

BOOKENDS



September - October 2024



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Generations of Joy:

**A Celebration of Grandparents
& Special Friends**

Sunday, September 8 – 11 am to 1 pm

The Chatham Library Foundation invites all members of the community to join us for a special celebration of Grandparents Day. Explore different activity stations throughout the library. Visit the photo booth and wishing well; share memories and stories; explore your family tree, and enjoy crafts, games, and more!



Members of the Chatham Library Foundation with family members, library staff, and representatives from the Senior Center of the Chathams.

Grandparents and grandkids are encouraged to visit together or independently. Join in the festivities with your family and friends! If your loved ones live elsewhere, stop by to make them a special gift and learn about tools that can help you connect with them from afar. Craft kits will also be available; pick one up to enjoy together!

Don't miss out on the activities, snacks, prizes, and fun! Registration is encouraged but not required. To learn more, visit chathamlibraryfoundation.org, or call the library at 973-635-0603.

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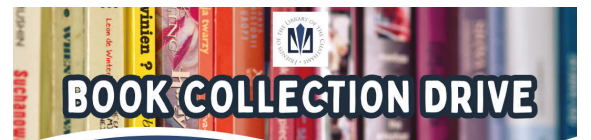
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COMING SOON!

LEGO ROBOTICS

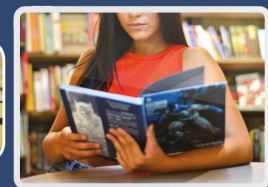
If you'd like to be involved in our upcoming LEGO Robotics programs for kids and teens, either as a volunteer or a participant, we want to hear from you!

Go to chathamlibrary.org/robotics to sign up for updates on special robotics events and volunteer opportunities.



BOOK COLLECTION DRIVE

Donate your gently used **Books, Games, Puzzles & Music** to the Library of the Chatham to benefit your community!



Saturday, Sep 21, 2024

Time: 10 am - 4 pm

Drop off in the Rear Hallway of the Library

Library of the Chatham
214 Main Street





September 2024 Programs

ADULTS TEENS CHILDREN ALL AGES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 LIBRARY CLOSED	2 LIBRARY CLOSED	3 D&D RPG Academy: 6 pm	4 Mahjong: 1 pm	5 Yoga Storytime: 10, 10:45 am Bring Your Device Help: 3-5 pm Children's Book Club: 4 pm D&D: 6 pm	6 Moon Festival: Celebration: 4 pm Yappy Hour: 5 pm	7
8 Generations of Joy: 11 am-1 pm	9 Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Game Night: 6 pm	10 Garrett Graff: 2 pm Coloring Craze: 3 pm Teen Cooking: 4:30 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm Generative Writing: 7 pm	11 Foil Finger Painting: 9:30 am Mahjong: 1 pm Teen Advisory Board: 3:45 pm Plant Swap: 4 pm	12 Music with Miss Susan: 10, 10:45 am Teen Crafts: 3:30 pm Children's Book Club: 4 pm D&D: 6 pm	13 Lego-Palooza: 3:15 pm Yappy Hour: 5 pm (rain date)	14 STEAM Career Carnival for Kids: 11 am-12:30 pm
15	16 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Game Night: 6 pm	17 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am Suicide Awareness & Prevention: 2 pm Therapy Dogs: 4 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm Investment Fraud: 7 pm	18 Italian: 1 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Nate Klemp: 2 pm Naloxone Training: 7 pm	19 Dance Innovations: 10, 10:45 am NJSave: 2 pm Children's Book Club: 4 pm D&D: 6 pm Volunteer Fair: 7 pm	20 Fall Gardening: 11 am	21 Friends Book Collection: 10 am-4 pm Liane Moriarty: 7 pm
22 NJ Art Assoc. Reception: 2:15-4 pm Mrs. Bennet Follows the Army: 3:30 pm	23 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Game Night: 6 pm	24 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am Writing Help: 3:30 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm	25 Italian: 1 pm Book Group: 1 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Comic Art Class: 4 pm Social Media: 6 pm Social Media: 6 pm	26 Boogie Woogie Babies 10, 10:45 am Children's Book Club: 4 pm D&D: 6 pm	27 Fall Craft: 4 pm	28
29	30 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Game Night: 6 pm			<p>The next session of free classes for adult learners starts in September. To learn more, go to: chathamlibrary.org/esl-classes</p>		 Scan this QR code to go to our SEPTEMBER events calendar. ★



October 2024 Programs

ADULTS TEENS CHILDREN ALL AGES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am Children's Handwriting: 4 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm	2 Mahjong: 1 pm Smithsonian/Bats: 2 pm	3 Yoga Storytime: 10, 10:45 am Bring Your Device Help: 10 am-12 pm D&D: 6 pm	4 Mandarin Storytime: 10 am	5
6 Art Show Reception: Nino Tsereteli: 2:15-4 pm	7 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Game Night: 6 pm	8 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am Children's Handwriting: 4 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm	9 Water Play: 9:30 am Mahjong: 1 pm Teen Advisory Board: 3:45 pm Silvia Moreno-Garcia: 7 pm	10 Music with Miss Susan: 10, 10:45 am Teen Crafts: 3:30 pm Acrylic Painting: 4 pm D&D: 6 pm	11	12 Diwali-Festival of Lights: 1-3 pm
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20 Flexible Flyers & Other Great Sleds: 2:30 pm	21 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Pumpkin Painting: 4 pm Game Night: 6 pm	22 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am Lori Gottlieb: 2 pm PJs & Movie: 3 pm Writing Help: 3:30 pm Travel-Japan: 5:30 pm D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm Garden Bloopers: 7 pm Find Writing Voice: 7 pm	23 Understanding Medicare: 10 am Mahjong: 1 pm	24 Boogie Woogie Babies 10, 10:45 am D&D: 6 pm	25 Halloween Food Art: 3 pm	26
27	28 Storytimes: 10, 10:45, 11:30 am Game Night: 6 pm	29 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 am D&D RPG Acad.: 6 pm Travel-Iceland: 7 pm	30 Book Group: 1 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Understanding Medicare: 7 pm	31 Halloween Parade: 10 am D&D: 6 pm		 Scan this QR code to go to our OCTOBER events calendar. ★

★ For details and registration as well as late program additions, go to chathamlibrary.org or call 973-635-0603. ★

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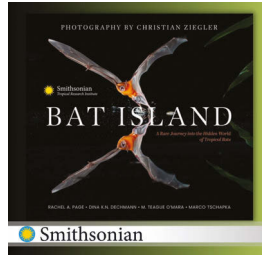
Adults

Virtual Author Talks

In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium and with help from the Friends of the Library, we continue this series of virtual author talks. Register online at libraryc.org/chathamlibrary.



Garrett Graff
speaking about his oral
histories of 9/11 and D-Day
Tues., Sept. 10 – 2 pm



**Bat Island: A Journey
into the Hidden World of
Tropical Bats**
Wed., Oct. 2 – 2 pm



Nate Klemp
speaking about his new book,
*Open: Living with an Expansive
Mind in a Distracted World*
Wed., Sept. 18 – 2 pm



Silvia Moreno-Garcia
speaking about her novels—
genres including fantasy,
horror, noir and historical
Wed., Oct. 9 – 7 pm



Liane Moriarty
speaking about her new
novel, *Here One Moment*, and
her writing
Sat., Sept. 21 – 7 pm



Lori Gottlieb
speaking about *Maybe You
Should Talk to Someone*
Tues., Oct. 22 – 2 pm

If you missed a talk, you can watch it anytime.
Go to libraryc.org/chathamlibrary to find the link.

Mahjong Club

Wednesdays at 1 pm

No instruction is provided so
you must know how to play.



English as a Second Language (ESL)

The next session of free English
as a Second Language (ESL)
classes for adult learners will
start in September. To learn
more, go to chathamlibrary.org/esl-classes.

Suicide Prevention & Awareness

Tuesday, Sept. 17 – 2 pm

Learn how to be aware of
warning signs, how to help
someone in need, and
where to look for resources.
In person or online. ★



Naloxone Training

Wednesday, Sept. 18 – 7 pm

Free in-person training on
administering emergency
treatment of known or
suspected opioid overdose.
Qualifying attendees ages
18+ will receive a free Narcan
kit. Registration is requested.
Presented by Rutgers Robert
Wood Johnson Medical
School and the Division of
Mental Health and Addiction
Services. ★

More Adult Programs

Bring Your Own Device Help

Thursday, Sept. 5 – 3 to 5 pm

Thursday, Oct. 3 – 10 am to 12 pm

Bring your phone, laptop, or tablet to the library and get individualized assistance. *



Yappy Hour: Brews & Barks

Friday, Sept. 6 – 5 pm

Rain date: Friday, Sept. 13

Beer tasting and refreshments for humans and treats for their dogs. Registration is required. \$15/pp. Must be 21 years or older. *



Generative Writing Workshop (3-part series)

Tuesdays, Sept. 10, Oct. 22 &

Dec. 3 – 7 pm

Unleash your creativity with a series of prompts, writing exercises, and constructive feedback. Led by Gabrielle Esposito. Online only. *



Plant Swap Party

Wednesday, Sept. 11 – 4 pm

Diversify your plant collection and meet other garden enthusiasts. Bring a plant, cutting or seeds to share. *



Investment Fraud

Tuesday, Sept. 17 – 7 pm

Learn about different types of investment scams and how to protect yourself. Online only. *



Italian Conversation

Wednesdays, Sept. 18 & 25 – 1 pm

Improve your Italian in conversation groups led by a native Italian speaker. Oct. dates TBD. *



NJSave

Thursday, Sept. 19 – 2 pm

For seniors and individuals with disabilities: find out how to file a single application for assistance with Medicare premiums, prescription drug costs, and more. *

Morris County Volunteer Fair

Thursday, Sept. 19 – 7 pm

Learn about local Morris County non-profits, their missions, and volunteer needs. Sign up on the spot!



Fall Gardening

Friday, Sept. 20 – 11 am

Rutgers Master Gardeners will speak about extending your gardening season and preparing for next year. In person or online. *



NJ Art Association: Art Reception

Sunday, Sept. 22 – 2:15 pm

All are welcome. The art on display is often for sale; a portion of the proceeds benefits the library.

Mrs. Bennett Follows the Army

Sunday, Sept. 22 – 3:30 pm

Pat Wells, Chatham Township Historical Society, will speak, dressed as Polly Bennett, camp follower, nurse, cook and laundress. In person or online. *



Book Group

Wednesday, Sept. 25 – 1 pm

We'll discuss *The Women* by Kristin Hannah and *Absolution* by Alice McDermott. You may pick up copies at the reference desk.

Teens, Screens and Social Media

Wednesday, Sept. 25 – 6 pm

See details on page 5. *



Nino Tsereteli: Art Reception

Sunday, Oct. 6 – 2:15 pm

All are welcome. The art on display is often for sale, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the library.



Acrylic Painting

Thursday, Oct. 10 – 4 pm

Learn the basics of acrylic painting with Nino Tsereteli. \$10/pp. Registration is required. *

All Hallow's Eve Concert

Tuesday, Oct. 15 – 7 pm

Anne and Ridley Enslow will feature songs of love, death, and the supernatural from colonial times. *



Flexible Flyers & Other Great Sleds

Sunday, Oct. 20 – 2:30 pm

Join Joan Palicia, Chatham Township Historical Society, on a journey through the history of American sledding. In person or online. *



Travel Tips & Tricks: Japan

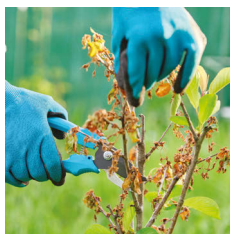
Tuesday, Oct. 22 – 5:30 pm

Get insights for seamless travel in Japan with cultural nuances and insider tips. In person or online. ★

**Avoiding Gardening Bloopers**

Tuesday, Oct. 22 – 7 pm

Rutgers Master Gardeners will give garden tips and explain how to protect and increase the value of your landscape investments. Online only. ★

**Understanding Medicare**

Wednesday, Oct. 23 – 10 am

Wednesday, Oct. 30 – 7 pm (same content)

Our speaker will review the plans and choices to assist you in making decisions for Medicare in 2025. ★

**Travel Tips & Tricks: Iceland**

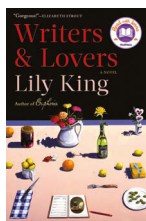
Tuesday, Oct. 29 – 7 pm

Get practical advice on how to make your vacation truly memorable. In person or online. ★

Book Group – Writers & Lovers

Wednesday, Oct. 30 – 1 pm

We'll discuss this novel by Lily King. Pick up a copy at the reference desk.



Programs and Events

Teens

All teen programs and events sponsored by Friends of the Library, unless otherwise noted.

Tasty Tuesdays Cooking

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 & Oct. 15

4:30 pm Ages 11 to 15

Recipes are simple, and no experience is needed. Registration is required. ★

**Teen Advisory Board**

Wednesdays, Sept. 11 & Oct. 9 – 3:45 pm

Grades 6 to 12

Join us to discuss teen program ideas and help plan future events. Snacks are provided. ★

Teens, Screens & Social Media

Wednesday, September 25 – 6 pm

2 simultaneous sessions for students in Grades 6 to 12 and for parents/caregivers. Presented by NJ4S of Morris & Sussex.

Middle and high school students will be engaged in a conversation around the positive and negative impacts social media can have on their mental health and be given tools and resources to help manage social media misuse.

At the same time, in an adjoining room, parents/caregivers will find out how they can promote healthy social media use within their family and keep their children safe.

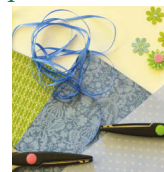
Drop-In Crafts for Teens

Thursdays, Sept. 12 & Oct. 10 – 3:30 pm

Grades 6-12

Have fun with your friends making a different craft each session.

Materials will be provided. No registration is needed.

**Career Carnival Presents:****STEAM Careers That Create Change**

Saturday, Sept. 14 – 11 am to 12:30 pm

Ages 8 to 14 (but all are welcome!)

Explore science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) careers and find out how they can make the world a better place. ★

**Comic Art Class**

Wednesday, Sept. 25 – 4 pm

Grades 6 to 12

A comic book artist from Dewey's Comic City will demonstrate how to draw your own superheroes. ★

**Pumpkin Painting Contest**

Monday, Oct. 21 – 4 to 5 pm

Limit: 20 students in Grades 4 & Up

Take an hour to paint a pumpkin provided by the library. The pumpkins will be put on display so library patrons can vote on their favorite designs. ★



TABLETOP GAMING

We're Expanding Gaming Nights!

Tabletop & Board Game Night

Mondays, 6 to 8:30 pm

All ages. No registration is needed.

Bring your favorites or choose one of ours.

Dungeons & Dragons RPG Academy

Tuesdays, 6 to 8 pm

All ages. Registration is required.

Learn the core rules of D&D in a fantasy-style tutorial adventure. ★

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Thursdays, 6 to 8 pm Grades 3 to 12

No registration is needed.

A Dungeon Master serves as the game's storyteller. Come and play!

STORYTIME

An 8-week session for preschoolers and their caregivers.

Due to high demand, registration is limited to Chatham Borough and Chatham Township residents.

Limit: one 8-week session per child.

Mondays, September 16 – November 4

10 – 10:30 am Ages 9 to 24 months

10:45 – 11:15 am Ages 2 to 3

11:30 am – 12 pm Ages 3½ to 5

Tuesdays, September 17 – November 5

10 – 10:30 am Ages 9 to 24 months

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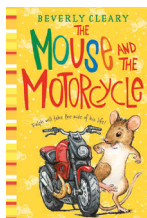
Programs and Events Children

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Ann L. Buesing Children's Fund for the Library of
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The Chathams of the Community Foundation of NJ.*

Children's Book Club

Thursdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19 & 26 – 4 pm
Grades 2 to 3

We'll read *The Mouse & The Motorcycle*
by Beverly Cleary. ★



Moon Festival Celebration

Friday, Sept. 6 – 4 pm

Limit: 25 students in
Grades 2 & Up

Celebrate the moon with
colorful lanterns, mooncakes,
and stories. ★



Coloring Craze

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 & Oct. 8
3 to 5 pm All ages

Let your creativity shine! No
registration is needed.



THURSDAY IS LIBRARY DAY!

For preschoolers and their caregivers...

Choose either 10 - 10:30 am

or 10:45 - 11:15 am

No registration is needed.

Yoga Storytime with Miss Jenn

September 5 & October 3

Music & Movement with Miss Susan

September 12 & October 10

Dance Class with Dance Innovations

September 19

Boogie Woogie Babies

September 26 & October 24

Sing & Dance with Guitar Bob

October 17

Tin Foil Finger Painting

Wednesday, Sept. 11 – 9:30 am

Ages 2 to 4

Explore the senses of touch,
sight and hearing while finger
painting with tin foil. Bring a smock or wear
clothes that can get dirty. No registration is
needed.



Lego-Palooza

Friday, Sept. 13 – 3:15 pm Grades K & Up

Drop in and build an original design with Legos.

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Saturday, Sept. 14 – 11 am to 12:30 pm
Ages 8 to 14 (but all are welcome!)
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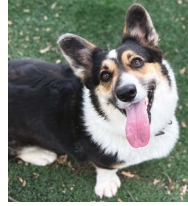
Pom Pom Water Play
Wednesday, Oct. 9 – 9:30 am
Ages 2 to 4

Children will explore the senses through pom pom water play (wet vs. dry, colors, and splashing sounds). Bring a smock to wear!



Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs

Tuesday, Sept. 17 &
Wednesday, Oct. 16 – 4 pm
Children read to these neutral listeners. All dogs and their handlers have been certified by The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs. Registration required. ★



Pumpkin Painting Contest

Monday, Oct. 21 – 4 pm
Limit: 20 students in
Grades 4 & Up

Take an hour to paint a pumpkin provided by the library. The pumpkins will be put on display so library patrons can vote on their favorite designs. ★



Writing Help with Audrey

Tuesdays, Sept. 24; Oct. 8 & 22 – 3:30 pm
Get help with writing or proofreading. For students of all ages. ★

PJs and a Movie: *Monsters, Inc.*

Tuesday, Oct. 22 – 3 pm
Get ready for Halloween! We'll have monster-themed rice crispy treats! No registration is needed.



Drop-In Fall Craft

Friday, Sept. 27 – 4 pm
Grades K to 3
Make a fall wreath and scarecrow (while supplies last). No registration is needed.



Halloween Food Art

Friday, Oct. 25 – 3 pm
Grades K to 3
Make Frankenstein marshmallow pops, spider cookies and graveyard pudding cups (while supplies last). No registration is needed.



**Children's Handwriting Workshop
(3 sessions)**

Tuesdays, Oct. 1, 8 & 15 – 4 pm
Limit: 10 students ages 4 to 9
Children will learn how to write letters and numbers with correct pencil gripping techniques. ★



Halloween Parade

Thursday, Oct. 31 – 10 am
All ages
Meet in the Children's Room and join the parade around library grounds. Then we'll be entertained inside by two Disney princesses! You can take lots of photos with them.



Mandarin Storytime

Friday, Oct. 4 – 10 am All ages
An immersive language experience through stories in Mandarin.



CHESS FOR KIDS

Mondays, September 9 to October 14. Register only if you can attend all 6 classes. ★
Classes are led by chess expert Sean Finn.

Group 1: 4 – 4:45 pm

Players who know how pieces move.
Suggested ages 6 to 8
Limit: 12 children

Group 2: 5 – 5:45 pm

Players who can finish a game with checkmate.
Suggested ages 8 & up
Limit: 16 children

Group 3: 6 – 6:45 pm

Players who have taken Group 2 or similar classes.
Suggested ages 8 & up
Limit: 16 children

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BOOKENDS SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2024

Diwali: Festival of Lights

Saturday, October 12 – 1 to 3 pm

Join us for a cultural experience of a lifetime and find out how your friends celebrate this special festival! You'll hear stories and enjoy traditional music and dancing along with a scintillating display of traditional festival decorations and an elaborate visual presentation about the festival and traditions connected with it.

Join us in the magical lighting ceremony with your friends and family! All ages. No registration is needed.



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