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Bullying prevention and historical reenactment will open 2011 at EPL

Maurice J. Elias, Ph.D., of the Rutgers University Speakers Bureau, and expert on Bullying Prevention, will speak at EPL on Thursday, January 27, 7 pm, in the Main Library Auditorium. The Elmora Branch Library will host an historical reenactment of a satirical, antisuffrage speech, "Someone Must Wash the Dishes," written by Marie Jenney Howe in 1912, and performed by actress Michele LaRue on Wednesday, March 9, at 7 pm.

Tax return help by appointment @ EPL

Tax preparation assistance will be available for eligible residents at EPL on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings from February through April. Please call the Circulation Desk at 908-354-6060, x-7234, to make an appointment beginning Tuesday, January 18th.

Black History Month commemoration scheduled for February

Ebony Rhapsody: In Our Image, an art exhibit courtesy of local artist Derek Dent, will headline Black History Month offerings at EPL in 2011. The Urban League Guild of Union County will also host programs during the month to mark the significance of the national celebration.

Homework Help NJ will continue into 2011

Homework Help NJ will continue to be available through March of 2011 to Elizabeth Public Library patrons with thanks to the New Jersey State Library. Tutor.com, which provides free on-line help in English and Spanish for students in Kindergarten through grade 12, as well as for introductory college students and adult learners. The service is made available in all EPL branches, and remotely with an EPL card number. Click the "Homework Help NJ" link on the EPL main page at <http://www.elizpl.org>.

Shakespeare to Shange is new for teens in 2011



Lily Burd

Shakespeare to Shange is a program designed by Lily Burd, Artistic Director, and sponsored by Ontik, a theatrical collective. Ms. Burd will meet with high school students once a week from January 11–May 22 at 5:15 in the Main Library Auditorium. In a recent interview, Ms. Burd offered some insight into the program.

Q: What inspired you to choose Elizabeth Public Library as a site for a theater program?

A: *Growing up in Elizabeth I spent a great deal of time at the Elizabeth Public Library. The world was at my fingertips via the shelves upon shelves of books, and most importantly for me, plays. I am delighted personally and professionally to spend time at my library again!*

Q: Why *Shakespeare to Shange*?

A: *We will actually be reading plays by three different playwrights. The third is going to be decided by the participants based on the themes and writers they are interested in exploring.*

William Shakespeare and Ntozake Shange were/are both great poets whose use of language in their plays has become iconic. Their work has much value and potency as a tool to learn more about humanity. Theatre is the greatest study of humanity.

Q: What do you envision for the community as the result of offering *Shakespeare to Shange* in the community?

A: *There are so many beautiful and important plays out there that we don't get to read, let alone see. Ontik is working on making Elizabeth its artistic home. Through the work we plan to produce in Elizabeth and through our arts-education programs, like "Shakespeare to Shange," we hope to engage a new generation of theatre goers and play readers. And for the more seasoned patron, to remind them that the theatre is not dead!*

Reference and Adult Services 908-354-6060, x-7203



Maurice J. Elias

Prevention of Bullying with Maurice J. Elias, Ph.D.

Thursday, January 27, at 7 pm
Main Library Auditorium

Expert Maurice J. Elias, Ph.D., author of *The Educator's Guide to Emotional Intelligence and Academic Achievement* (2006), will speak on what parents can do. A new Children's Room guide to resources will be available.

Astrological Prediction and Forecasting: The Manifestation of Potential with John Marchesella

Saturday, March 5, 2010, 2:30 pm,
Main Library Auditorium

Happy Healthy Houseplants with Rutgers Master Gardeners of Union County

Saturday, March 26, 2:30 pm
Main Library Auditorium

Wednesday Morning Movies

10 am in the Main Library Auditorium

- Jan 5 *Date Night* with Steve Carell, T. Fey
 Jan 12 *Night Train to Munich* with M. Lockwood
 Jan 19 *Presumed Innocent* with H. Ford, B. Dennehy
 Jan 26 *Panic Room* with Jodie Foster, K. Stewart
 Feb 2 *Groundhog Day* with Bill Murray, A. MacDowell
 Feb 9 *Valentine's Day* with Julia Roberts, E. Roberts
 Feb 16 *The Heiress* with Olivia de Havilland, M. Clift
 Feb 23 *The Illusionist* with Edward Norton, Jessica Biel
 Mar 2 *Rachel Getting Married* with A. Hathaway
 Mar 9 *Arsenic and Old Lace* with Cary Grant, P. Lane
 Mar 16 *Bells are Ringing* with Judy Holliday, D. Martin
 Mar 23 *The Bounty Hunter* with G. Butler, J. Aniston
 Mar 30 *Some Like It Hot* with Marilyn Monroe, T. Curtis

Saturday Movie Matinees

2 pm, Main Library Auditorium

- Jan 15 *The Legend of Zorro* with Antonio Banderas
 March 12 *Sherlock Holmes* with R. Downey Jr, J. Law

Media Department**Computer Classes at EPL**

Main Library, Third-Floor Community Learning Center
Call 908-354-6060, x-7238 to register.

Class Dates and Times

Intro to Computers I	Tues.	1/11, 2/15, 3/22	6:00pm
Intro to Word	Thurs.	1/13, 2/17, 3/24	2:30pm
Everything Google	Fri.	1/14, 2/18, 3/25	6:00pm
Intro to Computers II	Tues.	1/18, 2/22, 3/29	6:00pm
Intermediate Word	Thurs.	1/20, 2/24, 3/3	2:30pm
How to build a website	Fri.	1/21, 2/25, 3/1, 4/1	6:00pm
Creating an Email	Tues.	1/25, 3/1	6:00pm
Senior Spaces Website	Thurs.	1/27, 2/3, 3/10	2:30pm
Money on the Internet	Fri.	1/28, 3/4	6:00pm
Facebook for Seniors	Thurs.	3/3	2:30pm
Typing Class	Tues.	2/1, 3/1	6:00pm
Everything Digital	Fri.	2/4, 3/1	6:00pm

Senior Space

Knitting for a Cause: Join us in knitting or crocheting in support of Warm Up America! Knitters and crocheters of all levels are welcome.

Thursdays, 10:30 am-12:30pm
January 13, February 10 and March 10
Main Library, Third Floor Senior Space

Senior Game Day: Come enjoy a morning of fun and games! Try your hand at the Wii gaming system.

Thursdays, 10:30am-12:30pm
January 27, February 24 and March 24
Main Library, Fourth Floor Auditorium

Classic Movie Marathon for Seniors: The first seasonal movie marathon will celebrate African Americans in film.

Monday, February 14, 2011 10:00am-4:00pm
Main Library, Fourth Floor Auditorium
A Raisin in the Sun 10:00am-12:00pm
Lilies of the Field 12:00pm – 2:00pm
Driving Miss Daisy 2:00pm-4:00pm

Teen Department**Shakespeare to Shange**

January 11-May 22, 5:15-6:30 pm, Main Library Auditorium.
Call 908-354-6060, x-7154, for more information. Register on the [Teen Department web page](#), or by registration form, available at the Main Library Teen Desk. and in all branches.

Teen Tech Week Volunteers – Monday, March 7, and Thursday, March 10, 5-6:30 pm
Main Library, Community Learning Center
Volunteer hours will be credited to teen volunteers who help create a film for You-Tube to demonstrate the on-line catalog.

Children's Programs 908-354-6060, x-7209



**Dr. Martin Luther King Day
and
Black History Month Display**



Visit the Children's Room during January and February for rich resources of African American culture, and to add your dream to the display in the Children's Room under Dr. Martin Luther King's picture and quote, "I have a dream," Coretta Scott King award winning books will be on display near the Children's Theater. Activity sheets and lists of web sites and books will be available to take away.

March is Women's History Month

A poster display of prominent women and their biographies will be on exhibit in the Main Library Children's Room Theater. There will also be drop-in activities and lists of web sites and books.

Lapsit: Rhymes, songs, finger plays and verse for babies, newborns – 2 year olds.

Thursdays in the Main Library Children's Room
Children's Room, 11 am
January 6 & 20. February 3 & 10 and March 3 & 10

Branch Programs 908-353-4820

**Someone Must Wash the Dishes:
An Anti-Suffrage Satire**

Wednesday, March 9
Elmora Branch, 7 pm
Dramatic performance of a satiric monologue written by Marie Jenny Howe in 1912.



Classic Movie Fridays at LaCorte Branch
Fridays at 9:30 am

No Ticket Required Saturday Matinee Theater at LaCorte: January 22, February 5 and March 19, 1:30 pm

Family Movie Night at LaCorte Branch

Thursdays at 5:30 pm
January 20, February 17, March 3 and March 31

Winter Warmth and Wii at LaCorte: Family Gaming

Saturdays, 3-4 pm January 8, February 19 and March 5



Let It Snow!

Stories, crafts and activities. Pre K to 2
Elizabethport 6:30 pm Monday, January 10
Elmora 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 24
LaCorte 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 25
Main Library 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 29

Black Cowboys—Black History Month

Stories, crafts, activities Pre K - 2
Elmora 6:30 pm Monday, February 14
LaCorte 6:30 pm Tuesday February 22
Main Library 2:30 pm Saturday, February 26
Elizabethport 6:30 pm Monday, February 28

Princess Power-- Women's History Month

Stories, crafts and activities Pre K- 2
Elizabethport 6:30 pm Monday, March 21
LaCorte 6:30 pm Tuesday, March 22
Main Library 2:30 pm Saturday, March 26
Elmora 6:30 pm Monday, March 28

Look for a display of EPL's Bookshelf grant award of books and resources entitled, "A More Perfect Union," beginning in January, 2011. Bookshelf grants are part of the [NEH's We the People](#) initiative.



**The Elmora Branch Library's
Brown Bag Lunch Movies**



Jan 4 *Dejas Vous*, D. Washington, P. Patton
Jan 11 *For One More Day*, W. Ben Bernstein
Jan 18 *District 9* with S. Copley and D. James
Jan 25 *A Prairie Home* with L Tomlin
Feb 1 *Glory* with Matthew Broderick
Feb 8 *Tuskegee Airmen* with L Fishburne
Feb 15 *A Lesson Before Dying* with D. Cheadle
Feb 22 *The Five Heartbeats* with R. Bownsend
Mar 1 *Fried Green Tomatoes* with J Tandy
Mar 8 *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
Mar 15 *Thelma and Louise* with S. Sarandon
Mar 22 *The Josephine Baker Story* with L Whitfield
Mar 29 *Sense and Sensibility* with E Thompson

Contact Robert Barbanell to register at 908-353-4820 or rbarbanell@elizpl.org	HS students and parents: New Jersey Seeds , who provide academic enrichment and leadership training.	EBSCO database training: A look at EPL on-line magazines and information (1 hour)	Dewey Scavenger Hunt: How to find non-fiction in the branches (1 hour)
Elmora Branch 908-353-4820	2/2 5:30-7:30 pm	1/5 6:30 pm, 2/5 3 pm 3/16 6:30 0m	1/19 6:30pm, 2/26 3 pm, 3/30 6:30
LaCorte Branch 908-820-4298	2/3 5-7 pm	1/10 10:00 am, 2/26 3 pm 3/29 3-4 pm	1/29 3pm, 2/7 10 am, 3/22 3 pm,
Elizabethport Branch 908-289-9032	2/7 5-7 pm	1/18 10 am, 2/28 6 pm 3/12 3:00 pm	1/24 6:30 pm, 2/5 3 pm, 3/15 3:30 pm

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<p>Main Library Hours 11 S. Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202 908-354-6060 Sat 9 am - 5 pm</p>	<p>Elmora Branch Hours 740 W. Grand Elizabeth, NJ 908-353-4820 M W 9 am-9pm TThF Sat 9 am-5pm</p>
<p>LaCorte Branch Hours 434 Palmer St Elizabeth, NJ 908-820-4298 M W F Sat: 9am-5pm TTh: 12 pm-8 pm</p>	<p>Elizabethport Branch Hours 102-110 Third St Elizabeth, NJ 908-289-9032 M W: 12pm - 8pm TThF Sat: 9am-5pm</p>
<p>Library Holidays: The Library will be closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day Friday, December 31 and Saturday, January 1 Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Monday, January 17 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday Friday, February 11 President's Day Monday, February 21</p>	