

events at PCL JANUARY 2026

Mon—Thurs: 9am-8pm | Fri: 9am-6pm | Sat: 10am-5pm | Sun: 12-5pm

Holiday Hours:
Thursday, January 1: **CLOSED**

ALL AGES EVENTS

Every Day You Play—Introducing Contemporary Music to Young Audiences

Sunday, January 18 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Join us for a concert and presentation exploring the world of contemporary classical music through audience-involved improvisation and Andrea Clearfield's "Three Pieces for Violin and Double Bass After Poems by Pablo Neruda." This presentation aims to expose young people to the innovative and strange world of contemporary music. No previous music experience or exposure required! This event is geared toward kids, but all ages are welcome! [Registration recommended.](#)

ADULT EVENTS

Red Cross Blood Drive

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

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

Clean Stand-Up Comedy: Ring in the New Year with Laughter

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

Performers from Rochester's Fringe Festival and graduates of Pittsford Rec's stand-up comedy classes will keep up the good cheer with clean and creative comedy!

Knitting for Charity

Tuesday & Thursday, January 6 & 15 | 10:00am-12:00pm | Fletcher Steele Room

This group creates knitted items for charity organizations. Please bring needles and yarn.

O Pen: Poetry Over Lunch

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

Read and discuss provided contemporary poems.

Cornell Cooperative Series: Succulents

Thursday, January 8 | 6:30-7:30pm | Zoom

Succulents are fun, easy to grow and care for, and can be enjoyed indoors and out. Find out how to use succulents throughout your home. The Master Gardener Series is brought to you by the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County and is available thanks to a consortium of MCLS libraries who are sharing resources and connecting communities. [Registration required.](#)

Tina Turner Knits: Wayfarer

Saturdays, Jan. 10, 24, & 31 | 10:15am-12:15pm | Learning Center

This month's project is "Wayfarer" by Jared Flood. The pattern can be found on Ravelry. Please bring all supplies. [Registration required.](#)

Scrap Happy Scrapbookers

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

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

Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances

Thursday, January 15 | 1:00-2:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

This evidence-based course from the Alzheimer's Association helps caregivers understand the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning, teaches how to start a conversation about finances, assess financial and legal needs, avoid financial abuse and fraud, and find support when needed. [Registration recommended.](#)

Crafternoon: Paper Lanterns

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

Learn how to make paper lanterns with Librarian Robyn. All supplies provided. [Registration required.](#)

Martin Luther King Jr.: A Life

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

Martin Luther King, Jr. was one of the most important leaders in the 20th century. From leading the Montgomery Bus Boycott to his *I Have a Dream* speech, the March on Selma, and more, he was a key part of the Civil Rights movement in the US. Join MCC professor Mark Sample as he shares stories from Dr. King's life and the times in which he lived. [Registration recommended.](#)

Introduction to Great Decisions

Tuesday, January 20 | 6:30-7:30pm | Fletcher Steele Room

Great Decisions is a yearly discussion program organized by the Foreign Policy Association that uses eight non-partisan readings and videos to guide discussions on critical global issues. The group meets the first and third Tuesday of each month through May 2026 (February 3 & 17, March 3 & 17, April 7 & 21, and May 5 & 19). At this organizational meeting, participants will introduce themselves, receive the briefing book, and learn the series agenda. [Registration is required and is for all sessions.](#)

Fabulous Films @ the Library

Monday, January 26 | 5:30-7:45pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale | 123 minutes | PG | 2025

When Mary finds herself in a public scandal and the family faces financial trouble, the household grapples with the threat of social disgrace. The Crawleys must embrace change with the next generation leading Downton Abbey into the future.

Cornell Cooperative Series: Durand Eastman Park History **Wednesday, January 28 | 6:00-7:00pm | Zoom**

In 1909, Durand Eastman Park was formally opened by the city of Rochester. The property had been donated by Dr. Henry Durand and George Eastman two years earlier. This talk covers the history of how the park came to be, the development of the property, and some of the primary specimens held in the Durand Eastman Arboretum within the park. The Master Gardener Series is brought to you by the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County and is available thanks to a consortium of MCLS libraries who are sharing resources and connecting communities. [Registration required.](#)

Demystifying the Civil Service Merit System **Thursday, January 29 | 1:00-2:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room**

Monroe County employs approximately 4,600 people in a diverse range of careers. Maia Mesh, from the Monroe County Civil Service Department, and Christina Lyon, from New York State, will help participants navigate the Civil Service website and understand the Civil Service process and how to qualify for Civil Service work. Attendees will walk away with the knowledge to feel confident applying and working with Monroe County. [Registration recommended.](#)

CONCERTS

Classical Piano with Eugene Boldewskul **Sunday, January 11 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room**

Pianist Eugene Boldewskul will perform classical pieces such as "Chopin's Military Polonaise," "Malaguena," "Oh Mio Bambino Caro," Chopin's preludes in C minor and E minor and old popular songs such as "Love is a Many Splendored Thing," "Love Story," "A Time for Us," and the theme from *Ice Castles*.

PCL AUTHOR SERIES

***Women of War* by Suzanne Cope** **Tuesday, January 13 | 6:30-7:30pm | Zoom**

Based upon extensive archival research in Italy, *Women of War* is the story of four women in the Italian anti-fascist resistance during World War II. Their experiences amplify the story of the brave Italian partigiani, little known beyond Italy. Dramatic and inspirational, *Women of War* received a starred *Publisher's Weekly* review saying the book is "a thrilling saga.... [that] makes for a captivating look at how antifascist resistance operated and evolved during WWII." Dr. Cope presented some of this research at Calandra Italian American Institute's annual conference and will speak to her own family's inspiration for this research. [Registration required.](#)

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Painting Hour **Friday, January 16 | 3:00-4:00pm | Learning Center**

Artist Diana Furman helps participants paint a scene from a preset theme. [Registration required.](#)

JANUARY

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN, TEENS & ALL AGES

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>● Children's Events</p> <p>● Teen Events</p> <p>● All Ages</p> <p>* Registration is required</p>				1 CLOSED	2	3
4	5 9:30 - Baby Story Time 10:15 - All Ages Story Time 11:00 - All Ages Play Time 12:00 - All Ages Story Time	6 9:30 - All Ages Story Time 10:15 - All Ages Story Time	7 6:00 - Crochet Club*	8 9:30 - Baby Story Time 10:00 - Baby Play Time 10:45 - Baby Story Time	9 9:30 - All Ages Story Time 10:15 - All Ages Story Time 12:00 - All Ages Story Time	10 10:30 - Wunderville Story Time
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JANUARY

EVENTS FOR ADULTS & ALL AGES

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>● Adult Events ● All Ages</p> <p>* Registration is required</p>				<p>1</p> <p>CLOSED</p>	<p>2</p> <p>10:00 - Blood Drive*</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2:00 - Clean Stand-Up Comedy</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6:30 - Great Novels Book Group</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 - Knitting for Charity</p>	<p>7</p> <p>12:00 - O Pen</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30 - Succulents*</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:15 - Tina Turner Knits*</p>
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<p>18</p> <p>2:00 - Every Day You Play*</p>	<p>19</p> <p>6:30 - Martin Luther King Jr.*</p>	<p>20</p> <p>12:00 - Murder for Lunch Book Group* 12:30 - Your Digital Afterlife* 6:30 - Introduction to Great Decisions*</p>	<p>21</p> <p>12:00 - O Pen</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>3:00 - Lesser Known Rochester Stories</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:15 - Tina Turner Knits*</p>
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Lesser Known Rochester Stories

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

Rochester has a rich history, but much isn't a living history. Several lesser known stories —covering a Nobel Prize winner's wife, an Arctic expedition, and a story which is better known in Jacksonville, Florida than Rochester, among others— will be discussed. [Registration recommended.](#)

Early Bird Bingo

Friday, January 30 | 3:00-3:30pm | Learning Center

Seniors are invited to join us for an afternoon game of Bingo! Winners will take home prizes.

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Your Digital Afterlife

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

What happens to your digital estate when you die? Do you have an email account? How about a Facebook account? Do you bank online? Shop online? Pay your bills over the internet? Join technology instructor Daniel Jones for this informative seminar where you'll learn how to get your digital assets in order. You'll learn tips for getting your digital estate in order; creating digital assets; how to close online accounts upon death; how to live forever (online); and more. [Registration recommended.](#)

ADULT BOOK GROUPS

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

Great Novels Book Group

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

Waiting by Ha Jin

Wise Owls Book Group

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

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

Senior Circle Book Group

Tuesday, January 13 | 2:00-3:00pm | Fletcher Steele Room OR Zoom

Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger

Murder for Lunch Book Group

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

Locked In by Marcia Muller

Nonfiction Book Group

Monday, January 26 | 6:15-7:45pm | Learning Center OR [Zoom](#)

The Demon of Unrest by Erik Larson

True Crime Book Club

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

Blood in the Water by Heather Ann Thompson

TEEN EVENTS

Crochet Club: Year of the Horse

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

Crochet a horse (or unicorn!) with the materials and tools provided. Best for crocheters with some experience. Grades 6-12. [Registration required.](#)

Teen Community Service

Tuesdays, January 13 & 27 | 3:30-4:30pm | Learning Center

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

Earn one hour of service credit while helping your library community. Grades 6-12. [Registration required.](#)

Teen Writing Group

Tuesday, January 13 | 5:00-6:00pm | Fletcher Steele Room

Meet other writers and tap into your creativity with prompts and activities. Sharing your writing is always optional! Grades 7-12. [Registration required.](#)

Exam Study Halls

Saturday, January 17 | 10:00am-5:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Monday, January 19 | 1:00-5:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Tuesday, January 20, Wednesday, January 21, & Thursday, January 22 | 3:00-8:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

The Fisher Meeting Room will be available for students to study in during Regents Exam week.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Scavenger Hunt

Friday, January 2 — Friday, January 9 | Children's Room

Stop into the Children's Room and find the hidden characters!

Ballet Jumpstart

Wednesdays, January 14 — February 11 | 10:00-10:45am | Storytale Room

Join teachers from the Draper Center for Dance Education in a creative movement series. Students will develop physical and social skills through this five-class series. They will also learn expression and creativity through dance. For ages 3-5, [registration for children is required for five Wednesday sessions.](#)

Lego Club

Thursdays, January 15 & 29 | 4:00-4:45pm | Storytale Room

Kids can complete a challenge or explore their creativity through free building. For ages 5-10.

Kids Book Club

Tuesday, January 27 | 4:00-4:30pm | Fisher Meeting Room

Love reading and want to talk about books with other kids? We will discuss *The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail* by Richard Peck. Copies are available at the Checkout Desk. For grades 3-5, [registration required for children.](#)



ALL-AGES STORY TIMES

MONDAYS

January 5, 12, 19, & 26 | 10:15am & 12:00pm | Fisher Meeting Room

TUESDAYS

January 6, 13, 20, & 27 | 9:30am & 10:15am | Fisher Meeting Room

FRIDAYS

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

BABY STORY TIMES

For ages 0-2 years old with a caregiver.

MONDAYS

January 5, 12, 19, & 26 | 9:30am | Fisher Meeting Room

THURSDAYS

January 8, 15, 22, & 29 | 9:30am & 10:45am | Fisher Meeting Room

PLAY TIMES

ALL AGES

Mondays, January 5 & 12, Tuesdays, January 13 & 27 | 11:00am | Fisher Meeting Room

BABIES

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

For ages 0-2 years old with a caregiver.

SPECIAL STORY TIMES

Wunderville Story Time

Saturday, January 10 | 10:30-11:15am | Storytale Room

Join us for stories, songs, and activities during this special story time with teachers from Wunderville Preschool. Best for ages 2 and up, but kids of all ages are welcome.


STEM Story Time

Monday, January 26 | 11:00-11:30am | Fisher Meeting Room

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

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