



# Events Guide

DECEMBER 2024, JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2025



# Enchanted Evergleams

at MPL

**Trees on Display at Manitowoc Public Library  
Through January 5, 2025**

Over 100 glittering aluminum Evergleam trees in over forty different styles, sizes, and colors will be featured in participating downtown businesses, an impressive number showcased in the Enchanted Evergleam Forest at Manitowoc Public Library!



# Something For Everyone

## Drop-In Chess Club (Ages 6+)

**First Wednesday Each Month, 6PM**

Improve memory, concentration, and logical thinking with chess! Chess boards provided.

## MPL Insider: Beyond the Books

**Third Thursday Each Month, 12PM**

Join Tim & Emily for a behind-the-scenes look at MPL, live on Facebook & YouTube!

## Sparkle! The History of Aluminum Trees

**In-person: Thursday, December 5, 6PM**

**Online: Thursday, December 19, 6PM**

Join Barb Bundy-Jost and Jordan Kabat, as they take you on a stroll through the Evergleam Forest at MPL.

## Game On!

**Friday, December 6, 10AM-2PM**

Join us for laughter and friendly competition at our ALL AGES board game drop-in program!



## The Greatest Toy Stories of All Time

**Thursday, December 12, 6PM**

Take a trip down memory lane with this colorful presentation about the histories of vintage toys. Presented by vintage toy collector Sharon Verbeten.

## Super Smash Bros Smackdown!

**Friday, January 24, 10AM-12PM**

Watch your favorite Nintendo characters duke it out on the big screen! Drop-in and challenge your friends, family, and fellow gamers. For all ages!



## Winter Reading Program

**January 12 - February 22**

Read or be read to a total of 10 hours. Everyone that finishes receives a prize! Participate using the Beanstack app or by picking up a paper tracker.

# For the Adults

## Genealogy Help

**Every Tuesday, 3-5PM**

Get help with your genealogy research with the Manitowoc County Genealogical Society!

## Paging Dr. Evergleam: Code Silver!

**Saturday, December 7, 10AM-1PM**

Jordan and Barb will address your Evergleam repair needs! **Registration opens November 15 at 9AM.**

## Climate Reality with Jeff Steuer

**Monday, January 20, 6PM**

Is there hope? What can we do? And what would it take to bring everyone together under the same tent? Join the discussion.

## Great Decisions 2025

**Mondays, February 3 - March 24, 6PM**

Learn from experts about a variety of topics that hit close to home and span the globe.

## Movie Nights at the Library

**February 20, 5PM: *The Notebook***

Join MPL's Matt for a movie at the library! Event is free and snacks are provided. Movie rated PG-13.

## Judy Blume Book Club

**Thursday, February 20, 6PM**

Explore Judy Blume's standout books! This month: ***Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing***

## Extra/Ordinary: Antique Appraisals

**Saturday, February 22, 11AM**

Reserve your spot with antique expert Mark Moran, to learn the value of your prized possession. **Registration opens February 6 at 5PM.**

## Learn About Libby

**Wednesday, February 26, 10AM**

Libby gives you access to thousands of free digital eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines.



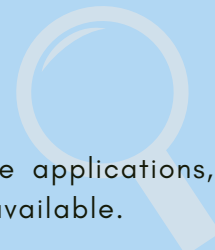
## Job Seekers Corner



## DWD Employment Assistance & Career Counseling

**Every Tuesday, 9AM-4PM**

Get assistance with resumes, online applications, and more. \*Spanish-speaking staff available.



# Bring the Family

## Family Activity Nights

### Penguin Paintings (Ages 3-11)

**Tuesday, December 10, 6:30PM**

Join Glaze & Paint's Miss Katie to create a darling duo of polar pals. **Registration opens November 26 at 5PM.**

### Bingo Bash! (Ages 5-11)

**Tuesday, January 7, 6PM**

Join in for lively competition, snacks, and prizes!

### Colorful Creations (Ages 5-11)

**Tuesday, January 21, 6:30PM**

MPL's Miss Lynn will be exploring different art techniques to create a trio of projects.

### Whimsical Wizardry (Ages 5-11)

**Tuesday, February 4, 6:30PM**

Join Professor Veritas (UWGB Chemistry Professor, Amy Kabrhel) in preparing four enchanting elixirs. Costumes are highly encouraged! **Registration opens January 21 at 5PM.**

### LEGO Block Party (Ages 5-11)

**Tuesday, February 18, 6PM**

It's a night of building fun! Tackle a construction challenge, or do some open-ended free play.

### Messy Marvins (Ages 0-3)

**Friday, January 10, 10AM**

It's baby art studio morning! We provide the supplies; you supply the creativity!

### Sew What! Fun with Felt (Ages 8-18)

**Thursday, January 30, 6PM**

Craft your very own pencil pouch, then let your imagination run wild! Add buttons, decorations, and all kinds of fun flair to make it uniquely yours.

### Read to Certified

### Therapy Dogs (Ages 5-11)

**January 14 & February 11,  
6:30PM**

Studies show, reading to animals boosts children's confidence and reading skills.

**Registration opens two weeks before each event.**



## STORYTIMES

### Baby Storytime (Ages 0-2)

**Wednesdays & Thursdays at 9:30AM**

Baby Storytime is 20 minutes of stories, songs, rhymes, bounces, parachute activities, and bubbles, followed by 20 minutes of playtime!

### Big Kids' Valentine Party (Ages 5-10)

**Friday, February 14, 2PM**

Kids aged 5-10 are invited to enjoy engaging stories, toe-tapping songs, fun games, a creative craft, and tasty treats.

### Preschool Storytime (Ages 2-5)

**Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10:30AM**

Preschool Storytime focuses on concepts such as life skills, counting, colors, emotions, patterns, and the alphabet.

## Storytime Break

**December 22 - January 4**

Storytime will be on a short break during the holidays. Storytimes will return January 8, 2025!

# Teen Hang-Out

## Shelf Conscious Book Group

**Third Thursday Each Month at 6PM**

No reading list for this book group. Discuss the books you loved/hated, wanted to read, and more!

## Space to Write (For Teens & Adults)

**Second & Fourth Tuesday Each Month at 5:30PM (no event December 24)**

Do you have a novel or short story you want to write? A screenplay or a memoir? Poetry? Graphic novels? Then you need - Space to Write!

## Mugs of Magic: A Hot Chocolate Tasting Tour

**Thursday, December 12, 6PM**

Join Chef Andrew Dunbar in crafting custom cups of cocoa. Festive outfits encouraged. **Registration opens November 28 at 12PM.**



## Teen Super Smash Bros Smackdown

**Friday, January 24, 1-3PM**

Teens (11 to 18) are invited to join the fun, whether you are a seasoned player, new, or just wish to watch the action. Snacks will be available.

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## Face the Flavor: Candy Store Edition!

**Thursday, February 13, 6PM**

Indulge your sweet tooth as you taste and identify classic and new treats, with some sour and spicy twists. **Registration opens January 30 at 12PM.**



# Idea Box Classes

## Make it at MPL!: Glowforge Shaker Ornaments (Ages 18+)

**Wednesday, December 4, 5PM**

Make winter-inspired shaker ornaments on the Glowforge!

**Registration opens November 20 at 9AM.**

## Cricut Badging (Ages 18+)

**Friday, December 13, 2PM**

Learn how to use the Cricut, a machine that cuts & scores a variety of materials for hobby crafting.

**Registration opens November 29 at 9AM.**

## Open Sew & Badging with Betty

**(Ages 13+)**

**Monday, January 13, 2PM**

Get your questions answered and get badged on the sewing machine. No registration required.

## Glowforge Badging (Ages 18+)

**January 28 & February 25, 6PM**

Learn how to use our Glowforge, a 3D laser cutter used to cut and engrave. **Registration opens**

**January 20 at 9AM for January class, and February 17 at 9AM for February class.**

## 3Doodler Badging (Ages 14+)

**Wednesday, February 26, 5PM**

Learn to use the 3Doodler, a pen that creates 3D objects. **Registration opens February 17 at 9AM.**



**For more event details and information, visit: [manitowoclibrary.org/events](http://manitowoclibrary.org/events)**

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**Monday - Thursday** 9AM-8PM

**Friday** 9AM-6PM

**Saturday** 9AM-3PM

**Sunday** Noon-4PM

*(Closed Sundays, Memorial Day thru Labor Day)*

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