

TWEEN

CONVERSATION HEART JARS

Monday, February 9 • 4:15–5:15 p.m.
Grades 5–8 • Registration begins January 25
 Create a unique "conversation" heart jar that lights up the night!



PAINTED GLASS BOTTLES

Monday, January 12 • 4:15–5:15 p.m.
Grades 5–8 • Registration begins December 28
 You'll upcycle blue glass bottles using your creativity and artistic skills. Glass paints will be used. We'll illuminate them with fairy lights when completed.

HOLIDAY CHOCOLATE BARK

Monday, December 8 • 4:15–5:15 p.m.
Grades 5–8 • Registration begins November 23
 Make a yummy chocolate holiday bark filled with goodies! *Dress for a mess.*

SCENTED PINECONES & POMANDER BOWLS

Monday, December 22 • 4:15–5:15 p.m.
Grades 4–8 • Registration begins December 7
 Create pomander oranges studded with artistic clove patterns and cinnamon scented pinecones, creating a festive decoration that will last for months.

LUNAR NEW YEAR LANTERNS

Monday, February 16 • 3:00–4:00 p.m.
Grades 4–8 • Registration begins February 1
 Usher in the Year of the Horse this Lunar New Year with upcycled lanterns made of pop bottles, tissue paper and fairy lights.



WINTER STEM: ENGINEERING CATAPULTS

Friday, February 20 • 2:30–3:15 p.m.
Grades 4–7 • Registration begins February 1
 We'll make powerful catapults with popsicle sticks and rubber bands. See who can shoot their "snowballs" the farthest. We'll shoot different weighted items, including pom poms, seasonal candy and mini marshmallows.

OLYMPIC CURLING DEMONSTRATION & GAMING

Wednesday, February 18 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Grades 4–8 • Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 The Long Island Curling Club will visit the library, teaching kids all about the sport of curling.

WINTER WINDSOCK

Monday, January 26 • 4:15–5:15 p.m.
Grades 5–8 • Registration begins January 11
 Using recycled tin cans, ribbon, and paint, we'll create a wonderful addition to the landscape with a winter windsock.



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Fall Library Hours

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am~ 9:00 pm
Tuesday 11:00 am~ 9:00 pm
Thursday - Saturday 9:00 am~ 5:00 pm
Sundays 12:00 pm~ 5:00 pm



TEEN ZONE

WINTER NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025 - FEBRUARY 2026

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

All teen programs are open to Manhasset residents in **grades 7–12** that reside in the Manhasset School District. Teen Volunteer programs are open to Manhasset residents in **grades 8–12** that reside in the Manhasset School District. Registration for library events begins on Sunday evenings, at 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise stated. Registration takes place online with your library card. Please register for programs according to grade. Programs are listed in alphabetical order and are subject to change. Check our online calendar for the latest updates.

100 BOOKS BEFORE GRADUATION

Think you can read 100 books before your high school graduation? Log your books in Beanstack and earn prizes along the way, including a gift card for finishing!
Are you up for the challenge?



REGISTER NOW

TEEN VOLUNTEER PAGE

Teens must have a completed volunteer application on file to participate in volunteer opportunities. Please check our website for the volunteer application, upcoming programs, and a list of independent volunteer projects available to registered teen volunteers.



TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Join our Teen Advisory Board and help plan library programs and events! All board members will receive community service hours.

- Tuesday, December 2 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
Registration begins Sunday, November 16
- Wednesday, January 7 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
Registration begins Sunday, December 21
- Tuesday, February 3 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
Registration begins Sunday, January 18

UPCOMING EVENTS

WINTER READING BINGO

Monday, December 1–Saturday, February 28
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
 Register to play, and we'll email you a BINGO board, or stop by the Teen Zone to pick one up in person. Complete the squares, such as "Read a Magazine" or "Dive Into a Fantasy Book." Finish an entire row and trade your board in at the Teen Zone for a cocoa mug prize!

STUDY SPACE

Saturday, January 17–Thursday, January 22
 Looking for a quiet space to study during midterms? We'll open our program room for extra study space. We'll also have snacks available!



UGLY SWEATERS

December
 Visit the Teen Zone to design a paper ugly sweater to decorate the room. Each sweater will earn a raffle ticket for a prize!

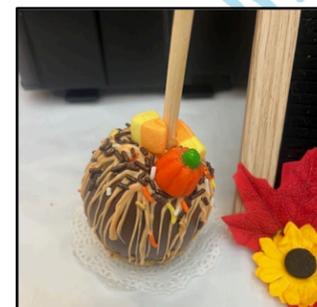


COUNT THE SNOWFLAKES

January
 Visit the Teen Zone to find all the hidden snowflakes. Enter your guess for a chance to win a prize!

CHOCOLATE KISSES GUSSING CONTEST

February
 Guess how many Hershey's kisses are in our jar. The correct guess wins a candy prize!



VOLUNTEER

ADVENTURES IN BOOKLAND HELPERS

Tuesday, November 25 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, December 2 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, December 9 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, January 20 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, January 27 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, February 3 • 4:00–5:15 p.m.
Registration is required for each session
 Help the librarian run Adventures in Bookland!



CRAFT PREP HELPERS

Saturday, January 17 • 10:00–11:00 a.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 28
 Assemble crafts for upcoming programs.

DECORATE A GINGERBREAD HOUSE HELPERS

Thursday, December 18 • 3:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
Friday, December 19 • 3:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
 Help the librarian run a gingerbread house decorating program for kids.

HOLIDAY CHOCOLATE BARK HELPERS

Monday, December 8 • 3:45–5:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 23
 Help the librarian run a chocolate bark program for kids.

ART TIME HELPERS

Wednesday, December 3 • 3:45–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 16
Wednesday, January 7 • 3:45–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 21
Wednesday, February 4 • 3:45–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 18
 Help the librarian run an art craft for grades K-1.



CRAFT PROGRAM HELPERS

Monday, December 15 • 4:15–5:45 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
Wednesday, December 17 • 4:00–5:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
Thursday, February 12 • 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 25
Monday, February 16 • 2:45–4:15 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
Friday, February 20 • 2:15–3:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Help the librarian run a craft program for grades 3–6.

GIANT BATTLESHIP HELPERS

Thursday, February 19 • 2:00–4:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Help the librarian run a life-sized game of Battleship!

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB HELPERS

Thursday, January 22 • 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 29 • 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 5 • 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Registration is required for each session
 Help the librarian run Mystery Book Club.

READING WITH ROXIE HELPERS

Tuesday, February 10 • 4:15–5:45 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 25
 Help the librarian run a reading to dogs program!

NOON YEAR'S EVE HELPERS

Wednesday, December 31 • 10:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 14
 Help the librarian run our Noon Year's Eve program.

SLIME FEST HELPERS

Tuesday, February 17 • 10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. OR
Tuesday, February 17 • 12:45–2:15 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Help the librarian make slime with kids.

VALENTINE'S TEA PARTY HELPERS

Saturday, February 7 • 1:30–3:15 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 18
 Help the librarian run a Valentine's Day tea party for kids.



A VISIT FROM THE ICE QUEEN HELPERS

Thursday, February 19 • 9:45–11:45 a.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Calling all Disney fans! Help the librarian with a magical event.



TEEN VOLUNTEER PROJECTS!

ART JOURNALS FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Wednesday, December 17 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
 Decorate journals for people undergoing treatment.

COLOR A SMILE

Pick-up begins Monday, January 19
Registration begins Sunday, January 4
 Complete a stack of coloring pages for the Color a Smile Organization to brighten someone's day.



DECORATED DINNER BAGS

Monday, February 23 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 8
 Decorate paper bags with illustrations and handwritten notes for Heart of Dinner, an organization that delivers care packages to elderly Americans.

LOVE FOR OUR ELDERLY

Wednesday, January 28 • 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 11
 Craft heartfelt notes for older adults across the country for the Love For Our Elders nonprofit organization.



ART, COOKING, & CRAFTS

COOKING!

BROOKLYN STYLE SOFT PRETZEL TAKE 'N MAKE

Pick-up begins Monday, February 2
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Pick-up a kit to make a Super Bowl snack!



CHOCOLATE HOUSES

Tuesday, December 16 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
 Decorate a chocolate house to take home and eat!

GINGERBREAD HOUSES

Saturday, December 20 • 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 30
 Decorate your own gingerbread house to take home! We'll supply the house, icing, and candy decorations.

MINI BREAKABLE HEARTS

Wednesday, February 11 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 25
 Decorate a chocolate breakable heart and fill it with chocolate treats of your own creation. Each heart comes with a wooden hammer to break it open!



TEEN PAINT NIGHT: COOKIE EDITION

Wednesday, January 14 • 6:00–7:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 28
 Join us for Teen Paint Night: Cookie Edition! We'll paint cookies instead of a canvas to make edible creations.

ARCTIC SHADOW BOXES

Wednesday, February 25 • 6:00–7:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 8
 Make an Arctic Polar Bear Shadow Box.



CERAMIC PENGUIN TAKE 'N MAKE

Pick-up begins Monday, January 5
Registration begins Sunday, January 4
 Paint a ceramic penguin at home! Each kit comes with a set of paints and a brush.



DEVICE STANDS

Saturday, January 24 • 2:00–3:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 4
 Add a personal touch to your tech by painting a device stand perfect for holding your phone or tablet.



MIDTERMS SURVIVAL KITS

Pick-up begins Monday, January 19
Registration begins Sunday, January 18
 Grab a kit with supplies to get you through midterms.



DIY PEN WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 6 • 6:00–7:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 21
 Create your own personalized pens using beads that are perfect for journaling, school, or gifting to a friend.

NEON LINE ART TAKE 'N MAKE

Pick-up begins Monday, February 9
Registration begins Sunday, February 8
 Make your own neon art! Kit includes everything you need to bring your own one-line drawing to life.



PERLER BEAD KEYCHAINS AND MAGNETS

Monday, February 9 • 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, January 25
 We'll make keychains and magnets using perler beads.

SLIME FEST!

Thursday, February 19 • 2:30–3:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, February 1
 Let's get messy and make some slime! Experiment with colors, scents, and textures to make your own creation.



TEEN PAINT NIGHT

Wednesday, December 3 • 6:00–7:30 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, November 16
 Have a snack, listen to some music, and have fun creating an original painting to take home!



VISION BOARDS

Monday, December 29 • 2:00–3:00 p.m.
Registration begins Sunday, December 14
 Design your own vision board to capture your goals, dreams, and vibes for 2026. All materials provided, but you can bring your own items to add!



YETI PILLOW TAKE 'N MAKE

Pick up begins Monday, December 8
Registration begins Sunday, December 7
 Pick-up the supplies to make an adorable Yeti Pillow.

