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WINTER
2024-25

Winter 2024-25: December, January, February

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PEACE Park Grand Opening!

SUN - FEB 16 - 3 PM

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Do you need an ASL interpreter for a program? Email bgulyas@heightslibrary.org or call (216) 321-3400.



Do you need another accommodation? Call us at (216) 932-3600, ext. 1277.

Here For You, Wherever You Are!



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WINTER MEGA BOOK SALE

At the Lee Road Branch during regular library hours.

FRI • DEC 6 – SUN • DEC 8

Members Only*
Special Preview Night
Thurs, Dec 5–8:45 pm

*memberships available at the door for \$10

SUNDAY CLEARANCE SALE Fill-A-Bag for \$5

- Books, CDs & Audio Books-\$1
- Mass Market Paperbacks-10/\$1
- Children's & Teen Books-2/\$1

Huge Selection of New Offerings
Sets & "Specials" as marked
info@friendsheightslibraries.org



DRIVE-THROUGH MOBILE PANTRY

5–7 PM • DEC 23, JAN 27, FEB 24

Free Fresh PRODUCE

FREE fresh produce drive-through pick up at the Lee Road Branch for families and individuals in need. Must be 18 years or older. Please bring a photo ID and make sure your car trunk is clean. First come, first served. Rain or shine.

For questions call 216-932-3600 x 1275.



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Coventry PEACE Park Ribbon Cutting

Sunday, February 16, 2025
3:00–4:00 p.m.



The Big Day is finally here! Join us to celebrate the grand re-opening of the Coventry PEACE Park! Take a ride down the new Cardinal slide and warm up with hot chocolate and winter fun!

Afterward, we'll be partying at the Grog Shop with the Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries, to raise the final funds for this accessible community gathering place.

FOR ALL AGES

FOR 16+



PETER/WENDY

by jeremy bloom
dec 6 - 29, 2024

DOBAMA THEATRE

THE HOT WING KING

by katori hall
jan 24 - feb 16, 2025



pulitzer prize winner 2021

pay-what-you-can tickets available for all performances.
contact the box office for details.

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FAMILY CONNECTIONS

Strong Families Build Strong Communities



Use this QR code to register for any Family Connections Programs

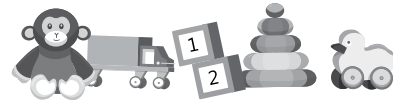
In Person Programs

Family Playrooms

Family Connections playroom sessions are a free program for families with children birth to 6 and are designed to support early childhood development, build community, and make connections through interactive caregiver-child play. Registration is required – see QR code

Mondays 10 am–12 pm and 3:30 pm–5:30 pm

Tuesdays 3:30 pm–5:30 pm and 5–7 pm



Baby & Me

Join us in our Family Playroom for a free, weekly program dedicated to parents and caregivers with babies, 0 – 12 months. Get acquainted, gain information, share experiences, and find support from each other and our Family Support Specialist. Registration is required – see QR code

Wednesdays 10 am–12 pm

Virtual Programs on Zoom

Beyond Baby & M.

Join us for a free parent chat from the comfort of your home. Drop in/hop on after you get the kids to bed to share the joys and challenges of raising brilliant and boisterous young children. Registration is required – see QR code

Thursdays, 8:30 pm via Zoom

Music with Marisa on Zoom

Family Connections and Marisa are excited to bring you a free virtual music class for children ages birth to 6 years and their caregivers. Registration is required – see QR code

Tuesdays 10–10:30 a.m.



Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids

SPARK is a FREE kindergarten readiness program designed for families with preschoolers. Monthly home visits with a SPARK parent partner will bring you fun literacy games, activities, and resources to ensure a smooth transition to kindergarten. Learn what to expect in kindergarten, gather ideas for learning at home, and meet other preschool families to be sure your child is prepared for a strong start in school. Family Connections is the proud provider of SPARK, in partnership with Heights Libraries and Cleveland Heights-University Heights schools. For more information, please call 216-921-2023.

Early Childhood Resource Fair

SUN • JAN 12 • 2-4 PM
AT THE LEE ROAD BRANCH

Please join us for an open house providing information and resources for families with children birth to kindergarten. Childcare centers, preschools and supporting organizations will be in attendance. There will be giveaways and a raffle.



Winter Reading 2025 Bundle Up with Books

JAN 1– JAN 31, ONLINE

Start 2025 with some cozy reading and a chance to win prizes! Read whatever you like. We recommend 20 minutes a day. Log each day you read or complete activities to earn raffle tickets.



Register at heightslibrary.beanstack.org and join the challenge.

Beanstack app is available for iOS and Android. Site name: Heights Libraries(OH)



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ASL Storytime with Liliana Pokorny

Sat, Dec 21, Jan 4, Feb 1, 11 a.m.



Come join deaf storyteller Liliana Pokorny for an ASL storytime. Signing, learning signs and doing crafts are part of this celebration of Deaf Culture. No one is too young or too old to enjoy Liliana's storytimes! An interpreter will be provided. This program is provided with support from a Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Library Grant. **Registration begins two weeks before each event.**

LEE

Peter Pan Book Discussion

Tues, Dec 10, 7 p.m.

In connection with Dobama Theatre's production of *Peter/Wendy* this December, the Library will discuss the beloved children's book *Peter Pan*. **Registration is not required, and the program is open to all ages.**

Sea Shanties! A Work Song Sing-Along

Sat, Jan 25, 2 p.m.

Join us and musician Sheela Das for a musical adventure on the high seas! Learn about shanties and other work songs, make your own pirate flag, play tactile instruments and sing a few Sea Shanties together!

Puzzle Swap

Sunday, Feb 16, 2 p.m.

Tired of doing the same old jigsaw puzzles, but don't want to buy new ones? Come trade with your neighbors! For every puzzle you bring in, select a new-to-you puzzle. Puzzles

may be dropped off in advance at any Lee Road Reference desk or brought to the swap. Please bring only gently used puzzles in the original box, with no missing pieces.

NOBLE

Sunday Movie Matinée

Sunday, 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy cozy movies and snacks.

Dec 8: *Hook* (1991, 145 minutes, PG)

Jan 19: *The Wiz* (1978, 133 minutes, G)

Feb 16: *The Princess Bride* (1987, 98 minutes, PG)

Cocoa Social Hour

Fri, Dec 13, 3:30 p.m.

Stop by Noble on National Cocoa Day to enjoy some cocoa and conversation.

Building a Village

Sat, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8, 10:30 a.m.

Presented by the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland, this recurring event is a safe space for queer parents to build social connections, give and receive support, and "build their village." Parents will have an opportunity to share community, while their children (**ages 10 and under**) participate in age-appropriate social programming.

Community Sound Bath

Thurs, Feb 27, 6:30 p.m.

Immerse yourself in ethereal tones and frequencies with a healing sound bath meditation presented by Spellbound Sounds. Please dress comfortably and show up with an open heart and open mind. **Registration is not required.**

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS**Gingerbread House Challenge****Thurs, Dec 12, 6 p.m.**

Join us for a sticky sweet construction challenge. Do you have what it takes to create a sturdy edible house out of frosting, and graham crackers? Let's find out! **Registration begins Nov 28 at 8 a.m.**

Game Day**Sunday, Dec 29, Jan 19, Feb 16, 1 p.m.**

Friends and families can have a fun time trying out new

Black History Month**ALL AGES****Black History Month Read-In****Tues, Feb 4, 2 p.m. at Noble**

Celebrate the voices of African-American authors! Bring a short selection from an African-American writer to share or be part of the audience and listen to members of the community read their favorites. **Registration for readers will begin in January and will be divided into time blocks by age group.** More information to come!

Living History: Meet Ella Fitzgerald**Wed, Feb 19, 4 p.m. at Lee Road**

Celebrate Black History Month by welcoming a performer from Women in History who will bring to life the accomplishments of Ella Fitzgerald - "The First Lady of Song."

ADULT**Legacy Lens: Black History Month Series****Sat, Feb 1-22, 10 a.m. at Lee Road/STEAM Lab**

A photography series to help people preserve their family history through portraits provided at no cost. Patrons may register for one 20-minute mini session. Patrons will be provided a digital file and one print as an heirloom of their family legacy. **One reservation per household.** No more than eight family members in a photo. **Registration begins Jan 18.**

Researching African American Ancestry**Wed, Feb 5, 2 p.m. at Lee Road**

Join us for an information session on the basics of researching African American ancestry and the genealogy resources available at Heights Libraries. **Registration begins Jan 22.**

games from our collection. **All ages are welcome, but supervision of children is required.**

Bracelet Making Drop-in**Mon, Feb 10, 4 p.m.**

Want to make a cute bracelet for your friend, sibling, or yourself? We have plenty of fun beads and strings to let your creativity run wild.

Library Mini Golf**Wed, Feb 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us after hours for a round of mini golf where the course is the library! **Registration begins Feb 2.**

CHILDREN**Celebrate Black History Month!****Feb 1-28, at Lee Road**

Stop by the Children's Room this month to celebrate Black History. Find a good book and try our scavenger hunt. **Grades K-5.**

Library Afterschool Fun: Crowned- Basquiat Inspired Art**Wed, Feb 5, 4 p.m. at Lee Road**

Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat's work is often recognized by his crown motif. Celebrate your worth and ambition by designing your own crown that reflects your heart and soul. **Grades K-5.**

Book Clubs Celebrating Black Authors**Read with Pride Book Discussion****Wed, Feb 12, 6:30 p.m. at the BottleHouse***Brooms* by Jasmine Walls

This book discussion group is for people who identify as LGBTQIA+ or who want to explore LGBTQIA+ stories and experiences.

Feel-Good Fiction Book Club**Mon, Feb 17, 7 p.m. at Lee Road***The Secret Women* by Sheila Williams**Sci-Fi and Fantasy Book Club****Thurs, Feb 20, 7 p.m. at Lee Road***The Deep* by Rivers Solomon**Storytimes and Programs****For Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers**

Not sure which program is right for your little one? Look for age guidance in **BOLD.**

**WEEKLY STORYTIMES****Baby Bonanza****Mon, Dec 2 - Feb 24, 10 a.m. at Lee****Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 9:30 a.m. at Coventry**

Bring your babies and blankets in for books, bopping and bouncing at this fun lap-sit program. **For babies who are not yet walking.**

Baby Bonanza Stay and Play**Monday, Dec 2 - Feb 24, 10:30 a.m. at Lee**

Stay and socialize after Baby Bonanza.

Baby Rhyme Time Drop In**Fri, Dec 6 - Feb 28, 9 a.m. at University Heights**

Introduce your baby to the joys of storytime. There will be books, bounces, bubbles and Coco the storytime bear! Stay and socialize after storytime. **Ages 0-12 months.**

Waddlers**Thurs, Dec 5 - Feb 27, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. at Lee**

Join us as we sing songs, read stories, do a few rhymes, and engage in playtime. Shaking, jumping, and wiggling are strongly advised. Space is limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Please see a staff person for a ticket before the program begins. **Waddlers is for toddlers who are walking - 30 months.**

Story Stop**Mon, Dec 2, Jan 2, Feb 3, 6:30 p.m. at Coventry****Mon, Dec 2 - Feb 24, 11 a.m. at Lee****Tues, Dec 3 - Feb 25, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. at Lee****Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 10 a.m. at University Heights****Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 10:30 a.m. at Coventry****Fri, Dec 6 - Feb 28, 10:30 a.m. at Noble****Sat, Dec 7 - Feb 21, 10:30 a.m. at Lee**

Hear stories, sing songs, and do a little dancing too. Books, music and movement help develop early literacy skills during our weekly reading adventure. For Lee Road Story Stop-Space is limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Please see a staff person for a ticket before the program begins. **For preschoolers of all ages and abilities.**

Story Stop Stay and Play**Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 11:00 a.m. at Coventry**

Stay after storytime for playtime, crafts, and activities. **For preschoolers of all ages and abilities.**

Exploratory**Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 10:30 a.m. at Noble**

Join us every Wednesday morning for stories, open-ended play, and hands-on exploration. **For preschoolers of all ages and abilities.**

Storycraft**Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 10:30 a.m. at Lee**

Join us for stories, rhymes, and play, followed by an arts and crafts activity. Space is limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Please see a staff person for a ticket before the program begins. **Ages 2-5 years.**

Winter Storytime @ The Library**Fri, Dec 6 - Feb 28, 11 a.m. at University Heights**

Since the weather is cold, we are moving the Walt storytime inside! Join us for stories, movement, and songs! **Ages 2-6 years old.**

SPECIAL PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**Sticky, Sticky, Stuck****Wed, Dec 4-18, 11 a.m. at University Heights**

Who says being stuck is a bad thing. Stop by the library to experiment and play with all things sticky. Items include contact paper, Velcro, blue tac, tape and more. **For children ages 2-6 with adult supervision.**

Library PALS**Fri, Dec 6 - Feb 28, 10:30 a.m. at Coventry**

Join us for open-ended play, exploration, socializing, and more. **For preschoolers of all ages and abilities.**

Friday Friends at Lee Fri, 10 am

Hands on activities and discovery play for children and their caregivers. Want to build a snowman? Set your imagination free with cardboard boxes! Paint your very own masterpiece! **Ages 2 – 6.**

Dec 13: Snowed In

Jan 17: Boxing Day

Feb 7: Paint It As You Like It

Lullaby Storytime

Thurs, Dec 19, Jan 16, Feb 20, 6:30 p.m. at Lee

Get ready for bed with stories, songs and rhymes. Learn, share and sing lullabies. Pajamas welcome but not required. **Ages 0 – 5.**

Toast Around the World

Wed Jan 8 – 29, 11 a.m. at University Heights

Let's toast the new year. Sample some of the ways people around the world eat toast!

Storybook Ball

Thurs, Jan 9, 5:30 p.m. at Noble

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Storybook lovers of all ages are invited to join us for an enchanting evening of storybook magic, inspired by *The Wizard of Oz!* **Registration begins Dec 26.**

Lunar New Year Storytime

Sat, Jan 25, 11 a.m. at University Heights

Celebrate the Year of the Snake with traditional food, music, and a special storytime.

You Gotta Have Heart

Wed, Feb 5 – 26, 11 a.m. at University Heights

February is a great time to learn about the circulatory system. Each week there will be a different activity including how does the heart pump blood, composition of blood, homemade stethoscope and beat the clock heart pumping activity!

Music and Movement Storytime

Fri, Feb 21, 10:00 a.m. at Lee

It's music time! Let's read, sing, dance, and play for some brain developing fun with music! We will break out the rhythm sticks, scarves and more as we keep the beat together at music and movement storytime! **For preschoolers, ages 2 – 5.**

Adapted Programs for Preschoolers

Adapted Storytime

Sat, Dec 7, Jan 4, Feb 1, 10:30 a.m. at Noble

Join us for a special storytime designed for children who enjoy a relaxed environment and smaller groups. We welcome all abilities and tailor activities to preschool interest. Our routine includes visual supports, fidget tools and bubbles! **For children with preschool interests. Registration is recommended.**

Express-a-Story

Sat, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8, 1 p.m. at Coventry Village

Join us for child-led learning focused on building our skills in communication and self-expression. Come at 1 p.m. to consult with a speech language pathologist on building skills with alternative and augmentative communication (AAC) devices, then stay for storytime and playtime with a librarian at 1:30 that offers more opportunity for practice. **Children of all ages and abilities are welcome.**

Inclusive Playdate

Sat, Dec 21, Jan 18, Feb 15, 10:30 a.m. at Noble

Children can make friends and play in a cozy and supportive setting. Whether they prefer building with blocks, exploring sensory materials, or engaging in imaginative play, there's something for everyone to enjoy. If you have any questions or require additional accommodation to make your child's experience more inclusive, contact Noble's youth services.

Music Therapy & More

Wed, Feb 12, 6:30 p.m. at Lee

Join us for a hands-on program designed to teach families how to use music to improve their child's academic, motor, communication and social skills as well as behavior. This program is led by a Board-Certified Music Therapist. Registration is required at connectingforkids.org/music. **For families with children, ages 0-6, who have concerns about development.**



connecting for kids

COVENTRY

Family Game Night

Tues, Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11, 6:30 p.m.

Challenge your family, friends, or neighbors and join us for an evening of games! We will have classic games and new ones, too! Light refreshments will be provided.

Science Squad

Thurs, 4 p.m.

In this hands-on program, youth will gain knowledge of their world through scientific inquiry, observation, experimentation, and play!

Jan 9: Circuits

Jan 23: Coding

Feb 6: Magnets

Feb 20: Robots

LEE

After-School Homework Help

Dec 2 – 16, Jan 13 – Feb 24.

Free after school homework help is available to learners in grades K–8 when school is in session. Tutoring in math, science, history, and language arts is offered in partnership with CSU's Office of Civic Engagement and CASE's Center for Civic Engagement & Learning. Hours and availability may vary. Contact the Lee Road Youth Services Department for details at 216-932-3600.

Art and Soul

Tues, Dec 3 – Feb 25, 4 p.m.

Let your imagination and creativity soar. Explore your artistic side by creating works of art weekly using various media while listening to some chill vibes. A great way to unwind after a busy school day! **Grades K–5.**

Sit! Stay! Read!

Sat, Dec 7, Jan 4, Feb 1, 1 p.m.

Tues, Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18, 5 p.m.

One of our doggy friends will be visiting the library to see you and listen to you read stories. Each child may register for a 10-minute time slot with a certified therapy dog. Register in person or by phone at 216-932-3600 beginning two weeks before each program date. **Grades K – 6.**

Thursday Night Science

Thurs, Dec 12, Jan 2, Feb 6, 7 p.m.

Join us on the first Thursday of the month for fun hands-on science experiments! **Registration begins two weeks before**

each session. Families are welcome. **For ages 3-12 with an adult.**

Excel into Kindergarten with Family Connections

Mon, Jan 6, Jan 13, Feb 3, Feb 10, Feb 17, 3:30 pm

Kindergartners and their caregivers are invited to join Family Connections and Heights Libraries in a group focused on enhancing skills needed for kindergarten success. Each family will receive resources and activities to support learning at home. **Open to all families and children currently in kindergarten.**

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Maker Monday for Kids

Mon, 4 p.m.

Come and check out the Noble Makerspace! Learn about the equipment and design a special project to take home with you. **Recommended for young crafters age 6 – 11. Registration is required and begins two weeks before the event.**

Dec 16: Cricut

Feb 10: Sewing

Winter Break Reading Club

Thurs-Tues, Dec 26-31, 3:30 p.m.

Join us in the Storytime Room during winter break to listen to a chapter book read aloud by Miss Ari. Refreshments and crafts will be provided.

Adopt A Reading Buddy

Thurs, Jan 2, 5:30 p.m.

Beginning readers are invited to adopt a reading buddy! These plushies need a forever home where they will be loved and read to every day. Each buddy comes with a list of their favorite books and a reading log. Return your completed reading log to the Noble Children's Desk to be entered into a raffle to win a prize book. The plushie is yours to keep! Supplies are limited. **Registration begins Dec 19.**

LAF: Library Afterschool Fun at Lee Road Wed, 4 p.m.

For grades K - 5 unless otherwise noted.

Dec 4: Create with Pastels

Join us to create art with various types of pastels.

Dec 11: Mural 4TC

Get creative with your neighbors and join us as we create the ultimate winter wonderland mural!

Dec 18: Paper Palooza: Pop-Ups

Explore our collection of pop-up books to inspire your own creations.

Jan 8: Mystery LAF

Join us for Library Afterschool Fun!

Jan 15: Print Making

Carve a fun design and stamp it to create a unique masterpiece.

Jan 22: Crafty Creations: Stickers and Stamps

Have fun and create something unique using stamps,

stickers, markers and more.

Jan 29: Puzzle Mania!

Try a variety of puzzles and see if you can complete one!

Feb 5: Crowned- Basquiat Inspired Art

Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat's work is often recognized by his crown motif. Celebrate your worth and ambition by designing your own crown that reflects your heart and soul.

Feb 12: Card Marking

Let's make cards with assorted craft materials.

Feb 19: Living History: Meet Ella Fitzgerald

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Feb 26: Process Oriented Art for Kids

Let your creative juices flow with some process-oriented art.

Paper Folding Olympics

Mon, Jan 6-27, 4 p.m.

Four-part paper folding extravaganza! Learn to fold the best paper airplanes, cootie-catchers, paper cranes, jumping frogs. Registration begins Dec 23.

UNO Tournament

Thurs, Jan 23, 4 p.m.

UNO experts in grades 3 - 8 are invited to join us for a tournament to determine the Ultimate UNO Champion. Don't SKIP this WILD time!

Cook Book Browsers

Every Day in Feb, All Day

For the entire month of Feb come in the teen/tween space and browse cookbooks for recipes to try at home with your family.

Silent Reading Party

Fri, Feb 14, 3:30 p.m.

Love to read? Come to the Silent Reading Party to enjoy a cozy environment, refreshments and book recommendations. Registration begins Jan 31.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Fairy Tea Party

Thurs, Dec 5, 6 p.m.

You are hereby invited to a special fairy tea party. Thurs Dec 5 at 6pm. Prepare for an evening full of activities and fun. Dress in your favorite fairy outfits and join us at Pixie Hollow. Registration begins Nov 21.

Winter Wonderland Pedestal Display

Sat, Dec 14, 1 p.m.

Celebrate the magic of winter with us! Enjoy an enchanting afternoon filled with winter-themed fun, including crafting a Winter Wonderland Pedestal Display to take home, capturing memories at our festive photo booth, drinking hot cocoa, and getting cozy with winter books in our reading nook. It's the perfect way to embrace the season together! Please note: Children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration begins Nov 30.

Cocoa Mug Making

Thurs, Dec 19, 6 p.m.

Oh, the weather outside may be frightful, but with your very own cocoa mug winter will be delightful. This program will have everything you need to design your mugs. Registration begins Dec 5.

Culinary Creators

Thurs, Jan 16, 6 p.m.

Are you an aspiring chef or budding baker? Whether it's your dream job or you just want to learn kitchen basics, this monthly program will allow you to experiment in the kitchen while making main dishes and desserts. And here's the best part - you get to taste test! Registration begins Jan 2. Ages 7 and up.

Lovebug Card Creation & Celebration

Sat, Feb 8, 1 p.m.

Spread some love and creativity by joining us to create adorable, personalized Lovebug Cards for the special people in your life. With a variety of designs to inspire you, enjoy crafting, sweet treats, and playful games that will spark your imagination. It's the perfect way to make heartfelt messages for those you cherish most! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration begins Jan 25.

Winter Lanterns

Thurs, Jan 2, 3 p.m.

Don't let the winter darkness get you down. Join us as we make our very own balloon lanterns to brighten up these short winter days. Ages 8 and up. Registration begins Dec 19.

Harry Potter's Magical Wand Workshop

Sat, Jan 11, 1 p.m.

Calling all magical folk! With the rumored second event of the Triwizard Tournament fast approaching (according to wizard world custom—or so we've heard), join us for a magical afternoon of crafting your own realistic wand, sipping Butterbeer, and getting a taste of wand motions! Due to the heavy use of glue guns, children must be accompanied by an adult. Your wand awaits. Registration begins Dec 26.

Sensory Kits

The library welcomes all children, including those with autism and sensory processing disorder. Kits to assist with sensory processing differences are available at all locations in the children's areas and are for in-library use. The kits have a variety of items to help with background noises and other distractions, and to help calm.



TWEENS

For children ages 8-13.



Jan 9: Hygge

Ease into the new year with the Danish lifestyle of hygge. Bring your blanket and warm winter clothing and enjoy the cozy atmosphere.

Jan 16: Tile Art

Create your own masterpiece using tiles.

Jan 23: Photo Frames

Decorate your own photo frame to display your memories!

Jan 30: Slime!

We'll have supplies ready for you to make your own slime to take home!

Feb 6: Edible Crafts

Create some crafts that you can eat when you're done!

Feb 13: Creative Cards

Create a handmade card for the special people in your life!

Feb 20: Make it Glow!

Bring your creativity and we'll supply the supplies for a glow in the dark painting experience!

Feb 27: Movie Time

Relax with a movie and some snacks!

NOBLE

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Tues, Dec 3 & 17, Jan 7 & 21, Feb 4 & 18, 4 p.m.

Roll the dice in your favor during epic quests in a world where imagination knows no bounds. Laughter, strategy, and camaraderie fill the air as characters come alive amidst a backdrop of shared creativity and adventure.

Tween Book Club: *Ali Cross* by James Patterson

Sat, Jan 11 & 25, 2 p.m.

Read along and join us for book discussions

Cook Book Browsers

Every Day in Feb, All Day

For the entire month of February come in the teen/tween space and browse cookbooks for recipes to try at home with your family.

LEE

Pokémon Club: TCG Casual Play

Mon, Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, 3:30 p.m.

Gotta catch 'em all! Join us to learn to play Pokémon TCG, or come prepared to battle with your own decks. Casual community game play for Ages 8 – 18.

Graphic Novel Club

Tues, 7 p.m.

Join us as we read and discuss popular graphic novels, along with a snack and activity. Ask for a copy of the book to check out in the Children's Department. **For children ages 8 – 13. Registration begins two weeks before each event.**

Jan 14: *Frizzy* by Claribel A. Ortega

Feb 11: *The Dog Knight* by Jeremy Whitley

Poe Party

Fri, Jan 17 – Sun, Jan 19

Stop by the Children's Room this weekend to celebrate the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe just in time for his 216th birthday! Let the spooky words of one of history's greatest horror authors spark your own creepy creativity, with writing challenges, crafts, and perhaps a little Poetry of your own!

Tween Zone

Thurs, 3:30 p.m.

Ages 8 – 13.

Dec 5: DIY Magnets

Make some magnets to decorate your locker or any metal surface!

Dec 12: Festive Gingerbread Houses

Create a fun, yummy, and festive gingerbread house to take home.

Dec 19 Winter Solstice Lanterns

Celebrate the longest night of the year by creating your own lantern to take home.

COVENTRY

Sticky Note Art Show

Thurs, Dec 12, 6 a.m.

How much awesome art can you fit on a tiny square? We'll provide the markers, pencils, and sticky notes, you provide the creativity and art.

Taco Bar

Tues, Feb 4, 6 p.m.

It's Taco Tuesday! Teens, come and eat some tacos with us. **Registration begins Jan 21.**

LEE ROAD

Teen Spot

Mon – Fri, Dec 2 – Feb 28, 3 p.m.

Join us in the Teen Room every weekday afternoon to watch movies, participate in fun activities, or just hang out with friends! **For teens in high school.**

Teen Gaming Monday

Mon, Dec 2 – Feb 24, 3:30 p.m.

Get your game on every Monday in the teen room after school on our PS4 or Switch. **For teens in high school.**

Teen Craft Corner

Wed, Dec 4 – Feb 26, 3:30 p.m.

Join us for chill arts and crafts. Learn to crochet, make room decor, or simply enjoy creating something fun and unique. Feel free to bring a project you'd like to work on, or use the supplies provided to make something one of a kind. **All teens in high school welcome, regardless of skill level.**

Thursdays in the Spot

For teens in high school

3:30 pm

Dec 5: International Snack Haul

We will taste and review snacks from Japan, rating them from 1 – 10!

Dec 12, Jan 30, Feb 13: Cozy Corner

Chase away the cold and winter blues with an afternoon of all things cozy in SPOT! Enjoy a fun winter-themed movie; comfort snacks, drinks and relaxing activities!

Dec 19: Build Your Own Gingerbread House

What's better than building a house? Building a house made out of tasty treats that you can eat! Let's get creative with some gingerbread creations.

Dec 26, Jan 9 & 23: Mystery Spot

What are we doing? Is it a craft? Or maybe it's a game? Well, we aren't going to tell you. It's a mystery after all. Come join us in the Spot to find out.

Interplay Learning

We now offer virtual reality skilled-trades job training at our Heights Knowledge and Innovation Center (HKIC). Interplay Learning's Skill Mill on-demand training platform includes expert-led videos, 3D simulations, assessments, and industry certifications in high-demand trades.

For more information, visit or call the HKIC Desk at (216) 932-3600 ext. 1221 or email us at techexpert@heightslibrary.org.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/InterPlay-at-CHUH>

Jan 2: New Year, New Me

Start the new year right! We'll have treats and activities to start 2025 off with the best vibes possible.

Jan 16: Poe Party

Celebrate the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe just in time for his 216th birthday! Let the spooky words of one of history's greatest horror authors spark your own creepy creativity, with writing challenges, crafts, treats and perhaps a little Poe-try of your own!

Feb 6: Blind Date with a Book

We all know how easy it is to judge a book by its cover... but not this time! Add a bit of mystery to choosing your next book.

Feb 20: Tea Making

Try your hand at making your very own tea blend!

Feb 27: Mario Kart Tournament

Get in on Grand Prix relays! The top three participants will win a prize!

NOBLE

Line Dance Class

Thurs, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, 4 p.m.

Learn new dance steps and practice the classics

Teen Book Club: *Bad Witch Burning*

Sunday, Dec 1, 15 & 29, 2 p.m.

Read along and join us for book discussions.

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Tues, Dec 3 & 17, Jan 7 & 21, Feb 4 & 18, 4 p.m.

Roll the dice in your favor during epic quests in a world where imagination knows no bounds. Laughter, strategy, and camaraderie fill the air as characters come alive amidst a backdrop of shared creativity and adventure.

Anime Club

Thurs, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13, 4 p.m.

Come hang out and watch Anime with your friends in the Teen Zone. Screenings are **open to kids 12 – 18 and their families only**.

Teen Audio Mysteries

Sunday, 2 p.m.

Join us as we dive into an audio book series. Bring your favorite stuffy or blanket and get cozy. **Registration begins two weeks before each event.**

Jan 12: *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson

Feb 8: *Escape Room* by Christopher Edge

Cook Book Browsers

Every Day in Feb, All Day

For the entire month of February come in the teen/tween space and browse cookbooks for recipes to try at home with your family.

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Monthly Murder Mystery

Wed, Dec 18, Jan 15, Feb 19, All Day

Are you a true crime fan? Do you enjoy solving mysteries? Follow the clues and pay close attention to the evidence. See if you can solve the case before time runs out. Drop by the University Heights Branch and pick up your murder mystery packet. Solve case by yourself, with a friend, or as a family. It's up to you. **Ages 13 & up! While supplies last.**

Winter Lanterns

Thursday, Jan 2, 3 p.m.

Don't let the winter darkness get you down. Join us as we make our very own balloon lanterns to brighten up these short winter days. **Ages 8 and up. Registration begins Dec 19.**

Harry Potter's Magical Wand Workshop

Sat, Jan 11, 1 p.m.

Calling all magical folk! With the rumored second event of the Triwizard Tournament fast approaching (according to wizarding world custom—or so we've heard), join us for a magical afternoon of crafting your own realistic wand, sipping Butterbeer, and getting a taste of wand motions! Due to the heavy use of glue guns, children must be accompanied by an adult. Your wand awaits! **Registration begins Dec 26.**

Culinary Creators

Thurs, Jan 16, 6 p.m.

Are you an aspiring chef or budding baker? Whether it's your dream job or you just want to learn kitchen basics, this program will allow you to experiment in the kitchen while making main dishes and desserts. And here's the best part – you get to taste test! **Registration begins Jan 2. Ages 7 and up.**

BOOK CLUBS

The Midnight Hour Horror Book Club

Wed, 7 p.m. at Lee Road

As the wind blows colder and the sun sets sooner, consider picking up one of these haunting books to get you through the long winter nights. Better yet... join us each month to deliberate and dissect their horrid contents. Content Warning: These books contain scenes and imagery that some may find disturbing.

Dec 11: *The Reformatory* by Tananarive Due

Jan 15. *A Sunny Place for Shady People* by Mariana Enriquez

Feb 19: *An Interview with the Vampire* by Anne Rice

Read with Pride Book Discussion

Wed, 6:30 p.m. at the BottleHouse

Read with pride this winter! This book discussion group is for people who identify as LGBTQIA+ or who want to explore LGBTQIA+ stories and experiences. We will meet at The BottleHouse, 2050 Lee Rd, the second Wed of each month. **Registration begins two weeks before each event.** Physical copies are available in CLEVNET for attendees to request.

Dec 11: *Hijab Butch Blues* by Lamya H

Jan 8: *A Psalm For the Wild Built* by Beck Chambers

Feb 12: *Brooms* by Jasmine Walls

Feel-Good Fiction Book Club

Mon, 7 p.m. at Lee Road

Want to join a book club, but don't want to read anything depressing? Feel-Good Fiction may be for you! The conflicts in the story are clear and resolved by the end of the book, making an upbeat reading experience with plenty to talk about.

Jan 13. *The Grammarians* by Cathleen Schine

Feb 17. *The Secret Women* by Sheila Williams

Sci-Fi and Fantasy Book Club

Thurs, 7 p.m. at Lee Road

Come to discuss novels from across the wide ranging and speculative worlds brought to life by these genres.

Jan 16: *The Windup Girl* by Paolo Bacigalupi

Feb 20: *The Deep* by Rivers Solomon

Short Story Book Club

Tues, 7 p.m. at Lee Road

Discuss some of the best in short stories. Printouts or emailed PDFs available at the Lee Road Adult Services reference desk.

Jan 21: *The Erl King* by Angela Carter

Feb 25: *Brokeback Mountain* by Annie Proulx

The Usual Suspects Mystery & Thriller Book Club

Mon, 7 p.m. at University Heights

Join us every month as we discuss "whodunit" or to catch a villain in an exciting thriller. Copies of each title will be available at the University Heights Branch one month before the discussion.

Jan 27: *The Heiress* by Rachel Hawkins

Feb 24: *Small Mercies* by Dennis Lehane

COVENTRY

Heartfulness Meditation with Christine Valadon

Tues, Dec 3-Feb 25, 6 p.m. on Zoom

The physical and mental benefits of meditation are significant and well documented. Christine Valadon will present a weekly Heartfulness meditation, a simple, effective form of meditation focused on opening the heart and practiced in over 120 countries around the world. A Zoom link will be sent upon registration. **Registration begins Nov 19.**

Tai Chi and Qigong

Wed, Dec 4 - Feb 26, 12 p.m.

Fri, Dec 6-Feb 28, 12 p.m.

Sat, Dec 7-Feb 22, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi and Qigong movement designed to achieve a total mind, body and spiritual union.

Ukulele Jam

Tues, Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18, 7 p.m.

Bring your ukulele for an evening of strumming, singing, and generally having a good time. **All levels welcome, listeners welcome. Music provided.**

The Alzheimer's Association Presents:

The Empowered Caregiver Series: Supporting Independence

Thurs, Jan 16, 7 p.m.

This program focuses on helping the person living with dementia take part in daily activities, providing the right amount of support and balancing safety and independence while managing expectations. **Registration begins Jan 2.**

Tree Pruning How-To with Heights Tree People

Sat, Jan 18, 2 p.m.

Learn basic tree pruning skills with International Society of Arboricultural certified arborist Lizzie Sords. This program will cover pruning cuts and how to look at a tree to find its best natural structure. Review the biology and physiology

of trees to improve your understanding of how to shape and improve the health of trees on your property while minimizing damage. **Registration begins Jan 4.**

Coventry Concert Night with CIM Thurs, Jan 30 & Feb 27, 7 p.m.

Settle back to enjoy a wonderful concert showcasing the talent of Cleveland Institute of Music students and graduates. Performances will vary; check back with the library for updates.

Tony Ganzer on Journalism: Kneading Journalism Thurs, Jan 9, 7 p.m.

Award-winning international journalist Tony Ganzer provides an insider's view of the Fourth Estate through compelling personal narratives and keen insights on journalism and society, plus basic bread recipes. In an age where some demonize the media as an "enemy of the people," it's time for a heart-to-heart about what journalism is, and what it could be. **Registration begins Dec 26.**

An Evening with author Jason Moore Thurs, Feb 6, 7 p.m.

Author Jason L. Moore's book, *Divine Frustrations*, is a way to encourage both believers and skeptics to take a closer look at matters of faith and doubt, while being prepared to confront views that are contrary to their own. Moore teaches philosophy, humanities, and religious studies at Cuyahoga Community College and is a Licensed Professional Counselor. **Registration begins Jan 23.**

Deaf Gathering Mon, Dec 23, Jan 27, Feb 24, 6:30 p.m.



Open social hour for Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing and hearing people. Are you Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing? Are you interested in learning more about Deaf Culture? Come gather for a social. An interpreter will be provided.

Deaf Culture Film Night Mon, Jan 13, 7 p.m.

Deaf and hearing audiences alike will learn something new during this film series.

HKIC STEAM LAB

Cricut Tote Bags Wed, Dec 4, 6 p.m.

Personalize a reusable tote bag for carrying groceries (or library books!) with the STEAM Lab's Cricut cutting machine. Tote bags will be provided, but feel free to bring any fabric item to customize, including shirts, aprons, tea towels and more! **Registration begins November 20.**

Cricut Mugs Wed, Dec 11, 6 p.m.

Want to create a custom mug as a gift (or just for yourself). Learn how with the STEAM Lab's Cricut cutting machine and Mug Press. Mugs will be provided. **Registration begins November 27.**

Cricut Craft Night Wed, Dec 18, 6 p.m.

Drop by the STEAM Lab for a night of Cricut crafting fun! Beginners can get started with our suggested projects, while experienced Cricut crafters are welcome to bring your own ideas. Limited materials will be available - please bring your own if you have something specific in mind. For more information, contact the HKIC Computer Lab at (216) 932-3600 ext. 1221.

Introducing the HKIC Memory Lab Sat, Dec 7, 10 a.m.

Mon, Jan 13, 2 p.m.

The HKIC Memory Lab is a do-it-yourself digitization space. Learn about our resources to convert VHS, DVD, and Super8 home movies, audio cassette recordings, film, slides and photographs to digital formats. **Registration opens 2 weeks before each event.**

LEE ROAD

Aspire ESOL Classes

Mon, Wed, starting Jan 27, 9:30 a.m.

Formal English Language lessons for non-English speakers provided through Cuyahoga Community College's ASPIRE program. Classes are held two days a week, and are available for speakers at all levels, from beginners to advanced speakers. Students must register for the classes at the Tri-C ASPIRE website at www.tri-c.edu/ohio-options-for-adults/english-for-speakers-of-other-languages.html or by calling the Delisle Options Center in Cleveland Hts. at 216-371-7138. Class schedule follows the Tri-C academic calendar for breaks.

History of Yoga: Ancient Roots Tues, Dec 3, 7 p.m.

While yoga is ubiquitous as a global phenomenon, its origins date back to ancient religious traditions on the Indian subcontinent. Learn about the history of yoga in order to understand its modern-day cultural presence. Sucharita Adluri is Professor of Religious Studies at Cleveland State University and teaches courses on Asian religions in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies. **Registration begins Nov 19.**

Heights Art Lectures Thurs, on Zoom

Zoom: ID: 8236485349

Passcode: 691353

Dec 5 at 6:30 p.m.: Jewish Ceremonial Art from the Jewish Museum

This virtual program will explore an installation at the Cleveland Museum of Art in partnership with the Jewish Museum, New York, which displays a group of Jewish ceremonial objects from the latter's world-renowned collection of Jewish art.

Jan 2 at 7 p.m.: Art Nouveau and Its Cousins

Art historian and Heights favorite Dr. Emma Clute is back with this lecture on the Art Nouveau and other, related art movements.

Feb 6 at 7 p.m.: Why Landscapes Aren't Boring

Dr. Emma Clute will help you understand how to look at landscapes, an often misunderstood style of art.

Upcycled Gift Wrapping Mon, Dec 9, 7 p.m.

Extend the life of your gifting supplies by reducing, repurposing, and reconsidering your wrapping options. Learn stylish strategies and smart substitutions that will help you present pretty packages without breaking the bank or loading the landfill. Make your own gift tags, boxes, bows, and more!

Lee Road Knitting Night

Tues, Dec 10, Jan 14 & 28, Feb 11 & 25, 6:30 p.m.

Come and learn how to knit or work on a project! Experienced knitters, newcomers, and crocheters are welcome. Please bring your own needles and yarn.

Unpacking Our History

Thurs, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13, 7 p.m. on Zoom

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Join us as we continue to explore the legacy of slavery and race in American social, political, and cultural life. The program centers on an article packet which serves as the discussion text each month. All upcoming discussion packets are available at any Heights Libraries or can be downloaded at <https://unpacking.heightslibrary.org>.

Gift Wrap Exchange

Sun, Dec 15, 2:00 p.m.

Clear out your stash of gently used all-occasion wrapping papers, gift bags, boxes, and bows by contributing to our Gift Wrap Exchange. Trade up to items that better suit your current gifting needs or pay it forward for others to use in our Wrapping Workshop or crafting events. Drop off at the

Lee Road reference desk starting December 1 or bring your items to the event.

Make Your Voice Heard: Legislative Testimony Writing Workshop Mon, Dec 16, 6:30 p.m.

Join local trans community advocate Harley Rubin (he/him) to learn how to write legislative testimony. At the state and local level, testimony can be used to support or oppose proposed legislation, and it can be written-only or spoken aloud during legislative sessions. We will be creating draft testimony for a proposed state bill. Please bring a device to type your draft, if possible.

Wrapping Workshop Sun, Dec 22, 1:30 p.m.

If you need space away from prying eyes to spread out and get your wrapping done, use a table in our temporary Wrapping Workshop. We'll have plenty of table space, scissors, and other supplies while they last, or bring your own to use or share. Drop in for just a few minutes or stay for hours.

Researching your Family History Wed, Jan 15, 2:30 p.m.

Join us for an information session on the basics of researching your family history and the genealogy resources available at Heights Libraries. Learn how to use library databases such as Ancestry.com, HeritageHub, and Fold3. **Registration begins Jan 1.**

Medicare 101 Wed, Jan 15, 7 p.m.

Join Marcy Rosenthal, a licensed Medicare Insurance consultant, who can answer Medicare questions about enrolling, plan options and more.

Fresh Perspectives Fine Arts Discussion Tues, 7 p.m.

Join us each month as we take a look at new and emerging topics in contemporary art. Each month's session will revolve around a particular theme with associated readings. Participants will receive reading packets upon registration. **Registration begins two weeks before each event.**

Jan 21: Censorship

Feb 18: Borders & Migration

In Search of New Beginnings: Films about the Refugee Experience Wed, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for this four-night film series exploring the refugee experience. **Registration for the series begins Jan 8.**

January 22: *Swimmers* (2022, 134 min.) From war-torn Syria to the 2016 Rio Olympics, two young sisters embark on a harrowing journey as refugees, putting both their hearts and champion swimming skills to heroic use. Based on a true story

January 29: *Kite Runner* (2007, 128 min.) Amir receives a call from his uncle to travel to Afghanistan and rescue Hassan, his childhood friend and servant.

February 2: *Sin Nombre* (2009, 96 min.) A Honduran girl trying to immigrate to the United States gets caught up in the violence of gang life.

February 12: *Refugees of Shangri-La* (2013, 120 min.) After twenty years surviving refugee camps in Nepal, the Kingdom of Bhutan's forgotten exiles abandon hopes of returning to their lost land and seek a new life in America. (documentary)

Law Lectures

Thurs, 7 p.m.

Jan 23: Human Trafficking

Join Maya Simek to talk about what human trafficking actually looks like in Ohio. Maya Simek is a clinical law professor and Director of Case Western Reserve School of Law's Human Trafficking Law Project.

Feb 27: Wrongful Conviction

Members from the Wrongful Conviction Clinic at Cleveland State College of Law will present their work providing legal assistance to incarcerated individuals in Ohio with claims of actual innocence or manifest injustice. Cuyahoga County has the tenth most exonerations nationwide since 1989, accounting for more than one-third of all exonerations in Ohio.

Queer Zine Make-and-Trade

Sat, Feb 1, 12 p.m. at Rhizome House

Make some zines, build some community, and share copies of your zine with others in the group! Materials and (optional) prompts provided. Participants will also have the option to contribute their zines to the Lee Road Branch Zine Library. This event will be held at Rhizome House at 2174 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, OH, 44118. **Registration begins Jan 18.**

Religion Lecture: Hinduism in the West

Wed, Feb 5, 7 p.m.

Join us as Professor Sucharita Adluri discusses the history of Hinduism in the West. Adluri is Professor of Religious Studies at Cleveland State University and teaches courses on Asian religions in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.

Researching your Home's History

Wed, Feb 12, 2:30 p.m.

Have you ever wondered about the history of your home? Come and learn how to research its history and what resources are available to help in your search! **Registration begins Jan 29.**

LGBTQ+ 101: For Allies, Family, and Friends

Tues, Feb 25, 7 p.m.

A program about LGBTQIA+ terminology, starting with the basics - the different components of human sexuality: biological sex, gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation - and how these come together to create the diversity of our sexual experiences. Discussion of the LGBTQIA+ acronym, discussing the history of these different terms, and how they all fit into the richness of our shared human condition. **Registration begins Feb 11.**

Save Them From the Landfill: Vintage Sewing Machine Basics

Wed, Feb 26, 7 p.m.

Do you long for a sewing machine but have new-machine sticker shock? Learn the ins and outs of buying vintage sewing machines—plentiful, reliable, and easy on the pocketbook. Learn what to look for, which to avoid, and how to get them sewing in no time at all. We'll have several machines available for demonstration purposes. **Registration begins Feb 12.**

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Citizenship Class

Sunday, Dec 1-Feb 23, 1 p.m.

A free, weekly class to help anyone seeking to earn citizenship to the United States. Walk-ins welcome.

Aspire ESOL Classes

Mon, Dec 2-Feb 24, 9 a.m.

Wed, Dec 4 Feb 26, 9 a.m.

Formal English language lessons for non-English speakers provided through Cuyahoga Community College's ASPIRE program. Classes are held two days a week, and are available for speakers at all levels, from beginners to advanced speakers. Students must register for the classes at the Tri-C ASPIRE website at "www.tri-c.edu/ohio-options-for-adults/english-for-speakers-of-other-languages.html" or by calling the Delisle Options Center in Cleveland Hts. at 216-371-7138. Class schedule follows the Tri-C academic calendar for breaks.

Aspire ESOL Orientation

Tues, Jan 7, 10 a.m.

The ESOL orientation has participants take a test to determine their English language skill level and then enroll them for classes. Translation apps will be available to help complete forms and take the test. Participants do not need to study beforehand. To register, please call the Delisle Options Center at 216-371-7138. For more information and frequently asked questions, please visit <https://www.tri-c.edu/ohio-options-for-adults/english-for-speakers-of-other-languages.html>

Star Ingredient Taste-and-Make

Tues, Dec 3, 1 p.m.

Expand your culinary horizons with our Star Ingredient program! Stop by the library at 1 p.m. for a demo of the new ingredients we've selected for the month and taste-test some recipes made from them. Then, take a kit home to bake or cook with yourself, along with recipe suggestions to use as you choose. **Registration begins Nov. 19.**

Noble Needles Knitting Circle

Thurs, Dec 5 & 19, Jan 2 & 16, Feb 6 & 20, 6:30 p.m.

Come and knit with the Noble Knitters. Please bring your yarn and needles and current project. All experience levels welcome!

Green Noble Discussion and Action Group

Sunday, Dec 8, Jan 12, Feb 9, 3 p.m.

Come join Green Noble as we discuss various topics on gardening, environmental issues, community building, and other green initiatives going on in the Noble neighborhood. Topics to be discussed and location of the meetings TBD. Please call the Noble Library at 216-291-5665 for information. No registration required.

Test It Out: Tech Demos for Adults

Tues, 6 p.m.- 8 p.m

Come and check out the Noble Makerspace! Learn how to use the equipment and leave with a completed project. No previous experience is necessary, but registration is required and opens up two weeks before each date.

Dec 17: Cricut 101

Feb 11: Sewing 101

Visual Journaling: Bringing Your Inner Life to the Page

Sat, Jan 18, 2 p.m.

Start your New Year with a gentle journey of reflection and self-discovery! Dana Herbergs, LSW, will guide participants through the practice of Visual Journaling. Attendees will explore their inner experiences and how to translate

those feelings onto a page—as colors, words, shapes, or movement. Dana is available for questions before the program; call the library at 216-291-5665 for information. **Registration begins Jan. 4.**

Winter Wonderland Crafternoon

Tues, Jan 21, 2 p.m.

The weather outside might be frightful, but all that snow can also be pretty beautiful. Draw and paint frosted scenes of a winter wonderland in this cozy afternoon art session. **Registration begins Dec. 31.**

Card-making Crafternoon

Thurs, Jan 30, 2 p.m.

Design and create custom cards to share with your friends and family! We'll have supplies on hand for you to use, but you're welcome to bring items of your own to complete your creative process. **Registration opens Jan. 16.**

Chocolate and Chill

Thurs, Feb 13, 2 p.m.

Join us for a celebrating all things chocolate! We'll sample different kinds of chocolate and different recipes made from it. Bring your favorite chocolate recipe to share! **Registration opens Jan. 30.**

1-on-1 Tech Expert Help

Did you know that Tech Expert appointments are now available at Noble? Come in with questions about smart phones, computers, eBooks, resume review, and more! Please email nobletech@heightslibrary.org or call (216) 291-5665 x1370 to book your one-hour appointment.

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Monday Matinee

Mon, 3 p.m.

In a library near you...we can finally LEGALLY show Star Wars...so let's watch Star Wars!

Dec 2: *Star Wars* (1977, 121 mins, PG)

Jan 27: *The Empire Strikes Back* (1980, 124 mins, PG)

Feb 17: *Return of the Jedi* (1983, 133 mins, PG)

Sound Bath

Tues, Dec 3 - Feb 25, 6 p.m.

Continue your self-care journey with sound baths at the University Heights Library. A sound bath uses pure sound to put you into a relaxed and meditative state. Join Erin Howle from Oz Under the Moon for this unique self-care experience. No experience in meditation is needed. Bring a yoga mat, towel, or pillow if you so desire, and dress comfortably.

Tai Chi and Qigong

Wed, Dec 4- Feb 26, 10 a.m.

Fri, Dec 6-Feb 28, 10 a.m.

Sat, Dec 7 - Feb 22, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi and Qigong movement designed to achieve a total mind, body and spiritual union. All experience levels are welcome.

How the Black Death almost Came to America: The 1620 Voyage of the Joseph

Mon, Dec 9, 7 p.m.

What effect did the absence of plague have on colonial America and the later United States? The possible answers to these questions involve everything from the jumping ability of fleas to the swimming capacity of rats—and invite us to see history as a multi-dimensional quest for understanding not only what happened but also what might have happened. Presented by Jason Opal, Dean and Director of The Ohio State University at Mansfield.

Topic Tuesdays

Tues, 7 p.m.

Each month Topic Tues will either have a speaker, an activity or a topic to discuss. Come meet new neighbors, share ideas and learn new things.

Dec 10: Comfort Food Potluck

Cold nights are a great time to share food and conversation with one another. Bring your favorite comfort food dish to share and we will discuss our favorites and why they mean so much to us. Registration begins November 26.

Jan 14: Lost Cleveland Memories

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's a talk about Superman! Dennis R. Sutcliffe will present "Truth, Justice and the Cleveland Way-The Early Work of Siegel and Shuster". Registration begins Dec 31.

Feb 11: Alzheimer's Association

Join us for an evening of snacks and a presentation about the basics of caregiving for someone with Alzheimer's disease.

Sunday Crafternoon

Sunday, Dec 15, Jan 12, Feb 9, 2 p.m.

Bring your current craft work in progress - whether that's knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, scrapbooking, or drawing and meet and chat with other crafters in the Heights while you work! Light refreshments will be provided.

Cozy Candle Making

Mon, Dec 16, 7 p.m.

Join us and immerse yourself in a warm, creative experience. Create your own unique candles to brighten any space

using melted wax, soothing scents, and recycled glass jars in all shapes and sizes. **Registration begins Dec 2 at 1 p.m.**

Mug Making

Thurs, Jan 9, 6 p.m.

Oh, the weather outside may be frightful, but with your very own cocoa mug winter will be delightful. This program will have everything you need to design and decorate your mugs. **Registration begins Dec 26.**

Songwriting Workshop

Sun, Jan 12-Feb 23, 2 p.m.

Songwriting, like all art, comes from within and should not be constrained by rules or restrictions. That said, there are elements of songwriting that will strengthen the message of the song, so it better resonates with the listener. This seven-week workshop will focus on those elements in a collaborative setting with the goal of developing songwriting skills. **Registration begins Dec 28 at 2 p.m.**

Medicare 101 and Open Enrollment

Mon, Jan 13, 7 p.m.

Are you turning 65, retiring, or on Medicare and puzzled by your Medicare plan options? Did you know you can change your Medicare Advantage plan or Medicare Part D drug plan during the Medicare Open Enrollment period from Oct 15 - Dec 7 every year? Join Marcy Rosenthal, Licensed Advisor, Medicare Products, to learn more about Medicare, the Medicare Open Enrollment period, and how to select the best plan option.

LGBTQ+ 101: For Allies, Family, and Friends

Thurs, Jan 23, 7 p.m.

A program about LGBTQIA+ terminology, starting with the basics - the different components of human sexuality: biological sex, gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation - and how these come together to create the diversity of our sexual experiences. Discussion of the LGBTQIA+ acronym, discussing the history of these different terms, and how they all fit into the richness of our shared human condition. **Registration begins Jan 9.**

Stay Hydrated: Sticker Style

Tues, Feb 18, 6 p.m.

Personalize your hydration routine with vibrant, durable stickers that reflect your unique style. Bring your reusable drinking vessel of choice, whether that's a Stanley cup, an Owala bottle, or a classic Naglene and we'll provide more stickers than you can imagine! Drop in any time after 6 pm to sift through our sticker collection to find ones that are perfect for you.

Registration begins two weeks before the class date and is required for all computer classes. Classes that have part 1, 2, 3, etc. are available for registration two weeks before the first class. Call (216) 932-3600 or visit events.heightslibrary.org.

Lee Road

Canva for Beginners

Canva is a popular web-based graphics and layout program.

Wed, Dec 4, 11 a.m.

Wed, Dec 18, 11 a.m.

Wed, Jan 8, 11 a.m.

Wed, Jan 22, 11 a.m.

Wed, Feb 5, 11 a.m.

Wed, Feb 19, 11 a.m.

3D Modeling & Printing

Part 1

Tues, Dec 3, 7 p.m.

Part 2

Tues, Dec 10, 7 p.m.

Part 3

Tues, Dec 17, 7 p.m.

Computer Basics

Part 1 - Using the Mouse

Tues, Jan 7, 2 p.m.

Registering for this class will register you for the entire 8-part series.

Part 2 - Intro to Computers

Tues, Jan 14, 2 p.m.

Part 3 - Windows

Tues, Jan 21, 2 p.m.

Part 4 - Using the Internet

Tues, Jan 28, 2 p.m.

Part 5 - Internet Access

Tues, Feb 4, 2 p.m.

Part 6 - Downloading & Uploading

Tues, Feb 11, 2 p.m.

Part 7 - Web Searching

Tues, Feb 18, 2 p.m.

Part 8 - Internet Safety Basics

Tues, Feb 25, 2 p.m.

Coding Basics

Part 1

Tues, Jan 7, 7 p.m.

Part 2

Tues, Jan 14, 7 p.m.

Part 3

Tues, Jan 21, 7 p.m.

Excel

Part 1

Wed, Jan 8, 7 p.m.

Registering for Part 1 will register you for the entire 7-part series.

Part 2

Wed, Jan 15, 7 p.m.

Part 3

Wed, Jan 22, 7 p.m.

Part 4 - Simple Budgets

Wed, Jan 29, 7 p.m.

Part 5 - Charts and Graphs

Wed, Feb 5, 7 p.m.

Part 6 - Formulas and Functions

Wed, Feb 12, 7 p.m.

Part 7 - PivotTables

Wed, Feb 19, 7 p.m.

Word

Part 1

Thurs, Jan 9, 7 p.m.

Registering for Part 1 will register you for the entire 6-part series.

Part 2

Thurs, Jan 16, 7 p.m.

Part 3

Thurs, Jan 23, 7 p.m.

Part 4 - Graphics

Thurs, Jan 30, 7 p.m.

Part 5 - Tables

Thurs, Feb 6, 7 p.m.

Part 6 - Labels and Mail Merge

Thurs, Feb 13, 7 p.m.

PowerPoint

Part 1

Tues, Feb 4, 7 p.m.

Part 2

Tues, Feb 11, 7 p.m.

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