

**April
2024**



Check It Out!



Main Library
11 South Broad St.
(908) 354-6060
M-Th, 8:30am-7:45pm
Fri, 9:30am-5:45pm
Sat, 9:30am-4:45pm
www.elizpl.org @eplnj



Elmora Branch
740 W. Grand St.
(908) 353-4820
M-Th, 8:30am-7:45pm
Fri, 9:30am-5:45pm
Sat, 9:30am-4:45pm



LaCorte Branch
418-424 Palmer St.
(908) 469-1866

Monday-Friday: 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM



E-Port Branch
102-110 3rd St.
(3rd St. & E. Jersey St.)
(908) 289-9032

Monday-Friday: 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Fresh Start

SHOWER · LAUNDRY · RESTROOMS
A Service of the Union County Board of County Commissioners

April 11th, 10am

SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING PARTY

**MONDAY
APRIL 8TH 2024**

2PM - 4PM

In the
Main Branch
Parking Lot



WATCH THE
SOLAR
ECLIPSE
WITH US!

GAMES
AND MORE!

Eclipse glasses available while supplies last



Branch Programs

Elmora Branch Library | 740 W. Grand St. | Elizabeth, NJ 07202
Space is limited for programs. Please register on our library calendar at elizpl.org or by calling 908-353-4820

Elmora Adult Programs

Zumba Gold

Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25 at 9AM

Add fitness into your day through dance with us! Call 908-353-4820 to reserve your spot, however, walk-ins are welcome!

Mahjong - Monday, April 1, 8, & 15 from 1PM - 4PM

We'll provide the space for open play. A minimum of 4 players are required to play the game.

Tai Chi & Qi Gong

Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 4:30PM

Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24 at 9AM

Experience the refreshing benefits of mindfulness! Call (908) 353-4820 or reserve your spot on our website at elizpl.org.

The Book Clubbing Club - Tuesday, April 2 at 11AM

Become a part of our Book Club and engage in lively discussions about the latest and most intriguing book news with like-minded book lovers!

Grown-up Coloring - Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 1PM

Drop by for a relaxing coloring session! Experience the calming effects while enjoying the company of others.

Adult Chess Club - Fridays, April 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 12:30PM

Join the Adult Chess Club every Friday at 12:30pm! Regardless of your skill level! Beginners are welcome to participate.

Elmora Children's Programs

Junior Chess Club - Mondays

April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 4 pm

Don't miss out on our Chess Club for Kids! It's happening every Monday at 4 pm, and we welcome all kids, including beginners. Join us and let's play some chess!

Lil' Bookworms - Wednesday, April 3 at 5 pm

Kids will share their love of reading, learn to talk about the books they're reading, and be motivated to read. Ages: 5-8

Toddlers World - Fridays

April 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 11 am

An hour of fun songs to sing, music, and playtime.

Storytime at Green Acres Park

Saturday, April 6 at 11 am

Join Ms. Martha for songs, stories, crafts, and oh so much fun! This storytime will feature stories in English and Spanish for the whole family.

Drawing for Kids - Thursday, April 18 at 3 pm

Come and join us for a delightful storytime where you will get to learn how to draw various animals!



Matinee Movie - Fridays, April 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 2PM

"Lilo & Stitch" 4/5

"Bird (1988)" 4/12

"The Boy in the Striped Pajamas" 4/19

"Godzilla vs. Kong" 4/26



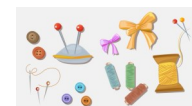
Crochet with Sol - Mondays, April 8 & 15 Tuesdays, April 9 & 16 all at 12PM

Learn the tips and tricks with Ms. Sol! She will teach you everything you need to know to get started, from fundamental stitches to understanding gauge.



Stitch & Chat - Tuesday, April 9 at 10AM and Wednesday, April 10 at 5PM

Bring the article you need help with and assistance will be provided.



Bridge for Beginners - Tuesday, April 16 10AM

All skill levels are welcome to join the library for Bridge. Stop by with your own deck of cards!



Adult Scrabble - Tuesday, April 23 2:30 pm

Word lovers! Exercise your B-R-A-I-N (7 points) by playing Scrabble with other like-minded adults.



Adult Spanish Book Club - Thursday, April 25 2PM

Come and join Martha as she hosts a monthly book discussion for Spanish-speaking adults!



ESL Classes for Kids

Wednesday, April 17 at 5 pm

Join us every third Wednesday of each month, to learn English as a Second Language with fun interactive activities. For ages 5-12



Bubbles aRe Us - Saturday, April 20 at 1 pm Located at 169 Bellevue St.

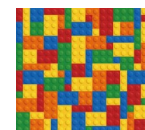
This storytime will feature stories in English and Spanish for the whole family.



All Ages Lego Hour

Saturday, April 20 at 3 pm

It's Lego Hour at Elmora on Saturday @3pm. Come build an enormous tower or make a race car; imagination is limitless!



Earth Day Craft To Go - Monday, April 22

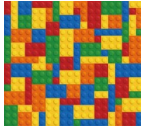
Stop by to get a craft about the Earth and how it is affected by pollution.



LaCorte Programs

Lego Hour - April 10th and 24th at 4 pm

Join us with family or friends for an hour of Lego fun. No registration is required.



Crafty Monday - April 15th and 29th at 4 pm

Come in and make a craft that can be for any age. No registration is required.



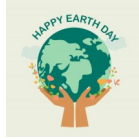
Afternoon Movie

April 12th and 26th at 4 pm
Wind down with a good movie that is appropriate for all ages. No registration required.



Earth Day Craft - April 22nd at 4 pm

In celebration of Earth Day come join us for a fun craft good for any age. No registration is required.



Diamond art - April 19th at 4pm

Let's get together and have some fun with Diamond Art. Registration is required.



E-Port Programs

Arts and Crafts Day

Wednesday, April 11th @ 3:30pm

Join us in making finger puppets!



Everyday is Earth Day

Wednesday, April 22nd @ 3:30pm

Make ladybugs along with watching the movie Trolls!



Teen Programs

Space is limited for programs. Please register on our library calendar at elizpl.org or by calling (908) 354-6060 ext. 7227

Uno: Monday 1st @ 1:30 pm

Get those wild cards ready! We're kicking off spring break with an Uno tournament.



Dungeons & Dragons

Wednesday 10th & 24th @ 3:30 pm

Join us for our Teen D&D Club! No experience is required. Space is limited.



Teen Tea Café: Tuesday 2nd @ 1:30 pm

Learn about tea and tea culture with a good book. Registration required!



Ask a Professional: Union County Forensics: Friday 26th @ 3:30 pm

Interested in the field of forensics? Talk to a specialist and ask your questions! Earn community service hours! Registration required!



Calligraphy: Wednesday 3rd @ 1:30pm

Learn how to do some fancy lettering or practice your signature with ink and brushes. Registration required!



Anime Club

Monday 15th & 29th @ 3:30 pm

Watch and discuss anime of your choice, and make paper windchimes (on the 29th)!



DIY Coasters: Thursday 4th @ 1:30 pm

Weave magazine pages into unique and colorful coasters! Registration required!



Bring Your Own Book Club

Tuesday 16th @ 3:30 pm

Read and discuss a book of your choice in our new monthly book club! Earn community service hours. Registration required!

Bring Your Own Book (BYOB) Club



Afternoon Movie: Friday 5th @ 1:30 pm Come on and slam, if you wanna watch Space Jam! Snacks will be provided.



Ask a Professional:

Firefighter: Thursday 18th @ 3:30 pm

Curious about a career in firefighting? Earn community service hours! Registration required!



Board Game Day: Saturday 6th @ 1:30 pm

The Teen Department has tons of games to play and today we're letting them all out of the case! Stop by to play any game you want.



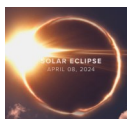
Earth Day: Monday 22nd @ 3:30 pm

Join us for a surprise Earth Day Craft! Registration required!



Solar Eclipse Party: Monday 8th @ 2:30 pm

View the total solar eclipse with us! Eclipse glasses are available for free while supplies last.



Open Mic Night: Tuesday 23rd @ 3:30 pm

Celebrate National Poetry Month by sharing your poetry or best performance piece! Registration required!



Financial Aid Workshop with UCC

Tuesday 9th @ 3:30 pm

Need financial aid but not sure how to apply or where to look? A financial aid expert from UCC will be here to guide you through the process! Registration required!



Ask a Professional: Librarian

Thursday 25th @ 3:30 pm

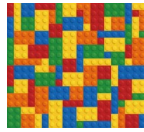
Come talk to the people behind all our fabulous programs and learn about their careers! Earn community service hours! Registration required!



Children's Programs

Space is limited for programs. Please register on our library calendar at elizpl.org or by calling (908) 354-6060 ext. 7209

Legos- Every Saturday from 10 am to 12 pm
Have fun with legos every Saturday in April.



Children's Theater Class
Thursday, 18th at 5 pm

Learn about comedic improvisation! Get started with games and activities. Ages 6-12. Perfect for any level of experience. Registration required



Baby & Me - Fridays, 5th & 26th at 10:30 am
Short stories, fingerplays, nursery rhymes, and songs for infants 0-2 years old. Stay afterward to give your baby a chance to play and socialize.



Spanish Classes For Kids
Monday, 15th at 5 pm

Let's have fun together learning Spanish! For kids aged 5-12 years old.



ESL- Mondays, 8th & 22nd at 5 pm
Join us to learn English as a Second Language with fun interactive activities. For ages 5-12. Registration required.



Crafty Tuesday - 16th & 30th at 4:30 pm

Come make a craft with us! This is for all ages! No registration required.



STEM Club - Tuesday, 9th at 5 pm
Join us in creating, and making different STEM projects and crafts. For ages 5-12 years old. Registration required.



Book Bingo - Saturday, 20th at 2 pm

Come have fun with Ms. Kit's famous book BINGO. Kids have a chance to win books! This is for all ages!



Dungeons and Dragons Club
Wednesday, 10th at 4:30 pm
Learn how to play Dungeons & Dragons! No experience is required. Limited space, registration required.



Cooking Club - Tuesday, 23rd at 5 pm

Join us for our cooking club! Stay tuned for what we will be making! Registration required.



Loteria - Saturday, 13th at 2 pm
Join us for a fun Loteria game! There will be a prize. This program is bilingual.



Tween Zone -Thursday, 25th at 5 pm

Join us for fun and challenging crafts. Strictly for tweens 8-12 years old. Registration required.



Join us in congratulating **Carol Jones**, as she retires from EPL after 18 years of service.



Carol was for many years a mainstay at the Circ II desk on the 2nd floor.

Happy retirement, Carol!

Elizabeth Public Library's

Thrift Shop Day!

Come to the 4th-floor auditorium to thrift for some **free clothes!** We will have children, teens, and adult sizes. Please be mindful and take what you need. Limited Space.
There will be an 80 person limit.

Bring your own bag!

While supplies last!

FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH
FROM 3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM

Adult Programs

Space is limited for programs. Please register on our library calendar at elizpl.org or by calling (908) 354-6060 ext. 7203

SNAP—Bilingual - SPA

April 2 @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN World Language Room

Learn about SNAP benefits and how to apply. Speak with a representative from the Community Food Bank of New Jersey



English Conversation Classes

Tuesdays @ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Fridays @ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 3rd FL Large Classroom



Outreach Event - Homeless

April 3, 4 @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 2 Flex Space

Speak to a representative from the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless regarding the resources and services that they provide. Personal hygiene packets and other items will be available



Free Blood Pressure Readings

April 4 & 18 @ 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN World Language Room

Free Blood Pressure Readings with recommendations for follow-ups with health care providers and other information relating to heart health and blood pressure. Bi-lingual (English & Spanish).



Homelessness Focus Group

April 4 @ 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 4th FL Meeting Room

Are you homeless or without a permanent address? We want to hear from you! Tell us how the library can better serve you and your community. Free pizza! Any questions? Ask for Jeff!



Information Table - Prevention Links

April 5 & 19 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 2nd FL Flex Space

Speak with a representative about the resources offered to prevent addiction, support recovery and strengthen families.



Drop-in Game Time for Adults

Fridays @ 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 2nd FL Flex Space

Weekly Drop-in Game Time for Adults of All Ages

Exercise your mind with board games, card games, and more!



Family Care or Get Covered NJ-Enrollment - NJ Citizen Action

April 9 & 23 @ 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 2nd FL World Language Room

Get assistance with enrolling in the NJ Family Care or Get Covered NJ. Individuals and families are eligible. (English & Español)



Information Table - Fidelis -- Enrollment in NJ Family Cares/Kids Get Covered

April 11, 18 & 25 @ 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN 2nd FL Flex Space

Speak with a representative about the no-cost or low-cost health coverage provided through NJ Family Care.



First Home Buyers Presentation -- Financial Resources Federal Credit Union

April 11 @ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN Auditorium

Learn all about the home buying process and speak with the experts.



Superior Court of Union County - Municipal Court Informational Seminar

April 12 @ 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN Auditorium

Court staff from the municipal division will discuss how to navigate hearings in municipal courts. Seminar is free and open to the public. To register by Friday March 29 contact Maria Velazquez: 908-787-1650 x21028 or email: maria.velazquez@njcourts.gov



Superior Court of Union County - Expungement Informational Seminar

April 16 @ 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Elizabeth Public Library MAIN Auditorium

Court staff from the criminal division and representatives from Central Jersey Legal Services of NJ will discuss expungement matters. Seminar is free and open to the public. To register by April 2 contact Maria Velazquez at Maria.Velazquez@njcourts.gov or 908-787-1650 x21028

Free Computer Classes

Free computer classes will be held in the third floor computer lab at the Main library.

Main Library Computer Classes			Elmora Branch Computer Classes		
Tuesday 04/02/24	Microsoft Word 1	10:30am	Monday 04/01/24	Microsoft Excel 1	10:30am
Tuesday 04/02/24	Computer Basics	6pm	Monday 04/08/24	Microsoft Excel 2	10:30am
Thursday 04/04/24	Microsoft Word 2	10:30am	Monday 04/15/24	How to Create Zip Files	10:30am
Saturday 04/06/24	Google Docs	2pm	Monday 04/22/24	Microsoft Word 1	10:30am
Tuesday 04/09/24	Microsoft PowerPoint 1	10:30am	Monday 04/29/24	Microsoft Word 2	10:30am
Tuesday 04/09/24	Internet Basics	6pm	 <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">SHEZ CREATIONS</p> <p style="font-size: 18px; margin: 0;">Abstract Art Exhibit</p> <hr style="width: 30%; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">APRIL 3 - MAY 30, 2024</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; margin: 10px 0 0 0;">ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY MAIN BRANCH 3rd Floor Exhibit Space 11 South Broad Street Elizabeth NJ 07202</p>		
Thursday 04/11/24	Microsoft PowerPoint 2	10:30am			
Saturday 04/13/24	How to find information on the web	10:30am			
Tuesday 04/16/24	Computer Basics 1	10:30am			
Tuesday 04/16/24	PowerPoint	6pm			
Thursday 04/18/24	Computer Basics 2	10:30am			
Saturday 04/20/24	Twitter	2pm			
Tuesday 04/23/24	Microsoft Publisher 1	10:30am			
Tuesday 04/23/24	LibreOffice	6pm			
Thursday 04/25/24	Microsoft Publisher 2	10:30am			
Saturday 04/27/24	How to keep tight security on Facebook	10:30am			
Tuesday 04/30/24	How to Create Zip Files	10:30am			
Tuesday 04/30/24	Hoopla/Libby	6pm			

The Library Board of Trustees will hold a hybrid meeting (in-person and via Zoom) on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 5:30PM. The in-person meeting will be held in the Director's Office on the 3rd floor. For a Zoom link, email eploffice@elizpl.org by 12 noon on April 16th.

**J. Christian Bollwage,
Mayor, City of Elizabeth**

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