

# BOOKENDS



September - October 2025



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## Explore Your Hometown! *Your Passport to the Chatham*

Tuesday, Sept. 2 to Tuesday, Sept. 30

**Kids, join Hermie the Hermit Crab on an adventure around town.**

Here's how it works:

1. Visit the library to pick up your passport and stickers starting Tuesday, Sept. 2.
2. Visit all ten designated sites in Chatham Borough and Chatham Township, and "stamp" the passport with the matching sticker.
3. Once you've visited all the locations, return your completed passport to the library by Tuesday, September 30, and you'll be entered into a prize drawing in October.



## A Chatham Map Adventure ★

Tuesday, Sept. 30 – 4:15 pm, Grades 3 to 5

For even more fun, explore your hometown in this creative workshop where kids become map detectives and artists!

Using a colorful map of Chatham, children will explore familiar places, complete a scavenger hunt, and contribute to a collaborative community artwork. This hands-on activity promotes orientation skills, teamwork, and a deeper connection to our hometown.

Each child will take home a special Chatham-themed coloring book! Registration is required.

*The Chatham Kinderstadtplan (Children's City Map) project was created during the 2023-2024 school year by Chatham Middle School German Teacher Frau Lisa Köllmann and her 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. The map will be displayed at the library during September.*

★ To register, go to [chathamlibrary.org](http://chathamlibrary.org) or call 973-635-0603.

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## FISHAWACK PAPERS 2.0



Share your stories (video, audio, or written) of our community to help update the 1972 records & write the next chapter of Chatham's history.



Scan the QR code to learn more and share your story!

*In partnership with the Historical Societies of Chatham Borough and Chatham Township.*



## COLLECTION DRIVE

Decluttering your closets this Summer?

**Don't toss it – Donate it!**  
Share the fun and learning by giving your gently used Books, Games, Puzzles, CDs & Vinyl for the Friends Book Sale.

**Saturday, Sept. 20**  
**10 am - 2 pm**




Drop off in the Rear Hallway of the Library of the Chatham.



All proceeds of the book sale benefit the library.  
Visit [friendsofthechathamlibrary.org](http://friendsofthechathamlibrary.org) to become a Friends Member.



# Sept. 2025 Programs **ADULTS TEENS CHILDREN CHILDREN/TEENS TEENS/ADULTS ALL AGES**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Scan this QR code to go to our SEPT. events calendar. *	1 LIBRARY CLOSED	2 Chatham passports available to pick up D&D Club: 6 pm Lost Treasures of the Titanic: 7 pm	3 Mahjong: 1 pm Hannah Nicole Maehr: 7 pm	4 Yoga Storytime: 10 & 10:45 am Children's Book Club: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm College Application Workshop: 7 pm	5 Alphabet Activities: 10 am Mandarin Storytime: 10 am Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm	6 Handknitting: 10 am Reimagining the American Songbook: 2 pm
	7 Art Reception: Nancy Hung & Elizabeth Ji, "When East Meets West": 2:15-4 pm	8 Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm Pls & Movie ( <i>Toy Story</i> ): 4 pm	9 Individualized Education Plan: 12 pm D&D Club: 6 pm	10 Mahjong: 1 pm Jefferson Fisher: 2 pm Teen Advisory Bd: 3:45 pm Fall Landscape: 4:15 pm Chicken Pita Pockets: 6 pm STEAM It Up!: 6 pm Transitioning to Medicare: 7 pm Saving Seeds: 7 pm Sourdough Starter: 7:30 pm	11 Music with Miss Susan: 10 & 10:45 am Afternoon Movie ( <i>Good Will Hunting</i> ): 1 pm Teen Crafts: 3:30 pm Children's Book Club: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm Crafty Corner—Monogram: 6:30 pm	12 Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm
14	15 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm	16 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am Read to Therapy Dogs: 4 pm D&D Club: 6 pm Chicken Fingers: 6 pm Parent/Caregiver Guide to Mental Health: 7 pm Honey: Beyond Tea: 7:30 pm	17 STEAM It Up!: 10 am New Rules for Fall Garden Cleanup: 12 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Gabe Henry: 2 pm STEAM It Up!: 4 pm	18 Guitar Bob: 10 & 10:45 am Intro to Libby: 4 pm Children's Book Club: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm Chamber Business Spotlight-Maximize Wellness: 6 pm	19 Alphabet Activities: 10 am Puffy Paint Journals: 4 pm Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm	20 Farmers' Market: 9 am-2 pm Friends Book Sale Collection: 10 am-2 pm Chatham Chapters: 12:30 pm Suspenseful Book Club: 3 pm
21	22 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm	23 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am Bring Your Own Device: 10 am-12 pm Cinema214— <i>Karate Kid: Legends</i> : 2:30 pm D&D Club: 6 pm Pasta Making: 7 pm	24 Arts & Crafts: 10 am Book Group: 1 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Honey Granola: 7 pm Financial Planning for Young Professionals: 7:30 pm	25 Boogie Woogie Babies: 10 & 10:45 am Children's Book Club: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm The Mauritshuis: 7 pm	26 Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm	27 Community Plant Swap: 10 am
28	29 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm	30 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am Genealogy Clues: 1 pm Chatham Map: 4:15 pm D&D Club: 6 pm British Invasion Concert: 6:30 pm	 Chatham passports must be returned to the library by Sept. 30 to be entered into the drawing.	 The library's ESL program for adult learners is free and taught by experienced volunteer teachers. To learn more about current and upcoming sessions, go to: <a href="http://chathamlibrary.org/esl-classes">chathamlibrary.org/esl-classes</a> .		

# Oct. 2025 Programs **ADULTS TEENS CHILDREN CHILDREN/TEENS TEENS/ADULTS ALL AGES**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Scan this QR code to go to our OCTOBER events calendar. *			1 Mahjong: 1 pm Pumpkin Painting: 4 pm	2 Yoga Storytime: 10 & 10:45 am Emily Key/Adrian Aldaba: 2 pm Pls & Movie ( <i>Coco</i> ): 2:30 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm Invasive Species: 7 pm	3 Alphabet Activities: 10 am Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm	4
	5 Art Reception: Lawrence Gulmi: 2:15-4 pm	6 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am Chess: 4, 5 & 6 pm	7 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am D&D Club: 6 pm Transitioning to Retirement: 7 pm	8 Mahjong: 1 pm Teen Advisory Bd: 3:45 pm Turkey Chili: 6 pm Continental Soldier: 7 pm Apple Skills 101: 7:30 pm	9 Music with Miss Susan: 10 & 10:45 am Afternoon Movie ( <i>Little Miss Sunshine</i> ): 1 pm Teen Crafts: 3:30 pm Handwriting Help: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm Crafty Corner—DIY Junk Journaling: 6:30 pm Leigh Bardugo: 7 pm	10 Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm
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19 Halloween Dog Costume Contest: 2 pm	20 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am Fall Funtivities: 2-4 pm	21 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am D&D Club: 6 pm	22 Medicare Enrollment: 10 am STEAM It Up!: 10 am Mahjong: 1 pm STEAM It Up!: 4 pm Veggie Ravioli: 6 pm STEAM It Up!: 6 pm College Admissions: 7:30 pm Healthy Halloween: 7:30 pm	23 Boogie Woogie Babies: 10 & 10:45 am Handwriting Help: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm	24 Pumpkin Tea Lights: 4 pm Read-Aloud: 4:30 pm	25 Community Plant Swap: 10 am Chatham Chapters: 12:30 pm Tal Naccarato in Concert: 2 pm
26 Halloween, A Haunted History: 3 pm	27 Storytimes: 10, 10:45 & 11:30 am	28 Storytimes: 10 & 10:45 am D&D Club: 6 pm Cinema214— <i>Hocus Pocus</i> : 6:30 pm	29 Book Group: 1 pm Mahjong: 1 pm Philippa Gregory: 2 pm Halloween Silhouette Art: 4:15 pm	30 Handwriting Help: 4:15 pm Sahaja Meditation: 6 pm The Van Gogh Museum: 7 pm	31 Halloween Parade: 10 am	

\* For details and registration as well as late program additions, go to [chathamlibrary.org](http://chathamlibrary.org) or call 973-635-0603. \*

# Programs and Events

## Adults

### Virtual Author Talks

Register online at [libraryc.org/chathamlibrary](http://libraryc.org/chathamlibrary) and also find conversations you missed. Offered in partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium and with help from the Friends of the Library.



**Hannah Nicole Maehrer**  
*Accomplice to the Villain*  
Wed., Sept. 3 – 7 pm



**Jefferson Fisher**  
*The Next Conversation*  
Wed., Sept. 10 – 2 pm



**Gabe Henry**  
*Enough is Enuf*  
Wed., Sept. 17 – 2 pm



**Adrián Aldaba & Emily Key**  
*Nuestra América*  
Thurs., Oct 2 – 2 pm



**Leigh Bardugo**  
*Six of Crows*  
Thurs., Oct. 9 – 7 pm



**Philippa Gregory**  
*Boleyn Traitor*  
Wed., Oct. 29 – 2 pm



### Online Cooking Classes

Discover new dishes and cooking techniques with the experts at Library Chef. Register at: [app.librarychef.com](http://app.librarychef.com)

**How to Make & Feed a Sourdough Starter**  
Wed., Sept. 10 – 7:30 pm

**Honey: Beyond Tea**  
Tues., Sept. 16 – 7:30 pm

**Honey Granola with Star Anise** 🌿  
Wed., Sept. 24 – 7 pm

**Apple Skills 101**  
Wed., Oct. 8 – 7:30 pm

**Caraway Seed Sourdough Crackers** 🌿  
Wed., Oct. 15 – 7 pm

**Healthy Halloween Habits: Mindful Treating**  
Wed., Oct. 22 – 7:30 pm

### 🌿 Join Our NEW Spice Club!

Each month, pick up a sample of a new spice with a recipe; then join a live, online class featuring that spice!

**September: Star Anise      October: Caraway Seeds**

### LIBRARY BOOK GROUPS

#### **NEW! Chatham Chapters:**

**12:30 pm – Teens & Adults**

Saturday, Sept. 20

*The Story Hour* by Thrity Umrigar

Saturday, Oct. 25

*The Ministry of Time* by Kaliane Bradley

#### **NEW! Suspenseful Saturdays:**

**3 pm – Adults**

Saturday, Sept. 20

*A Flicker in the Dark* by Stacy Willingham

Saturday, Oct. 18

*Local Woman Missing* by Mary Kubica

#### **Book Group: 1 pm – Adults**

Wednesday, Sept. 24

*Dream State* by Eric Puchner

Wednesday, Oct. 29

*Broken Country* by Clare Leslie Hall

# More Adult Programs

## Lost Treasures of the Titanic ★

Tuesday, Sept. 2 – 7 pm  
Hear about valuables lost when the Titanic sank. Online only.



## Reimagining America's Songbook ★

Saturday, Sept. 6 – 2 pm, All Ages  
Join jazz guitarist Abe Ovadia for a modern take on classic jazz standards.



**Art Reception: When East Meets West**  
Sunday, Sept. 7 – 2:15 to 4 pm  
Prints by Nancy Hung and Elizabeth Ji.



**Individualized Education Plan ★**  
Tuesday, Sept. 9 – 12 pm  
Learn about essential school services which support NJ students. Online only.



**Transitioning to Medicare ★**  
Wednesday, Sept. 10 – 7 pm  
Get the basics on initial enrollment.



**Afternoon at the Movies ★**  
Thurs, Sept. 11 – 1 pm  
*Good Will Hunting*  
Thurs, Oct. 9 – 1 pm  
*Little Miss Sunshine*  
We'll watch and discuss these movies together.



**Crafty Corner: DIY Monogram Letter ★**  
Thursday, Sept. 11 – 6:30 pm  
Create a decorative piece for your home.



## GARDENING

Presented by Rutgers Master Gardeners (Online only.)

**How To Save Your Garden's Seeds ★**  
Wednesday, Sept. 10 – 7 pm

**New Rules for Fall Garden Cleanup ★**  
Wednesday, Sept. 17 – 12 pm

**Invasive Species Management ★**  
Thursday, Oct. 2 – 7 pm

**Community Plant Swap ★**  
Saturdays, Sept. 27 & Oct. 25 – 10 to 11 am

## Weekly Programs:

### Mahjong

Wednesdays – 1 pm  
For experienced players.

### Sahaja Yoga Meditation ★

Thursdays – 6 pm  
Find balance and peace.



### A Parent/Caregiver Guide to Mental Health ★

Tuesday, Sept. 16 – 7 pm  
Get tools to support the mental health of the young people in your life. In person or online. Offered in partnership with the library's STAY Advisory Committee.



### Tech Workshop: Libby ★

Thursday, Sept. 18 – 4 pm  
Learn how to access our library's digital collection of ebooks and audiobooks.



### Chamber Business Spotlight:

*Maximize Wellness* ★  
Thursday, Sept. 18 – 6 pm  
Network and learn about imposter syndrome with Cara Maksimow. In person or online.



### Bring Your Own Device Help Session ★

Tuesday, Sept. 23 & Monday, Oct. 13  
10 am to 12 pm  
Get help with your phone, laptop, or tablet.



### Pasta Making Class ★

Tuesday, Sept. 23 – 7 pm  
Make semolina cavatelli pasta with Michael Cosenza of Mike's Pasta Shoppe.



### Financial Planning for Young Professionals ★

Wednesday, Sept. 24 – 7:30 pm  
Find out how planning and investing can lead to a better life and a stronger legacy. Ages 17 & up.



### Art Around the World (Online only) ★

Thursday, Sept. 25 – 7 pm  
The Mauritshuis in The Hague.  
Thursday, Oct 30 – 7 pm  
The Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam.



**Genealogy Clues to Genealogy To-Do's** \*

Tuesday, Sept. 30 – 1 pm

Learn how to identify new clues in records and improve research habits.

**British Invasion in Concert** \*

Tuesday, Sept. 30 – 6:30 pm, All Ages

Alex Prizgintas will play acoustic cello and tell stories behind 1960s hits.

**Art Reception: Lawrence Gulmi**

Sunday, Oct. 5 – 2:15 to 4 pm

Featuring imaginative landscapes.

**Transitioning to Retirement** \*

Tuesday, Oct. 7 – 7 pm

What's next for you? Explore this question with career counselor Maureen Haggerty.

**Life & Times of the Continental Soldier** \*

Wednesday, Oct. 8 – 7 pm

John Dwyer describes the life and experiences of a soldier in NJ in 1780.

**Crafty Corner: DIY Junk Journaling** \*

Thursday, Oct. 9 – 6:30 pm

Repurpose materials to make a journal.

**Jasper Johns & Robert Rauschenberg** \*

Tuesday, Oct. 14 – 7 pm

Learn how these two great artists influenced the art scene of their day. Online only.

**Tech Workshop: Google Drive** \*

Thursday, Oct. 16 – 4 pm

A beginner-friendly overview of Google Drive, a cloud-based storage platform.

**Medicare Annual Enrollment** \*

Wednesday, Oct. 22 – 10 am

Get info on plans available for 2026.

**Tal Naccarato in Concert** \*

Saturday, Oct. 25 – 2 pm, All Ages

Enjoy the music of this guitarist and singer-songwriter in the folk-blues tradition.

**Halloween, A Haunted History** \*

Sunday, Oct. 26 – 3 pm

Trace traditions from harvest festivals to monster movies. Offered in partnership with the Chatham Historical Society.



# Programs and Events Teens

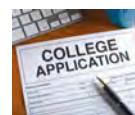
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## GET READY FOR COLLEGE!

**College Application Workshop** \*

Thursday, Sept. 4 – 7 pm

High school seniors, learn best practices and how to put your best foot forward.

**Navigating College Admissions** \*

Wednesday, Oct. 22 – 7:30 pm

Find out how to successfully navigate the college admissions process. Adults welcome. Online only.

**Teen Advisory Board** \*

Wednesdays, Sept. 10 &amp; Oct. 8

3:45 pm, Grades 6-12

Help plan teen events at the library.

**Drop-In Crafts for Teens**

Thursdays, Sept. 11 &amp; Oct. 9

3:30 pm, Grades 6-12

Make a different craft each session.

**DIY for Teens: Puffy Paint Journals** \*

Friday, Sept. 19 – 4 pm, Grades 6-12

Design a journal with paint &amp; Washi tape.

**Financial Planning for Young Professionals** \*

Wednesday, Sept. 24 – 7:30 pm, Ages 17+

Learn about student loans, investment best practices, and building financial success.

**Intro to Forensics: STEM & Solving Crime** \*

Monday, Oct. 13 – 2:30 pm, Grades 8-12

Find out how STEM principles relating to forensics can help solve crimes.

**Pumpkin Tea Light Holders** \*

Friday, Oct. 24 – 4 pm, Grades 6-12

Perfect pumpkin décor. Supplies provided.



## Astronomy: New Program Series

In September, we'll offer a series of programs for students in Grades 6-8 with the Morris Museum Astronomical Society. Stay tuned!

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# Programs and Events Children/Teens

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## DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

**Dungeons & Dragons Club**

Tuesdays, 6 to 8 pm; Grades 3-12

## STEAM CAREERS THAT CREATE CHANGE

Saturday, Sept. 13 – 11 am to 12:30 pm  
Geared to ages 8-14, but all are welcome!

Explore some awesome STEAM occupations and the problems that they solve.



## STEAM IT UP!



*STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) programs provide toddlers, children, and teens with a welcoming space to imagine, build, and inspire interesting creations and fascinating experiments—all while gaining a deeper understanding of the world around them.*



**September: COLORS★**

**October: SPACE★**



<b>Toddlers (Ages 2-4)</b>	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 17 – 10 am</b> Identify colors and learn how mixing them can create new ones.	<b>Wednesday, Oct. 22 – 10 am</b> Learn about stars, then build pipe cleaner and dot sticker constellations.
<b>Children (Grades K-3)</b>	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 17 – 4 pm</b> Learn about color theory and patterns found in nature.	<b>Wednesday, Oct. 22 – 4 pm</b> Learn about stars & constellations, then build a Big Dipper constellation model & viewer.
<b>Tweens / Teens (Grades 4-8)</b>	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 10 – 6 pm</b> Chromatography experiments with candy.	<b>Wednesday, Oct. 22 – 6 pm</b> Learn about gravity and its role in the universe.



## Library Chef Junior ★

### Greek Chicken Pita Pockets

Wed., Sept. 10 – 6 pm  
Ages 10 & up

### Hearty Turkey Chili

Wed., Oct. 8 – 6 pm  
Ages 10 & up

### Chicken Fingers with Dipping Sauce

Tues., Sept. 16 – 6 pm  
Ages 5-9

### Veggie Baked Ravioli

Wed., Oct. 22 – 6 pm  
Ages 5-9

## JOIN US @ THE FARMERS' MARKET!

3rd Saturday of the month; 9 am to 2 pm

All ages are invited to stop by the library's table to make a literary button, learn about library events & services, sign up for a library card, and more!

*The Farmers' Market is located at 54 Fairmount Ave. – we hope to see you there!*



# Programs and Events Children

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## Storytime★

Due to high demand, registration is limited to Chatham residents. Limit of one 8-week session per child.

**Mondays, Sept. 15 – Nov. 3**  
 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, Sept. 16 – Nov. 4**  
 10 - 10:30 am (Ages 9 to 24 months)  
 10:45 - 11:15 am (Ages 2 to 3)

## THURSDAY IS LIBRARY DAY!

For preschoolers and their caregivers.  
 Choose 10 - 10:30 am or 10:45 - 11:15 am  
 No registration is needed.

**Yoga Storytime**  
 Sept. 4, Oct. 2

**Guitar Bob**  
 Sept. 18, Oct. 16

**Music & Movement  
 with Miss Susan**  
 Sept. 11, Oct. 9

**Boogie Woogie Babies**  
 Sept. 25, Oct. 23

## Children's Book Club ★

Thursdays, Sept. 4 to 25  
 4:15 pm – Grade 4  
 We'll read and discuss *Bear Bottom* by Stuart Gibbs.



## Alphabet Activities

Fridays, Sept. 5 & 19 and Oct. 3 & 17  
 10 am – Drop-in for all ages  
 Activities and crafts feature a different letter each week.



## Mandarin Storytime

Friday, Sept. 5 – 10 am; All Ages  
 An immersive experience through stories in Mandarin.



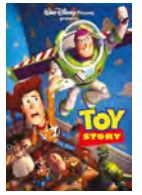
## Read-Aloud with Miss Laurel

Fridays, Sept. 5 to Oct. 24  
 4:30 pm, Grades K & Up  
 Relax and listen to an engaging chapter book.



## PJs & Movie

Monday, Sept. 8 – 4 pm, All Ages  
 Watch *Toy Story* and enjoy treats.



## Creative Canvas ★

Wednesdays, Sept. 10 & Oct. 29  
 4:15 pm, K-3  
 Learn painting techniques and transform a blank canvas into a seasonal artwork.



## Read to Therapy Dogs ★

Tuesday, Sept. 16 & Wed., Oct. 15  
 4 pm – Grades K & Up  
 These neutral listeners are certified by The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs.



## Cinema214

Tuesday, Sept 23 – 2:30 pm  
*Karate Kid: Legends* (PG)  
 Tuesday, October 28 - 6:30 pm  
*Hocus Pocus* (PG)



## Caregiver & Me: Arts & Crafts ★

Wednesdays, Sept. 24 & Oct. 15  
 10 am, Ages 2-4  
 Children and caregivers connect by collaborating on art projects together.



## PJs & Movie

Thursday, Oct. 2 – 2:30 pm, All Ages  
 We'll watch *Coco* and enjoy treats.



## Handwriting Help ★

Thursdays, Oct. 9 to Oct. 30  
 4:15 pm – Ages 4-8  
 Get help with handwriting at all levels.



## CHESS FOR KIDS ★

Learn strategy, basic checkmates, tactical patterns, and more from chess expert Sean Finn.



Mondays, Sept. 8 to Oct. 13  
 Register only if you can attend all six classes.

**Group 1: 4-4:45 pm** (Suggested ages 6 to 8)  
 Players who know how pieces move.

**Group 2: 5-5:45 pm** (Suggested ages 8 & up)  
 Players who can finish a game with checkmate.

**Group 3: 6-6:45 pm** (Suggested ages 8 & up)  
 Players who have taken Group 2 or similar.

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# FALL ABOARD!



## Pumpkin Painting Contest ★

Wednesday, Oct. 1  
4 pm, Grades 4-12

Paint a pumpkin and patrons will vote on their favorite designs. After a week, you can take it home with you. Registration required.



## Halloween Dog Costume Contest ★

Sunday, Oct. 19  
2 pm, All Ages

Show off your furry friend's most *fetching* fashion! Prizes will be awarded in various categories. Registration recommended.



## Fall Funtivities

Monday, Oct. 20  
2-4 pm, All Ages

Join us for fall-themed games, face painting, a family photo, and more. You can play ring toss, pumpkin tic-tac-toe, a candy corn guessing game, and more! No registration is needed.



## Halloween Parade

Friday, Oct. 31  
10 am – 12 pm

Meet in the Children's Room in costume and join the parade around the library grounds. Then come into the library and be entertained by two princesses! No registration is needed.

★ To register, go to [chathamlibrary.org](http://chathamlibrary.org) or call 973-635-0603.

Connect with us!    