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Guided Meditation S V
January 29



Listening Parties: The Velvet Underground S V
February 17



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January/February 2022

Adults

Road Map Candles S

Wednesday January 12 • 7pm

Is there somewhere in the United States that holds special meaning to you? Find it in the Road Atlas, cut it out and decoupage it onto your LED Candle.

Hands-on with eBooks S

Friday January 14 • 11am

Bring your library card and your own device (fully charged!), and we will get you up and running with eBooks from the library. We can work with most smartphones, tablets, Kindles and laptops. No experience needed.

Listening Parties: Samuel Barber S V

Thursday January 20 • 7pm

This American composer achieved lifelong acclaim for his lyrical, expressive music that mostly avoided the modernist trends of the 20th century.

Virtual Trivia Night: Movies & Television S V

Thursday January 27 • 7pm

Join others in a friendly virtual trivia challenge. We'll be self-scoring on the honor system and competing for bragging rights.

Guided Meditation S V

Saturday January 29 • 3pm

Restore yourself with a guided meditation session led by Melissa Hurt. Meditation reduces stress, calms and focuses the mind, and promotes emotional health. **Teens welcome!**

Snowy Owl Needlepoint S

Monday January 31 • 6:30pm OR 7:30pm

Start stitching a snowy owl with this project for both beginners and more experienced needlepoint enthusiasts. Sign up for one session; supplies and instruction provided. **Teens welcome!**

Macrame Heart Wall Hanging S

Wednesday February 9 • 6:30pm

Using two simple macrame knots, create a seasonal wall hanging perfect for February.

Understanding Library Holds and Waitlists S

Tuesday February 15 • 6:30pm

Learn how library holds and waitlists work as we discuss the different ways to request items, what you can do to manage your requests, and how to get the library items you need as quickly as possible.

Listening Parties: The Velvet Underground S V

Thursday February 17 • 7pm

This band had little to no success, until they dissolved, after which, they became legendary with some members going on to strong individual careers.

Crash Course: Find Your Next Read with NoveList S V

Friday February 18 • 10am

Wondering what to read next? Find out how to use the library's NoveList database to discover new books and authors.

Lebanese Cooking S V

Wednesday February 23 • 6:30pm

Robert Khalife, a native of Lebanon, will prepare popular dishes such as baked kebbe, tabbouleh, fattoush salad, hummus and spinach pies. This is a live cooking class for those wishing to cook along or could be viewed as a demonstration. Recipes provided in advance. **Teens 16 and older welcome!**

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Name That Tune S V

Monday February 28 • 7pm

Impress others with your musical knowledge in a friendly game where you will identify tunes from television and film. **Teens 14 and older welcome!**

Time to talk about books!

Our book discussion groups always have room for one more reader, and with a variety of meeting times, there's sure to be a group that fits your schedule. Visit www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/book-discussions for more information.

Daybooks S V

Our afternoon book club, meets monthly on a Monday at 1:30pm. At this time, Daybooks discussions are taking place virtually.

Monday January 3 • 1:30pm: "The Henna Artist" by Alka Joshi

Monday February 7 • 1:30pm: "The Pull of the Stars" by Emma Donoghue

Own Voices Book Group S

Formerly the Antiracist Book Group, this group currently meets every other month in the evening. It is dedicated to reading and discussing books by diverse authors.

Wednesday January 19 • 7pm: "Felix Ever After" by Kacen Callender

Check 'Em Out Books S V

This evening group meets every other month alternating with Own Voices.

Monday February 7 • 7pm: "The Marginalized Majority" by Onnesha Roychoudhuri

*Author **Onnesha Roychoudhuri** will be joining the February Check 'Em Out Books virtually for a Q and A and discussion of "The Marginalized Majority: Claiming Our Power in a Post-Truth America."

BYOBBS S V

(Bring Your Own Book & Beverage)

These occasional talks are a relaxed opportunity to chat with other readers and share opinions and recommendations.

Thursday February 24 • 7pm: Book of your choice

Kids, tweens and teens

Dungeons and Dragons

Friday January 7 • 3:45pm

Friday January 21 • 3:45pm

Friday February 4 • 3:45pm

Friday February 18 • 3:45pm

Use your imagination and problem-solving skills while socializing with others who enjoy role-playing games. Playing materials provided, but feel free to bring your own dice or D&D 5th Edition Character Sheet. **For ages 12-18.**

Take and Make: Winter Snow Globes S

Friday January 14

Assemble a fun winter snow globe at home. You will receive an email when the craft kit is ready to be picked up. **For ages 5 and up.**

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Study hall @ the library
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Group-study space for Regents exams

Schedule available in the library and online at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org and www.bplteens.org.



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Take and Make: A Snail's Pace S

January 21



Storytime Online

Did you know you can access a storytime even when the library is closed? Check out our Storytime Online videos with suggested songs, rhymes, and crafts:

bethlehempubliclibrary.org/programs/children/story-time/storytime-online-kits.



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Kids, tweens and teens (continued)

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Afternoon

Friday January 14 • 3:45pm

Friday January 28 • 3:45pm

Friday February 11 • 3:45pm

Friday February 25 • 3:45pm

Join your friends to play Super Smash Bros. Ultimate on the Nintendo Switch! **For ages 12-18.**

Make it Yourself: Keychains or Bag Tags S

Saturday January 15 • 11am

Use Shrinky Dink craft sheets to reduce custom drawings into craft-sized creations. **For ages 12-18.**

Take and Make: A Snail's Pace S

Friday January 21

Winter moving at a snail's pace? That's OK! These colorful friends will brighten up the place. **For grades K-5.**

Homeschool Library Skills S

Friday February 11 • 10:30am

Get an overview of using the library's card catalog and databases with some hands-on exercises. **For grades 6-12.**

Take and Make: Roar into Valentine's Day S

Friday February 11

Valentine's Day is coming! These wind up toy Valentines will help you welcome it with a roar. **For grades 1-12.**

Take and Make: Be Kind and Be Creative S

Friday February 18

Take a break and try something new with this embroidery project. It's a great way to remind us all that kindness matters. **For grades 6-12.**

Chill Out: Penguin Needlepoint Craft S V

Monday February 21 • 2pm

Warm up with a cool craft as you hang out virtually over Zoom. Craft kits available for pickup prior to the program. **For ages 9-13.**

Storytimes and more

Baby Bounce & Books S V

Tuesday January 4 • 11am

Tuesday January 18 • 11am

Tuesday February 1 • 11am

Tuesday February 15 • 11am

Stories, songs and baby bounces over Zoom. **For children up to age 35 months with caregiver.**

Family Story Time S V

Wednesdays January 5-February 16 • 11am

Saturday January 29 • 11am

Stories, song and more over Zoom. **For children aged 0-6 with a caregiver.**

Music and Movement S V

Tuesday January 11 • 11am

Tuesday January 25 • 11am

Tuesday February 8 • 11am

Songs, dancing, learning and fun over Zoom. **For children aged 0-6 with a caregiver.**

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All ages

Kindness still matters

Abraham Lincoln once said, "Kindness is the only service that will stand the storm of life and not wash out. It will wear well and will be remembered long after the prism of politeness or the complexion of courtesy has faded away."

This holds true even as we struggle to keep our spirits up amid increasingly contentious public discourse and seek moments of connection with our fellow human beings that spark joy. Kindness matters. And you matter to us. That's why we're bringing back our **Kindness Matters** campaign and inviting you to pay kindness forward.

• In the coming weeks, we'll be inviting you to share acts of kindness you've experienced or been a part of by tagging the library on social media using **#BPLKindness**. Those who participate in our weekly Kindness Matters challenges in January will be entered to win some great Kindness Matters goodies.

• You might also find some special surprises in your Book or Media Bundle request, along with personal notes from library staff. Go to www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/book-bundle-request to sign up for your Book or Media Bundle.

• Check our calendar in January and February for take and make craft kits that will be available for children while supplies last. Children are encouraged to make the craft to gift to a family member, friend, or neighbor.

• We're showing teens that we care about them by offering **Just for Me: Book Boxes** filled with curated treats and books to keep. These are available to BCSD teens in grades 6-12; one per household. Visit our website for details.

Our Kindness Matters campaign is generously co-sponsored by the **Friends of Bethlehem Public Library**. Sharing kindness with others is just as rewarding as receiving it. Let's start 2022 off with kindness!



Bethlehem Community Sketchbook

Beginning January 3
Everyone is invited to contribute to the collaborative Community Sketchbook. Borrow it from the library and fill in your page with a drawing, poem, painting or anything else that you can think of. When the sketchbook is full, it will become a permanent part of the library's collection. All entries are welcome, but we encourage you to explore this year's theme: Kindness Matters.

Skype-a-Scientist: Burn, Baby, Burn!

Monday January 17 • 2pm
Join us for a Zoom discussion with Ecology Ph.D. candidate Amy Wrobleksi, who will talk about humans and wildfire. Join us for a brief presentation and a Q and A session for all ages.

Community Expedition

January 17-February 25
Get outdoors this winter with your family this winter to explore our shared community. Stop by the Children's Place to pick up expedition supplies (stamp pad, journal and map) and start your journey. Visit the mapped locations at your pace and on your schedule. Keep your eyes peeled at each location to complete the activities before stamping your journal.

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Library board

• Monday January 10 • 6pm
• Monday February 14 • 6pm

Friends board

Monday February 21 • 6:30pm

Library hours

Weekdays 9-9 • Saturdays 10-5
Sundays 12-5

Holiday hours

• January 1: CLOSED
New Years' Day
• January 17: OPEN MLK Jr. Day
• February 21: OPEN Presidents Day

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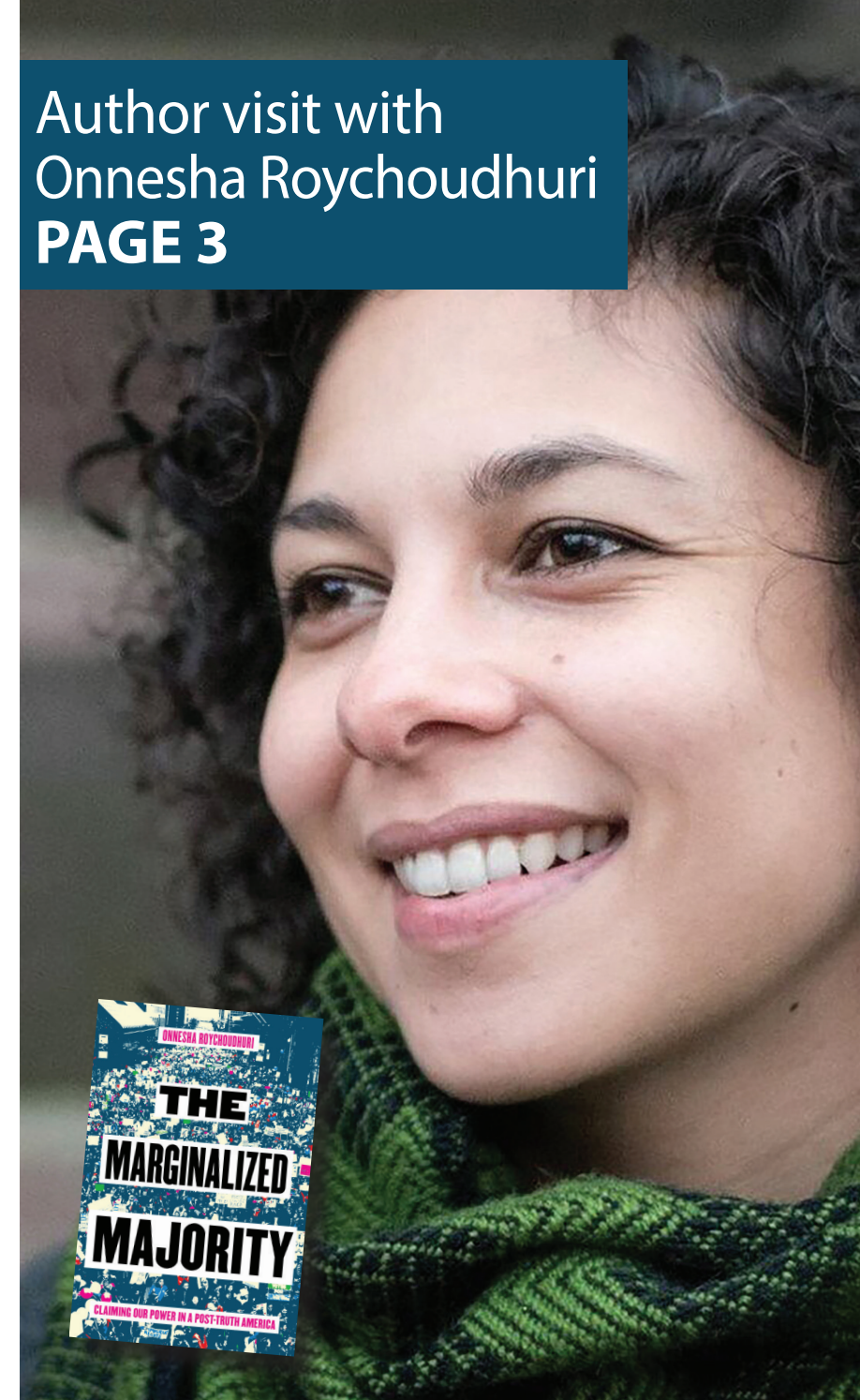
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