

### \*Books Sandwiched In

Thursday, January 4 from Noon-1 PM

James Spiller, Professor of History, SUNY Brockport will present on *A Fever in the Heartland: The Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take Over America, and the Woman Who Stopped Them* by Timothy Egan.

### Adult & Teen Crochet Days

Wednesdays, January 10 & 31 from 4:30-6 PM

Join us for this two-part class where you will learn how to crochet. Participants will make a cute snowman with instructor Kim Rouleau. Yarn and size E crochet hooks will be provided. Open to grades 6-12 and adults. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

### Bestsellers Book Club

Thursday, January 11 from 5-6 PM

Read and discuss *Violeta* by Isabel Allende with librarian Caitlin. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

### \*Stand-Up Comedy with Madelein Murphy Smith

Saturday, January 13 at 1 PM

Join us for a stand-up comedy routine with Rochester native and internationally known comedian and writer Madelein Murphy Smith. She will share relatable and witty observations about life, love, and the pursuit of laughter.

### Non-Fiction Book Club: *The Wager*

Wednesday, January 17 from 10:30-11:30 AM

Read *The Wager* by David Grann and join librarian Deena for a discussion. Copies of the book are available at the Circulation Desk. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

### Paint Pouring Class

Tuesday, January 23 from 5:30-7:30 PM

Join Ashley Poulton of Aesthetic Art Classes and make your own paint pouring masterpiece. Your canvas must dry flat for 48 hours, so after you make your art, come back to pick it up on January 25 between 5-8 PM or January 26 between 9 AM-6 PM. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

### "Relatively Speaking" A Beginning Genealogy Class

Friday, January 26 from 1-2 PM

Learn how to use library and Internet resources, including Ancestry.com, Heritage Quest, and Family Search.org, as well as historic newspapers, to find long lost relatives.

### Building a Better You: The MIND Diet

January 27 from 1-2 PM

What we eat fuels our bodies and brains. Join Registered Dietitian Rebekah Harter as she discusses the MIND - a dietary intervention to reduce cognitive decline associated with aging. Discover simple tips to support your brain health and reduce dementia risk in this informative presentation.

### The Intersection of Climate Crisis & Maternal/Fetal Health

Monday, January 29 from 6:30-8 PM

Jan van Dis, Assistant Professor Obstetrics & Gynecology at U of R, will discuss the intersection of the climate crisis and maternal and fetal health, the effects of fossil-fuel pollution on women's and fetal health, and steps healthcare needs to take to be part of the solution. Presented by Color Brighton Green. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

## TECHNOLOGY

### \*Internet Security, Privacy & Safety

Monday, January 15 from 1-2:30 PM

In this fun and informative seminar with instructor Daniel Jones, participants will learn about secure websites, username and password safety, privacy tips, and email safety, as well as how to avoid scams. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.

## BML Tips:

- Programs with an \*asterisk\* are sponsored by Friends of Brighton Memorial Library.
- Register for programs online at [www.brightonlibrary.org/events](http://www.brightonlibrary.org/events) or call 784-5300.
- To request curbside pickup, email [bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com](mailto:bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com).
- All programs are free, open to the public, and subject to change. Check our website at [www.brightonlibrary.org](http://www.brightonlibrary.org) for updates.
- Learn about our monthly programs by email. Sign up for our e-newsletter on our website's homepage, [www.brightonlibrary.org](http://www.brightonlibrary.org).
- Visit the Friends of BML bookstore during regular library hours. All proceeds go toward library programming.



# JANUARY 2024 PROGRAMS

## BRIGHTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY



## BML Open & Curbside Hours

M/T/W/TH\*: 9 AM-8 PM

FRI: 9 AM-6 PM

SAT\*\*/SUN: NOON-4 PM

\*\*Closed Saturdays from June 15-September 15

\*Closed on New Year's Day, Jan. 1, 2024

\*Opening at 11 AM on Thursday, January 25

## Brighton Memorial Library

2300 Elmwood Ave, Rochester, NY 14618  
585.784.5300 | [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org)

## STORYTIMES

### All Ages Storytime

**Mondays, January 8, 22 & 29 at 9:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and activities for all ages with a caregiver.

### Tot Time Storytime

**Mondays, January 8, 22 & 29 at 10:15 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and activities. Designed for children ages 18 months to 3 years with a caregiver, but all ages are welcome.

### Wobbly Toddlers Storytime

**Tuesdays, January 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 10:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime for young children just starting to walk with their caregivers. Join us for thirty minutes of stories, songs, and finger plays.

### Lapsit Baby Storytime

**Tuesdays, January 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 11:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime for infants and pre-walkers with their caregivers. Join us for thirty minutes of songs and board book share.

### Pajama Storytime

**Wednesdays, January 10, 17, 24 & 31 at 6:30 PM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and fingerplays for all ages with a caregiver. Held in the Brighton Kiwanis Discovery Room.

### Bright Kids All Ages Storytime

**Fridays, January 12, 19 & 26 at 10:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories and songs for all ages with a caregiver.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

### Talking is Teaching Bundles

**Available monthly**

Sign up to receive monthly themed Talking is Teaching Bundles for children ages birth to 4 years at [www.BrightonLibrary.org/children](http://www.BrightonLibrary.org/children).

### \*Signs of Winter Scavenger Hunt

**Available all month**

Pick up a Signs of Winter scavenger hunt and see if you can find all the winter-themed pictures hiding in the Children's Center! Bring your completed scavenger hunt to the Children's Librarian for a small prize.



### \*Library Learning Lab: All Year 'Round

**Wednesday, January 3 at 10:30 AM**

Learn about New Year's traditions from around the world and how calendars were developed to track the days. Our multimedia centers will be filled with hands-on learning activities. Open to grades Pre-K-12 and their caregivers. Registration recommended, but not required.



### \*LEGO® Club

**Thursdays, January 4 & 18 at 4:30 PM**

Children can build from an individual container of blocks and then display their creations in our Children's Center. Open to all ages and abilities. No registration required.

### Pokémon Meet and Swap

**Saturday & Sunday, January 6 & 7 from 1-2 PM**

Gather your trainer friends and stop by BML to meet other trainers, swap cards, and work on your card collection. Card trading is encouraged but not mandatory. Open to ages 6-12.

### Bilingual Mandarin-English Lunar New Year Storytime

**Sunday, January 28 at 2 PM**

Join us for a special Spring Festival edition of our Bilingual Mandarin-English Storytime for the Lunar New Year! In addition to our storytime with a craft, there will be music along with dancing and Chinese painting demonstrations.

### Toddler Dance Party

**Wednesday, January 31 at 10 AM**

Toddlers and their caregivers can dance out their sillies to some favorite tunes! Designed for ages 18 months – 3 years, but all ages welcome.

## ALL AGES

### \*Marvel Cinematic Universe Trivia Night

**Thursday, January 4 from 6-7 PM**

Come to this family event to test your knowledge of the Marvel universe, specifically films beginning with *Iron Man* and ending with *Spider-Man: Far From Home*. Best suited for ages 10 and up, but all are welcome. Fun is mandatory! Prizes for all who attend.

### Blackstorytelling League of Rochester

**Monday, January 15 at 11 AM**

Join members of the Blackstorytelling League of Rochester as they share stories of history, heritage, and culture. Arrive early as seating is limited.

### Opening Late

**Thursday, January 25 at 11 AM**

BML will open at 11 AM, rather than 9 AM, on Thursday, January 25 for a staff meeting.

### 5x7xDesign Teen Art Display

**Now through Wednesday, January 31, 2024**

View our display of postcard-sized art created by teens from Brighton schools!

## TEEN/TWEEN PROGRAMS

### \*Tween Swag Bags: Mystery & Adventure

**January 1-15**

This month, your bag will contain mystery & adventure themed library books, freebies, crafts or activities, and snacks. Fill out the TSB registration form, and we'll contact you when your bag is ready for pickup: <https://www.brightonlibrary.org/teens>. For grades 4-8.

### \*Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club

**Mondays, January 8 & 22 from 3:30-5:30 PM**

Bring your Dungeon Master and play D&D. Feel free to bring your own D&D supplies as game pieces are limited. Snacks provided. Open to grades 6-12.

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### \*Teen Comics Club

**Tuesdays, Jan. 30, Feb. 27, March 26, April 30 & May 28 from 6-7:30 PM**

Do you make comics or have you always wanted to? Join local comics artist Jackie Davis, author of *Underpants and Overbites*, for drawing exercises followed by time to share what you've been working on! Open to grades 6-12.

## ADULTS

### \*Astrology 101

**Wednesday, January 3 from 6-7:30 PM**

Join Teagan West of Danu Healing Ceremony for a crash course in the rich and historic practice of astrology. Open to teens and adults. Each attendee will receive a pair of eclipse glasses. Register online at [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org) or call 784-5300.