

MARCH

2025



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Registration opens at 9am for March events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Sensory Science 10:00® Pajama Family Storytime 6:00	4 Bilingual Storytime 10:30	5	6 Preschool Playtime 9:30-11:00	7 Baby Playdate 9:30-11:30	8
9 Drop-In Craft 12:30-4:00	10 Toddler Storytime 9:30® Drop-In Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Craft 1:00-7:00	11 Drop-In Storytime 10:30	12 Crafternoon 4:30®	13 Toddler Storytime 9:30® Preschool Storytime 10:30® Iditarod (Zoom) 7:00®	14 Baby Storytime 9:30 or 11:00®	15
16	17 Toddler Storytime 9:30® Drop-In Storytime 10:30	18 Drop-In Storytime 10:30	19 Mini Makers 10:00® Cartooning 4:30®	20 Toddler Storytime 9:30® Preschool Storytime 10:30®	21 Baby Storytime 9:30 or 11:00®	22
23	24 Squishmallow Painting Party 10:30®	25 Goofy Golf 9:30, 10:30, 1:30, 2:30, 6:30®	26 Goofy Golf 9:30, 10:30, 1:30, 2:30, 6:30®	27 Terrific Totes 9:30 or 11:00®	28 Trash Monsters 10:00-4:00	29
30	31 Toddler Storytime 9:30® Drop-In Storytime 10:30 Kids Book Club 4:30®	<p>® Registration is required for these programs and begins Sat., March 1 at 9am. Ela cardholders have priority registration. Non-Ela cardholders may be placed on the waitlist and notified by email.</p> <p>An adult must remain in the building while their children aged 10 and under are attending a program.</p> <p>If your plans change and you cannot attend a registered program, please call us at 847-438-3840 so we can offer the spot to a child on the wait list.</p>				

March Events for Children at the Ela Area Public Library

Sensory Science

Explore the wide world of science! We will share fun, hands-on activities and experiments. Dress for a mess. For ages 3-5 with an adult. Registration is required.
Monday, March 3 at 10:00am

Pajama Family Storytime

Gather the whole family for fun and cozy stories, songs, and a collaborative craft. Pajamas are encouraged! For ages 2-6 with an adult. No registration.
Monday, March 3 at 6:00pm

Bilingual Storytime

Join us for an English/Spanish storytime featuring stories, songs, and a craft! You do not need to speak Spanish as we will learn simple vocabulary words. For ages 2-6 with an adult. No registration.
Tuesday, March 4 at 10:30am

¡hora del cuento bilingüe!

¡Únase a nosotros para una hora de cuentos bilingüe inglés/español con cuentos, canciones y manualidad! Para niños de 2 a 6 años con un adulto. No es necesario registrarse.
martes 4 de marzo a las 10:30 de la mañana

Preschool Playtime

Learn and practice through play! Preschoolers and their grownups can work on important skills for kindergarten during this drop-in workshop designed just for them. For ages 3-5 with an adult. No registration.
Thursday, March 6 from 9:30-11:00am

Baby Playdate

Stop in for a special baby playtime! You and your baby can play and explore sensory bins while visiting with other families. Dress for a mess to create a keepsake art project, while supplies last. For ages 0-17 months with an adult. No registration.
Friday, March 7 from 9:30-11:30am

Drop-In Craft

Stop by the Children's Department to design a cute rainbow pop-up craft! For all ages with an adult. No registration.
Sunday, March 9 from 12:30-4:00pm
Monday, March 10 from 1:00-7:00pm

Toddler Storytime – Spring Class Session

There's no sitting still in this lively storytime! Enjoy 30 minutes of stories, songs, and rhymes all selected to engage your active toddler, followed by 15 minutes of play time. Register once to save your spot for all six weeks of this spring session. For ages 18-35 months with an adult. Registration is required.
Mondays, Mar. 10, 17, 31, April 7, 14, 21 at 9:30am
Thursdays, Mar. 13, 20, Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24 at 9:30am

Drop-In Storytimes

Stop by with your kiddo for a casual storytime experience. For all ages with an adult. No registration.
Mondays, March 10, 17, 31, April 7, 14, 21 at 10:30am
Tuesdays, March 11, 18, April 8, 15, 22 at 10:30am

Crafternoon

Enjoy an afternoon crafting with friends and make a one-of-a-kind project. We'll have everything you need to create a custom 3D letter collage you'll be proud to hang in your room! For unaccompanied kids in grades K-5. Registration is required.
Wednesday, March 12 at 4:30pm

Preschool Storytime – Spring Class Session

Young children will explore the world through stories, songs, and crafts, specifically selected for their developmental stage. Register once to save your child's spot for all six weeks of this spring session. For ages 3-5 with an adult. Registration is required.
Thursdays, March 13, 20, Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24 at 10:30am

Iditarod: The Toughest Sled Dog Race on Earth (Zoom)

Experience the thrill of the Iditarod from the comfort of your home with Josi Shelly, straight from Alaska! Experience a virtual journey through Alaska's legendary race, featuring expert insight and behind-the-scenes stories from the trail. For all ages. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.
Thursday, March 13 at 7:00pm

Baby Storytime – Spring Class Session

So much more than stories! Join us for lots of movement and smiles as we share songs and rhymes specifically for this age group. You'll go home with new tools to make your day easier and enrich your child's language and literacy skills. Stay after storytime to chat with other caregivers as your little ones play. Register once to save your spot for all six weeks of this spring session. For ages 0-17 months with an adult. Registration is required.
Fridays, March 14, 21, April 4, 11, 18, 25 at 9:30am or 11:00am

Mini Makers

Work on important art skills like cutting, gluing, and following directions in this crafting class designed just for preschoolers. Dress for a mess to make puffy paint tulips. For ages 3-5 with an adult. Registration is required.
Wednesday, March 19 at 10:00am

Cartooning with Mark Anderson:

Super Strangely Familiar Character Brawl

Join Mark for a lively, interactive cartooning class. Sure, we like popular characters too, but unfortunately, we just can't use them. So instead, we'll be drawing new and unfamiliar brawlers like Mustache Plumber, Kong Donkey, Peak Achoo, and Duchess Dragon Fruit! For unaccompanied kids in grades K-5. Registration is required.
Wednesday, March 19 at 4:30pm

Squishmallow Painting Party

Bring your favorite Squishmallow friend to the library and paint their portrait! For unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5. Registration is required.
Monday, March 24 at 10:30am

Goofy Golf

Looking for a fun and family-friendly spring break activity? We challenge you to a round of our wacky indoor mini golf course! Register your family for one time slot. For kids in grades K-5 with an adult. Registration is required.
Tuesday, March 25 or Wednesday, March 26 at 9:30am, 10:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, or 6:30pm

Terrific Totes

Decorate and personalize your own tote bag! We'll have a variety of bag colors to choose from and all kinds of options to make it uniquely your own. For ages 4-12 with an adult. Registration is required.
Thursday, March 27 at 9:30am or 11:00am

Trash Monsters

Use your imagination to create unique and silly monsters out of trash treasures that might otherwise be tossed away! At this open house we will provide a variety of materials, from cereal boxes to felt scraps to stickers, for ultimate creativity! For kids in grades K-5 with an adult. No registration.
Friday, March 28 from 10:00am-4:00pm

Kids Book Club

Travel to the top-secret home of aliens with Sky, her pet hedgehog, and hilarious companions as they try to find the aliens who are going missing. We will design out-of-this-world creatures as we discuss *The Area 51 Files* by Julie Buxbaum. Registrants can pick up their copy of the book at the Children's Desk starting March 1. For unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5. Registration is required.
Monday, March 31 at 4:30pm

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