

May 2025

events at PCL

Mon—Thurs: 9am-8pm | Fri: 9am-6pm | Sat: 10am-5pm | Sun: 12-5pm
PCL will be closed Saturday, May 24; Sunday, May 25; and Monday, May 26.

ALL AGES EVENTS

May the 4th Break-In Room

Saturday, May 3 OR Sunday, May 4 | 1:00-4:00pm | Learning Center

Solve puzzles, open locks, and break into the box before time runs out. Do or do not. There is no try. May the 4th be with you. This break-in room activity is for groups of 2 to 6, and each group must register for one 15-minute time slot. Best for ages 7 & up, but all are welcome. [Registration required.](#)

Friends of the Pittsford Community Library Book Sale

Thursday, May 29—4:00-8:00pm | Friday, May 30—10:00am-5:00pm

Saturday, May 31—10:00-4:00pm | Sunday, June 1—10:00am-4:00pm

Find a treasure trove of gently used books at incredible prices with hidden gems for all ages and interests. Sunday will exclusively feature children's and teen items. Proceeds support your library.

ADULT EVENTS

ESL with Literacy Rochester

Tues. & Thurs., May 1-29 | 12:30-2:00pm | Learning Center

This class helps adults improve their English listening and speaking skills. There will be no class on Tuesdays, May 13, 20, and 27.

Tina Turner Knits: DaPunzel Tuch

Thursdays, May 1, 15, & 22 | 5:30-7:30pm | Learning Center

Find this month's pattern, "DaPunzel Tuch" by Finja Hansen on Ravelry. Bring all supplies. [Registration required.](#)

Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, May 2 | 10:00am-3:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Donate blood to help save lives. Make an appointment through the Red Cross.

Knitting for Charity

Tues. & Thurs., May 6 & 15 | 10:00am-12:00pm | Fletcher Steele Room

This group creates items for charity organizations. Bring needles and yarn.

American Red Cross: Then and Now

Tuesday, May 6 | 12:00-1:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Jerry Bennett, former employee and current volunteer for the Red Cross, draws upon his 50-plus years of service in the organization to weave together a presentation that ties in Clara Barton, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and other historic luminaries.

All About Dahlias: Cornell Cooperative Series

Tuesday, May 6 | 7:00-8:00pm | Zoom

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Master Gardener Mary Feasal will teach attendees about different varieties of dahlias. This series is offered through a consortium of MCLS libraries. [Registration required.](#)

O Pen: Poetry Over Lunch

Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28 | 12:00-1:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Read and discuss provided contemporary poems.

Alzheimer's Association's Empowered Caregiver: Supporting Independence

Thursday, May 8 | 1:00-2:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

This series teaches caregivers how to navigate the responsibilities of caring for someone living with dementia. A staff member from the Alzheimer's Association discusses helping those living with dementia take part in daily activities, providing the right amount of support, and balancing safety and independence while managing expectations.

Scrap Happy Scrapbookers

Wednesday, May 14 | 4:00-6:00pm | Learning Center

Practice skills, discuss techniques, and learn from fellow scrapbookers.

Death Café with Jennifer Sanfilippo

Friday, May 16 | 10:00-11:30am | Fisher Meeting Room

Jennifer Sanfilippo, the author of *Our Last Walk Home: Love, Cancer, and the Agony of Letting Go*, leads this group-directed discussion on death with no agenda, objectives, or themes. Sanfilippo is a certified End-of-Life Doula and works as a hospice volunteer and facilitator for Death Cafés. [Registration required.](#)

Crafternoon: Wood Sun Catcher

Friday, May 16 | 12:30-2:00pm | Learning Center

Librarian Robyn will help you put together a sun catcher made from glass beads and pieces of wood! Supplies provided. [Registration required.](#)

Résumé Workshop with MCC

Friday, May 16 | 1:00-4:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Join us for a résumé and cover letter workshop presented by Carlton Beckford, Admissions Specialist II from Monroe Community College. This workshop will guide you through writing professional résumés and cover letters as well as provide you with key interview and career skills. [Registration required.](#)

The Rochester Subway

Saturday, May 17 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

The Rochester subway carried passengers on its electric trolley cars from the late 1920's until 1956. This lecture, presented by Jim Dierks of the New York Museum of Transportation, covers the how and why of the subway's construction, operation, and eventual demise.

Impacts of Climate Change & Communicating About Climate Change:

Cornell Cooperative Series

Wednesday, May 21 | 6:00-7:00pm | Zoom

Using the systems thinking framework, understand the impacts of climate change and how they will affect us. The presentation, led by the Cornell Cooperative Extension, will focus on local climate impacts, ways for individuals to take action at home, and dealing with climate anxiety. This series is offered through a consortium of MCLS libraries. [Registration required.](#)

The Nightingale in Rochester: Jenny Lind Visits the Flour City Wednesday, May 21 | 6:30-7:30pm | Fisher Meeting Room

In the summer of 1851, the arrival of Swedish singing sensation Jenny Lind created a wave of excitement around the City of Rochester. How did she get here, where did she perform, and what did she sing? This lively lecture, presented by Gerry Szymanski, librarian at the Eastman School of Music's Sibley Music Library, will answer these questions and show the direct connection between her concerts and the founding of the Eastman School of Music.

Trivia Night with The Bird House! Wednesday, May 28 | 6:30-7:30pm | Fisher Meeting Room

The Bird House teams up with adult services librarian Jim for a fun evening of bird-centric (and bird adjacent) trivia. Compete on your own or with a team to be crowned champion(s) of trivia! Prizes provided by The Bird House, "the wild bird and more store" located on Monroe Avenue. [Registration required.](#)

CONCERTS

Rochester Jewish Chorale Sunday, May 18 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Singing in English, Hebrew, and Yiddish, The Rochester Jewish Chorale will envelop you in familiar, soothing melodies. Come join the fun and sing along.

PCL AUTHOR SERIES

Joan of Arc: The Warrior Saint

Monday, May 19 | 6:30-7:30pm | Fisher Meeting Room

How did an illiterate 17-year-old peasant farm girl take command of a defeated and demoralized army and lead it to an astounding series of great battlefield victories? Guest speaker Steve Richey answers precisely this question about Joan of Arc, a great, highly unusual, and one-of-a-kind military leader. Richey is the author of the book *Joan of Arc: The Warrior Saint*. He also appeared in the TV documentary "Saint Joan of Arc: Maid for God."

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

You & YouTube

Tuesday, May 20 | 12:30-2:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

If you've ever watched a video on the internet, chances are you watched it on YouTube—the world's largest video-sharing social network and website. Join technology instructor Daniel Jones for this seminar that explores how to search, watch, upload, and share videos, and teaches you how to create your own channel and save and create playlists.

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Movie Matinee Series

Monday, May 19 | 3:00-5:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

After the Thin Man | 113 minutes | NR | 1936

The second entry in the comedy-whodunit series finds married sleuths Nick and Nora Charles in San Francisco, where they get involved in a murder case in which her lovely cousin is a suspect.

MAY

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN, TEENS & ALL AGES

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Children's Events ● Teen Events ● All Ages <p>* Registration is required</p>				<p>1</p> <p>9:30 - Baby Story Time 10:45 - Baby Story Time</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:30 - All Ages Story Time 10:15 - All Ages Story Time 12:00 - All Ages Story Time</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 - Make & Take Mother's Day Craft 12:00 - Exam Study Hall 1:00 - May the 4th Break-in Room*</p>
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Senior Leisure Coloring Hour

Thursday, May 22 | 3:00-4:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Stop in for a relaxing coloring event. You can come alone or with friends. We'll have coloring sheets, supplies and snacks.

Early Bird Bingo

Friday, May 23 | 3:00-4:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Seniors are invited to an afternoon game of bingo! Winners take home prizes.

ADULT BOOK GROUPS

Books are available for checkout. **Registration required to attend by Zoom.**

Great Novels Book Group

Monday, May 5 | 6:30-7:30pm | Fletcher Steele Room

The Unbearable Lightness of Being by Milan Kundera

Wise Owls Book Group

Monday, May 12 | 11:00am-12:30pm | Fletcher Steele Room

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

Senior Circle Book Group

Tuesday, May 13 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fletcher Steele Room OR [Zoom](#)

The Art Thief by Michael Finkel

Nonfiction Book Group

Monday, May 19 | 6:15-7:45pm | Learning Center OR [Zoom](#)

Burn Book by Kara Swisher

Murder for Lunch Book Group

Tuesday, May 20 | 12:00-1:30pm | Fletcher Steele Room OR [Zoom](#)

Devil's Bridge by Linda Fairstein

True Crime Book Club

Tuesday, May 27 | 7:00-8:00pm | [Zoom](#)

A Fever in the Heartland by Timothy Egan

TEEN EVENTS

Exam Study Halls

Saturday, May 3 | 12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, May 4 | 2:00pm-5:00pm

Monday, May 5—Thursday, May 8 | 2:00pm-8:00pm

Friday, May 9 | 9:00am-6:00pm

Saturday, May 10 | 10:00am-5:00pm

Sunday, May 11 | 12:00pm-5:00pm

Monday, May 12—Wednesday, May 14 | 2:00pm-8:00pm

Fisher Meeting Room

The Fisher Meeting Room will be available to students studying for exams.

May the 4th Therapy Dog Visit

Sunday, May 4 | 12:30-2:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Take a break from studying and visit with friendly therapy dogs! Star Wars attire optional for humans and dogs. For students studying for exams, but open to all.

Crochet Club: Flowers!

Wednesday, May 7 | 6:00-7:30pm | Learning Center

Crochet spring flowers with the materials and tools provided. All experience levels welcome. Grades 6-12. [Registration required.](#)

Teen Community Service

Tuesdays, May 6 & 20 | 3:30-4:30pm | Learning Center

Wednesday, May 21 | 5:30-6:30pm | Learning Center

Earn one hour of service credit while helping your library community. Grades 6-12. **Registration required.**

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Make & Take Mother's Day Craft

Saturday, May 3 | 10:00am-12:00pm | Storytale Room

Drop in and make a craft for Mother's Day. Craft is designed for kids ages 4 and up but all are welcome to participate. While supplies last.

Music and Movement with Miss Kate

Wednesday, May 7 | [9:30-10:00am](#) & [10:15-10:45am](#) | Fisher Meeting Room

Miss Kate is a board-certified music therapist who uses live music, movement, and story-songs to foster early language, motor skills, literacy, and social-emotional development. Best for ages 1-4 with a caregiver, but kids of all ages are welcome. **Registration required for children.**

Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, May 17 | 10:00am-4:00pm | Children's Room

Stop into the Children's Room and find the hidden characters to win a prize!

Dance Party

Tuesday, May 27 | 10:00am & 11:00am | Fisher Meeting Room

Bring your dancing feet for a fun morning of moving and grooving. Best for ages 2-5, but all ages welcome.

Kids Book Club

Wednesday, May 28 | 4:00-4:45pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Want to talk about books with other kids? We will discuss *Ferris* by Kate DiCamillo. Copies are available at the checkout desk. For grades 3-5.

[Registration required.](#)



ALL-AGES STORY TIMES

MONDAYS

May 5, 12, & 19 | 10:15am & 12:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

TUESDAYS

May 6, 13, & 20 | 9:30am & 10:15am | Fisher Meeting Room

FRIDAYS

May 2, 9, 16, & 23 | 9:30am, 10:15am, & 12:00pm | Storytale Room

BABY STORY TIMES

For ages 0-2 years old with a caregiver.

MONDAYS

May 5, 12, & 19 | 9:30am | Fisher Meeting Room

THURSDAYS

May 1, 8, 15, & 22 | 9:30am & 10:45am | Fisher Meeting Room

PLAY TIMES

BABIES

Thursdays, May 8 & 22 | 10:00am | Fisher Meeting Room

For ages 0-2 years old with a caregiver.

ALL AGES

Monday, May 12 & 19 | 11:00am | Fisher Meeting Room

SPECIAL STORY TIMES

STEM Story Time

Monday, May 5 | 11:00-11:45am | Fisher Meeting Room

This STEM story time is designed to introduce important science and math concepts. Enjoy stories, songs, and activities. Best for ages 3-5.

Fairy Tale Flute Story Time

Saturday, May 17 | 10:30-11:00am | Fisher Meeting Room

Musician Jaelyn Breeze will enchant you with Fairy Tales while playing her flute. For kids of all ages.

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A Zoom invitation will be sent the day of any virtual event.