class with NJ Literacy

Wednesdays November 5, 12, 19 6PM-8PM

This class is for upper-level beginner to lower-level intermediate learners. To register for free classes through NJ Literacy, please fill out an application on their website at <https://literacynj.org/become-a-student/?county=Burlington>, or text them at 609-388-1506. They will contact you and place you in an appropriate class for your learning level. This class is for adults only (18+).#

Magic the Gathering Night

Thursday, November 6, 6PM

New and experienced players welcome. Commander has been the most popular format for experienced players at these events. New players can borrow a starter deck and learn the game - a librarian will be available to teach you the rules. Registration not required.



Dungeons & Dragons

Thursdays, November 6, 13, 20 6PM

Come and join one of the adventures in the original roleplaying game. 5E ruleset. New and experienced players welcome. Registration required.



Book Chat *Virtual Harlem Rhapsody

Wednesday, November 19 7PM

Join us for a lively book discussion on Zoom. Please check our online events calendar or call the Information Desk for the book we are discussing this month.

Registration required. You will receive a zoom link before the event.

Music Program: Cab Calloway *Virtual Thursday, November 13, 7PM

A listening party in honor of the great jazz personality. We'll listen to tracks that display his skills as a vocalist, scat-singer, comedian, bandleader, and talent scout. Join us for a full dose of Hi-De-Hi-De-Ho! Hosted by Paul Howe. Registration required. You will receive a zoom link before the event.



Yin Yoga

Wednesdays, November 5, 19 7PM

Join us for a beginner-friendly yoga class led by Monica Walsh. Monica's yoga is focused on restorative principles, with an emphasis on relieving stress and muscular tension, and maximizing range of movement. This is a very meditative style of yoga. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one - a small number will be available to borrow. Registration required.



Chess Club

Saturday, November 1, 15, 29 2PM

Come play Chess at the library! New and experienced players welcome. We'll provide chess boards, but feel free to bring your own if you like. Registration not required.

Mindful Meditation *Virtual

Wednesdays, November 5, 19 10AM

Saturday, November 22 10:30AM

Join an experienced meditation instructor and relax your mind and body. This program will be conducted on Zoom. Registration required. You will receive a link to the meeting a day prior to the event.



Tai Chi for Health *Virtual

Wednesdays, Nov. 5, 12, 19 4PM

Certified instructor Bob Stanton teaches tai chi, a gentle exercise that can improve muscle tone, flexibility, and coordination. It can be done sitting or standing. Registration required. You will receive a Zoom link the day before the event.

ADULTS



New Tabletop Magnifier

The library now has a new tabletop magnifier for patrons with low vision. The magnifier is located in the quiet study area. For help with the magnifier, please see a staff member at the Information Desk. Thanks to the Friends of the Library for this generous purchase!



Movie Club *Virtual Films of Jonathan Demme

Tuesday November 18, 7PM

Castoffs: Casting That Almost Happened

Tuesday, November 25, 7PM

Hosted by Irv Slifkin. Registration required. You will receive a zoom link before the event.



Silent Book Club

Mondays, November 3, 17 6:30PM

Are you looking for a cozy spot to read in companionable silence? The first half hour will be set aside to share and socialize; the next hour will be quiet reading. We will provide comfortable seating and refreshments. No registration required.

Foreign Film: The Man in the White Suit

Sunday, November 16, 1-4PM

A brilliant yet unassuming chemist (Alec Guinness) unveils a new fabric that never dirties or decays—a discovery that threatens to upend the established order of industry and labor. As corporate titans and union forces unite to halt his marvel, his journey morphs into a satirical chase, playfully critiquing a society unwilling to embrace radical change. 85 min. In English. 1951. Not rated. Hosted by Irv Slifkin. No registration required.



Book Club: The Keeper of Stories

Saturday, November 8, 1PM

Please join us for a discussion of The Keeper of Stories by Sally Page. This group meets every six weeks and the book for the next discussion will be passed out at this meeting, if you would like to borrow a copy. Newcomers are always welcome. No registration required.



Bogart Film Series: Deadline USA

Friday November 7 1PM-4PM

No registration required. Hosted by Irv Slifkin.



Scrabble Club

Tuesday, November 25 6PM

Join us for an enjoyable and engaging evening of Scrabble, perfect for word game enthusiasts of all skill levels. Participants will play in groups of up to four people. Scrabble boards and all necessary materials will be provided. Bring your friends or make new connections while enjoying a friendly game of Scrabble! No registration.

Adult Craft: Sock Snowman

Saturday November 8, 2PM

Winter is coming! Let's get into the winter spirit by making a snowman plush. In this craft we'll make a snowman decoration from a sock. The Library will provide all supplies. Registration required.

ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES

Note that the library does not provide respite care; caregivers are required to stay with adults who need them. Adults who do not require a caregiver are also welcome to attend. Ages 18+ only.

Arts & Crafts for Adults with Disabilities

Wednesday, November 5 10:30AM

Tuesday, November 18, 10:30AM

Fun arts & crafts class designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We may be using materials such as clay and paint that can get messy, so please wear appropriate clothing! Registration required.



Music for Adults with Disabilities

Monday, November 24 10:30AM

Join Mr. Jim Gaven for a fun, interactive music program designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will include sing-a-longs, guided percussion activities, and sign language through song. Registration required (please register participants only; no need to register caregivers).

KIDS EVENTS

Some events require registration. Some events require registration WITH a current Mount Laurel Library card. Please check the descriptions in advance to determine what you will need to participate. Many children's programs are designed for children and accompanying adults. Please plan to attend and be engaged with your child for these programs. Drop-offs will not be permitted.



Storytimes

Babies ages 0 – 18 months:

Friday, November 14 10:30AM

Toddlers ages 18 months – 3 years:

Tuesday, November 18, 25 10:30AM

Preschoolers ages 3 – 5 years:

Wed., November 5, 12, 19, 26 10:30AM

Family all ages:

Saturday, November 8, 22 10:30AM

La Hora del Cuento (Storytime in Spanish):

Tuesday, November 25 4:30PM

La Hora del Cuento (Storytime in Spanish):

Friday, November 7, 21 11:30AM

中文双语故事时间

(Chinese Bilingual Storytime):

Saturday, November 8 4PM

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes as we explore a new theme every week! No registration required.



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Youth Services

Mock Election

Sunday, November 2 12PM

Come out to the Library to vote for who you think should be the mascot for the Library's Youth Services Department! Students can get a taste of what an election is like in this fun mock election to see who will represent the Youth Service Department. In the running are Penny the Pangolin, running for the Mammal Party; Alex the Axolotl, running for the Amphibian Party; and Laura the Lizard, running for the Reptile Party. Want a say in who will win? Come out and vote on November 2 from 12-4pm! No registration required.



Living with Wildlife

(with Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge)

Thursday, November 20 3PM

From the birds at our feeder, to the deer in our local park, or the raccoon running along the street, wildlife is everywhere. Students will learn why many wildlife populations are in decline, why others are on the rise and why we should care. Let's get acquainted with our wild neighbors! This program includes live animals. Best for ages 9 and up. Registration required for kids (no need to register accompanying adults).

Children's Concert with Two of a Kind

Monday, November 24 2PM

David and Jenny Heitler-Klevans of TWO OF A KIND love bringing people together and building community through music. Their beautiful harmonies accompanied by David's powerful, rhythmic guitar playing and Jenny's multi-ethnic percussion instruments create magic on stage. TWO OF A KIND presents concerts for people of all ages, including songs, puppets, movement, and stories – all with an emphasis on interaction and participation. Best for ages 5–10. Registration required for kids (no need to register accompanying adults).



Kids' Movie Time

Tuesday, November 25 11:30AM

Join us in the craft room for an open-house style movie! This program is perfect for kids and their caretakers, and is a great way for little kids to practice being in a movie theater! No registration required.



Baby & Me Meetup

Friday, November 7, 21 10:30AM

An informal, unstructured meetup for caregivers and babies. Bring your coffee and snacks and chat with other caregivers about the joys and challenges of raising babies — or about whatever you'd like! We will provide developmentally appropriate toys and books to play with. Older siblings are welcome. We ask, however, that you only attend this program if you have a baby between the ages 0 – 18 months. No registration required.

KIDS



Kids Art Workshop

Tuesday, November 18 4PM

Join Ms. Susan for another amazing art class where we will learn about a famous artist and then put our creativity to work with an art project inspired by their original work. This program is appropriate for kids aged 8-13. Registration required.



Whatcha Readin'?

Saturday, November 22 11AM

Attention 2nd, 3rd and 4th readers! Join Ms. Molly in the Craft Room the last Saturday of each month for a small, relaxed book club where we get to talk about the books we are reading, our favorites we read repeatedly, the ones we disliked so much that we had put them down or discover new titles from others in the group. There is no required book to read. Registration required.

Yoga for Kids

Wednesday, November 5, 19 4:15PM

This 45-minute yoga class is designed for kids ages 6 – 8 years old. Students will build strength, balance, and flexibility while promoting body awareness and self-confidence. This class features adaptations like lower lighting, smaller class size, a visual schedule, and fidget toys/tools. Registration required. Please bring a mat or towel if possible.



Move & Groove

Monday, November 3, 10, 17, 24 10:30AM

Does your little one love to dance, sing, and move? Designed for ages 18 months – 5 years old, this program will give kids a chance to learn new dance moves and get active! No registration required.

Tumblin' Tots

Thursday, November 13, 20 10:30AM and 11:15AM

A fun and energetic movement class designed especially for ages 2.5 – 5 years old. Registration with library card required.

Caregiver & Me Yoga

Friday, November 7, 21 10:30AM

Connect with your child through yoga! This class incorporates yoga poses, breathing techniques, music, and games in a safe and engaging way. The class is open to children of all abilities, ages 2 – 5 years old. Please bring a mat or towel if possible and come prepared to have fun! Registration for children required (no need to register accompanying)

Paws for Reading

Saturday November 1, 8 11AM, 11:15AM, 11:30AM, 11:45AM



Sunday, November 16 2PM, 2:15PM, 2:30PM, 2:45PM

Practice your reading skills with a captive canine audience in a private setting. Bring your favorite book from home or arrive early to choose a book from the Library's collection. Grades K – 4. Please note, sessions are in 15-minute blocks. Registration required.



Art Time

Sunday, November 2 2PM

Miss Susan combines Art History, Literature, Science, and maybe even a little Math! Participants will be exposed to a variety of artists, mediums, and techniques. No experience or supplies necessary! This is a school-aged program for grades Kindergarten and up. A library card is required to register for this event.



Tots Art Time

Thursday, November 6, 20 10:30AM

An art class for the little ones to enjoy with parents and caregivers. Designed for ages 18 months – 3 years old. Registration with library card required.

TEENS & TWEENS

First Chapter Friday

Friday, November 7 All day

In the mood for a twisty mystery? Join Ms. Carrie for a reading from the first chapter of *Split Second*, by Janae Marks, a story about friendship, regrets, and... time travel! This program will be available on our YouTube account starting November 7!

Curbside Crafts - All month long

This month, we're crafting paper pumpkins. Kits will be available on the table outside of the Youth Services office, starting November 1st.



Which Would Win? - All month long

This month we're hoping to solve a delicious dilemma, which would win: macaroni and cheese from the box, or homemade? Stop by the alcove near juvenile non-fiction to cast your vote and make your voice heard.

Drawing Board - All month long

Visit the Drawing Board in the juvenile section for step-by-step drawing tutorials. For November, we're fighting the crime of boredom by drawing DOGMAN! Stop by the circulation desk for drawing supplies. When you are finished, you can either take your drawing home with you or turn it into the Information Desk to be hung on the Drawing Board. No registration required.

Literary Horoscope - All month long

See what the stars have in store for you, dear reader. Full horoscopes with reading recommendations are available on the slat wall in the teen section. Appropriate for readers ages 14+. No registration required.



2025: A Year of Holidays All month long

Located on the wall next to circulation (across from the Holds Shelf), this is a monthly calendar that tells you how to celebrate each day. Celebrate 10 days in a month and collect a small prize. No registration required.



Creative Collage Art

Sunday, November 2 3:30PM

We often think that "breaking" means the uselessness of value, but this art class invites you to look at it from a different perspective: "Fragmentation" is precisely the starting point of "rebirth." You will learn how to use any materials with texture and stories, such as old magazines, discarded fabrics, and old letters, to create a unique and personally meaningful artwork through cutting, collaging and reassembling. Registration required.

Friends Corner

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time before, during and after our Book Sale. Also thank you to all the customers who came and purchased books and those of you who donated books. Together, all of you helped make this sale a great success.

The money collected from past book sales has been used to buy the room separator for the room that is used for our book sale as well as tables, chairs and umbrellas located to the right of the entranceway. Each year money from the book sales goes to purchase Hoopla, museum passes. Our most recent donation was used to buy 10 hot spots and the software to use them.

