

# DECEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Silent Reads 3 pm	<b>2</b> Crafternoon: Beaded Snowflakes 3:30 pm	<b>3</b> Toddler Exploration: Sensory 10 am TT-Pressed Flower Bookmark 7 pm Giving Tuesday -- donate to the <a href="#">Friends of BHPL</a>	<b>4</b> Toddler Storytime 10 am Baby Playtime 1:30 pm Virtual Author Talk: Smithsonian Gems 2 pm**	<b>5</b> Block Party 10 am	<b>6</b> Play Pals 10 am Morning Book Group: <i>Small World</i> 10:30 am Lego Play 3:30 pm	<b>7</b> Storytime 10:30 am Make a Winter Hat 11 am  <b>Library Closes at 2 pm for Winter Walk</b>
<b>8</b> Pins and Needles 2:30 pm	<b>9</b> Crafternoon: Marshmallow Igloos 3:30 pm	<b>10</b> Toddler Exploration: Music 10 am Good Tyme String Band 10:30 am Evening Book Group: <i>The Idea Factory</i> 7 pm TT-Gingerbread Sugar Scrub 7 pm	<b>11</b> Toddler Storytime 10 am Coffee & Conversation 1 pm Baby Playtime 1:30 pm Virtual Author Talk: 2 pm ** Read to a Dog 3:30 pm Make Gift Wrap & Tags 6:30 pm	<b>12</b> Block Party 10 am Taylor Swift Karaoke 6 pm Mayor's Book Club: <i>The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control</i> 7 pm	<b>13</b> Play Pals 10 am Silent Reads 11 am	<b>14</b> Saturday Hangout: Drop In Craft 10 am Tech Help 10 am -12 pm
<b>15</b> Tech Help 2 pm - 4 pm Jazz Concert: Richard Baratta 3 pm	<b>16</b> Yoga Storytime 9:45 am Crafternoon: Snowman Paper Masks 3:30 pm The Joy of Cookbooking: Cookie Exchange 6:30 pm Paint a Luminary 7 pm**	<b>17</b> Toddler Exploration: Play 10 am Teen Book Club: <i>a first time for everything</i> 6:30 pm	<b>18</b> Toddler Storytime 10 am Baby Playtime 1:30 pm	<b>19</b> Block Party 10 am DIY Mini Gingerbread Houses 6:30 pm Books Speak Volumes: <i>The Chancellor</i> 7 pm	<b>20</b> Play Pals 10 am Family Fun Friday: Snowman Snow Globe 3:30 pm	<b>21</b> Saturday Hangout: Storytime 10 am Watch & Make: <i>Sleepless in Seattle</i> 1:30 pm
<b>22</b> Family Movie Matinee: <i>Frozen</i> 2:30 pm	<b>23</b> Crafternoon: Hot Chocolate Craft 3:30 pm	<b>24</b> Library Closed	<b>25</b> Library Closed	<b>26</b> Block Party 10 am	<b>27</b> Play Pals 10 am Switch It Up, 2 pm Friday Movie Matinee: <i>The Holdovers</i> 1 pm	<b>28</b> Saturday Hangout Games 10 am
<b>29</b> Wish for the New Year 2-5 pm Starting today until Jan 17th, add a wish to our wall!	<b>30</b> Fingerknitting 1:30 pm Crafternoon: New Year's Wishing Wand 3:30 pm Silent Reads 7 pm	<b>31</b> Noon Day's Eve, 11:30 am Library Closes at 1 pm	Wish for the New Year: Color a star and write your wish for the new year! Staff will hang in the hall!	Children's Event <span style="color:blue">●</span> Teen Event <span style="color:red">●</span> Adult Event <span style="color:green">●</span> ** Registration required	Winter Reading Challenge December 15-January 17 Winter Scavenger Hunt for Children all month	



## Berkeley Heights Public Library

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[www.bhplnj.org](http://www.bhplnj.org)

## Children's Events

### **Crafternoons, Mondays at 3:30 pm**

for ages 4-7 with a caregiver

- 12/2 Beaded Snowflakes
- 12/9 Marshmallow Igloos
- 12/16 Snowman Paper Masks
- 12/23 Hot Chocolate Paper Craft
- 12/30 New Year's Wishing Wand

### **Toddler Explorations, Tuesdays at 10 am**

Early Literacy Experiences for toddlers & caregivers

- 12/3 Sensory: Arctic Hands
- 12/10 Music
- 12/17 Play: Stuffed Animal Checkup

### **Toddler Storytime, Wednesdays at 10 am**

Storytime with books, songs, and fingerplays

### **Baby Playtime, Wednesdays at 1:30 pm**

Bring your baby to play with others while you meet other parents/caregivers.

### **Block Party, Thursdays at 10 am**

Build and play with blocks of all shapes and sizes!

### **Play Pals, Fridays at 10 am**

Imaginative play with dolls and stuffed animals

### **Saturday Hangouts, Saturdays at 10 am**

- 12/7 **Winter Walk activities at 10:30 am**
- 12/14 Drop In Craft
- 12/21 Storytime
- 12/28 Games

### **Lego Play, Friday, 12/6 at 3:30 pm**

Come build something special with all our Legos

### **Special Winter Storytime, 12/7 at 10:30 am**

### **Winter Craft: Make a Hat, 12/7 at 11:00 am**

### **Good Tyme String Band, Tuesday, 12/10 at 10:30 am**

Join us for a knee-slapping banjo singalong!

### **Read to a Dog, Wednesday, 12/11 at 3:30 pm**

Practice your reading skills with a furry friend!

### **Taylor Swift Karaoke, Thursday, 12/12 at 6 pm**

Celebrate Taylor's birthday with a Karaoke party!

### **Yoga Storytime, Monday, 12/16 at 9:45 am**

Join Pam Nixon for a stretchy, interactive storytime!

### **Family Fun Friday, Friday, 12/20 at 3:30 pm**

Make a snowman snow globe for the holidays!

### **Family Movie Matinee: *Frozen***

**Sunday, 12/22 at 2:30 pm**

### **Fingerknitting, Monday, 12/30 at 1:30 pm**

Learn a fun and easy craft!

### **Noon Day's Eve, Tuesday, 12/31 at 11:30 am**

Toddlers ring in the new year with a countdown party!

## Tween/Teen Events

### **Teen Book Club, Tuesday, 12/17 at 6:30 pm**

*a first time for everything* by Dan Santat

### **DIY Graham Cracker "Gingerbread" Houses**

**Thursday, 12/19 at 6:30 pm**

Make a candy covered holiday centerpiece!

### **Switch It Up, Friday, 12/27 at 2:00 pm**

Play Nintendo Switch games on a big screen!

## Adult Events

### **Tinker Tuesdays, 7:00 pm**

12/3: Pressed Flower Bookmark

12/10: Gingerbread Sugar Scrub

### **Pins and Needles, Sunday, 12/8 at 2:30 pm**

Socialize while you work on your handcrafts!

### **Make Your Own Gift Wrap & Tags,**

**Wednesday, 12/11 at 6:30 pm**

Join us for this fun, seasonal craft.

### **Tech Help, Saturday 12/14 from 10 am - 12 pm**

**Sunday, 12/15 from 2 pm - 4pm**

Bring your devices and questions!

### **Paint a Luminary, Monday, 12/16 at 7 pm**

Paint a winter luminary with artist Lynn Schwartz

**Registration is required** at [bhplprograms@bhplnj.org](mailto:bhplprograms@bhplnj.org)

### **Watch & Make, Saturday 12/21 at 1:30 pm**

Bring a handcraft and work while you watch

*Sleepless in Seattle!*

### **Friday Movie Matinee: *The Holdovers***

**Friday, 12/27 at 1 pm**

A curmudgeonly instructor at a prep school remains on campus during Christmas break and forms an unlikely bond with a student and the school's cook.

## Jazz Concert

**Sunday, December 15 at 3 pm**

Richard Baratta, Grammy nominated jazz drummer will perform with his band. Join us for a musical Sunday afternoon!

## Book Clubs

### **Morning Book Group, Friday 12/6 at 10:30 am**

*Small World* by Laura Zigman

### **Evening Book Group, Tuesday, 12/10 at 7 pm**

*The Idea Factory* by Jon Gertner

### **Mayor's Book Club, Thursday, 12/12 at 7 pm**

*The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control* by Katherine Schafer

### **The Joy of Cookbooking, Monday, 12/16 at 6:30**

Join us for a cookie exchange!

### **Books Speak Volumes, Thursday, 12/19 at 7 pm**

*The Chancellor* by Kati Marton

**Silent Reads: 12/1 at 3 pm, 12/13 at 11 am, 12/30 at 7 pm**

## Virtual Author Talks

Registration is required at <https://libraryc.org/bhplnj>

### **Exploring the Smithsonian National Gem Collection, Wednesday, 12/4 at 2 pm**

Emeritus curator Jeffrey Post will explore the mysteries and human stories behind these precious objects.

### **A Conversation with Laura Dave**

**Wednesday, 12/11 at 2 pm**

Join us for a discussion with this bestselling author of *The Last Thing He Told Me*.

## Winter Reading Challenge

Participate in our Reading Challenge from December 15 - January 17.

More information will be at the Circulation Desk in early December.