



# JANUARY

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

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# REGISTERED ACTIVITIES

Registration begins Sunday, January 2 at 12:00noon

*All programs are subject to change.*

## **Reading is Sweet - Winter Reading Program**

Pick up a reading log at the Children's Desk and read for a total of 15 hours to earn a sweet treat! For children of all ages.

December 1 through January 31

## **Life Size Candyland**

Gather your family or friend pod and travel to a magical candy world in this life-sized game of Candyland where you are the game piece! Recommended for ages 3-10. For groups up to 10 people. One member of your group must have an Ela Library card. Register for one time slot only. Visit [www.eapl.org/kids](http://www.eapl.org/kids) to view available times through January 29.

## **Wacky Winter Sports – Cartooning (Zoom)**

Join Mark Anderson for a live, interactive cartooning class. Young cartoonists will draw all sorts of silly winter sports! Snowman bobsled! Reindeer ski jump! Turtle slow-skating! Freestyle snowball fight! See you there, sports fans! Don't forget your paper and pencils. The Zoom link will be sent to your email the morning of the program. For ages 6 and up.

Tuesday, January 4 at 10:30am

## **Polar Bear Picture – Wet Felting (Zoom)**

Fiber artist Natasha Lehrer Lewis leads this online class and shares stories about her sheep. Participants will create a textured picture of an adorable polar bear. The Zoom link will be sent to your email on the morning of the program. Pick up your kit with supplies starting Sunday, January 2. For grades 3-5.

Wednesday, January 5 at 10:30am

## **Winter Nature Craft**

Meet outside the library for a winter nature craft. We'll make special designs to freeze and hang in our trees. Dress for cold weather. For unaccompanied children ages 7 and up. An Ela Library card is required.

Friday, January 7 at 2:00pm

## **Kiddie Crafternoon @ the Library**

Pick up supplies and instructions to create a masterful DIY craft. For kids in grades K-3. An Ela Library card is required. Supplies will be available beginning Tuesday, January 11.

## **Forge Storytime – Bring the Heat!**

Are you sick of the cold weather and craving some heat? Join us in the Forge Makerspace for a hands-on, desert-inspired storytime that's sure to warm you right up. After a fun read-aloud, you'll have a chance to use some of our makerspace tools to create your own unique cactus. An Ela Library card is required. For unaccompanied children in grades 1-3. Thursday, January 13 at 6:00pm  
or Wednesday, January 19 at 4:00pm

## **Storytime @ Home** (YouTube)

Join us for storytime adventures! We'll sing, dance, and read stories while you watch from the comfort of your home. A valid email address is required to receive the video. You will also be entered into a raffle to win one or more of the books we share. For all ages.  
Fridays, January 14 and 28

## **Fantasti-Kits**

Sign up for a kit full of crafts, activities, and surprises! Kits will be available for pick up at the Children's Desk Friday, January 14 through Monday, January 31. Due to demand, an Ela Library card is required for registration. Register for ages 0-2, 3-6, and 7-12.

## **Eureka! Inventor Kit**

Discover a new inventor then tinker, invent, and engineer something on your own. All kits include a collectible inventor card, supplies, and directions. In January, learn about David Brewster's invention the kaleidoscope and create one of your own. For ages 6-14. Pick up your kit at the Information Desk beginning Friday, January 14

## **ABC Adventures** (YouTube)

Explore the alphabet through this engaging video series. Pick up a supplemental kit to follow along as we learn a new letter with each new video. Audience participation is strongly encouraged. Kits will be available starting Friday, January 14. Links to the videos will be sent weekly on Fridays beginning January 21. For ages 3-4.

# NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

## **Sweet Scavenger Hunt**

How many sweet treats can you find hidden outside of the library? Complete our new scavenger hunt and return your sheet to the outside box for a chance to win a prize!

## **Olaf's Rescue Mission**

Get Olaf to the castle in time to save Elsa! Using one of our coding robots, maneuver Olaf through the enchanted forest and to the castle before the clock runs out. Drop in with your Ela Library card and sign in at the Children's Desk in order to test your skill. For ages 5 and up.

Wednesday, January 5 from 2:00-8:00pm

## **Makerspace Drop-In**

Discover Forge, where making is limitless. Drop in to start a project, ask questions, and learn more about what the Forge has to offer! We'll also have a creative project for you to make and take home (while supplies last.) For children and adults of all ages.

Wednesday, January 12 from 5:00-7:00pm

# ANYTIME ACTIVITIES

## **Virtual Candyland Adventure**

Save the day in this Candyland-themed online adventure! Solve riddles, puzzles, and more to put a stop to Lord Licorice's evil plot. Recommended for ages 5 and up, and families. Find the fun on our website from December 1 through January 31 at [www.eapl.org/kids](http://www.eapl.org/kids).

## **Crafts-To-Go**

Visit the Children's Department and pick up a craft to make at home (while supplies last.)