

Oct  
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# 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



**Elmore 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

### EXHIBIT AND AUTHOR BOOK TALK

## Frank Brindley: I Grew Up in Elizabeth

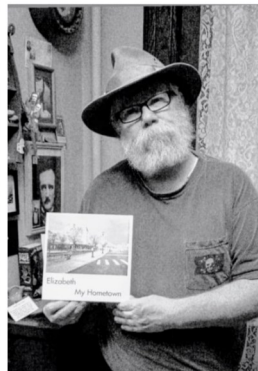
A 50 year retrospective of photographs of Elizabeth taken by a 14-year-old, with his first camera, and then again 50 years later.

**EXHIBIT:**  
OCTOBER 2-28, 2024  
MAIN LIBRARY  
EXHIBIT ROOM

**OPENING RECEPTION ON  
WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER 2ND  
6 PM - 7 PM**

**AUTHOR BOOK TALK:  
SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 19TH  
1 PM - 2:30 PM  
LARGE CLASSROOM**

Elizabeth Public Library  
11 S Broad St.,  
Elizabeth, NJ 07202  
www.elizpl.org





LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM  
PRESENTS

*Quilting Over the Centuries:  
Women's Life and History in  
America*

Elizabeth Public Library  
Friday, October 11, 2024  
1pm - 2pm  
4th Floor Auditorium

11 S Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202  
www.elizpl.org


### Do You Want to Become a United States Citizen? Join a Free Citizenship Class! Registration: September 2024

**Classes begin the week of October 1, 2024**  
Class meets once a week for 2 hours. Online or in person classes available.  
You must have a green card to register for the Citizenship Class.

**For more information and to register, contact: Anita Alvarado: (908) 496-1777 X402 or aalvarado@literacynj.org**

**The Elizabeth Public Library is now accepting jigsaw puzzles (complete, no pieces missing), art supplies (paint brushes, colored pencils, crayons, etc) and games.**



# 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](http://elizpl.org) or by calling 908-353-4820

## Elmora Adult Programs

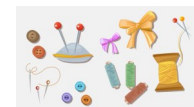
### The Book Clubbing Club - Tuesday, October 1st @ 11 am

Join our Book Club meeting and engage in a lively discussion about our latest book.



### Stitch & Chat - Tuesday, October 8th @ 10 am and Wednesday, October 9th @ 5 pm

Come to Elmora to mend your clothing. Bring the article you need help with and assistance will be provided.



### Tai Chi & Qi Gong - Monday, October 7th, 21st, & 28th at 4 pm and every Wednesday @ 9 am

Experience the refreshing benefits of mindfulness!



### Adult Scrabble - Tuesday, October 12th @ 2 pm

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



### Zumba Gold - Monday, October 7th, 21st, & 28th and every Thursday @ 9 am

Add fitness to your daily routine through the joy of dance! Walk-ins are welcome!



### Craft - Tuesday, October 15th @ 11 am

Join us for an adult seasonal craft at Elmora. Registration is required.



### Zumba Dance - Friday, October 4th @ 11 am

Come shake a leg with us! Registration required.



### Bridge for Beginners - Tuesday, October 15th @ 1 pm

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



### Adult Chess Club - Friday, October 4th, 11th, & 25th @ 12:30 pm

Join the Adult Chess Club! Regardless of your skill level, beginners are welcome to participate.



### Adult Spanish Book Club - Thursday, October 17th @ 2 pm

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



### Yoga at the Library - Friday, October 2nd @ 11 am

FREE yoga at the library! All levels are welcome. Registration required.



### Lunch & Learn - Tuesday, October 22nd @ 11 am

Discover the insights into mental health at an engaging seminar. Secure your seat by registering, as seating is limited.



### Mahjong - Monday, October 7th, 21st, & 28th from 1 pm - 4 pm

Bring friends or come alone & find new partners. We'll provide the space for open play. A minimum of 4 players are required to play the game.



### Adult Bingo - Tuesday, October 29th @ 11 am

Join us at the Elmora Branch Library for a fun-filled game of BINGO. Registration is required.



## Elmora Children's Programs

### Lil' Bookworms - Wednesday, October 2nd @ 5 pm

Encouraging kids to share their love of reading, engage in book discussions, and feel eager about reading.



### Bubbles aRE Us - Saturday, October 19th @ 1 pm

Located on 640 3rd Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ  
Join Ms. Martha at the laundromat for songs, stories, and crafts with LOADS of fun! This storytime will feature stories in English and Spanish for the whole family. FREE PIZZA!!!



### Coloring for Kids - Saturday, October 5th @ 2 pm

Take a break and unwind by coloring at the Elmora Branch for an hour!



**Drawing for Kids - Tuesday, October 22nd @ 3 pm**  
Come and join us for a delightful storytime where you will get to learn how to draw various animals!



### Junior Chess Club (Ages: 7-12) - Monday, October 7th & 28th @ 4 pm

Don't miss out on our Chess Club for Kids! We welcome beginners. Join us and let's play some chess! For ages 7-12.



### Pancake Day Storytime - Friday, October 25th @ 2 pm

Join Ms. Martha for a bilingual story and craft! No registration is required.



### Toddlers World - Friday, October 11th & 25th @ 11 am

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



### Fall Fest Party - Wednesday, October 30th @ 5 pm

Orange you pumped about Elmora's Annual Fall Fest Party?! Join us for stories, games, and pumpkin painting!



### ESL Classes for Kids (Ages: 5-12) - Wednesday, October 16th @ 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



## LaCorte Children's Programs

### **Crafty Monday - October 7th & 21st @ 4 pm**

Come join us for crafty Monday, where creativity knows no bounds! Let's dive into a fun-filled afternoon with a craft that is fun for all ages. Registration not required.

### **Lego Hour - Wednesday, October 9th & 23rd @ 4 pm**

Let your imagination take center stage. Grab the Legos and unleash your creativity. Fun for all ages. Registration not required.

### **Spooky Scavenger Hunt - Friday, October 11th & 25th @ 4 pm**

Get ready to unleash your inner detective side uncovering our hidden spooky characters and you can win a prize. Registration not required.

### **Storytime - Friday, October 18th @ 4 pm**

Come join Ms. Linda for her very first storytime. She can't wait to share the joy of storytelling with you! Registration not required.

### **Race Car Races - Monday, October 28th @ 4 pm**

Come join us for a fun race car race! The top three racers will win a prize. Registration not required.

## E-Port Programs

### **DIY @ The Library: Pumpkin Wreath - Tuesday, October 1st @ 3:30 pm**

Create a fall pumpkin wreath to add to your autumn decor. All supplies will be provided. Open to all ages.

### **Crafty Day: Halloween Painting - Thursday, October 10th @ 3:30 pm**

Unwind and get into the Halloween spirit by painting your favorite spooky characters with us! Bring your imagination and let's have fun! All materials provided! Open to all ages

### **Color Me Calm (Ages: 18+) - Tuesday, October 8th @ 3:30pm**

Color and doodle your stress & worries away while listening to relaxing music. All supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring whatever drawing or coloring materials you'd like. For ages 18+.

### **Game Day: Lego - Thursday, October 15th @ 3:30 pm**

Play, build, & create! Join us for LEGO fun for families with kids of all ages. Registration not required.

### **Crafty Day: Popsicle Stick Spider Craft - Thursday, October 17th @ 3:30 pm**

Join us for a drop-in craft to make spider webs with popsicle sticks! Open to all ages.

### **Crafty Day: Paper Bag Scarecrow Craft - Tuesday, October 22nd @ 3:30 pm**

It's harvest time! Celebrate by making a scarecrow out of a paper bag. Craft your own unique scarecrow and have fun bringing it to life. Open to all ages.

### **Game Day: Word Search - Thursday, October 24th @ 3:30 pm**

Enjoy finding all the spooky words you need to catch! Open to all ages.

### **Puzzle Craft - Tuesday, October 29th @ 3:30 pm**

Learn to use leftover puzzles pieces to create a colorful craft with us! Open to all ages.

### **Little Kids Halloween Parade & Storytime - Wednesday, October 30th @ 3:30 pm**

Come for storytime fun and show off your costume in a fun parade around the library!

### **Game Day: Halloween-Themed Scavenger Hunt in the Library - Thursday, October 31st @ 3:30 pm**

Stop by the library to participate in our Halloween-themed scavenger hunt. Prizes awarded upon completion.

# Teen Programs

For ages 13-19 only. Space is limited for programs. Please register on our library calendar at [elizpl.org](http://elizpl.org) or by calling (908) 354-6060 ext. 7237

## Dungeons & Dragons - Wednesday, October 2nd & 16th @ 3:30 pm

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



## Scavenger Hunt - Thursday, October 3rd, 17th, & 31st @ 3:30 pm

Put your skills to the test this month with our spooky scavenger hunts!



## Spooky Movies - Friday, October 4th & 18th @ 3:30 pm

Get in the Halloween spirit with The Ring on the 4th and Beetlejuice on the 18th!



## Game Day - Saturday, October 5th & 19th @ 1 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.



## Anime Club - Monday, October 7th & 21st @ 3:30 pm

Watch and discuss anime of your choice; play anime Pictionary on the 21st!



## Spooky Jars - Tuesday, October 9th @ 3:30 pm

Decorate a jar with festive images to create a haunting glow or keep your candy in! Registration required.



## Hispanic Heritage Month Snack & Craft - Thursday, October 10th @ 3:30 pm

Get festive with a special snack to eat while we make Alebrijes. Registration required.



## Spooky Food - Friday, October 11th & 25th @ 3:30 pm

Flex your culinary skills and create some truly creepy concoctions! Registration required.



## Ask a Professional: Paranormal Investigator - Tuesday, October 15th @ 3:30 pm

What exactly goes into being a ghost hunter? East Coast Spirit Chasers will be here to answer all your questions about their work. Earn community service hours. Registration required.



## Bring Your Own Book Club - Tuesday, October 22nd @ 3:30 pm

Read a book of your choice and discuss it for community service hours! Registration required.

Bring Your Own Book  
(BYOB) Club



## Halloween Craft - Wednesday, October 23rd @ 3:30 pm

Create a cute or spooky portrait of ghosts using upcycled egg cartons! Registration required.

## Mini Pumpkins - Monday, October 28th @ 3:30 pm

Decorate a mini pumpkin you can take home and display! Registration required.

## Haunted Escape Room - Tuesday, October 29th @ 3:30 pm

A ghostly librarian is haunting the 4th floor! Can you find the ghost's spell book and escape before it's too late?? Registration required.

## Pride Power Hour - Wednesday, October 30th @ 3:30 pm

Introducing our new program for LGBTQIA+ teens and allies! This is a safe space where we will hang out, make some crafts, and take a step back from the stress of everyday life.



# Children's Programs

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

## Spooky Movies - Every Saturday in October @ 11 am (Closed the 12th)

Each week come in for a spooky movie!



## ESL (Ages: 6-18) - Every Monday @ 5 pm

Join us to learn English as a Second Language with fun interactive activities. For ages 6-18. Registration required.



## Spanish Classes For Kids (Ages: 6-18) – Tuesday, October 8th @ 5 pm

Let's have fun together learning Spanish! For ages 6-18 years old.



## Baby & Me (Ages: 0-2) - Fridays, October 4th & 18th @ 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.



## Book Bingo – Saturday, October 5th @ 2 pm

Come have fun with book BINGO. Kids have a chance to win books! This is for all ages!



## Storytime – Wednesday, October 9th & 23rd at 4 pm

Join us for an afterschool Storytime with a surprise character visitor!



## Children's Theater Class (Ages: 6-12) - Thursday, October 10th @ 5 pm

Interested in the theatre world? Join us in learning stage acting tips and tricks! Ages 6-12. Perfect for any level of experience. Registration required.

## Doodle Day (Ages: 1-5) - Friday, October 11th & 25th @ 11 am

Have fun with doing a toddler activity with us! For ages 1-5.



## Cooking Club (Ages: 7-12) – Tuesday, October 15th @ 5 pm

Join us in our cooking club! Stay tuned for what we will be making! For ages 7-12. Registration required.



## Zombie Toys - Wednesday, October 16th @ 5 pm

Make your own zombie toys. Registration required. This is for all ages.



## Artists Time Explorers (Ages: 6-12) – Tuesday, October 22nd @ 5 pm

Learn about different artists and create your own masterpiece! For ages 6-12. Registration Required.



## Tween Zone (Ages: 8-12) – Thursday, October 24th @ 5 pm

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

## Loteria - Saturday, October 26th @ 2 pm

Join us for a fun Loteria game! There will be a prize. This program is bilingual. This is for all ages.



## Pumpkin Painting (Ages: 1-12) – Tuesday, October 29th @ 5 pm

Paint your own Pumpkin! For ages 1-12. Registration Required!



## Halloween Party – Wednesday, October 30th @ 4 pm

It's time for our Halloween party! Join us for a creepy good time!

## OCTOBER 2024 ADULT EVENTS

### HOMELESS FOCUS GROUP

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024 @ 1:00PM

### READ THE RAINBOW BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024 @ 6:00PM

### PUZZLE TIME

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH & 17TH @ 1:00PM

### CLUB DE LECTURA: LECTORES SIN RUMBO

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2024 @ 4:00PM

### SPOOKY FEST (ALL AGES)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024 @ 11:00AM

### TUESDAY MOVIE TIME

EVERY TUESDAY @ 11:00AM



MAIN BRANCH

11 S. BROAD STREET ELIZABETH, NJ 07202

### FLEX SPACE EVENTS

UNWIND AND PAINT

EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 12:30PM

ADULT COLORING

EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 2:00PM

FRIDAY GAMES

EVERY FRIDAY @ 2:00PM

## 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 10/01/24	How to create a strong password	10:30am – 11:30am	Monday 10/07/24	How to properly uninstall computer programs	10:30-11:30am
Tuesday 10/01/24	Computer Basics 1	5:00pm – 6:00pm	Monday 10/21/24	All about secure browsers	10:30-11:30am
Thursday 10/03/24	How to find information on the web	10:30am – 11:30am	Monday 10/28/24	How to perform monthly maintenance on your computer	10:30-11:30am
Saturday 10/05/24	Computer Basics 2	2:00pm – 3:00pm			
Tuesday 10/08/24	Monthly Computer Maintenance	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/08/24	Setting up an Email account	5:00pm – 6:00pm			
Thursday 10/10/24	Microsoft Publisher Basics	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/15/24	Computer Basics 1	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/15/24	PowerPoint	5:00pm – 6:00pm			
Thursday 10/17/24	Computer Basics 2	10:30am – 11:30am			
Saturday 10/19/24	Hoopla/Libby	2:00pm – 3:00pm			
Tuesday 10/22/24	How to defrag your computer hard drive	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/22/24	LibreOffice	5:00pm – 6:00pm			
Thursday 10/24/24	How to wipe your computer hard drive	10:30am – 11:30am			
Saturday 10/26/24	How to uninstall computer programs properly	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/29/24	What is the difference between cleaning a hard drive and creating an image	10:30am – 11:30am			
Tuesday 10/29/24	Microsoft Word	5:00pm – 6:00pm			

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

**The Library Board of Trustees will hold a hybrid meeting (in-person and via Zoom) on Tuesday, October 15, 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](mailto:eploffice@elizpl.org) by 12 noon on October 15.**

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