Cozy up this January and February for Winter Reading 2024!

For teens and adults. The winter season is the perfect time to visit the library and find a new book to cozy up with. Explore the Library and all the fun it has to offer! Participating is easy: read books, log activities, and claim a prize.

Participants who complete a bingo will receive a special winter bookmark and bookish stickers! Visit the Main Library or Palmer Branch when you complete a bingo to pick up your prize!
Continue reading to earn entries to win our Winter Reading Grand Prize! The Winter Reading Grand Prize includes a cozy blanket, travel mug, specially selected books, and other surprises. One Winter Reading Grand Prize will be awarded at both the Main Library and Palmer Branch.

Sign up on Beanstack

Download the Winter Reading Bingo Card

New and Noteworthy

Tax-Aide at the Main Library

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation for low- to moderate-income taxpayers, especially those 60 and older. Appointments will be offered Thursdays from 2:00-4:00pm, February 8 through April 11 in the Catharine Drake Room of the Main Library.

Appointments are required. No walk-ins, no drop-offs. Beginning mid-January, patrons must call 484-272-5933 to make an appointment for the Main Library location. 

Library staff is not responsible for making appointments for patrons.

New at EAPL! Kanopy

Kanopy is a streaming service that is available for free with your library card. You can access movies, TV programs, and even a dedicated kids channel called Kanopy Kids. With an extensive collection of narrative and documentary films, as well as TV series and kids content, we’re pleased to bring this streaming service to our community. Account holders need to be over 18 years old. Accounts will be issued 20 tickets to use per month. These tickets enable you to stream content. 

Go to kanopy.com to get started today.

Congratulations Dino Design Winners!

The Library received amazing entries from artists of all ages, and it was so hard to select our finalists. We selected the designs that best represented the Easton
Area Public Library, our mascot Thesaurus Rex, and the theme "Thesaurus Rex loves Easton." A huge thank you to everyone who submitted a design! We wish we could have chosen them all. Proceeds from all purchases will go directly to support the library and its programs. Shop the EAPL Bonfire Store!

Communi•tree at the Main Library

take what you need. leave what you can.

Help us decorate our tree! We are collecting new or like new mittens, hats, and scarves for our festive tree at the Main Library. Donations can be dropped off at the Main Library or placed on the tree.

The communi•tree will remain up through the Winter. Patrons are welcome to donate if they can and take if they need.

Holiday Helpers at the Main Library

Give back to the community this Holiday Season! Stop by the Youth Services department to pick an ornament from our Giving Tree. Each ornament contains the name of something the Youth Services department needs in order to continue organizing fun programs.

Please drop off your donations by December 29 so we can start our New Year off with a bang!

Upcoming Closures

The Easton Area Public Library and its Palmer Branch will be closed on the following days:

December 29: New Year’s Eve, observed
December 30: New Year’s Eve, observed
January 1: New Year’s Day
January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 19: President’s Day

Wishing all of our patrons a Happy New Year from the Easton Area Public Library!
The Easton Area Public Library has a wealth of online resources available to our patrons!

Feeling crafty? Creativebug

Want to watch a tv show, movie, or documentary? Kanopy

Looking for ebooks and audiobooks? Libby

Want to cook something new? A to Z Food America and A to Z World Food

Looking for financial tools? Financial Rating Series

Want audiobooks, ebooks, music, movies, and more? Hoopla

Want to read a magazine? Libby and Hoopla

Brushing up on academic skills or preparing for a test? Learning Express Library

Exploring your family history? HeritageHub

Want to learn a foreign language? Pronunciator

and don't forget PA's Electronic Library! Power Library

Programs for Adults

Visit our online calendar to register for programs at EAPl! CLICK HERE.

Board at the Library (Main)
Thursday, January 4, 6:00pm
For adults only. Registration required. Join us for Board at the Library, a board gaming club for adults! We meet from 6-8 pm on the 1st Thursday of each month, and focus
on a different game each time we meet. It’s a great way to try out new games for free! This month we’ll be playing Hues and Cues, a game of colorful communication where players are challenged to make connections to colors with words. Games are facilitated by a library staff member with games available for checkout following the program.

**Bullet Journal Club (Main)**
For Adults and Teens. Registration required. Bullet Journaling is a self guided, fully customizable organizational journaling method. We will be exploring the benefits of Bullet Journaling and how we can maximize its impact on the way you organize tasks, plan out your overall weekly schedule, and effectively track your monthly habits and moods. Some materials will be provided, but it is recommended that you bring your own dotted journal.

*Intro to Bullet Journaling:* Tuesday, January 9, 6:00pm - 7:00pm.
An introduction to the methods behind Bullet Journaling and how to set up the basics of your Journal for the new year!

*February Layout and Level Ten Life:  Tuesday, January 30, 6:00 - 7:00pm*
Set up your February monthly layout and learn how to set up and implement a Level Ten Life spread!

**Mushroom Mixtape (Main)**
Monday, January 22, 6:30pm (pen and alcohol markers)
Monday, January 29, 6:30pm (monoprints)
Monday, February 5, 6:30pm ("linocuts")
Monday, February 12, 6:30pm (clay)
For Adults and Teens. Registration required.
Embark on a fungi journey! Each week we will follow a Creativebug tutorial to create mushrooms with different mediums from drawings to prints and more. All supplies will be provided.

**Warm Beverage Book Club (Off-Site)**
Saturday, January 27, 3:00pm at Nature’s Way
For adults. Registration required. Join EAPL’s Warm Beverage Book Club to slow down, mindfully interact with literary ideas, and connect with other like-minded readers over a warm drink. Participants are encouraged to bring their favorite mug! This month we will discuss the world of Jane Austen over tea at Nature’s Way located at 143 Northampton Street. Tea and hot water will be provided. Thank you, Nature’s Way, for partnering with us and offering a space for literary discussion.

**Cricut Collective (Main)**
Saturday, January 27, 10:00 - 11:30am
For adults. Registration required. Join the Cricut Collective as we design our own shirts! Please bring your own shirt. Vinyl will be provided.

**Diverse Voices (Virtual)**
Thursday, January 25, 7:00pm
Join us for Diverse Voices! Each month we focus on diverse voices across various mediums and meet virtually for discussion. Registration is required. January - Share your Winter and Holiday Favorites

**Read to a Dog at the Library (Main)**
For Adults. Tuesday, January 16, 10:00 - 10:45am
Adults are invited to read to a certified Dog Therapy International canine! Janet Grube, a professional handler, will accompany the dog. No registration is required.
Participation is on first-come basis.

**Quilters' Circle (Main)**
Monday, January 8 and 22, 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
Saturday, January 27, 9:00am - 4:00pm

Members range from beginners to accomplished quilters. Each member is working on their own project. Individualized help is available for anyone wanting to learn a new skill. Occasionally, there will be an opportunity to participate in a group project. No registration is required.

**Trivia Event! Love Shouldn't Hurt with Turning Point of Lehigh Valley (Main)**  
Tuesday, February 6, 6:00pm

For Teens and Adults. Registration required. Do you know what a healthy relationship looks like? What makes a relationship unhealthy? Come test your knowledge of healthy and unhealthy relationships with our Turning Point Trivia Event! Prizes will be awarded to the winning team or individuals.

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**Forever Young Adult Book Group (Palmer)**  
Wednesday, January 17, 6:00pm – Royal Blood by Aimee Carter

For adults 18+. Forever Young Adult is a book group for adults who enjoy reading teen/young adult fiction. Don’t forget to join the [FYA Facebook group](#)! No registration required.

**Palmer Adult Book Group (Palmer)**  
Tuesday, January 23 6:00pm

Book Swap (bring a wrapped book and swap with other participants)

For adults 18+. The Palmer Adult Book Group meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm. All are welcome to join the conversation! Contact Toni at palmeradultbookgroup@eastonpl.org to sign up for email reminders. No registration required.

**Paint Night (Palmer)**  
Wednesday, January 24, 6:00pm

For adults 18+. Get frosty and make a snowy painting with guided instructions. No talent required! All materials will be provided, laughter will most likely ensue. Registration is required.

**Mah-Jongg for Beginners (Palmer)**

Ten-week class on Friday afternoons beginning January 19, 1:30 – 3:00pm

For adults 18 and older. Taught by Darrell Ann Murphy, a professional mah-jongg instructor, this class will help you learn the setup of the game, rules, and basic strategy. Darrell brings 20 years of knowledge to the table, as well as patience and humor. This ten-week class runs Friday afternoons at 1:30 beginning January 19. Registration begins Friday, December 29.

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**Programs for All Ages**
Family Board Game Night (Main)
Wednesday, January 10, 5:30 - 7:00pm (drop-in)
Bring your friends and family to our Family Game Night! Play with our collection of board games, or bring your own. Please, no games with adult subject matter or humor. No registration is required for this program.

Family STEM Night (Main)
Wednesday, January 31, 5:30 - 7:00pm (drop-in)
Bring the whole family to our STEM night, where you can engage in a variety of activities related to science, technology, engineering, and math!
Registration is required for this program.

Read to a Dog at the Library (Main)
Tuesday, January 16, 10:45 - 11:30am
Ages 0 - 18 with an adult. Come to the library and read to a certified Dog Therapy International canine! Although we encourage children to read in this program, they may also show the dog pictures from a book, or simply pet them. Janet Grube, a trained professional handler, will accompany the dog. No registration is required, but participation is on a first-come basis.
Special Read to a Dog time for adults from 10:00 - 10:45.

Sign Language Storytime (Main)
Saturday, January 6, 11:30 - 12:15pm
Ages 0 - 18. Come and join us for an ASL interactive story experience. No registration is required for this program. No registration is required.

Saturday Crafternoon (Palmer)
Saturday, January 20, 1:00 - 4:00pm
Ages 3 and up with a caregiver. Join us in the children's area and have a fun crafternoon! Stop by each month to make a new, fun craft. Come any time between 1:00 and 4:00pm to make a one-of-a-kind craft with your family.
No registration is required.

Programs for Younger Children

Family Storytime with Miss Amber (Main)
Mondays from 11:00 - 11:45am
No storytime January 1 and 15
Ages 0 - 5. Older siblings welcome! Join us for a themed Storytime in which we will
read books, sing songs, and get our wiggles out! Storytimes will be followed with a small craft that encourages the development of fine motor and prewriting skills. No registration is required.

**Lunch Bunch (Main)**  
Mondays from 11:45 - 12:15pm  
No Lunch Bunch January 1 and 15  
Ages 0 - 5. Older siblings welcome! Bring a packed lunch to enjoy with your friends! Lunch Bunch is designed to give children an opportunity to socialize and become familiar with structured, cooperative meal times. No food will be provided by the Library. No peanuts or seafood will be permitted. No registration is required.

**Family Storytime with Miss Jenny (Main)**  
Wednesdays at 9am, 10am and 11am.  
For ages 0 - 5. Join us for a themed Storytime in which we will read books, sing songs, and get our wiggles out! No registration is required.

**Mother Goose Storytime (Main)**  
Fridays from 10:00 - 10:30am  
No Mother Goose Storytime January 5  
Ages 0 - 4. This special Storytime is just for our littlest friends! Enjoy developmentally appropriate books, music, playtime, and more! No registration is required.

**Toddler Time (Main)**  
Fridays from 10:30 - 11:15am  
No Toddler Time January 5  
Ages 0 - 4. Toddler Time utilizes child-led play to help our little friends develop gross and fine motor skills, communication, social skills, and social-emotional intelligence. No registration is required for this program.

**Arctic Animal Storytime (Main)**  
Saturday, January 13, 11:00 - 12:00pm  
Ages 2 - 6. Join Miss Jenny for this cool (brrrr!) Saturday morning storytime where we will explore arctic animals! We will read books, sing songs, and dance like penguins. The storytime will be followed by a craft and a special polar bear snack! Registration is required for this program.

**Shadow Puppet Storytime (Main)**  
Wednesday, January 24, 5:30 - 6:30pm  
Ages 0 - 6. Older siblings welcome! Join Miss Amber for a fun Storytime done entirely with shadow puppets! We’ll also explore various shadow shapes, and make our own puppets to take home at the end of the night! Registration is required.

**Tinkering Tykes (Main)**  
Tuesday, January 16, 11:00 - 11:45am  
Ages 1 - 5. Help your child develop their sequencing skills by engaging in explorative play with our early STEM toys! No experience required. No registration is required.

**Music and Movement (Main)**  
Tuesday, January 9 and 23, 10:30am  
Ages 2 - 5. Ready to get moving? Join us for some of our favorite music and movement activities. Children will get to explore music and rhythm with songs, simple instruments and more. Be prepared to move and groove. Registration is required.
Milk and Cookies Storytime (Main)
Thursday, January 18, 6:30 - 7:30pm
Ages 2 - 5. Come in your jammies and join us for a time of silly songs, stories and rhymes. We will finish the evening with a yummy bedtime snack of milk and cookies. This program is sponsored by Easton Baking Co. Registration is required.

Explorers (Main)
Tuesday, January 30, 10:30 - 11:00am
Ages 3 - 5. Join Miss Libby as we explore different Exploration Kits the library has to offer! Each month we will read a short story and play with fun educational toys to help your little one explore the world. Parent and guardian participation is strongly encouraged. Registration is required.

Music and Movement at Night (Main)
Thursday, February 1, 6:30pm
Ages 2 - 5. Join us for a special Music and Movement session at night! Children will get to explore music and rhythm with songs, simple instruments and more. Be prepared to move and groove! Registration is required for this program.

Palmer Branch Weekly Storytimes
Weekly Storytimes begin January 16. No registration required.

Little Storytime
Ages 0 - 2
Mondays at 10:00am

Big Storytime
Ages 3 - 5
Tuesdays at 10:00am
Thursdays at 10:00am

STEAM Train
Ages 3 - 5
Wednesdays at 11:00am
Introduces little ones to basic STEM concepts. From penguins to pizza, we will explore different interactive themes each week.

Sensory Friendly Storytime
Ages 2 - 6
Thursdays at 11:00am
Designed for children who have sensory sensitivities or are neurodivergent.

Bedtime Storytime (Palmer)
Wednesday, January 31, 6:00pm
For children ages 3-7 with a caregiver. Wear your jammies and bring a stuffie for a cozy bedtime-themed storytime. Every child will receive a craft kit to take home. Registration is required.
Brain Teasers (Main)
Monday, January 9, 4:00pm
Ages 8 - 13. Flex your brain muscles! Each Brain Teasers session will feature a
different game or activity to achieve your monthly cranial fitness goals.
Registration is required for this program.

Chapter One (Main)
Monday, January 22, 5:00 - 6:00pm
Ages 8 - 14. Join Miss Libby as we read through chapter books playing popcorn style!
Registration is required.

Junior Cricuteers (Main)
Saturday, January 27, 2:00 - 3:30pm
Ages 12 - 17. Let’s dive into the world of Cricut Design Space! Each month we will
walk through a different project that you can take with you. Some material will be
provided. Registration is required.

Sewing Club (Main)
Wednesday, January 3, 5:00 - 6:00pm
Ages 8 - 18. Join us to create a brand new sewing project for a brand new year. No
experience is required. Registration is required for this program.

Video Game Club (Main)
Wednesday, January 17, 5:30 - 6:30pm
Ages 8 - 18. Feeling stressed? Take out your frustrations on your friends! Join us for an
evening of gaming and snacking. Registration is required for this program.

Embroidery Club (Main)
Thursday, January 18, 4:30pm
Ages 10 - 18. Learn to make decorative needlepoint patches for clothes, bags, pillows,
and whatever else you can think of! Come with song suggestions, as we will be
listening to music as we work! Registration is required.

Chess Club (Main)
Wednesday, January 31, 4:30pm
Ages 6 - 18. Everyone from beginners to future grand masters welcome! Come learn
to play chess, or practice your skills with the help of resident chess expert, Kyle, from
Youth Services. Registration is required.

Card Club (Main)
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 - 6:30pm
No Card Club January 2 and 4.
Ages 10 - 18, or younger accompanied by an adult. Join us for a variety of games
played with cards, including Pokémon and Magic the Gathering! Although we have all
the cards necessary, feel free to bring your own. The card club games are led by a
community educator. Registration is required.
Homeschool Happening: Fairy Tale STEM (Palmer)
Wednesday, January 3, 1:00pm
Ages 5 - 12. We’ll use some classic fairy tales as inspiration for some hand-on activities and learn basic STEM concepts. Registration is required.

Homeschool Happening: Series Smackdown (Palmer)
Wednesday, January 24, 1:00pm
Ages 7 - 10. Read the first book of the Eerie Elementary and My Weird School book series. We’ll compare the different story elements such as characters, settings, plot, etc., and talk about which series we like better and why. Separate activities will be available for siblings who tag along. Registration is required.

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Beads and Bracelets (Main)
Monday, January 29, 5:00 - 6:00pm
Ages 13-18. Make a friendship bracelet for you and your bestie! We will be making pony beaded bracelets and braided bracelets using embroidery floss. Registration is required.

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YouthQuake Explosion! (Main)
Ages 12 - 18. Every Tuesday from 6:30 - 7:15pm.
YouthQuake Explosion has returned to the Easton Area Public Library! This is an opportunity for teens looking for volunteer hours or experience serving the community for teens ages 12-18 who are self-driven and interested in the following: planning programs, gaining leadership skills, making crafts, entrepreneurship, and/or working at a library or non-profit in the future. This is an active volunteer experience, therefore all participants must submit an application, which can be picked up in the youth services section of the library. Applications are available at the Youth Services desk and MUST be submitted before attending their first meeting. Registration & Application Required.

Teen Take and Makes (Palmer)
For ages 12 - 18. Bust your boredom with free take-home crafts. Teens entering
grades 6 - 12 can pick up a project to make at home. We give you the supplies and instructions, and you get creating! Each month will feature a different project. Available while supplies last.

Teen Writers Workshop (Palmer)
Saturday, January 20, 1:00pm
For ages 12-17. The Teen Writers Workshop is an informal, teen-led group that helps teen writers understand how to write creatively and gives them an opportunity to share their writing with peers. Join us for January's meeting and help us plan our themes and activities for 2024! Afterwards, teen writers can share some of their writing if they wish. Contact Jamie at jamies@eastonpl.org for information. No registration required.

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EAPL is accepting book and media donations.
The Main Library is accepting book and media donations ONLY on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00am - 3:00pm.
Because our donation collection is run by volunteers, we will not accept donations outside of these specified times.

The Palmer Branch is accepting book and media donations released within the last three years (2019-2022). These recent release donations can be dropped off at the Palmer Branch during regular operating hours.

Donations should be in good condition.

For more information, visit our website.