December Calendar of Events @ your library

**Mondays Open Maker Space Time**
1 PM – 7 PM for All Ages!
Open Tech from 1 PM – 3 PM.

Children’s and Family Programs at Main Branch Unless Noted
Dec 1 1 PM Family Tuesday: Marathanyi Drum and Dance.*
Dec 2 1:30 PM Story Time at Fire Department Museum for ages 2-5 yrs.
Dec 3 & 17 4 PM Maker Mondays for ages 5.
Dec 4, 11, 18 @ 10:30 AM and 11:30 AM Tiny Tots Story Time for ages 0 mos. to 2 1/2 yrs.*
Dec 4, 11, 18 4 PM & 5 PM Mother Goose Time for ages 2-5 yrs.*
Dec 5 4 PM Noon Story Time for ages 2-5 yrs.
Dec 5 @ 11 AM Storytime at 124 Grand St for ages 2-5 yrs.*
Dec 6 @ 11 AM & Dec 18 @ 4 PM Paw-Some Readers for grades 1-5.
Dec 13 @ 6 PM Holidays Around the World.*
Dec 18 @ 6 PM Holiday Cookies for ages 3+. *
Dec 19 @ 5:30 PM Lego Social SKills: Building Group for children ages 4-9 with developmental disabilities.*
Dec 21 @ 11 AM Story Time Adventures for ages 3-5.
Dec 28 @ 3:15 PM Comics & Books.*

**Events for Teens (grades 6-12)**
Fridays @ 3 PM Video Games.
Dec 6 @ 3:30 PM Teen Chess Club.
Dec 11 @ 4 PM Teen Trivia.
Dec 12 @ 5:30 PM Advisory Board.
Dec 13 @ 5:30 PM Book Club.

**Adult Programs at Main Branch**
Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 6:30 PM ESL.
Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 10 AM Morning Art.
Dec 3 @ 6:30 PM Writers Group.
Dec 3 @ 6:30 PM Comics Workshop.
Dec 4 @ 6:30 PM Henna Tatttoo.
Dec 5 @ 6:30 PM Doll Making.
Dec 8 @ Noon Comic Convention.
Dec 13 @ 6:30 PM Mystery Book Club.
Dec 12 @ 6:30 PM Drawing Meditation.
Dec 13 @ 12:30 PM Northeast Film Screening.
Dec 17 @ 4 PM Movie Screening.

**Main Branch (500 Park Ave) Library Hours**
Monday: 10 AM – 3 PM
Tuesday – Wednesday: 9 AM – 9 PM
Thursday: 9 AM – 9 PM
Friday: 9 AM – 9 PM
Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM
Sunday: 10 AM – 3 PM

**Main Branch (500 Park Ave) Children’s and YA Room Hours**
Monday: 10 AM – 6 PM
Tuesday: 9 AM – 8 PM
Wednesday: 9 AM – 6 PM
Thursday: 9 AM – 8 PM
Friday: 9 AM – 5 PM
Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM
Sunday: 10 AM – 3 PM

**Holiday Closings**
Main Branch and Pop Up Branch
Early Closing 4 PM: Monday, December 24/25
Full Day Closed: Tuesday, December 25

**Pop Up Branch (124 Grand St) Library Hours**
Monday: 10 AM – 3 PM
Tuesday: 9 AM – 6 PM
Wednesday: 9 AM – 8 PM
Thursday: 9 AM – 6 PM
Friday: 9 AM – 5 PM
Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM

**Art @ the Library**
Morning Art
On Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 10 AM, these art classes, although a continuation of the September series, will accommodate beginners as well as more experienced artists. Come early for a spot.

**Learn Henna Tattoos**
Join us Please join us, December 4 at 7:00 PM, as presenter Nika teaches us to create beautiful Henna tattoos. Practice on yourself or a friend. These will be simple designs to traditional Mehndi Indian designs or make your own creation.

**Wellness Wednesday**
Drawing as Meditation
Liz Noyes has been teaching art for 40 years. She uses drawing as a form of meditation. Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 PM, she will teach the class to relax and focus on their students. Drawing will be a means by which participants will feel renewed and refreshed. All ages are welcome, no drawing ability required.

**Celebrate the Holidays @ HPL**

Visit With Santa*
Join us for an annual visit from Kris Kringle! Program consists of two sessions on Tuesday, December 4 from 4 to 6:30 PM: Children ages 6-12 years can have their picture taken with Santa and from 4:30-5 PM children ages 2-5 years can have their picture taken with Santa. Please bring your own camera.

Nostalgia Doll Making for the Holidays Local artist, Liz Noyes has been creating objects that she refers to as dolls for the last 14 years. The dolls are made from all kinds of materials. These include fabrics that she has collected on her travels, plastic bags, paper, New York Times, and more. All ages are welcome, no doll making ability required.

During the evening Liz will teach participants how to make a soft doll. Each participant will have a variety of materials to decorate their doll. Come and create your own holiday gift. A discussion will also take place about dolls as toys and precious objects. No sign up necessary. First come, first served, open to all ages.

Holidays Around the World*
When the tour guides for Worldwide Tours get separated at holiday time, a worldwide adventure awaits for kids. Celebrate holidays from all over the globe – the holidays festival starts Sunday, December 7 at 11 AM.

Holiday Cookie Decorating*
Cookies, icing, and sprinkles, oh my! Come decorate sweet treats with us on Tuesday, December 18 at 6 PM. For ages 3 and up.

**Comics Convention & Workshop @ the Hoboken Public Library**

**Mini Comics Convention**
On Saturday, December 8th at Noon, join the Hoboken Public Library for its first ever comics convention. Located downstairs in the Large Programming Room, attendees will be able to take photos in cosplay at our photo booth, dance like a superhero, design their own hero masks, add their own drawings to our art scroll, and, of course, play video games including Super Smash Bros. Ultimate! Hope to see you all there!

**Comics Workshop**
In this session of a multi-part series, you will learn about creating and telling stories in this unique medium. Art supplies will be provided. Each month we’ll learn a different aspect of creating comics, and by the end of the series participants should have the knowledge to create their own comics.
Storytime at the Hoboken Public Library

Storytime at The Firehouse Museum
Sunday, December 2, at 1:30 PM. This storytime program is designed especially for the youngest museum guests. Stories and songs about city life 1:30 pm. For ages 2-5 yrs. Location: 233 Bloomfield St.

Tiny Tots Storytime
Tuesday, December 4, 11, 18 at 10:30 & 11:30 AM. Storytime for children ages 6 mos. to 2 1/2 years. Simple stories, songs, and games for children and a caregiver.

Storytime on Friday, December 7, 14, 21 at 11:00 AM. Ages 2 1/2 and up.

Yoga Story Time*
Wednesday, December 5, at 4:15 PM. Join Carolyn, Bruce for a special story that includes yoga poses and puppets. Storytime is for children ages 4 and up.

Pop Up Story Time
Join us in our Pop Up Library location at 124 Grand Street for a very special storytime on Friday, December 7, 14, 21 at 11:00 AM. Ages 2 1/2 and up.

Storytime Adventures*
Storytime Adventures is an interactive and inclusive event that can be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children with Sensory Processing Disorder, Autism and other special needs. Our program includes a book, songs, movement and activities to engage all five senses on Saturday, December 22 at 11:00 AM Ages 3-8 with a parent or caregiver.

Read Along with the Hoboken Public Library

Paw-Some Readers
Share a story with a therapy dog on Sunday, December 2 at 11 AM & Tuesday, December 18 at 4 PM. For children enrolled in Grades 3-5 with a caregiver. Arrive early, space is limited.

Mystery Book Club
Love a good mystery? Join us on Tuesday, December 11 at 6:30 PM. For more information, contact the library at mystery爸@gmail.com

Read for Puerto Rico Teen Book Club
Join a book club discussing current events in Puerto Rico December 31 at 3:30 PM. Check out copies of Puerto Rico Strong: A Comics Anthology on the third floor.

Sci-fi Movie & Book
On Monday, December 17th at 6 PM the Hoboken Public Library's Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Discussion will be discussing Good Omens by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett. Come see a classic holiday stop motion animated fantasy film beforehand at 4 PM.

Learn and Create Something New at the Hoboken Public Library

Makerspace and Open Tech Mondays
We will have a variety of our Makerspace equipment available on Mondays from 1-7 PM (except December 24 & 31 open from 1-3 PM). From 3-5 PM, please visit us to have a one-on-one with our Tech staff who will answer your computer tech questions.

English as a Second Language
On Wednesdays at 6:30 PM: conversational English. This is not a beginner class, some knowledge of English required. December 5 there will be a demo of HPL's Online Language Learning programs including Mango, Rosetta Stone, and Universal Class.

Writers Group
Monday, December 3 at 6:30 PM, join the Writer's Workshop to discuss your writing in a friendly and constructive atmosphere. For more information and to submit your work in advance to the group please email: hplwriters@gmail.com

December Children & Teen Events at the Hoboken Public Library

Kids Programs
Marafany Drum + Dance*
On Saturday, December 1 at 1:00 PM come dance to the beat of our drums and explore the rhythm. All ages.

Malukri Maestro Music*
Malukri Maestro Music in an early learning program for children inspired by classical music and ballet on Thursday, December 6 at 10:30 AM. Ages 3+

Cooks & Books*
Budding Top Chefs learn easy food preparation with Dietrich Elisabeth Holtzer on Friday, December 28 at 3:15 PM. Ages 4 and up.

Teen Programs
Teen Chess Club
First time player? Experienced grandmaster? Students of all abilities are welcome at the teen chess club on December 16th at 3:30 PM.

Teen Trivia Tuesday
December 11 at 4:00 PM, test your knowledge of sports, books, music, movies, and more in a trivia game for teens. Prizes will be awarded to top scorers.

Lego Programs for Children at the Hoboken Public Library

Makermonday
Monday, December 3 and 17 at 4:00 PM. We will be holding STEAM projects for kids 5 years during open Maker Space time. This month: building and the ornaments.

Lego Block Party
Come build with us on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 PM. For children ages 4 and up (younger siblings are welcome).

Teen Advisory Board
Come to our monthly meeting of the Teen Leadership and Advisory Board on December 12 at 3:30 PM. Help create library programs, make new friends, and enjoy free pizza. New members are always welcome.

Video Game Fridays
Every Friday from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM join us at the Main Library to play your favorite multiplayer games on Nintendo Switch. New game include Super Mario Party and Super Smash Bros. Ultimate (as of December 8th).

Lego Social Skills Building Club*
Is your child on the Autism Spectrum or have another special needs challenge? If so, join us for a special LEGO club and making new friends on Wednesday, December 19 at 3:30 PM. Ages 4-9.

"Children's Ticket Policy" Any program with an "enteric" requires an Entertainment Ticket. Tickets are posted at 10:30 AM the day before the program. Reserve one ticket per child attending. Caregivers do not require a ticket.

Remembering Newtown and Preventing Gun Violence

Newtown - What Remains After All Is Lost?
The Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Newtown, CT, the deadliest mass shooting of schoolchildren in American history, happened on December 14, 2012. Saturday, December 15 at 12:30 PM. Please join City Council member Emily Labour and Moms Demand Action Committee to view the film, Newtown, a portrait of a community after an unthinkable tragedy fractured by grief but driven toward a sense of purpose. Joining the ranks of a growing club to which no one wants to belong, a cast of characters interconnect to weave an intimate story of community resilience. There will also be a guest speaker to facilitate a post-film conversation about preventing gun violence.