



Sunday

DECEMBER 2025

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21	22 Quest: Kids RPG Club 1:00-3:00 ®	23 LEGO Club 11:00	24 CLOSED	25 CLOSED	26	27 Drop-In Craft 9:30-4:00
28 Drop-In Craft 12:30-4:00	29 Family Winter Bingo 10:00-11:00 Family Winter Bingo 2:00-3:00	30 Noon Years Eve Party 11:30 ®	31 CLOSED			

® Registration is required for these programs and begins December 1 at 9am.
Ela cardholders have priority registration.
Non-Ela cardholders may be placed on the waitlist and notified by email.

An adult must remain in the building while their children aged 10 and under are attending a program.

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.

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December Events for Children at the Elia Area Public Library

Drop-In Storytimes

Stop by with your kiddo for a casual storytime experience. For all ages with an adult.

No registration.

Mondays, December 1 and 8 at 10:30am

Tuesdays, December 2 and 9 at 9:30am

A Charlie Brown Christmas

The Chris White Trio performs Vince Guaraldi's complete A Charlie Brown Christmas soundtrack this holiday season. Families are welcome.

Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00pm

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 0-18 months with an adult. No registration.

Friday, December 5 from 9:30-11:00am

Miracle on Main Street

Visit the library booth at this holiday event in downtown Lake Zurich. Chat with the librarians and take home a festive craft.

For all ages with an adult. No registration.

Saturday, December 6 from 3:00-6:30pm

Crafternoon

Enjoy an afternoon of crafting with friends and create your own one-of-a-kind winter yarn gnome. For unaccompanied kids in grades K-5. Registration is required.

Wednesday, December 10 at 4:00pm

Cartooning with Mark Anderson:

Cartoon Castoffs

Oh sure, there's a lot of popular and recognizable cartoon characters out there, but that's not who we're drawing. Let's meet Greeney, Larry Loofah Loafers, Boo Boo La La, and Dog-Man-Dog! Join Mark for this lively, interactive cartooning class. For unaccompanied kids in grades K-5. Registration is required.

Thursday, December 11 at 4:30pm

Share a Cup of Kindness:

Children's Winter Reading Program

Are you up for a challenge combo of reading and random acts of kindness? Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up a bingo card full of ideas to warm your heart this winter.

For children ages 0-12.

December 15 through February 15

Sensory STEAM Explorers

Spark curiosity and ignite your child's love for discovery! This playful, hands-on program is designed for preschoolers to explore the wonders of the world around them through interactive experiments and sensory-based learning. For ages 3-5 with an adult.

Registration is required.

Monday, December 15 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, December 15 at 6:00pm

Vision Boards

Manifest the best year ever using craft materials to create a personalized vision board that represents your goals and dreams for 2026! For unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5. Registration is required.

Tuesday, December 16 at 4:30pm

Squishy Lab

Let's get messy! We'll provide the recipe and ingredients to make tinsel slime during this hands-on workshop. Adults must be prepared to help their children. Dress for a mess. For kids ages 3-8 with an adult. Registration is required. Sign up for only one date.

Wednesday, December 17 at 4:30pm

OR Thursday, December 18 at 4:30pm

Baby Storytime

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.

For ages 0-18 months with an adult.

No registration.

Friday, December 19 at 10:00am

Quest: Kids RPG Club

Tell your own stories, create fun characters, and embark on fantastical quests in this *Dungeons & Dragons*-style event! All supplies will be provided by the library. No prior experience needed. For unaccompanied kids in grades 3-5. Registration is required.

Monday, December 22 from 1:00-3:00pm

LEGO Club

If you enjoy building with LEGO bricks, this program is for you! Create and construct using your own ideas or try one of our challenges. For unaccompanied kids in grades 1-5. No registration.

Tuesday, December 23 at 11:00am

Drop-In Craft

Stop by the Children's Department to create a wishing wand with the materials provided!

For all ages with an adult. No registration.

Saturday, December 27 from 9:30am-4:00pm

Sunday, December 28 from 12:30-4:00pm

Family Winter Bingo

Warm up at the library and join a cool game of winter-themed bingo. Games are ongoing; drop by for friendly competition and a chance to win fun prizes! For ages 5 and up with an adult. No registration.

Monday, December 29 from 10:00-11:00am

Monday, December 29 from 2:00-3:00pm

Noon Years Eve Party

Dress in your best to ring in the new year with friends at the library! Help us count down to a mid-day balloon drop and celebrate with crafts, snacks, music, and games! For ages 3-8 with an adult. Registration is required.

Tuesday, December 30
from 11:30am-12:30pm

Scan to register



